



## **Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice** (60 credit hours)

*The Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice provides a foundation in criminal justice theory and concepts. The program serves to enhance the professional career paths of those already within the discipline and serves as a background for further baccalaureate study.*

### **TERM 1**

#### **COE 1010 Introduction to College Experience (3 credit hours)**

Opportunity for first year liberal arts students to learn about themselves and adjust to college life. This course sets the groundwork for meeting educational goals in academic, social, physical, emotional, and spiritual dimensions. Topics include study skills, financial aid, library orientation, college catalog, and curriculum, registration overview, campus life, and social issues. Training on computers and computer software.

#### **BUS 2550 Microcomputer Applications (3 credit hours)**

A course designed to introduce students to the world of microcomputer applications as it applies to the world of business. The concentration will be on familiarizing students with the different types of applications for businesses, both off the shelf and specialized.

#### **ENG 1010 Expository Writing (3 credit hours)**

Threshold course in writing. Pre-writing, writing, and revising paragraphs, essays, and documented papers. Reading, discussing, and analyzing rhetorical models. A grade of C or better is required before proceeding to ENG 111. Prerequisites: A grade of C or better in ENG 010 or a minimum ACT sub score of 18 in English or permission of the instructor.

#### **CCJ 1010 Principles of Criminal Justice (3 credit hours)**

This course is an introduction to the basic concepts of criminal justice including policing, corrections, and the justice system.

#### **SCI 1150 Environmental Science (3 credit hours)**

Investigation of the interrelationships between the biotic and abiotic environments, which form the natural world. Topics include structure and function of ecosystems, the causes and consequences of human population growth, environmental pollution, and the importance of balancing utilization and conservation of natural resources.

### **TERM 2**

#### **HIS 2110 History of the United States I (3 credit hours)**

Survey of United States history to 1860; Colonial origins, colonial development, independence and revolution, evolution of American democracy and the seeds of disunion.

**HUM 1040 Survey of Literature (3 credit hours)**

Reading, analyzing and writing about a variety of literary genres including poetry, drama and the short story from the classic to the contemporary. Students will be asked to express and defend their thoughts both orally and through the written word.

**COM 1000 Communication in the Workplace (3 credit hours)**

This course will prepare students to communicate effectively and professionally within the workplace both through written and spoken means. The course will include verbal and non-verbal communication.

**CCJ 1020 Introduction Police Crime Control Strategies (3 credit hours)**

This course will study emerging formats, proactive investigations, systematic strategic approaches to reducing crime, deployment issues, and structured evaluative research.

**REL 1110 Understanding the Old Testament (3 credit hours)**

Content and interpretation of selected portions of the Old Testament.

**TERM 3****CCJ 1200 Principles of Corrections (3 credit hours)**

This course is an introduction to the basic concepts of corrections including institutional and community corrections.

**CCJ 1300 The U.S. Court System (3 credit hours)**

This course is an introduction to the US Court System as it relates to criminal procedure at the municipal, state federal levels.

**CCJ 2000 Overview of Criminal Procedure (3 credit hours)**

This course is an overview of the constitutional parameters of the criminal justice process during all phases.

**CCJ 2100 Principles of Law Enforcement (3 credit hours)**

This course is an overview of the policing function including community policing and juvenile policing.

**CCJ 2200 Drugs in Society (3 credit hours)**

This course is an overview of the constitutional parameters of the criminal justice process during all phases.

**ADDITIONAL COURSES REQUIRED****Concentration Electives (6 credit hours)****Social Science (3 credit hours)****Religion (3 credit hours)****ENG 1020 English Composition II (3 credit hours)**

This course continues English Composition I by extending students' skills in communicating the results of research and analysis across a variety of disciplines. Students will develop a documented essay and longer research paper. The course emphasizes critical thinking, critical reading and the writing process.