

Bachelor of Science

Major in Criminal Justice Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Criminal Justice and with career interests in law enforcement, corrections, or criminal justice administration must meet the following requirements.

- 1. Hours for the Degree:** Completion of a minimum of 128 total semester hours and 24 of the last 30 hours must be completed at UNT; a minimum of 42 hours must be advanced, including at least 12 hours of advanced work in the major and 24 of the 42 advanced hours which must be completed at UNT.
- 2. General University Requirements:** See “General Degree Requirements” in the Academics section of this catalog.
- 3. General Academic Requirements for Degree (including University Core Curriculum):** Minimum of 55 hours. See “Summary of Degree Requirements” for each degree for exact hours.
- 4. Major Requirements:** Major of 63 hours, including 30 hours of criminal justice courses and 33 hours of supporting courses.
- 5. Electives:** 10 hours (plus 3 additional elective hours for students in corrections curriculum).
- 6. Other Course Requirements:** See individual curriculum descriptions.
- 7. Other Requirements:**
 - All students entering the criminal justice program must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 or otherwise be in good academic standing.
 - Students seeking specialized training in law enforcement must complete 21 hours of course work in criminal justice and law enforcement at a junior college or other institution.

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*Following is **one** suggested four-year degree plan. Students are encouraged to see their adviser each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment.*

BS with a Major in Criminal Justice

(Career Interest: Criminal Justice Administration)

FRESHMAN YEAR

FALL	HOURS
ENGL 1310, College Writing I	3
HIST 2610, United States History to 1865 ¹²	3
PSCI 1040, American Government	3
PSYC 1630, General Psychology I ¹⁷	3
CSCI ⁷	<u>3</u>
Total	15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

FALL	HOURS
BLAW 2000, Personal Law	3
ECON 1110, Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ENGL 2210, World Literature I	3
PSYC 2480, Psychology of Adjustment	3
Elective	3
Visual and Performing Arts ¹³	<u>3</u>
Total	18

JUNIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
CJUS 3160, Juvenile Justice	3
CJUS 3200, The American Legal System	3
ENGL 2700, Technical Writing	3
MGMT 3820, Principles of Management	3
SOCI 3400, Social Psychology	3
Understanding of Ideas and Values ²³	<u>3</u>
Total	18

SENIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
CJUS 3220, Criminal Justice and Public Policy	3
CJUS 4220, Criminal Law	3
PADM 3000, Public Administration; PSCI 4200, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States; or PSCI 4210, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States	3
PHIL 2050, Introduction to Logic, or PHIL 3120, Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy	3
Elective	<u>3</u>
Total	15

FRESHMAN YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
ENGL 1320, College Writing II	3
HIST 2620, American History Since 1865 ¹²	3
PSCI 1050, American Government	3
SOCI 1510, Individuals in Society ¹⁷	3
MATH ¹⁰	3
Oral Communication ⁸	<u>3</u>
Total	18

SOPHOMORE YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
CJUS 3060, The Criminal Justice System	3
ENGL 2220, World Literature II	3
SOCI 1520, Contemporary Social Problems	3
Elective	3
Laboratory Science ²¹	<u>4</u>
Total	16

JUNIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
CJUS 3300, Law Enforcement Systems or CJUS 3480, Institutional Correction	3
CJUS 3470, Crime Typologies	3
Laboratory Science ²¹	4
Methods ²⁰	3
Wellness ³⁵	<u>2</u>
Total	15

SENIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
CJUS 4100, Offender Behavior	3
CJUS 4820, Theoretical Criminology	3
CJUS 4840, Law and Social Problems	3
PADM 3000, Public Administration; PSCI 4200, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States; or PSCI 4210, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States	3
Elective	<u>1-3</u>
Total	13-15

*Note: Some courses may require prerequisites not listed in the above plan.
See Community Service footnotes.*

Summary of Degree Requirements:

Criminal Justice (and supporting courses):	63
General Academic Requirements (including Core):	55
English	15
History	6
Political Science	6
Laboratory Science	8
Economics	3
Mathematics	3
Visual and Performing Arts	3
Computer Science	3
Oral Communication	3
Wellness	2
Distribution Course	3
Electives:	10
Criminal Justice Major:	
CJUS 3060, The Criminal Justice System	3
CJUS 3160, Juvenile Justice	3
CJUS 3200, The American Legal System	3
CJUS 3220, Criminal Justice and Public Policy	3
CJUS 3470, Crime Typologies	3
CJUS 3480, Institutional Corrections or CJUS 3300, Law Enforcement Systems	3
CJUS 4100, Offender Behavior	3
CJUS 4220, Criminal Law	3
CJUS 4820, Theoretical Criminology	3
CJUS 4840, Law and Social Problems	3
MGMT 3820, Principles of Management	3
PSYC 1630, General Psychology I	3
PSYC 2480, Psychology of Adjustment	3
SOCI 1510, Individuals in Society	3
SOCI 1520, Contemporary Social Problems	3
SOCI 3400, Social Psychology	3
Two courses from: PADM 3000, Public Administration; PSCI 4200, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States; or PSCI 4210, Constitutional Government and Law in the United States	6
BLAW 2000, Personal Law	3
PHIL 2050, Introduction to Logic, or PHIL 3120, Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy	3
Methods (MATH 1680, Elementary Probability and Statistics; SOCI 4870, Social Research; or PSYC 3610, Quantitative Methods in Psychology)	3