ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, B.S.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Beaver, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, New Kensington, Shenango, Schuylkill, Wilkes-Barre

Degree Requirements

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

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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.

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 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44).

Code | Title                        | Credits |
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Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better

- 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: Require a grade of C or better

- CRIMJ 451 Race, Crime, and Justice  3
- or CRIMJ 453 Women and the Criminal Justice System  3

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:

- 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
Emphasis
Select an emphasis 15

Field Research:
CRIMJ 240W Field Research in the Criminal Justice
CRIMJ 290 Introduction to Internship Experience
CRIMJ 494 Research Topics
CRIMJ 495 Internship in Criminal Justice

Research and Policy Analysis:
Select 15 credits with at least 6 at the 400 level of the following:
AMST 491W American Studies Perspectives
CRIMJ 424W Drugs and Crime
CRIMJ 424W The Bureaucratic State
CRIMJ 424W Policy Making and Evaluation
SOC 409 Racial and Ethnic Inequality in America
SOC 419 Race and Public Policy
SOC 422 World Population Diversity
SOC 423 Social Demography

Supporting Courses and Related Areas
Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better
Select 12 credits, in consultation with adviser, from University-wide offerings according to student's career plan 12

1 Some of the courses in this category may have prerequisites that are not included in the major.

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.)
• Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
• Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

Knowledge Domains
• Arts (GA): 6 credits
• Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
• Humanities (GH): 6 credits
• Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 6 credits
• Natural Sciences (GN): 9 credits

Integrative Studies (may also complete a Knowledge Domain requirement)
• Inter-Domain or Approved Linked Courses: 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 (http://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.