

Criminal Justice

Associate in Arts Degree

Why Criminal Justice?

Criminal Justice is an exciting and competitive field, and students interested in pursuing a career in this area need to be focused, disciplined, and dedicated to excellence. This program offers students a variety of courses across all disciplines in criminal justice. The instructors have a vast array of experience in the field and bring unique perspectives to each course. Students who complete the four core criminal justice classes will also have the opportunity to complete an internship that provides real world experience in a criminal justice agency.

Why Bay College?

Bay College offers students a solid education in the Criminal Justice field presented by instructors who have a vast array of experience and at least five years of field work in the areas of Law Enforcement, Criminal Courts and Corrections. The expertise brings a practical and unique perspective to each course. Class sizes are small, and instructors take a very hands-on approach to teaching this very interesting and important degree path.

Beyond Bay College

This program is designed for students who wish to transfer to a 4-year university or college and pursue a baccalaureate degree in criminal justice. In preparation for transfer, this program provides students with a strong general education background, and upon completion, will satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement General Education Requirements.

Career Opportunities

A degree in Criminal Justice opens the door to many careers in a diverse and growing field. Students can go on to be many things, such as:

- Law Enforcement Officers
- Court Professionals
- Corrections Officers

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Concentration in Criminal Justice

Award Granted Upon Completion: Associate in Arts

Credits/Contacts Required: 60/60

Major code: 01/105

CIP Code: 430104

Description

The Associate in Arts in Criminal Justice degree is designed for students who wish to transfer to a four-year college or university and pursue a baccalaureate degree in criminal justice. In addition to preparation for transfer, this program provides students with a strong general education. Students who receive an Associate in Arts in Criminal Justice degree will also satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement listed in the catalog. ☺

General Education Requirements – Min 30 credits

		<u>Cr</u>
ENGL-101	Rhetoric & Composition	3
XXXX-xxx	Communication Elective	3
	ENGL-102 or 145; COMM-103, 104, or 120	
MATH-xxx	Mathematics Elective *	4
	MATH-107, 110, or 210	
XXXX-xxx	Natural Science **	7-10
POLI-111	American Government	3
SOCY-151	Sociology	3
XXXX-xxx	Humanities Electives ***	6

☺ This degree requires fulfillment of the Michigan Transfer Agreement General Education requirements. All courses used to fulfill the MTA must have a grade of "C" or higher. A *minimum* of 30 general education (GE) credits must be taken. If the minimum number of credits from each GE category is taken, an additional course will be necessary from any of the five general education categories.

Requirements – Min 30 credits

CJUS-110	Introduction to Corrections	4
CJUS-112	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
CJUS-212	Introduction to Law Enforcement	4
CJUS-213	The Criminal Court System	4
XXXX-xxx	Electives #	14

* Mathematics courses higher than noted above may substitute for the MTA requirement.

** Students must choose two natural sciences from two different subject areas to meet the MTA requirement, and at least one must be a lab science course. See advisor for details.

*** Students must choose courses in Humanities from two different subject areas to meet MTA. See advisor for details.

Suggested Sequences Per Semester

		<u>Cr / Ct</u>
First Semester		
ENGL-101	Rhetoric & Composition	3/3
CJUS-112	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4/4
SOCY-151	Sociology	3/3
XXXX-XXX	Humanities Elective ***	3/3
XXXX-xxx	Electives #	3/3
		16/16
Second Semester		
CJUS-212	Introduction to Law Enforcement	4/4
MATH-xxx	Mathematics Elective *	4/4
XXXX-XXX	Humanities Elective ***	3/3
XXXX-xxx	Natural Science **	4/4
		15/15
Third Semester		
CJUS-110	Introduction to Corrections	4/4
POLI-111	American Government	3/3
XXXX-xxx	Communication Elective	3/3
XXXX-xxx	Electives #	6/6
		16/16
Fourth Semester		
CJUS-213	The Criminal Court System	4/4
XXXX-xxx	Electives #	5/5
XXXX-xxx	Natural Science w/Lab Elective	4/5
		13/14

This program allows students to select areas of program emphasis in criminal justice such as law enforcement, corrections, public safety, homeland security, and criminal justice generalist.

It is **CRITICAL** that students see their advisor to make an academic plan for this degree. Not all courses are offered every semester.

All Internships and Co-ops require that the student pass a criminal background check.