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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the School of Public Affairs

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Criminal Justice: [Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice \(BACJ\)](http://www.uccs.edu/bachelor-of-arts-in-criminal-justice) | [College of Public Service \(uccs.edu\)](http://www.uccs.edu/college-of-public-service)

Major Requirements				
Criminal Justice Major (42 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 42 credit hours of CJ course work. • Requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) CJ course work. • All CJ courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. <p>*NOTE: Choosing an Option Area is encouraged, but not required. Option Area courses will count toward the required CJ electives if taken as upper-division, and reduce the number of general education electives needed for the degree. Contact your Academic Advisor to declare an option.</p>	CJ 1001	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	
	CJ 2041	Crime Theory and Causes	3	
	CJ 3250	Violence in Society	3	
	CJ 4042	Corrections	3	
	CJ 4043	Law Enforcement	3	
	CJ 4044	Courts and Judicial Process	3	
	CJ 4121	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3	
	CJ 4960	Criminal Justice Internship	4	
	CJ 3100 OR SOC 3070	Criminal Justice Methods Social Research Methods	4	
	CJ 3150, CJ 3170, OR SOC 3170	Statistics for Criminal Justice Crime Prevention & Analysis Social Statistics	4	
	Electives	<i>Complete an additional 9 hours of upper-division (3000+ Level) CJ courses.</i>	9	
	Option Areas*			
	Cybercrime and Cybersecurity	<i>Complete the following courses:</i> CJ 2052, 2300, 3620, 4340		12
Forensic Studies	<i>Complete 15 credit hours from the following:</i> CJ 1002, 2030, 2032, 3050, 3950, 4029, 4033, 4034, 4050, 4175		15	
Law	<i>Complete 12 credit hours from the following:</i> CJ 3050, 3160, 3420, 3520, 3620, 3950, 4029, 4050, 4180, 4200, 4410, 4420, 4430, 4440, PSC 4470, 4480		12	
Law Enforcement	<i>Complete 12 credit hours from the following:</i> CJ 2051, 2052, 3050, 3160, 3170, 3310, 3320, 3950, 4034, 4050, 4175, 4180, 4460		12	

General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 			
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See the degree audit for course options. 			
CJ General Education (33 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours which must include PHIL 1120 and either CJ 3990 or HUM3990. Social Sciences – 16 credit hours which must include CJ 3210, CJ 3268, PSC 1100, PSY 1000, and SOC 1110. Natural Sciences – 8 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course. 			
Oral Communication Course (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> COMM 2010, COMM 2100 or COMM 3190 			
Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See the degree audit for course options. <p>Note: <i>Courses that fulfill these requirements may double count toward general education or major requirements.</i></p>			
Compass Curriculum (3 hours)	Component		Course	
	Gateway		GPS 1010	
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures		PHIL 1120 (included in CJ humanities requirement)	
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health		SOC 1110 (included in CJ social sciences requirement)	
	Explore – Physical and Natural World		See Degree Audit (included in CJ natural sciences requirement)	
	Navigate		HUM 3990 or CJ 3990 (included in CJ general education requirement)	
	Summit		CJ 4121 (included in major requirements)	
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CJ 3250 (included in major requirements) CJ 3990 or HUM 3990 (included in CJ general education requirement) 	
General Electives (30 hours)	Inclusiveness		CJ 3268 (included in CJ general education requirement)	
	Sustainability		See Degree Audit	
	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program. Total general elective credit hours may vary depending on choice of Option Area.			

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	<i>Hours</i>	✓	SPRING	<i>Hours</i>
		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		CJ 1001	3		CJ 2041	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course	3
		PHIL 1120	3		PSC 1100	3
		PSY 1000	3		SOC 1110	4
	TOTAL		15		TOTAL	

Year Two	✓	FALL	<i>Hours</i>	✓	SPRING	<i>Hours</i>
		CJ 3268	3		CJ 3210	3
		COMM 2010, 2100 or 3190 (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3		Humanities Elective	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	4		Natural Science Elective w/ Lab	4
		General Elective or Option Course	3		General Elective or Option Course	3
		General Elective (<i>Cultural Diversity</i>)	3		General Elective (<i>Global Awareness</i>)	3
	TOTAL		16		TOTAL	

Year Three	✓	FALL	<i>Hours</i>	✓	SPRING	<i>Hours</i>
		CJ 3100 or SOC 3070	4		CJ 3150, CJ 3170, or SOC 3170	4
		CJ 3250	3		CJ 4042	3
		CJ 4043	3		CJ 4044	3
		Upper-Division (UD) CJ Elective or Option Course	3		UD CJ Elective or Option Course	3
		CJ 3990 or HUM 3990	3		General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3
	TOTAL		16		TOTAL	

Year Four	✓	FALL	<i>Hours</i>	✓	SPRING	<i>Hours</i>
		CJ 4960 (Internship)	4		CJ 4121	3
		UD CJ Elective or Option Course	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
	TOTAL		14		TOTAL	