

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS)

Locations: Gonzales, Online

The Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice provides a foundation in criminological, sociological, and psychological ideas as it relates to criminal justice. Graduates will gain the knowledge, technical skills, and communication skills to meet the demands in occupations such as law enforcement, criminological research, crime analysis, the courts, adult and juvenile justice, and public safety. This program is designed to prepare students for entry-level employment rather than to transfer to a four-year college or university. All courses must be passed with "C" or better. Developmental courses will not be applied to the degree.

Curriculum

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
CRJU 1013 or CRJU 1023	Intro to Criminal Justice or Intro to Police, Courts & Corr	3
CRJU 2013	The Corrections Process	3
CRJU 2313	Contemporary Law Enforcement	3
ENGL 1013	English Composition I (General Education, English Composition)	3
General Education, Social Science - PSYC 2013		3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
CRJU 2213	Criminal Law	3
CRJU 2073	Psychology of Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 2083	Drugs, Behavior, and Society	3
CRJU 2033	Criminal Investigation	3
CRJU 2113	Criminology	3
Hours		15
Third Semester		
CRJU 2413	Juvenile Justice	3
CRJU 2613	The American Judicial Process	3
CRJU 2093	Intro to Forensic Science	3
CPTR 1013	Intro to Computer Technology	3
General Education, Mathematics/Analytics Reasoning - Select one of the following:		3
MATH 1213	College Algebra	
MATH 1203	Applied Algebra	
MATH 1313	Finite Mathematics	
Hours		15
Fourth Semester		
SPCH 2013	Techniques of Speech	3
General Education, Natural Science - choose BIOL, CHEM, ENV, GEOL, PHSC, or PHYS		3
POLI 2013	American Government	3
Approved Criminal Justice Elective - Choose one of the following:		3
CRJU 2063	Comp Criminal Justice Systems	
CRJU 2103	Victimology	
SPAN 1003	Spanish for Workplace Professi	
General Education, Humanities - HIST 2023		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		60

Additional Academic Awards

Criminal justice studies, Certificate of technical studies (CTs)

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CRJU 1013 or CRJU 1023	Intro to Criminal Justice Intro to Police, Courts & Corr	3
CRJU 2013	The Corrections Process	3
CRJU 2313	Contemporary Law Enforcement	3
CRJU 2213	Criminal Law	3
CRJU 2073 or CRJU 2083	Psychology of Criminal Justice Drugs, Behavior, and Society	3
CRJU 2033	Criminal Investigation	3
CRJU 2113	Criminology	3
Total Hours		21

Criminal justice, technical diploma (Td)

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CRJU 2313	Contemporary Law Enforcement	3
CRJU 2213	Criminal Law	3
CRJU 2073	Psychology of Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 2083	Drugs, Behavior, and Society	3
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CRJU 2093	Intro to Forensic Science	3
CPTR 1013	Intro to Computer Technology	3
SPCH 2013	Techniques of Speech	3
POLI 2013	American Government	3
Select CRJU 2063, CRJU 2103, or SPAN 1003		3
Total Hours		45

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be able to:

1. Discuss the criminal justice system, specifically, the roles of citizens, police, courts, and corrections.
2. Give examples of standards of conduct for investigative, evidence collection, and procedural processes.
3. Explain basic constitutional legal procedural rights afforded criminally accused citizens in the United States.
4. Distinguish between the adult and juvenile justice systems including procedural differences and the distinct and overlapping roles of each.
5. Demonstrate communication skills needed to incorporate information obtained in typical police calls and investigative situations into reports.
6. Analyze ethical issues and dilemmas of the criminal justice system.

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