

Criminal Justice

Associate of Applied Science

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Criminal Justice is a growing profession in Oregon and is expected to grow faster than the labor market on average into the foreseeable future. Job openings may call for a high school diploma, an associate's degree or a bachelor's degree. COCC's AAS in Criminal Justice program prepares students to begin a criminal justice career upon graduation.

PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

None

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Academic Requirements

- Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA to earn a COCC certificate or degree.
- All Support and Core courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher.

PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Support Courses

MTH 020	Pre-Algebra (or higher)	4
SP 218	Interpersonal Communication	3
WR 121	Academic Composition	4

Core Courses

CJ 100	Survey of the Criminal Justice System	3
CJ 101	Introduction to Criminology	4
CJ 120	Judicial Process	3
CJ 153	Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice	3
CJ 201	Introduction to Juvenile Justice	3
CJ 243	Drugs and Crime in Society	3
CJ 253	Corrections	4
CJ 280	CWE Criminal Justice ¹	2
CJ Electives		15-18

Choose from: CJ 110, CJ 123, CJ 153, CJ 188, CJ 199, CJ 204, CJ 207, CJ 210, CJ 211, CJ 214, CJ 220, CJ 222, CJ 230, CJ 234, CJ 243, CJ 280, CJ 281, CJ 282, EMT 195

Other Required Courses

ED 265	Children at Risk	3
Discipline Studies Social Science (no CJ prefix)		4
Discipline Studies (no CJ prefix)		3-5
Health (3-4 credits with HHP or HHPA prefix)		3-4
Recommend: HHP 252A, HHP 231, HHP 242, HHP 258, HHP 266, HHP 295 ²		
PSY 233	Psych of Violence & Aggression	4
SOC 201	Introduction to Sociology	4
Two additional Psychology courses		8
General Electives: Choose enough credits to reach degree minimum 93 credits ³		13

Total Credits 93-99

¹ CJ 281 CWE Criminal Justice II and CJ 282 CWE Criminal Justice III may be taken as electives after successful completion of CJ 280 CWE Criminal Justice.

² HHPA activity courses (1 credit each) are not to be duplicated.

³ Any class from the Discipline Studies list or any 100-level or higher class from the following subject areas, or with approval from the CJ program director:

- Addictions Studies (HS prefix)
- ART 161, ART 162, ART 163, ART 261, ART 265
- Computer and Information Systems
- Criminal Justice
- Emergency Medical Services (EMT)
- World Languages
- Geographic Information Systems
- Health and Human Performance (no repeats of activity courses)

- Military Science
- Speech
- Study Skills (HD prefix)

ADVISING NOTES

This degree is designed for students planning to enter their chosen career upon graduation. Often only selected credits are considered transferrable to public or private baccalaureate institutions.