

Criminal Justice - Juvenile Specialization A.A.S.

Career Community: Public Service Careers

Curriculum Code: 1475

Effective: Fall 2025 - Summer 2030

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Purpose of the Major

This degree program prepares an individual for a career as a probation officer, juvenile detention, residential or community site worker/professional. To fulfill requirements for this degree, students may choose to also complete the Juvenile Care Worker Certificate of Achievement option. Not all courses in this program transfer to all colleges. Students planning to transfer should see an academic advisor before enrolling in any course.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of CJUS 106 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Contact Information

For further information, including about career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Public Service Careers Program at the West Campus Building, Room M127, telephone number 517-483-1570 or Student Services West Campus, West Campus Building, Room M106, telephone number 517-267-5452.

Major Required Courses - Some courses meet General Education requirements for MTA. A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course).

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1/1
CJUS 101	Intro to Criminal Justice	3/3
CJUS 102	Crime Causes and Conditions	3/3
CJUS 106	Intro to Juvenile Justice	3/3
CJUS 126	Juvenile Offenders/Families	3/3
CJUS 131	Introduction to Corrections	3/3
CJUS 133	Juvenile Residential Services	3/3
CJUS 134	Probation and Parole	3/3
CJUS 135	Legal Issues in Corrections	3/3
CJUS 245	Report Writing/Crim Justice	3/3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
CJUS 255	Human Relations/Crim Justice	3/3
CJUS 286	Juvenile Internship I	3/3
COMM 120 or	Dynamics of Communication	3/3
COMM 130 or	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3/3
ENGL 122 or	Composition II	4/4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4/4
ENGL 121 or	Composition I	4/4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition I	4/4
MATH 119 or	Math – Applications for Living	4/4
MATH 120 or	College Algebra	4/4
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4/4
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4/4
SOWK 101	Introduction to Social Work	3/3

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab – Select one lab course as indicated for each major and/or transfer institution. If a specific course is not indicated in the notes below, choose any recommended course or choose from General Education Applied Degrees: Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab. A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
ANTH 280	Forensic Anthropology	3/3
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4/6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4/6
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4/6

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Select nine credits

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CJUS 103	Criminal Law	3/3
HUSE 110	Child Abuse and Neglect	3/3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
HUSE 242	The Family: Addiction/Violence	3/3
PSYC 202	Psychology of Personality	3/3
PSYC 221	Child Psychology	3/3
PSYC 222	Adolescent Psychology	3/3

General Education – Applied Degrees

- English Composition or Applied English
 Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
 Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
 Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.

Additional Credits

After completing the course and credit requirements as noted on this pathway, students who fall short of the 60-credit minimum required for an Associate Degree may select any course(s) needed to reach 60 credits, except those courses noted in number 7 in the Institutional Requirements for Associate Degrees. Students are encouraged to use Degree Works and meet with an Advisor to ensure all requirements are met and for course recommendations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

63 credits / 63 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

SemesterI
ACAD 100
CJUS 106 – Milestone course
CJUS 126
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
PSYC 200

SemesterII	
CJUS 101	
CJUS 131	
CJUS 133	

SemesterII
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab

Semester III
CJUS 135
CJUS 255
CJUS 286
SOWK 101
Limited Choice

SemesterIV	
CJUS 102	
CJUS 134	
CJUS 245	
Limited Choice	
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