CRIMINAL JUSTICE - ASSOCIATE DEGREE

66 credits

See an Advisor or Program Manager for administration changes in 2016-2017 for this degree.

The Associate in Criminal Justice introduces students to three areas of the Criminal Justice system: police, courts, and corrections. This degree is interdisciplinary in nature. Studies include the humanities, law, natural, behavioral and social sciences. The curriculum seeks to balance theoretical inquiry with applied knowledge.

This Associate degree satisfies the first two years of the Distance Education Bachelor of Criminal Justice.

New Mexico Common Core

Area I: Communications
ENGL 111G Rhetoric and Composition 4
Select one from the following: 3
ENGL 203G Business and Professional Communication
ENGL 218G Technical and Scientific Communication
ENGL 211G Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences
COMM 265G Principles of Human Communication
or COMM 253G Public Speaking

Area II: Mathematics
Select one from the following: 3
MATH 210G Mathematics Appreciation
MATH 121G College Algebra
Higher MATH course

Area III: Science
Select two from two departments: 8
ASTR 105G The Planets
or ASTR 110G Introduction to Astronomy
BIOL 111G Natural History of Life & 111GL and Natural History of Life Laboratory
BIOL 101G Human Biology & 101GL and Human Biology Laboratory
BIOL 110G Contemporary Problems in Biology
CHEM 110G Principles and Applications of Chemistry
C S 171G Introduction to Computer Science
E S 110G Introductory Environmental Science
GEOG 111G Geography of the Natural Environment
or GEOL 111G Introductory to Geology
PHYS 110G The Great Ideas of Physics

Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences
Select 6-9 credits from 2-3 departments: 6-9
ANTH G courses
C EP 110G Human Growth and Behavior
ECON G courses
GEOG G courses
GOVT G courses

LING 200G Introduction to Language
PSY 201G Introduction to Psychology
SOC 101G Introductory Sociology
SOC 201G Contemporary Social Problems
S WK 221G Introduction to Social Welfare
W S 201G Introduction to Women’s Studies

Area V: Humanities/Fine Art
Select 6-9 credits from 2-3 departments: 6-9
ART 101G Orientation in Art
ENGL 115G Perspectives on Literature
or ENGL 220G Introduction to Creative Writing
HIST 101G Roots of Modern Europe
HIST 102G Modern Europe
HIST 201G Introduction to Early American History
HIST 202G Introduction to Recent American History
MUS 101G An Introduction to Music
MUS 201G History of Jazz in Popular Music: A Blending of Cultures
PHIL G course
THTR 101G The World of Theatre

Criminal Justice Core Courses
C J 101G Introduction to Criminal Justice 3
C J 205 Criminal Law 3
C J 210 The American Law Enforcement System 3
C J 230 Introduction to Corrections 3
C J 250 Courts and the Criminal Justice System 3

Related Course Requirements
Select 8 credits from NMSU College of Arts and Sciences second language requirements.

Other Course Requirements
COLL 101 College/Life Success 3
C S 110 Computer Literacy 3
or OECS 105 Introduction to Information Technology

Electives
Select additional electives to bring total credits to a minimum of 66.

Total Credits 66

Note: A grade of C or better is required in all Criminal Justice courses and any courses filling the Arts & Sciences Core Requirements.

Second Language Requirements

The College of Arts & Sciences requires completion of a second language through the 212 level for the Bachelor of Criminal Justice degree. See the NMSU Catalog for College of Arts and Sciences (http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/arts-sciences) for additional information on how to satisfy this requirement.

Second Language Requirements:
1. Completion of a second language through the 112 level
2. Completion through the 213 level for native speakers