

# Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice

## Program Overview

Upon completion of this degree, students will have experienced a broad introduction to the field of criminal justice. In coordination with the general education components, students will be able to communicate effectively in a variety of situations in the field, demonstrate knowledge and application of analytical skills to criminal justice situations, and apply criminological theories to contemporary public policy.

## To Learn More About This Program

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## Degree Requirements

To earn this degree, students must have an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher, complete a minimum of 60 credit hours, and fulfill the course requirements of the program listed below. Students are permitted to complete a higher-level math course than shown below. Each general education course, prerequisite course, internship, and capstone course must be completed with a final grade of C or better.

## Course Offerings

Students pursuing an Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice may complete select courses for this program online. Courses within this program may also be offered on-site at our Dowagiac or Niles campus.

## General Education Courses

### COMMUNICATIONS

Course ID	Course	Credits
ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W	Freshman English 2 (or with workshop)	3 to 4 credits
ENGL 104	Freshman English 3	3 credits
SPEE 102	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3 credits

### MATHEMATICS

Course ID	Course	Credits
MATH 127, MATH 128, or MATH 150	College Algebra, Contemporary Mathematics, or Statistics	4 credits

### NATURAL SCIENCE

Course ID	Course	Credits
BIOL 110	Human Biology	4 credits
ENST 112	Environmental Science	4 credits

### SOCIAL SCIENCE

Course ID	Course	Credits
POSC 201	American Government	3 credits
PSYC 101	General Psychology	3 credits
SOCI 201	Principles of Sociology	3 credits

### HUMANITIES

Course ID	Course	Credits
HUMA 210	Introduction to Non-Western Civilization	4 credits
SOCI 240	Minority Groups in America	3 credits

### Major-Specific Required Courses

Course ID	Course	Credits
EDUC 120	Educational Exploration and Planning	1 credit
BUSI 200 or BUSI 207	Small Business Management or Business Law 1	3 credits
CRIM 110	Intro to Criminal Justice	3 credits
CRIM 111	Intro to Corrections	3 credits
CRIM 112	Intro to United States Legal Systems	3 credits
CRIM 113 or CRIM 102	Intro to Law Enforcement or Serial Killer	3 credits
CRIM 220	Supervision and Management in Criminal Justice	3 credits
CRIM 260	Delinquency, Prevention, and Control	3 credits
ISYS 110	Intro to Computer Technology	3 credits

**Total Program Credits: 62**

### Additional Notes About the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice Program

- A prerequisite course may be needed prior to enrollment in some courses within this program. Specific prerequisite requirements are listed in the Course Description section in the Course Catalog. A summary of the prerequisites is listed below in the Example Course Sequence.
- This program as outlined meets MTA requirements.
- Courses taken out of sequence may delay a student's ability to complete the program in a timely manner. Please consult your advisor regularly.
- Each student should submit a graduation application at least one full semester before they plan to graduate.
- This program is subject to change. Students should consult with their advisor for program updates.

### Example Course Sequence

The following is a sample of a semester-by-semester approach to completing this program.

#### FIRST SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of C Required)
EDUC 120 Educational Exploration and Planning	1 credit	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W Freshman English 2 (or with workshop)	3 to 4 credits	ENGL 103W: English test score (Level 2 or higher) ENGL 103: ENGL 115 or English test score (Level 3); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
MATH 127 College Algebra, MATH 128 Contemporary Mathematics, or MATH 150 Statistics	4 credits	See Course Description for details
BUSI 200 Small Business Management or BUSI 207 Business Law 1	3 credits	See Course Description for details
CRIM 110 Intro to Criminal Justice	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed

#### SECOND SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of C Required)
ENGL 104 Freshman English 3	3 credits	ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W
CRIM 111 Intro to Corrections	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
BIOL 110 Human Biology	4 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
POSC 201 American Government	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
SOCI 201 Principles of Sociology	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed

#### THIRD SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of C Required)
SOCI 240 Minority Groups in America	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
ENST 112 Environmental Science	4 credits	None
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
CRIM 112 Intro to US Legal Systems	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
CRIM 220 Supervision/Management in Criminal Justice	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed

#### FOURTH SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of C Required)
CRIM 113 Intro to Law Enforcement or CRIM 102 Serial Killer	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
SPEE 102 Fund of Public Speaking	3 credits	None
HUMA 210 Intro to Non-Western Civilization	4 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
CRIM 260 Delinquency, Prevention, and Control	3 credits	ENGL 115, ENGL 103W, ENGL 103, ENGL 104, or English test score (Level 2 or higher); concurrent enrollment in ENGL 115 allowed
ISYS 110 Intro to Computer Technology	3 credits	None