

Criminal Justice

Associate of Applied Science 2025-2026

Division of Arts and Sciences



The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice provides career advancement opportunities for those holding a current state law enforcement certification. In order to complete this program, students must complete a TCOLE approved basic peace officer training academy.

Recommended Course Sequence

General Education/Core Curriculum Courses	Credits	Suggested Semester
ENGL 1301* Composition I	3	Fall/Year 1
MATH 1332* Contemporary Mathematics	3	Fall/Year 1
GOVT 2305 Federal Government	3	Spring/Year 1
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology OR	3	Fall/Year 2
PSYC 2301 General Psychology		
XXXX X3XX [†] Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective OR	. 3	Fall/Year 2
XXXX X3XX [†] Creative Arts Elective		
Program Courses	Credits	Suggested Semester
CJLE 1506 [‡] Basic Peace Officer I	5	Fall/Year 1
CJLE 1512‡ Basic Peace Officer II	5	Fall/Year 1
CJLE 1518‡ Basic Peace Officer III	5	Fall/Year 1
CJLE 1524 [‡] Basic Peace Officer IV	5	Fall/Year 1
CJLE 1429 [‡] Basic Peace Officer V	4	Fall/Year 1
CRIJ 1301* Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	Fall/Year 1
CRIJ 1313* Juvenile Justice System	3	Fall/Year 1
CRIJ 2328* Police Systems and Practices	3	Spring/Year 1
CRIJ 1306* Court Systems and Practices	3	Spring/Year 1
CRIJ 1310* Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3	Spring/Year 1
CRIJ 1307* Crime in America	3	Fall/Year 2
CRIJ 2323* Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement	3	Fall/Year 2
Total Credit Hours for Graduation	60	

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.

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

This information is provided as an example only. You will develop a personalized plan with your Success Coach and faculty advisor/mentor that reflects your goals and interests. You are required to meet with an advisor each semester to ensure you are on track for graduation. This document does not contain all the information you need to stay on track for graduation.

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

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

[‡]Courses must be taken in the order offered.