

(45 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 15 semester hours

COE 1005 Online Success in Prof. Studies (3 credit hours)

This course is designed for online students only. It provides students with the necessary skills for success in a Virtual Classroom. Emphasis is placed on professional discussion in the virtual environment. Other topics cover student support services, virtual library literacy, financial aid, and academic planning.

BUS 2700 Productivity Applications (3 credit hours)

A course designed to introduce adult learners to Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides and other microcomputer applications.

ENG 1011 Composition I (3 credit hours)

The course introduces students to the fundamentals of written discourse. It focuses on developing writing skills emphasizing organization, usage, grammar, gathering of information and expository essays. Students cannot receive credit for both ENG 103 and ENG 1010. A grade of "C" or better is required.

OL 1500 Professionalism in the Workplace (3 credit hours)

Introduction to professional interaction in the workplace with an emphasis on effective communication with subordinates, peers, and supervisors. Students will understand the keys to developing and maintaining effective interpersonal relationships in the workplace.

CCJ 1005 Fundamentals of Criminal Justice (3 credit hours)

This course is a basic study of the criminal justice system. It involves an analysis of the criminal justice system focusing on the police, courts, and corrections.

TERM 2 15 semester hours

REL 1020 Introduction to the New Testament (3 credit hours)

An introduction to the history and themes of the New Testament.

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.

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.

SCI 1100 Basics in Environmental Science (3 credit hours)

An introductory course to the study of environmental issues. A general understanding of application of science to solution of contemporary environmental problems.

CCJ 1150 Foundations of Corrections (3 credit hours)

Discusses the trends and developments in all elements of a modern correctional system for the treatment of juvenile and adult offenders.

TERM 3 15 semester hours**CCJ 1250 Introduction to the U.S. Court System (3 credit hours)**

This course is an introduction to the U.S. court system as it relates to criminal procedure at the municipal, state and federal levels.

HIS 2000 U.S. History I (3 credit hours)

Surveys the factors that contributed to the development of the United States as a new nation. It examines the major people, events, institutions, ideas, and conflicts that shaped the nation from the earliest contacts between Europeans and indigenous populations to 1860.

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 2010 Introduction to 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 explores the issues related to the use and abuse of drugs in contemporary society. The psychology of drug use and abuse are explored. The sociological implications of widespread drug use are considered.

ADDITIONAL COURSES REQUIRED

ENG 1021 Composition II (3 credit hours)

This course is a continuation of ENG 1011. It focuses on more advanced persuasive and literary based critical and evaluative skills in English composition. Students cannot receive credit for both ENG 113 and ENG 1021.

Concentration Electives (6 credit hours)

Social Science (3 credit hours)

Religion (3 credit hours)