



*Why should I consider an associate degree in Criminal Justice?*

An Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice will challenge students to use critical thinking skills as well as communicate effectively in oral and written form. Facts, figures, and concepts are an important part of the program, but today's Criminal Justice student needs to understand society's reaction to crimes with the ability to identify and analyze social problems, and develop solutions. Students will have an understanding of criminal law and the criminal justice system so that they can apply what they have learned to current issues and to the ever-changing local, state, and federal laws.

The program will assist students in developing skills and knowledge in counseling, law, courts, probation and parole, enforcement, and security.

*What are the requirements for the Criminal Justice associate degree?*

**Suggested Schedule of Classes:**

*(Concentration requirements in bold, blue type)*

<u>First Semester</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Third Semester</u>	<u>Credits</u>
<b>CJ150 Intro to American Criminal Justice</b>	<b>3</b>	CA115 Public Speaking	3
<b>CJ155 Intro to Corrections</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>CJ273 Criminology</b>	<b>3</b>
CS135 Computer Literacy	3	History or Political Science	3
EN110 Writing I	3	Science Course*	5
HM101 Freshman Seminar	1		
SC140 Intro to Sociology	3		
 <u>Second Semester</u>		 <u>Fourth Semester</u>	
<b>CJ215 Juvenile Delinquency</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Concentration Elective**</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>CJ250 Criminal Law &amp; Procedures</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>PS265 Abnormal Psychology</b>	<b>3</b>
EN212 Writing II	3	Humanities Course***	3
SC160 Social Problems	3	Math Course*	3
PS115 General Psychology	3	Religion/Philosophy/Ethics	3

**Concentration Total:** 24 credit hours

**Gen. Ed. Requirements:** 36 credits

**Associate Degree Total:** 60 credit hours

\*Students must take at least 8 hrs of science & math.

\*\*Concentration Electives: CJ275 Intro to American Law Enforcement, SC170 Culture & Society, SC265 Marriage & Family

\*\*\*Humanities Courses: AR125 Appreciation of Art, EN122 American Literature, Foreign Language, MS125 Appreciation of Music, EN120 World Literature

*“In the final analysis, true justice is not a matter of courts and law books, but of a commitment in each of us to liberty and mutual respect.”*

-- Jimmy Carter

*What can I do with a Criminal Justice associate degree?*

The Criminal Justice program at Ancilla College prepares students for careers in criminal or juvenile justice, law enforcement, the courts, or corrections. The program will also prepare you to transfer to a four-year institution to further your studies.

Career opportunities for those with a Criminal Justice background include: city or county law enforcement, state or federal law enforcement, corrections officer, correctional counselor, juvenile corrections, county, city, or juvenile courts, private investigator, attorney, court administration, parole and probation, social worker.