



Criminal Justice Associate of Arts

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Texas Southmost College
Division of Arts and Sciences

The Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice prepares students for entry level positions in criminal justice agencies.

Recommended Course Sequence

Core Courses	Credits	Suggested Semester/Year
<u>ENGL 1301 * Composition I</u>	3	Fall/Year 1
<u>MATH 1342* Elementary Statistical Methods</u>	3	Fall/Year 1
<u>HIST 1301 United States History I OR</u> <u>HIST 2327§ Mexican American History I (to the United States-Mexico War Era)</u>	3	Fall/Year 1
XXXX X3XX‡ Component Area Option Elective	3	Fall/Year 1
<u>ENGL 1302 Composition II</u>	3	Spring/Year 1
<u>HIST 1302 United States History II OR</u> <u>HIST 2328§ Mexican American History II (to the United States-Mexico War Era)</u>	3	Spring/Year 1
XXXX X3XX‡ Creative Arts Elective	3	Spring/Year 1
XXXX X3XX‡ Language, Philosophy & Culture/Creative Arts Elective	3	Fall/Year 2
<u>GOVT 2305 Federal Government</u>	3	Fall/Year 2
XXXX X3XX‡ Life and Physical Sciences Elective	3	Fall/Year 2
<u>GOVT 2306 Texas Government</u>	3	Spring/Year 2
XXXX X3XX‡ Component Area Option Elective	3	Spring/Year 2
XXXX X3XX‡ Life and Physical Sciences Elective	3	Spring/Year 2
<u>PSYC 2301 General Psychology</u>	3	Spring/Year 2
Program Courses	Credits	Suggested Semester/Year
<u>CRIJ 1306*† Court Systems & Practices</u>	3	Fall/Year 1
<u>CRIJ 1301*† Introduction to Criminal Justice</u>	3	Fall/Year 1
<u>CRIJ 1310*† Fundamentals of Criminal Law</u>	3	Fall/Year 2
<u>CRIJ 1313*† Juvenile Justice System</u>	3	Fall/Year 2
<u>CRIJ 2313*† Correctional System & Practices</u>	3	Spring/Year 2
<u>CRIJ 2328*† Police Systems & Practices</u>	3	Spring/Year 2
Total Credit Hours for Graduation	60	

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Program Student Learning Outcomes (PSLO) are statements that specify what students will know, be able to do or be able to demonstrate when they have completed the program.

1. Discuss constitutional freedoms and rights of citizens and explain how an ethical criminal justice system and participatory citizenship protects those freedoms and rights.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of the three major areas of America's criminal justice system (Police, Courts, & Corrections).
3. Analyze a criminal case and understand its relevance to protect freedoms and rights.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of fundamental elements of criminal law.

Check course core designation at the [Class Availability website](#).

*Grade of "C" or better is required for graduation.

†Courses must be taken in the order offered.

‡Students may take any course within this category of the TSC General Education Core Curriculum.

§Courses must be taken in sequence: United History I and United History II or Mexican American History I and Mexican American History II.