CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Associate in Arts
Transfer Preparation* (Major Code: 01250)

Students who wish to major in the Administration of Justice program and plan to go on to a four-year institution are encouraged to pursue an associate in arts degree in criminal justice. The coursework is designed to offer the student a two-year degree program while preparing the student for typically required courses at a college offering a bachelor's or higher-degree program. Criminal Justice majors may complete all of their lower-division requirements at Southwestern College.

The associate in science degree in administration of justice and the associate in arts degree in criminal justice differ in that the A.S. is designed to offer those skills required for immediate employment in the areas of corrections and law enforcement, while the A.A. is intended to meet the needs of transferring students with long range educational goals in the criminal justice field.

Program Student Learning Outcome

 Demonstrate ability to observe objectively and to collect data and facts in order to make an informed judgment.

Code	Title	Units
Program Requirements		
AJ 111	INTRODUCTION TO ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE	3
AJ 151	CONCEPTS OF CRIMINAL LAW	3
AJ 156	LEGAL ASPECTS OF EVIDENCE	3
AJ 188	COMMUNITY RELATIONS	3
AJ 161	PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM	3
or AJ 252	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW	
PS 102	INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	3
SOC 101	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
SOC 110	CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL PROBLEMS	3
MATH 119	ELEMENTARY STATISTICS	3-4
or PSYC/SOC 270	STATISTICS FOR THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	•
Total Units		27-28

* Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete courses specific to the transfer institution of choice. University requirements vary from institution to institution and are subject to change. Therefore, it is important to verify transfer major preparation and general education requirements through consultation with a counselor in either the Counseling Center or Career and Transfer Connections. See catalog Transfer Courses Information (http://catalog.swccd.edu/student-success-support-program/student-services-and-college-services/other-services/transfer-courses/) section for further information.

To earn an associate degree, additional general education and graduation requirements (http://catalog.swccd.edu/certificatescertifications-degrees-csuuc-requirements/) must be completed.

Note: For Police Academy, see Law Enforcement Training Academy (http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/law-enforcement-training-academy/).