

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BA)

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
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Major Requirements		
<i>Criminal Justice Core</i>		
A. Complete the following:		
CJ 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
PSC 130	Intro to US Government	3
CJ 210	Policing and Society	3
CJ 215	Correctional Policies and Proc	3
CJ/PSC 310	Research Methods-W	3
CJ/PSC 330	Judicial Process	3
CJ 360	Theories of Offending	3
CJ 492	Capstone Seminar CJ-W	3
<i>Criminal Justice Elective</i>		
A. Complete the following:		
CJ Upper Division (300/400) Electives		15
Minor Requirements		
A minor is required for this degree program		18-24
A MINIMUM OF 120 HOURS IS REQUIRED FOR A DEGREE		120

All undergraduates must complete two designated writing credit (W) courses, at least one of which must be in the student's major or minor.

Additional Information

Majors in Arts and Sciences may be completed with a minimum of 120 semester hours unless designated otherwise. At least 30 hours of course work, which represents 25% of the required 120 hours, must be at the upper division level in order to fulfill the University's residency requirement. At least 15 of the 30 upper-division hours must be in the major or concentration area. An overall grade-point-average (GPA) of 2.0 is required for graduation. In addition, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required in the student's major or concentration area.

The major in criminal justice requires 39 semester hours, including CJ 105, PSC 130, CJ 210, CJ 215, CJ 310/PSC 310 (W), CJ 330/PSC 330, CJ 360, and CJ 492 (W)—plus 15 semester hours of criminal justice electives at the 300/400 level. CJ 105 is a prerequisite for most upper-level CJ courses. Criminal Justice majors must earn a grade of "C" or higher in CJ 105 and in the Capstone Seminar, CJ 492 (W). Students pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice also must have a minor in another discipline.

In addition, all Criminal Justice majors must take the ETS major field test in criminal justice as part of their Capstone Seminar, CJ 492 (W), and receive a satisfactory score. (The standards for passing are determined by the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice.) Students with unsatisfactory scores on the ETS test can retake the test, or they may be required to repeat coursework in criminal justice. The ETS is administered in the Capstone Seminar, CJ 492 (W). All CJ core courses must be completed prior to enrolling in CJ 492 (W).

All criminal majors must demonstrate competency in oral and written communication. Students will be expected to deliver presentations, particularly in the Capstone Seminar. The University of South Alabama requires two Writing-Intensive (W) courses for graduation. CJ 492 (W) fulfills one Writing-Intensive requirement, and CJ 310/PSC 310 (W) fulfills the second.

Graduation Plan

(39 Total Hours)

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
CAS 100	First Yr Exp -	2
EH 101	English Composition I	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	Area II	3
CJ 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
Natural Science with Lab	Area III	4
		Hours
		15
Spring		
EH 102 or EH 105	English Composition II or Honors Composition - H	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	Area II	3
Select one of the following:		
CJ 210	Policing and Society	3
CJ 215	Correctional Policies and Proc	
PSC 130	Intro to US Government (Area IV)	
CA 110	Public Speaking	3
Select one of the following:		
MA 110	Finite Mathematics	
MA 112	Precalculus Algebra	
MA 113	Precalculus Trigonometry	
MA 115	Precal Algebra-Trigonometry	
MA 120	Calculus and Its Applications	
MA 227	Calculus III	
MA 237	Linear Algebra I	
MA 238	Differential Equations I	
		Hours
		15
Second Year		
Fall		
Select one of the following:		
CJ 210	Policing and Society	3
CJ 215	Correctional Policies and Proc	
PSC 130	Intro to US Government (Area IV)	
Foreign Language	Area V - Foreign Language Sequence Semester 1	3
Select one of the following Humanities/Fine Arts Literature - Area II:		
EH 215	Brit Lit before 1785	
EH 216	Brit Lit after 1785	
EH 225	Am Lit before 1865	
EH 226	Am Lit after 1865	
EH 235	World Lit before 1650	
EH 236	World Lit after 1650	
Select one of the following Humanities/Fine Arts Literature - Area IV:		
HY 101	HY of Western Civilization I	3
HY 102	HY of Western Civilization II	
HY 135	US History to 1877	
HY 136	US History since 1877	
Natural Science with Lab	Area III	4
		Hours
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Spring

Select one of the following:		3
CJ 210	Policing and Society	
CJ 215	Correctional Policies and Proc	
PSC 130	Intro to US Government (Area IV)	
Foreign Language	Area V - Foreign Language Sequence Semester 2	3
PSC/CJ 310	Research Methods-W	3
CJ/PSC 330	Judicial Process	3
or CJ 360	or Theories of Offending	
Literature or History	Area II or Area IV - Literature or History Sequence	3
Hours		15

Third Year

Fall

Natural Science with Lab or Upper Level Math	Area V	3-4
Social/Behavioral Science Elective	Area IV	3
CJ Elective	300-400 Level CJ Elective	3
CJ/PSC 330 or CJ 360	Judicial Process or Theories of Offending	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Hours		15-16

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CJ Elective	300-400 Level CJ Elective	3
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Minor	Minor course	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Hours		15

Fourth Year

Fall

CJ 492	Capstone Seminar CJ-W (or 300-400 Level CJ Elective)	3
CJ Elective	300-400 Level CJ Elective	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Elective	Course in Major, Minor, or Elective	3
Hours		15

Spring

CJ 492	Capstone Seminar CJ-W (or 300-400 Level CJ Elective)	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Minor	Minor course	3
Elective	Course in Major, Minor, or Elective	3
Elective	Course in Major, Minor, or Elective	2-3
Hours		14-15

Total Hours		120-122
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