



Criminal Justice
Level 1 Certificate

Catalog Year: 2019-20

Public Service Pathway

AC Course Number	Required Course Titles	Credit Hours	Semesters Offered	Course Modalities
FIRST YEAR				
First Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> CRIJ 1301	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> CRIJ 1306	Court systems & Practices	3	F, Sp	F2F, Int
<input type="checkbox"/> CRIJ 2313	Correctional Systems & Practices	3	F	F2F
Second Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> CRIJ 1310	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> CRIJ 2328	Police Systems & Practices	3	Sp	F2F
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15		

Semesters: Fall (F), Winter (W)Spring (Sp), Summer (Su)

Modalities: Face-to-face (F2F), Internet/online (Int), Hybrid (Hyb)

Transfer Opportunities

The 15 hour core certificate consists of the 5 courses recognized as the field of study for criminal justice in Texas. These 5 courses are required of all students attending colleges and universities in Texas pursuing a criminal justice degree. These 5 courses are fully transferrable to any school in Texas.

Career Opportunities and Salaries

Police / Fire / EMS Dispatcher - \$34,035
Bailiffs - \$42,944
Police Identification / Records Clerks - \$49,571
Private Security Guards - \$25,614
Jailers / Correctional Officers - \$41,326
Immigration / Customs Inspectors - \$49,571
Gaming Surveillance Officers - \$40,550
Court Clerks - \$30,676

Marketable Skills

- 1) Work well on a team
- 2) Define, explain and interpret technical information
- 3) Use critical thinking to identify strengths and weakness to determine solutions
- 4) Identify appropriate information sources
- 5) Use math to answer questions
- 6) Schedule/coordinate Operations
- 7) Use current technology to diagnose and solve problems
- 8) Use Troubleshooting to determine causes and decide what to do about it
- 9) Think on your feet

Technical Skills

The certificate addresses the areas of working with diverse population groups, technology in criminal justice including forensic science, development of critical thinking skills, interpretation of law, and oral/written communication.