

Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Harper College (Harper) and Governors State University (GovState) for the Criminal Justice degree program based on the current catalogs for both institutions. The student would receive an Associate in Arts (AA) degree from Harper and a Bachelors of Arts (BA) degree in Criminal Justice from GovState.

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM: (38-39 Hours) **(Refer to the AA/AS Degree Guidelines for a list of courses in Section I)**

Communications (9 hours)

- ENG 101 - Composition I (3)
- ENG 102 - Composition II (3)
- SPE 101 - Fundamentals of Speech Communication (3)

Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- PHI 101 - Critical Thinking (3) (recommended)
- Fine Arts Course (3)*
- Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3)*

Mathematics (4 hours)

- MTH 162 - General Education Statistics (4) (recommended) **OR**
- MTH 165 - Elementary Statistics (4) (recommended)

Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 hours)

Select one life science course & one physical science course. One course must have a lab.

- Life Science Course (3-4)*
- Physical Science Course (3-4)*

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

- SOC 101 - Introduction to Sociology (3) (recommended) (meets HC World Cult. Req)
- SOC 205 - Social Problems (3) (recommended)
- Social and Behavioral Science Course (non-sociology) (3)*

II. APPROVED ELECTIVES/MAJOR FIELD (21-22 Hours)

- LEJ 101 - Intro to Criminal Justice (3) (Meets CJUS 2100)
- LEJ 104 - Introduction to Corrections (3) (Meets CJUS 2200)
- LEJ 201 - Criminal Law (3) (meets CJUS 2360)
- LEJ 205 - Juvenile Justice (3) (Meets CJUS 2300)
- LEJ 214 - Community Policing (3) (Meets CJUS 2400)
- Electives (6-7)*

REQUIRED A.A. DEGREE PROGRAM TOTAL: 60 Hours

* Refer to the AA/AS Degree Guidelines for a list of courses in Section I and II.

Note: Students can complete up to 78 hours at Harper by taking additional general education courses required for BA degree.

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III. TO BE TAKEN AT GOVSTATE OR HARPER COLLEGE (18 Hours)

Students can take up to 18 hours of LEJ or free elective courses.

IV. TO BE COMPLETED AT GOVSTATE (42 Hours)

Required Courses (24 hours)

- CJUS 3099 - Junior Seminar (3)
- CJUS 3100 - Foundations of Social Justice (3)
- CJUS 3250 - Foundations of Restorative Justice (3)
- CJUS 3415 - Criminological Inquiry and Research Design (3)
- CJUS 3440 - Exploring Ethics in the Justice System (3)
- CJUS 4100 - Theories of Crime and Deviance (3)
- CJUS 4465 - Comparative International Criminal Justice Systems (3)
- CJUS 4900 - Senior Capstone in Criminal Justice (3)

Selectives (18 Hours)

Students must also take 18 credits of selective courses from approved list in GovState catalog. Students also have the option to complete a concentration in Restorative Justice.

Minimum Required for BA in Criminal Justice: 120 Hours

For Additional Information:

Governors State University
Jaguar Transfer Evaluator at
<https://govst.transfer.degree/>

Visit the College of Arts and Sciences at
www.govst.edu/cas

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