Criminal Justice - Public and Private Security (CRJ)

A balance of general, liberal arts, and technical courses is offered to those students who intend to enter the field of criminal justice directly upon graduation or who are currently employed within the field and do not intend to pursue the baccalaureate degree at a four-year institution. This program leads to rewarding careers in law enforcement, corrections, industrial security and numerous other related positions at the municipal, state and federal levels.

Note: Completion of this program does not preclude the student from subsequently pursuing the baccalaureate degree should he/she decide to do so. However, transfer policies vary from college to college and the student should be aware that additional coursework in the general and liberal arts education area are likely to be required at a fouryear institution.

Students pursuing careers in criminal justice or related fields should be aware that certain aspects of health and or character may be conditional to employment.

The Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree is awarded upon completion of the requirements for this program.

Students who successfully complete the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Criminal Justice – Public and Private Security (CRJ) will be able to:

- Identify the various components of the Criminal Justice System including police courts and corrections.
- Describe the Criminal Justice Process from incident, initial contact with law enforcement, through the trial process and sentencing.

 Demonstrate an understanding of Due Process.

Courses should be selected in consultation with an advisor.

The following microcredential stacks into the CRJ Program: Public Safety.

First Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
ENG 101	Composition I	3
BHS 103	Social Problems in Today's World	3
CRJ 101	Introduction to Security Administration	3
CRJ 107	Communication and the Criminal	3
	Justice Process	
CRJ 141	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
TOTAL		15

Second Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
ENG 102	Composition II	3
GOV 121	The American National Experience	3

BIO 103 OR	Human Biology OR	
BIO 104	Environmental Biology	4
CRJ 103	The Corrections Process	3
CRJ 265	Criminal Law & Procedure	3
TOTAL		16

Third Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
BHS 242	Drug and Alcohol Use and Abuse	3
CRJ 253	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 206	Criminal and Scientific Investigation	3
CRJ 201	Criminal Justice Organization	3
	and Administration	
HED 134	First Aid, CPR	3
Elective (a)		3
TOTAL		18

Fourth Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
PSY 134	Group Dynamics	3
CRJ 261	White Collar Crime	3
MAT 118 (c) OR	Elementary Statistics	
MAT 109 (c)	Survey of Mathematics	3
PSY 206	Social Psychology	3
Free Elective (b)		3-4
TOTAL		15-16
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	64

a. Elective courses: Students wishing to take a special Spanish-language series as part of the six-credit elective requirement may initiate these studies during the first semester. Courses applicable in this program are: (a) specific courses listed above; (b) courses applicable in all programs.

b. See a full discussion of the free elective requirement. The subject area for Criminal Justice includes all courses labeled CRJ.

c. Mathematics course: Students must meet math course prerequisites.