Program of Study Leading to a B.S. in Criminal Justice at John Jay

Course Descriptions

Some details:
Part 1: Core Courses
Part 2: Criminal Justice Institutions
Part 3: Skills
Part 4: Concentrations-Of-Choice
Part 5: Humanistic Perspectives On Criminal Justice

Credits required: 33

Prerequisites: GOV 101 and SOC 101 or POL 101. Students are strongly urged to complete these courses during their first year in the College.

These courses fulfill the general education requirement in the social sciences. CRJ 101 is the required first course within the major and like, GOV 101, POL and SOC 101, is a prerequisite for many subsequent courses in the major.

Other courses also have prerequisites beyond courses previously taken in the major:

- In Concentration A, Psychology 101 is a prerequisite for Psychology 370/Law 370.
- In Concentration B, African-American Studies Sociology 110 or 121 is a prerequisite for African-American Studies Sociology 215.
- In Concentration C, Public Administration 240 is a prerequisite for Public Administration 360.
- In Concentration D, Corrections 101 is a prerequisite for Corrections 320, Corrections 201 is a prerequisite for Corrections 415, and Psychology 101 is a prerequisite for Psychology 272.
- In Concentration E, Psychology 242 is a prerequisite for Psychology 372.
- In Part 5, Humanistic Perspectives on Criminal Justice, Latin American and Latina/o Studies 107 and 108 require an understanding of spoken Spanish, and English 102 or 201 is a prerequisite for Spanish 208.

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Baccalaureate/Master’s Program in Criminal Justice: Qualified undergraduate students may enter the Baccalaureate/Master’s Program and graduate with both a bachelor’s and a master’s degree in criminal justice. For additional information, contact Professor Chitra Raghavan, Department of Psychology (212.237.8417, bamadirector@jjay.cuny.edu).

Study abroad: Students in the College’s Study Abroad Program may use some of their study abroad credits to substitute for related courses in the major. With regard to particular courses, the student
should consult with the adviser for the major. For information about the College’s Study Abroad Program, contact Mr. Ken Lewandoski (212.484.1339, klewandoski@jjay.cuny.edu).

**Senior-level requirement:** In Part IV, students must complete one **300-level** course in any concentration and one **400-level** course in their chosen concentration.

**Additional information:** Students who enrolled for the first time at the College in September 2008 or thereafter must complete the major in the form presented here. Students who enrolled prior to that date may choose the form shown here or the earlier version of the major. A copy of the earlier version can be obtained at the Office of Undergraduate Studies or at the Lloyd George Sealy Library.

### PART 1. CORE COURSES

**Required**

- [Criminal Justice 101](#) Introduction to Criminal Justice
- [Law 203](#) Constitutional Law
- [Sociology 203](#) Criminology

### PART 2. CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTIONS

**Required**

- [Corrections 201](#) The Law and Institutional Treatment
- [Law 206](#) The American Judiciary
- [Police Science 201](#) Police Organization and Administration

### PART 3. SKILLS

**Select one**

- [Social Science Research 325](#) Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences
- [Statistics 250](#) Principles and Methods of Statistics

### PART 4. CONCENTRATION-OF-CHOICE

**Select one concentration and complete three courses in it with at least one course at the 400-level.**

**Concentration A. Law and Due Process**

- [Anthropology 330](#) American Cultural Pluralism and the Law
- [Criminal Justice 425](#) Seminar on Major Works in Criminal Justice
- [History 277](#) American Legal History
- [Latin American and Latino/a Studies 322](#) Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in the Urban Latina/o Communities
- [Law 301](#) Jurisprudence
- [Law 310/Philosophy 310](#) Ethics and Law
Law 401 Problems of Constitutional Development
Political Science 215 The Legislative Process
Political Science 230 Principles of Constitutional Development
Political Science 313/Law 313 The Law and Politics of Race Relations
Political Science 375 Seminar in Law, Order, Justice and Society
Political Science 430 Problems in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
Psychology 370/Law 370 Psychology and the Law
Sociology 305 Sociology of Law

Concentration B. The Police and the Community
African-American Studies Sociology 215 The Police and the Ghetto
Criminal Justice 425 Seminar on Major Works in Criminal Justice
Philosophy 321/Criminal Justice 321 Police Ethics
Police Science 202 Police and Community Relations
Police Science 204 The Patrol Function
Police Science 207 The Investigative Function
Police Science 235 Women in Policing
Police Science 245 Community Policing
Police Science 301 The Police Manager
Police Science 309 Comparative Police Systems
Police Science 401 Seminar in Police Problems
Psychology 271/Police Science 271 The Psychological Foundations of Police Work

Concentration C. The Courts and the Criminal Justice System
Criminal Justice 425 Seminar on Major Works in Criminal Justice
Law 202 Law and Evidence
Law 204 Criminal Law of New York
Law 209 Criminal Law
Law 212 The Criminal Process and the Criminal Procedure Law
Philosophy 322/Criminal Justice 322 Judicial and Correctional Ethics
Political Science 308 State Courts and State Constitutional Law
Political Science 435 Seminar in Judicial Processes and Politics
Public Administration 360 Court Administration
Sociology 206 The Sociology of Dispute Resolution

Concentration D. Corrections
Criminal Justice 425 Seminar on Major Works in Criminal Justice
Corrections 202 The Administration of Correctional Programs for Juveniles
Corrections 282 Principles of Correctional Operations
Corrections 303 Comparative Correction Systems
Corrections 320 Race, Class and Gender in a Correctional Context
Corrections 415 Major Works in Corrections
Philosophy 322/Criminal Justice 322 Judicial and Correctional Ethics
Psychology 272 Correctional Psychology
Sociology 216 Probation and Parole: Principles and Practices
Sociology 301 Penology

**Concentration E. Crime and Society**

- Anthropology 110/Psychology 110/Sociology 110 Drug Use and Abuse in American Society
- Anthropology 230 Culture and Crime
- Criminal Justice 236/Sociology 236 Victimology
- Criminal Justice 425 Seminar on Major Works in Criminal Justice
- Economics 170 Introduction to the Economics of Crime and Social Problems
- Economics 315/Police Science 315 An Economic Analysis of Crime
- Economics 360/Sociology 360 Corporate and White Collar Crime
- History 320 The History of Crime and Punishment in the United States
- Police Science 405 Organized Crime in America
- Latin American and Latina/o Studies 325 The Latina/o Experience of Criminal Justice
- Psychology 372 Psychology of Criminal Behavior
- Sociology 215 Social Control and Gender: Women in American Society
- Sociology 309 Juvenile Delinquency
- Sociology 420/Criminal Justice 420 Women and Crime

**PART 5. HUMANISTIC PERSPECTIVES ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

Subtotal: 3 credits

*Select one*

- Drama 225 Criminal Justice in the Theater
- History 219 Violence and Social Change in America
- History 224 The History of Crime in New York City
- History 325 Criminal Justice in European Society: 1750 to the Present
- Literature 315 American Literature and the Law
- Literature 327 Crime and Punishment in Literature
- Latin American and Latina/o Studies 107 Criminal Justice Themes in Poetry and Drama

- Political Science 319 Gender and the Law
- Spanish 208 The Theme of Justice in 20th-Century Spanish Literature