Criminal Justice (A.A. Degree)

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This program is for students who have an interest in the field of criminal justice. It is a joint degree program with John Jay College of Criminal Justice, in which students receive an Associate in Arts degree at Bronx Community College and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice at John Jay College. BCC graduates of the associate program are automatically accepted into John Jay’s program provided that they meet the academic and grade requirements (2.0 or better GPA) to continue with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice at John Jay College. Criminal Justice is a growing field of study that provides intellectual stimulation and practical experience for students with an interest in police science, law, security management, and other fields that incorporate supporting the infrastructure of the law, as well as working with people.

Criminal Justice Curriculum

60 Credits required for A.A. Degree

Core Requirements

- **ENG 10** Fundamentals of Composition and Rhetoric OR
  ENG 11 Composition and Rhetoric I ................................................................. 3
- **ENG 12** Composition and Rhetoric II ......................................................... 3
- **CMS 11** Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication .......................... 3
- **HIS 10** History of the Modern World OR
  HIS 11 Introduction to the Modern World ...................................................... 3
- **MTH 21** Survey of Mathematics I OR
  MTH 23 Probability and Statistics .................................................................... 3
- **PEA** OR
  CPR 10 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation ....................................................... 1
- **SCI** Choose two laboratory science courses from Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science or Physics ................................................................. 8

Total 24

Required Areas of Study

- **ART 11** Introduction to Art OR
  MUS 11 Introduction to Music ........................................................................... 3
- **HIS 20** American Nation: Political and Social Development of a People ......................................................................................................................... 3
- **CMS 20** Public Speaking and Critical Listening ........................................... 3
- **ENG*** English ............................................................................................... 3
- **PSY 11** Introduction to Psychology ............................................................. 3
- **POL 11** American National Government ................................................... 3
- **SOC 11** Sociology ......................................................................................... 3
SOC 31 Race and Ethnic Relations OR
SOC 37 Social Inequality

Total 24

Specialization Requirements

- CRJ 11 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- CRJ 21 Introduction to Criminology
- CRJ 22 Introduction to Policing
- LAW 65 Criminal Law and Procedures

Total 12

Note: At least two courses must be taken from a list designated as “Writing Intensive” as published each semester in the Registration Guide and Schedule of Classes.

* Students are encouraged to take MTH 23.
** PEA 81 (Self Defense) or PEA 82 (Tai Chi Chuan) are recommended.
*** Excluding English 23, Technical Writing.