

Criminal Justice

Degrees

- Criminal Justice - Corrections (CRJ.CRO.AAS) (<http://catalog.oaklandcc.edu/programs/criminal-justice/corrections-aas>)
- Criminal Justice - Generalist (CRJ.GEN.AAS) (<http://catalog.oaklandcc.edu/programs/criminal-justice/generalist-aas>) - Traditional or online program available
- Criminal Justice - Law Enforcement (CRJ.LAW.AAS) (<http://catalog.oaklandcc.edu/programs/criminal-justice/law-enforcement-aas>)
- Criminal Justice - Police Evidence Technology (CRJ.PET.AAS) (<http://catalog.oaklandcc.edu/programs/criminal-justice/police-evidence-technology-aas>)

Certificate of Achievement

- Criminal Justice - Police Academy (CRJ.OPA.CA) (<http://catalog.oaklandcc.edu/programs/criminal-justice/police-academy-certificate-achievement>)

Criminal Justice Courses

CRJ 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

The student will explain the role of the police, courts, and confinement facilities in modern society and discuss the need for criminal justice.

He or she will identify constitutional restrictions placed on the law enforcement effort, study the organizational structure of police agencies, and define terms used in the processes of justice, the court system, and related agencies. In addition, the student will identify current police and community relations problems, recognize trends in modern policing, and methods applicable to improving the criminal justice system. Students will define their educational and employment objectives. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1030 Police Communications3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

The student will learn the importance of criminal justice communications. The course will include report writing and public speaking skills. The students will learn to prepare and write accurate incident reports. The course will include the procedure to follow when preparing for public presentation including crime prevention presentations and testifying in a moot court case. The course will also explore the value of the micro-computer in the communications process. Students will learn how to develop and improve their interpersonal communication skills. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1050 Introduction to Security and Risk Management

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English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

The student will describe the organization structure and function of industrial security units. The student will identify methods, procedures, and security operations used to protect plant employees, property, facilities, and defense industries. The student will also define legal and technical problems unique to physical security functions. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1060 Introduction to Corrections3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

This course is an introduction to the historical and philosophical development of corrections. The legal process will be defined at various levels, including the sentencing alternatives. The correctional process related to probation, imprisonment, and parole will be defined and critiqued. The rights of prisoners and major court cases relative to these rights will be explained. The history and status of community-based corrections will be explained. The role of the corrections officer and the future developments of the corrections system will be described. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1070 Introduction to Forensic Science3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

This course will familiarize students with the basic principles and uses of forensic science in the investigation of criminal activity. This course will introduce various methodologies and applications used in the forensic context. The course will review the basic applications of the biological, physical, and chemical sciences to questions of evidence and law. Subject matter includes: crime scene investigation; collection; preservation and analysis of physical evidence. Students should gain a basic understanding of the capabilities and limitations of the forensic sciences as they are applied at the crime scene and the forensic laboratory. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1110 Police Patrol Administration and Procedures

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English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

The student will explain the purposes and importance of police patrol operations and the reasons for patrol coverage. The student will identify and analyze types and methods of police patrols for patrol distribution. The student will study patrol functions as related to other police activities. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1120 Criminal Law and Administration of Justice

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English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

The student will identify and define the elements of proof required to develop a criminal case for violations against the criminal code. The student will identify processes, officials, and organizations involved in the administration of justice and define the elements of criminal intent, sources of law, and criminal responsibilities. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1220 Criminal Evidence and Procedure 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

The student will identify the basic rules of evidence applicable to the offender as related to the operational level of law enforcement. The student will draw a distinction between admissible and inadmissible evidence and apply the rules of admissibility to the laws of arrest, reasonable force, search and seizure, and other related legal procedures. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1720 Correctional Institutions and Facilities3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1060

The student will define the purpose of correctional institutions and prisons, including the differentiation between security levels and prisoner classifications. Treatment and rehabilitative programs will be discussed and evaluated. The management and organization of correctional institutions will be described, including the role of the warden, the deputy warden, and the corrections officer. The custodial care and concerns will be defined, including the food service, clothing requirements, and medical requirements of the institution. The safety and security issue will be described. The rights of prisoners and future concerns of incarceration will also be discussed. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1820 Legal Issues in Corrections 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1060

The student will define the constitutional law that relates to search and seizure and warrants. The course will describe the difference between the federal and state constitution. The Bill of Rights and the 14th Amendment will be defined. The entire path of the criminal process will be traced from arrest to the appeal process. The U.S. and State court systems will be described. Various court cases involving corrections and prisoners' rights will be identified. Section 42, 1983, of the U.S. Civil Rights Code will also be discussed. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1830 Probation, Parole, and Community Corrections3 Credit Hours

Equivalent: PLS 1920, PLS 1910, PLS 1510

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1060

The course will examine the various concepts, theories, and programs relating to community corrections. The course will provide an understanding that community correction is a sentencing style that represents an increased dependence upon correctional resources which are available in the community, such as probation, parole, electronic monitoring of offenders, diversion projects, community-based release programs, and other matters relating to community corrections. The course will examine the theories, procedures, administration, and implementation of probation and parole as it relates to the correctional client. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 1840 Correctional Client3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1060

The course will examine various concepts, theories, and practices relating to the study of human relations, such as the influences of environment, biological factors, and the family on an individual's behavior. The course allows students to develop an insight into the behavior and motivations of correctional clients. The course will examine the specific characteristics of male, female, and juvenile offenders as clients of the corrections process. The course will consider special category of offenders such as the mentally disordered, sexually deviant, elderly, and others that become part of the correctional system. The course will explore basic counseling techniques used to influence and guide the correction client. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2120 Highway and Traffic Control 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1110

The student will identify and define the basic police and driver responsibilities for safe and efficient movement of vehicles and pedestrians. The student will apply education, enforcement, and engineering aspects to public services and traffic safety; the student will examine laws, ordinances, and new developments involved in traffic safety, enforcement procedures, and accident investigation. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2154 Ballistics, Firearms and Explosive Identification 4 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1030

This is a course of study establishing the customary rules of handling firearms evidence relative to shoulder weapons used in the commission of criminal offenses. Techniques for identification and microscopic analysis of related evidence will be covered during the laboratory periods. Powder residue, bullet holes, shells, casings, bombs, and explosives within limits of safety requirements will be studied. The student will learn to analyze evidence found at the scene of violent crimes where firearms and/or explosives are used. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 4

CRJ 2200 Criminal Investigation and Case Preparation 4 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1030

The student will identify the investigative procedures and techniques used in the process of gathering facts, testing hypotheses, and the proof required in factually concluding that a crime was committed. The student will recognize, collect, and prepare physical evidence for transmission to courts and will prepare a report of an investigation as required in the prosecution of a criminal case. The student will examine physical evidence in a laboratory situation to determine scientific analysis required to assist in case preparation and forensic use. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 4

CRJ 2220 Juvenile Procedures 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

The student will identify youth bureau functions and recognize jurisdiction of juvenile agencies and will identify and define prevention methods, determine special reporting procedures, and discuss the theories that explain the problems of delinquency. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2254 Fingerprint Classification and Identification 4 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1030

This is a course of study dealing with fingerprint techniques, recording, and classifying fingerprints; identifying classification patterns and compositions; learning the Henry System of classification and variations to the system; developing, recording, photographing, comparison, and identification of latent fingerprints. Laboratory procedures will be studied in the use of developing power, chemical development of latent prints, and preparation of evidence for court presentation. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 4

CRJ 2260 Substance Abuse Investigation 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

This is a course of study relating to the problems of drug abuse (alcohol, dangerous drugs, narcotics). The student will acquire knowledge concerning the issues involved in social impact, physical and psychological results of drugs and alcohol, and the facilities and treatment methods being used to cope with the problems. An identification and recognition of habit-forming drugs will be made by the student associated with criminal law applicable to legal restrictions. Law enforcement and investigation procedures will be presented to maintain an acceptable social control on the substance abuse problem. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2310 Interview and Interrogation Techniques 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

The student will perform the basic steps involved in interviewing a witness and interrogating a suspect of complaints referred to enforcement agencies. The student will classify witnesses and subjects into categories of behavioral characteristics and psychological reactions, describe methods for taking statements, identify recording devices, and methods for detection of deception. Further, the student will describe the law governing the admissibility of this type of evidence. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2320 Police Administration 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1110

The student will identify and explain the functions, activities, and administrative procedures of a police agency. The student will review operational techniques used by police administrators and convert this information into an adequate utilization of resources. Also, the student will examine the executive responsibilities, provide for implementation of command policy, and study auxiliary services in support of police operations. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2364 Crime Scene Photography 4 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 and CRJ 1030

This is a course covering the legal requirements for admissibility of crime scene photographs as evidence in support of the criminal investigation and the subsequent trial. The student will learn to operate the various cameras involved in police investigative work such as the 35 mm camera, the 4x5 camera, video camera, camera for surveillance, comparison microscope camera, and warranted cases. The course will include the legal, technical aspects of the camera, darkroom techniques, and enlarging photographs to qualify the forensic testimony in court. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 4

CRJ 2403 Field Project 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010 CRJ 1030 and 30 credits or more.

The student will analyze a major research project in the criminal justice or security field collecting data from related references and agencies. Observations will be made on the data collected in a criminal justice agency or a private community-based program. Periodic progress reports will be submitted on the project. At the end of the semester, the student will prepare a research paper outlining the material collected from the agencies, documented from selected references, and indicate the relationship of practical field application to prior courses studied in the associate degree program. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

CRJ 2420 Community Relations in Criminal Justice . 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1060 or higher (or placement into ESL 2510 or higher for students taking the ESL sequence of courses).

Prerequisite: CRJ 1010

The student will study community relations as they relate to the criminal justice processes. The student will develop case studies to analyze basic psychological problems as they relate to the police, courts, and corrections, while coping with changes in social controls over human behavior. Major emphases will be placed on the role of the criminal justice practitioner as he/she deals with such problems as crises intervention, public relations, community based corrections, crime prevention, and conflict with current management policies. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3