

Administration of Justice

Associate in Applied Science

The Administration of Justice curriculum is designed to provide a broad educational foundation which will prepare graduates for employment in numerous criminal justice related occupations. For



students already working in the criminal justice field, this curriculum will provide preparation for advancement in the profession. Note: The Associate in Applied Science degree does not take the place of attendance at a basic academy which most police, corrections or security agencies require prior to being employed by that agency. However, the Administration of Justice curriculum will prepare one academically for successful completion of an agency academy.

Careers in the Administration of Justice field cover a wide variety of activities. Most common are the uniformed officers who form our local, county, and state police agencies. However, many people are employed in an enforcement capacity by such government agencies as the FBI, Secret Service, Border Patrol, Treasury Department, and National Forest and Park Services. (Some of these agencies may require a four-year degree.) One may also find employment in related criminal justice occupations including corrections, retail and industrial security, probation/parole, insurance work, and private investigation.

Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree program will be advised to substitute several courses for those listed in the curriculum.

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Academic advisors are available to assist students in planning their program and selecting electives.

Administration of Justice — Degree Requirements

		First Year	
Course No.	Course Title	1st Sem.	2nd Sem.
ADJ 100	Survey of Criminal Justice	3	-
ADJ 105	The Juvenile Justice System	3	-
ADJ 128	Patrol Administration and Operations	3	-
	Computer Elective ¹	3	-
ENG 111	College Composition I	3	-
SDV 100	Orientation	1	-
ADJ 107	Survey of Criminology	-	3
ADJ 116	Special Enforcement Topics	-	3
ADJ 140	Introduction to Corrections	-	3
ENG 131	Technical Report Writing I ²	-	3
HLT/PED	Health or Physical Education ³	-	1
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	-	3
Total		16	16

		Second Year	
Course No.	Course Title	1st Sem.	2nd Sem.
ADJ 211-212	Criminal Law, Evidence, and Procedures I-II	3	3
ADJ 236	Principles of Criminal Investigation	3	-
HLT/PED	Health or Physical Education ³	1	-
MTH 120	Introduction to Mathematics	3	-
PLS 211	U.S. Government I ⁴	3	-
PSY 255	Psychological Aspect of Criminal Behavior ⁵	3	-
ADJ 237	Advanced Criminal Investigation	-	3
	Humanities Elective ⁶	-	3
	Elective ⁷	-	3
ADJ 229	Law Enforcement and the Community	-	3
SOC 200	Principles of Sociology	-	3
Total		16	18

Minimum credits required to graduate **66**

¹ Select from BUS 226 Computer Business Applications or ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts.

² ENG 112 may be substituted for ENG 131.

³ It is recommended that ADJ students satisfy PED by taking HLT 121 Introduction to Drug Use and Abuse.

⁴ PLS 212 May be substituted for PLS 211.

⁵ Any three credits of Social Sciences will satisfy the PSY 255 requirement.

⁶ See course catalog for available courses.

⁷ Elective is satisfied by completion of any one of the following: ADJ 196 On-Site Training, AST 107 Editing Proofreading Skills, SPD 100 Principles of Public Speaking, or SPD 110 Introduction to Speech Communication. Permission to take ADJ 196 must be given by the Program Head.