

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, B.A.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Schuylkill, Wilkes-Barre

PROGRAM CURRENTLY ON HOLD; NOT ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS
Begin Date of Enrollment Hold: October 5, 2020

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Administration of Justice provides students with a broadly based liberal education focused on the understanding and analysis of justice systems. Having grappled with the many dilemmas and controversies presented by the problems of administering justice in a complex society, graduates of this program are given the background to be educated, thoughtful, and intelligent citizens.

What is Administration of Justice?

As we continue the journey deeper into the twenty-first century, society is facing the serious social problem of effectively addressing crime in a rapidly changing world. Administration of Justice focuses on the inter-related components of the criminal justice system, public and private sector enforcement, legal systems, correctional treatment and community services. Students achieve a liberal arts education, including competency in foreign language. There is a focus on the development of critical thinking, written and verbal communication skills necessary to be successful leaders in this and related careers. Students engage in classroom instruction, individual study and possible field experience.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You enjoy communicating with others.
- You are an analytical thinker.
- You wish to individualize a concentration of coursework.
- You intend to become a practitioner in one of the traditional areas of criminal justice, such as law enforcement or corrections.
- You are looking for an exciting career where no two days are alike.
- You will seek employment in a human service field such as counseling, therapy or rehabilitation.
- You are considering graduate study in Administration of Justice, Public Administration, Legal Studies or other related fields.

Entrance to Major

In order to be eligible for entrance to this major, a student must:

1. attain at least a C (2.00) cumulative grade-point average for all courses taken at the University; and
2. have at least third-semester classification (<https://www.registrar.psu.edu/enrollment/semester-classification.cfm>).

READ SENATE POLICY 37-30: ENTRANCE TO AND CHANGES IN MAJOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/37-00-entrance-to-a-college-or-major/>)

Degree Requirements

For the Bachelor of Arts degree in Administration of Justice, a minimum of 120 credits is required:

Requirement	Credits
General Education	45
Electives	11-15
Bachelor of Arts Requirements	24
Requirements for the Major	43-44

4-7 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 0-3 credits of GH courses; 4 credits of GQ courses.

3 of the 24 credits for Bachelor of Arts Requirements are included in the Requirements for the Major, General Education, or Electives and 0-12 credits are included in Electives if foreign language proficiency is demonstrated by examination.

Requirements for the Major

A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the major. To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn at least a C grade in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44>).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
<i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
CRIMJ 12	Criminology	3
CRIMJ 100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRIMJ 221	Issues in the American Criminal Justice System	3
STAT 200	Elementary Statistics	4
Additional Courses		
<i>Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
CRIMJ 451	Race, Crime, and Justice	3
	or CRIMJ 453 Women and the Criminal Justice System	
Select 3-4 credits of the following:		3-4
BA 241	Legal Environment of Business	
& BA 242	and Social and Ethical Environment of Business	
	or BA 243 Social, Legal, and Ethical Environment of Business	
CRIMJ 465	Ethics in Criminal Justice	
PHIL 3	Ethical Life	
PHIL 103	Ethics	
PHIL 105	Philosophy of Law	
PHIL 106	Business Ethics	
	or PHIL/ STS 107 Philosophy of Technology	
STS 100	Science, Technology, and Culture	
STS 101	Modern Science, Technology, and Human values	
	or STS/ PHIL 107	
Select 18 credits with at least 9 credits in the 400 level of the following:		18
CRIMJ 13	Juvenile Delinquency	
CRIMJ 113	Introduction to Law	

CRIMJ 200	Introduction to Security and Loss Control
CRIMJ 210	Policing in America
CRIMJ 220	Courts and the Prosecution Process
CRIMJ 230	Corrections in America
CRIMJ 234	Fundamental Techniques of Scientific Criminal Investigation
CRIMJ 241	Computer Applications in Public Affairs/Criminal Justice
CRIMJ 296	Independent Studies
CRIMJ 297	Special Topics
CRIMJ 300	
CRIMJ 304	Security Administration
CRIMJ 310	Forensic Science I
CRIMJ 345	Criminal Justice and the Community
CRIMJ 389	Gangs and Gang Behavior
CRIMJ 406	Sociology of Deviance
CRIMJ 407	Victimology
CRIMJ 408	Police Administration
CRIMJ 410	The Pennsylvania Court System
CRIMJ 412	Crime, Social Control, and the Legal System
CRIMJ 413	Advanced Criminological Theory
CRIMJ 414	Criminal Careers and the Organization of Crime
CRIMJ 415	Drug Control Policy in Comparative Perspective
CRIMJ 420	Criminal Law and Procedure
CRIMJ 421	Violent Crime in the United States
CRIMJ 422	Victimization
CRIMJ 423	Sexual and Domestic Violence
CRIMJ 424	
CRIMJ 425	Organized Crime
CRIMJ 426	Special Offender Types
CRIMJ 430	Alternatives to Incarceration
CRIMJ 431	Offender and Prisoner Rights
CRIMJ 432	Crime and the American Court System
CRIMJ 435	Border Security
CRIMJ 439	The Politics of Terrorism
CRIMJ 441	The Juvenile Justice System
CRIMJ 450W	Senior Seminar
CRIMJ 460	History and Function of Criminal Justice Components
CRIMJ 462	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems
CRIMJ 467	Law and Society
CRIMJ 469	Drugs and Drug Policy in the United States
CRIMJ 471	Legal Rights, Duties, Liabilities of Criminal Justice Personnel
CRIMJ 473	Criminal Procedure and Evidence in the Business Community
CRIMJ 482	Seminar, Criminal Justice Agency Administration
CRIMJ 489W	Victimology: Predatory Crime
CRIMJ 497	Special Topics

Supporting Courses and Related Areas

Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better

Select 6 credits, in consultation with adviser, from University-wide offerings according to student's career plan 6

General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/>) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required and Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- **Quantification (GQ):** 6 credits
- **Writing and Speaking (GWS):** 9 credits

Breadth in the Knowledge Domains (Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- **Arts (GA):** 3 credits
- **Health and Wellness (GHW):** 3 credits
- **Humanities (GH):** 3 credits
- **Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS):** 3 credits
- **Natural Sciences (GN):** 3 credits

Integrative Studies

- **Inter-Domain Courses (Inter-Domain):** 6 credits

Exploration

- **GN**, may be completed with Inter-Domain courses: 3 credits
- **GA, GH, GN, GHW, Inter-Domain courses.** This may include 3 credits of World Language course work beyond the 12th credit level or the requirements for the student's degree program, whichever is higher: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements

First Year Engagement

All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement

6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements

- **United States Cultures:** 3 credits
- **International Cultures:** 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum

3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits

A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work

Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition

The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80>)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

B.A. Degree Requirements

Foreign Language (0-12 credits): Student must attain 12th credit level of proficiency in one foreign language. See the Placement Policy for Penn State Foreign Language Courses (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/advising-planning-degree-program/course-placements/placement-policy-world-language-courses/>).

B.A. Fields (9 credits): Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Arts, Foreign Languages, Natural Sciences, Quantification (may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major; foreign language credits in this category must be in a second foreign language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the first language)

Other Cultures (0-3 credits): Select 3 credits from approved list. Students may count courses in this category in order to meet other major, minor, elective, or General Education requirements, except for the General Education US/IL requirement.

Program Learning Objectives Greater Allegheny Campus

1. **Know Structure:** Demonstrate understanding around the history, structure and function of the three branches of criminal justice (Courts, Law Enforcement, Corrections).
2. **Know Context:** Demonstrate understanding around the relationship between culture, social class, race and ethnicity, gender and sexuality and criminal justice involvement.
3. **Know and Use Theory:** Demonstrate understanding of core theories in criminology and the sociology of deviance and their relevance to different types of offenses and offenders.
4. **Think Critically:** Demonstrate ability to solve criminal justice problems through an understanding of context, the identification of appropriate evidence, and appreciation of potential barriers and limitations.
5. **Do Research:** Demonstrate ability to formulate research questions, implement basic quantitative and qualitative research methods, collect and analyze limited data.

6. **Communicate:** Demonstrate ability to effectively communicate practical and theoretical criminal justice issues through papers, posters, and oral presentations.

Wilkes-Barre Campus

1. Students will be able to have a basic understanding of the nature of the three branches of the Criminal Justice System (Legal, Law Enforcement, Corrections).
2. Students will be able to have developed critical thinking skills to understand and to formulate solutions to problems relating to criminological issues.
3. The students will have developed a core of criminological knowledge and concepts which will help them understand the functioning of and issues relevant to the criminal justice system.
4. Students will be able to understand and apply theories of criminal and deviant behavior, and the behavior of law.
5. Students will be able to read and correctly interpret Criminal Justice research and data.
6. Students will be able to understand the relationship between culture, social class and criminal justice.
7. Students will be able to communicate criminological issues effectively and deliver written and/or oral presentations.
8. Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge and application skills regarding the fact that the criminal justice professional must operate in a climate of tolerance and respect where opposing viewpoints can be exchanged openly.

Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2023-24 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (Note: the archive only contains suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin).

Administration of Justice, B.A. at DuBois Campus

The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [‡]	3 CRIMJ 12 [*]	3
CRIMJ 100 [*]	3 CAS 100, 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
World Language level 1	4 World Language level 2	4

PSU 8	1 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	17	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BA 243 or PHIL 103 [*]	3-4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
STAT 200 ^{*††}	4 CRIMJ 221 [*]	3
World Language level 3	4 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	General Education Course	3
	14-15	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 451 or 453 [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3
CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 BA Other Cultures Course	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3
Major Supporting Course [*]	3 Major Supporting Course [*]	3
BA Fields Course	3 Elective	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Total Credits 122-123

Administration of Justice, B.A. at Fayette Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 CRIMJ 221 [*]	3
CRIMJ 100 ^{**†}	3 CRIMJ 12 ^{**†}	3
General Education Course	3 CAS 100 [‡]	3
World Language Level 001	4 World Language Level 002	4
Quantification (GQ) [‡]	3 General Education Course	3
PSU 8	1 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	17	17.5

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
STAT 200 [‡]	4 CRIMJ 451 or 453 [*]	3
Consultation w/Adviser-Support Area [*]	3 CRIMJ Selection [*]	3
World Language Level 003	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 Values and Ethics Course [*]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	Elective	3
	17	16.5

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Selection [*]	3 CRIMJ 400-Level [*]	3
Consultation w/Adviser-support area [*]	3 CRIMJ 400-Level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 ENGL 202 (A, B, C, or D) (GWS) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 Bachelor of Arts Fields	3
Writing Across the Curriculum	3 Other Cultures	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 400-Level [*]	3 Bachelor of Arts Fields	3
CRIMJ 400-Level [*]	3 General Education Course	3
Bachelor of Arts Fields	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
	15	12

Total Credits 125

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major

‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Administration of Justice, B.A. at Greater Allegheny Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [‡]	3 CRIMJ 12 [*]	3
CRIMJ 100 [*]	3 CAS 100, 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
World Language level 1	4 World Language level 2	4
PSU 8	1 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	17	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BA 243 or PHIL 103 [*]	3-4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
CRIMJ 221 [*]	3 STAT 200 ^{*††}	4
World Language level 3	4 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	General Education Course	3
	13-14	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210 [*]	3 CRIMJ 220 [*]	3
CRIMJ 451 or 453 [*]	3 CRIMJ 230 [*]	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 BA Other Cultures Course	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3 CRIMJ 424W [*]	3
Major Supporting Course [*]	3 CRIMJ 250W [*]	3
BA Fields Course	3 Elective	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Total Credits 122-123

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Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

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General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Administration of Justice, B.A. at Hazleton Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H ^{††}	3 CRIMJ 12 ^{*†}	3
CRIMJ 100 ^{*†}	3 CRIMJ 221 [*]	3
General Education Course [†]	3 CAS 100 ^{††}	3
General Education Course [†]	3 World Language Level 2 ³	4
World Language Level 1 ³	4 General Education Course [†]	3
PSU 8	1 General Education Course(GHW) [†]	1.5
	17	17.5

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Consultation with adviser - related area ^{2*}	3 CRIMJ 451 or 453 [*]	3
World Language Level 3 ³	4 CRIMJ Selection ^{1*}	3
STAT 200 ^{*†}	4 Values and Ethics Course [*]	3-4
General Education Course [†]	3 General Education Course (GHW) [†]	1.5
General Education Course [†]	3 General Education Course (GN) [†]	4
	Elective ⁷	3
	17	17.5-18.5

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Selection ^{1*}	3 CRIMJ 400 level course ^{1*}	3
Consultation with adviser - related area ^{2*}	3 CRIMJ 400 level course ^{1*}	3
Writing Across Curriculum ^{*†}	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D ^{††}	3
General Education Course [†]	3 BA Requirement	3
General Education Course [†]	3 BA Requirement, other cultures	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 400 level course ^{1*}	3 BA Requirement	3
BA Requirement	3 General Education Course [†]	3
CRIMJ Selection ^{1*}	3 General Education Course [†]	3
Elective ⁴	3 Elective ⁴	3
Elective ⁴	3	
	15	12

Total Credits 126-127

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‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

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W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

¹ Additional CRIMJ courses: Select 18 credits in CRIMJ courses, with at least 9 credits at the 400-level.

² Major supporting courses: Select 6 credits, in consultation with adviser. Recommended options include psychology courses (e.g., abnormal forensic), HDFS courses (e.g., courses on developmental or family problems), IST or SRA security courses, and/or internship (CRIMJ 495).

³ Students must complete the 12th credit level in a second language. Credits vary based on skill level.

⁴ Students typically need 12 - 18 elective credits

Administration of Justice, B.A. at Schuylkill Campus

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First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [‡]	3 CRIMJ 12*	3
CRIMJ 100*	3 CAS 100, 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
World Language level 1	4 World Language level 2	4
PSU 8	2 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	18	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BA 243 or PHIL 103*	3-4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
STAT 200 ^{*††}	4 CRIMJ 221*	3
World Language level 3	4 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	General Education Course	3
	14-15	15
Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 451 or 453*	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level*	3
CRIMJ Additional Course - any level*	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level*	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level*	3
General Education Course	3 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 BA Other Cultures Course	3
	15	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level*	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level*	3
Major Supporting Course*	3 Major Supporting Course*	3
BA Fields Course	3 Elective	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Total Credits 123-124

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Integrative Studies (either Inter-domain or Linked Courses)

Integrative Studies may be completed within the 30 Knowledge Domain credits and must be completed with either Inter-domain or Linked courses, not a combination of both. For Inter-domain courses, credit may apply to both Knowledge Domain designations but does not reduce the total number of credits within the Knowledge Domains and at least 3 credits of single-domain coursework are required in each of the 5 Knowledge Domains. Linked courses used for the Integrative Studies requirement must represent two different Knowledge Domains.

Administration of Justice, B.A. at Wilkes-Barre Campus

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First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [‡]	3 CRIMJ 12 [*]	3
CRIMJ 100 [*]	3 CAS 100, 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
World Language level 1	4 World Language level 2	4
PSU 8	1 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	17	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BA 243 or PHIL 103 [*]	3-4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
STAT 200 ^{*††}	4 CRIMJ 221 [*]	3
World Language level 3	4 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	General Education Course	3
	14-15	15
Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 451 or 453 [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3
CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - any level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3
General Education Course	3 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course	3 BA Other Cultures Course	3
	15	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3 CRIMJ Additional Course - 400-level [*]	3
Major Supporting Course [*]	3 Major Supporting Course [*]	3
BA Fields Course	3 Elective	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15
Total Credits 122-123		

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major

‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Career Paths

This major helps students prepare for a variety of challenging careers through a combination of professional and individualized liberal arts coursework, emphasizing the underlying sociological aspects of criminal justice, in addition to options for graduate study and continued education.

Careers

Graduates in the Administration of Justice program find an array of career opportunities in federal, state, and local law enforcement and correction agencies, probation and parole services, community crime prevention and treatment services, and private sector security. Many opportunities are available in juvenile and drug rehabilitation counseling, recreation programs, forestry settings, and other sites. Career opportunities, which are expanding rapidly, offer a good salary, excellent job security, and extensive possibilities for advancement.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

The degree also provides you with an excellent opportunity for graduate school, including masters or doctorate programs in law, criminology, human development, psychology, and the social sciences. Students also participate in original research, which provides experience designed to assist you in determining your career goals.

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