**Justice and Community Engagement** 

# **Criminal Justice Degree Map**

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#### **Career and Transfer Focus**

The Associate in Science (A.S.) degree in Criminal Justice prepares students to continue their education at four-year degree programs in criminal justice or related liberal arts areas of study. These may include forensic psychology, public administration, sociology, cyber security, criminology, and pre-law. Some of the career opportunities in the justice system include: police officer, corrections officer, sheriff, dispatcher, court officer, parole officer and probation officer. The A.S. in criminal justice program will provide students with the opportunity to earn the college credits that many law enforcement agencies require for entry level positions and it is the optimal choice for students intending to ultimately pursue a bachelor's degree.

## **Three Reasons to Consider Criminal Justice**

- 1. The SUNY Orange teaching faculty are well credentialed and possess practical experience in all areas of the justice system.
- 2. Many of our alumni are currently enjoying careers in the New York State Police, the New York City Police Department, New York State Corrections, the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and numerous other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies throughout the country. Several of our graduates are also practicing attorneys and hold positions in corporate and industrial security firms.
- 3. We have many online courses available as well as flexible scheduling that enable our students to pursue work and career opportunities while pursuing their degrees. We also have articulation agreements with several private and public 4-year colleges that enable our students to seamlessly transfer to these programs upon completion of their AS degree.

## **Keep This in Mind**

Prior to registering, students should contact or make an appointment to meet with counselors and/or advisors to discuss options and have their scheduling questions answered.

Students should register for courses as early as is practical. This will give them more flexible scheduling options. Students should also make note of the Transfer Fair that takes place every November where students can speak directly to four-year criminal justice program representatives.

Students should visit the Department of Criminal Justice offices and pay particular attention to the bulletin boards which often contain career information and civil service exam announcements.

Students should consider joining the SUNY Orange Criminal Justice Club, which meets on the Newburgh and Middletown campuses.

Students have access to a variety of experiential learning components such as a Mock Criminal Court and Resistance to the Use of Force Simulator, as well as an internship program.

The Department of Criminal Justice's Middletown office is located Hudson Hall Room 103 and our Newburgh office is located in Room 317 of the Tower Building. Please feel free to stop by and say hello. You will find the Criminal Justice faculty and staff eager to assist you as you move toward completing your degree.

## **Criminal Justice Gateway Courses:**

- Gateway courses: CRJ 101, CRJ 106, CRJ 107
- Key courses: CRJ 111, CRJ 113, CRJ 115, CRJ 213, CRJ 211
- Electives: CRJ 103, CRJ 105, CRJ 106, CRJ 107, CRJ 109, CRJ 210, CRJ 215, CRJ 216, CRJ 226, CRJ 230

Courses above have been recommended by the department to help introduce you to the program (Gateway courses) and guide you in selecting courses that will provide you with the best academic experience (Key courses and suggested Electives).

## First Semester

Course #	Course Name	<b>P</b> , <b>C</b> , <b>P</b> / <b>C</b>	Cr
ENG 101	Freshman English 1	Р	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology		3
MAT 120	Introduction to Statistics or higher	Р	3
CRJ 101	Criminal Justice		3
CRJ	Criminal Justice elective *		3
	Total Semester Credits		15

#### Milestones

#### During this semester, students should:

- · See advisor and note the availability of group advising for criminal justice students
- Register for classes

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• Meet with Criminal Justice advisor for a career inventory assessment and briefing on upcoming law enforcement exams and filing deadlines.

## Second Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 102	Freshman English 2	P	3
PSY 111	Intro to Psychology		3
COM 101	Foundations of Communication		3
CRJ 111	Criminology		3
CRJ 113	Correction, Probation and Parole	Р	3
PES	Physical Education		1
	Total Semester Credits		16

## Milestones

#### During this semester, students should:

- See advisor and note the availability of group advising for criminal justice students (sessions are available at both Newburgh and Middletown campuses)
- Register for classes

#### **Third Semester**

Course #	Course Name	<b>P</b> , <b>C</b> , <b>P</b> / <b>C</b>	Cr
CRJ 213	Police Organization Administration	Р	3
CRJ 115	Constitutional Law and Criminal Procedure	Р	3
CRJ	Criminal Justice elective *		3
	SUNY Natural Science (GE 2)		3-4
	Restricted SUNY Elective **		3
PES 100	Concepts of Physical Wellness		1
	Total Semester Credits		16-17

## Milestones

#### During this semester, students should:

- See advisor and note the availability of group advising for criminal justice students (sessions are available at both Newburgh and Middletown campuses)
- Register for classes
- Meet with Criminal Justice advisor for a career inventory assessment and briefing on upcoming law enforcement exams and filing deadlines.

## **Fourth Semester**

Course #	Course Name	<b>P, C, P/C</b>	Cr
CRJ 211	Criminal Law	Р	3
CRJ	Criminal Justice elective *		3
CRJ	Criminal Justice elective *		3
	Restricted SUNY Elective #		3
	Any SUNY GE elective		3
	Total Semester Credits		15

#### Milestones

## During this semester, students should:

- See advisor and note the availability of group advising for criminal justice students (sessions are available at both Newburgh and Middletown campuses)
- Apply for graduation
- · Line up letters of recommendation, if needed, from instructors, department chair, and faculty advisors

## **TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS: 62-64**

#### Notes:

#Select from GE 4, 5, 6, 8 or 9 (not already taken).

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\*CRJ Electives: CRJ 103 Understanding the Juvenile Offender, CRJ 105 Police Community Relations, CRJ 106 Patrol Operations, CRJ 107 Industrial and Private Security, CRJ 109 Critical Issues in Law Enforcement, CRJ 210 Terrorism and Society, CRJ 215 Criminal Investigation 1, CRJ 216 Criminal Investigation 2, CRJ 226 Criminalistics, CRJ 230 Criminal Justice Internship

\*\*Select from GE 4, 5 or 6.