

Program map for Criminal Justice Associate in Applied Science (AAS)



2025-26

Modern law enforcement is a highly competitive career field. The more education you have, the better your chance of employment and advancement. Prepare for entry-level employment in law enforcement agencies and in some correctional facilities with an Associate in Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice. People working within those areas can use the program to enhance their skills.

[View this program in the LCC Catalog \(lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/programs/Social-Science-AAS-Criminal-Justice\)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/programs/Social-Science-AAS-Criminal-Justice)

See also

- [Degree Requirements for Social Science and Criminal Justice programs \(lowercolumbia.edu/programs/social-science\)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/programs/social-science)
- [Course descriptions in the LCC Catalog \(lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/courses\)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/courses)
- [Distribution lists in the LCC Catalog \(lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/distribution-lists\)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/distribution-lists)

Important: Many course sequences only begin in fall quarter. Check with your program advisor.

By Quarter Overview

First Quarter

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- ENGL& 101: English Composition I (5 credits)
 - CJ& 101: Introduction to Criminal Justice (5 credits)
 - CS 110: Introduction to Microcomputer Applications (3 credits)
 - COLL 101: College Success 101 (2 credits)

**Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

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Second Quarter

- ENGL& 102: English Composition II (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101**
- CJ 154: American Legal Systems (5 credits)
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- CJ 184: Administration of Justice (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101 or permission**

**Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

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Third Quarter

- CMST& 220: Public Speaking (5 credits)
- MATH& 107: Math in Society (5 credits)
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- CJ 104: Introduction to Policing (5 credits)
- CJ 187: Crisis Intervention for Professionals (3 credits)

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Fourth Quarter

- CJ 105: Introduction to Corrections (5 credits)
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- CJ& 110: Criminal Law (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101 or permission**
- PSYC& 100: General Psychology (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101 or permission**

****Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)***

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Fifth Quarter

- HUM 104: Ethics and Cultural Values - DIV (5 credits)
- CJ 180: Report Writing for Law Enforcement (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101**
- POLS& 202: American Government (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101 or permission**

**Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

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Sixth Quarter

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- CJ 260: Physical Evidence and Criminalistics (5 credits)
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 - CJ& 106: Juvenile Justice (5 credits)
 - *ENGL& 101 or permission**
 - Natural Science with Lab (5 credits)
 - CJ 288: Cooperative Work Experience or choose other elective course (1-3 credits)

**Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

[Graduate \(lowercolumbia.edu/commencement\)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/commencement)

Detailed Class Sequence

1. English Composition 1

ENGL& 101 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL 99 or placement

2. Introduction to Criminal Justice

CJ& 101 (5 credits)

3. Introduction to Microcomputer Applications

CS 110 (3 credits)

4. College Success 101

COLL 101 (2 credits)

5. English Composition II

ENGL& 102 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL& 101

6. American Legal Systems

CJ 154 (5 credits)

7. Administration of Justice

CJ 184 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL& 101 or permission

8. Public Speaking

CMST& 220 (5 credits)

9. Math in Society

MATH& 107 (5 credits)

10. Introduction to Policing

CJ 105 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL& 101 or permission

11. Crisis Intervention for Professionals

CJ& 187 (3 credits)

12. Criminal Law

CJ& 110 (5 credits)

13. General Psychology

PSYC& 100 (5 credits)

14. Ethics and Cultural Values - DIV

HUM 104 (5 credits)

15. Report Writing for Law Enforcement

CJ 180 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL& 101

16. American Government

POLS& 202 (5 credits)

17. Physical Evidence and Criminalistics

CJ 260 (5 credits)

18. Juvenile Justice

CJ& 106 (5 credits)

Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): ENGL& 101 or permission

19. Natural Science with Lab

Choose from Distribution List (5 credits)

20. Elective

CJ 288: Cooperative Work Experience or choose other elective course (1-3 credits)