

Columbus State Community College – Ohio University Plan

Criminal Justice Program Pathway

The Criminal Justice major is designed for students who have already completed an applied associate degree in a related area such as law enforcement, human services technology, corrections technology, or police administration. It offers students with technical education backgrounds an academic program to broaden their education, helping them qualify for careers in law enforcement administration, parole and probation, forensic science, adult and juvenile corrections, and police administration. This flexible online format allows you to pace your classes to fit your life and career.

Online Convenience. Ohio University Quality.

- Review study materials and submit assignments online.
- Learn from distinguished professors.
- Progress through the degree in consultation with an Ohio University academic advisor.

Admission Requirements

- Conferred associate of applied science (A.A.S) or technical-based associate degree from an accredited college or university in a technical area related to criminal justice, such as law enforcement, corrections technology, police administration, legal assisting, or human services.
- Combined 2.0 GPA from all prior college-level coursework.
- Official transcripts sent directly to OHIO University from all colleges and universities you have attended.
- To enter the Criminal Justice program, students must complete an online application from University College, regional campus, or eLearning advisors.

Application Information

Apply online <https://admissions.ohio.edu/apply/>

Students can complete this program through OHIO Online, regional campus, or Athens campus.

Submit all college-level transcripts to:

Undergraduate Admissions
Ohio University
Chubb Hall 120
1 Ohio University Drive
Athens, OH 45701

Ohio University Contact Information

Undergraduate Admissions

740.593.4100

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For more information visit www.ohio.edu/csc



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Degree Requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice major, a student must complete all OHIO University graduation requirements: general education, College, major, and residency. Students must earn a minimum of 30 semester hours of OHIO University credit for residency, complete a minimum of 50% of the major course requirements at OHIO University, complete a minimum of 30 semester credit hours at the 3000 or 4000 level, and complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours for graduation (elective hours may be required) with a 2.0 GPA.

Ohio University BRICKS General Education Requirements

BRICKS is Ohio University's general education program, and requirements must be fulfilled by all baccalaureate degree students. BRICKS includes a minimum of 38 credit hours across five categories: Foundations, Pillars, Arches, Bridges, and Capstone. Courses used to satisfy BRICKS requirements may be completed through Columbus State Community College or OHIO Online. The table below lists Columbus State Community College courses that have direct course equivalencies at Ohio University which meet BRICKS requirements. General education courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets. HIST courses marked with an asterisk (*) will automatically equate to HIST 1320 and/or HIST 1330, but may instead equate to HIST 1210 and/or HIST 1220. Work with your academic advisor to make adjustments as necessary.

OHIO BRICKS Requirement	Columbus State Community College Course Numbers
FOUNDATIONS	Take one course from each listed category
Written Communication	ENGL 1100, ENGL 1101
Advanced Writing	COMM 2200, COMM 2241; ENGL 2367, ENGL 2467, ENGL 2567, ENGL 2667, ENGL 2767
Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 1120, MATH 1121, MATH 1122, MATH 1123, MATH 1125, MATH 1130, MATH 1131, MATH 1146, MATH 1148, MATH 1149, MATH 1150, MATH 1152, MATH 1172; PHIL 1150; STAT 1350, STAT 1450
Intercultural Explorations	ANTH 2202; COMM 2268; ENGL 2274; GEOG 2750; HIST 1112*; HOSP 2214; POLS 1200
PILLARS	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Humanities: Texts and Contexts	CLAS 1222, CLAS 1226; ENGL 2200, ENGL 2201, ENGL 2202, ENGL 2261, ENGL 2274, ENGL 2281, ENGL 2290, ENGL 2291; HIST 1111*, HIST 1112*; PHIL 1101, [PHIL 1130]
Humanities: Arts	COMM 2245; HART 1201; HUM 1100; MUS 1251
Natural Sciences	BIO 1107, BIO 1111, BIO 1113, BIO 1114, BIO 1121, BIO 2215, BIO 2300 and BIO 2301; CHEM 1111, CHEM 1112, CHEM 1171, CHEM 2261; GEOG 2300; GEOL 1121, GEOL 1151; HORT 1130; PHYS 1200, PHYS 1250
Social or Behavioral Sciences	ECON 1110, ECON 2200, ECON 2201; GEOG 2400; HIST 1112*, HIST 1151, HIST 1152, HIST 2223, HIST 2224; LING 2000; POLS 1100, POLS 1300; PSY 1100; SOC 1101
ARCHES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Constructed World	HART 1202, HART 1260; MATH 1126, MATH 1151; PHIL 2270; STAT 2430, [STAT 2450]; THEA 1100
Natural World	ANTH 2200; ASTR 1161; BIO 1122, BIO 2300 and BIO 2301; BNT 1101; CHEM 1172, CHEM 1200; GEOG 1900; PHYS 1201, PHYS 1251
Connected World	ANTH 2201, ANTH 2202; BIO 1127; [CRJ 1101]; GEOG 2750; HIST 2715; POLS 1200; PSY 2261, [PSY 2325], [PSY 2331], PSY 2340, PSY 2530; SOC 2202, [SOC 2209], SOC 2210, SOC 2330
BRIDGES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each)
Speaking and Listening	[COMM 1105]; SES 2415
Ethics and Reasoning	BGMT 1101, [COMM 1105]; CRJ 2006
Diversity and Practice	[COMM 1105]; HART 1202, HART 1260; SHS 2230; SOC 2380; THEA 2215
Learning and Doing	MLT 2900; SAHS 2251; SES 2950; THEA 1180, THEA 2205
CAPSTONE	Minimum 2 credits (no current equivalencies)



BRICKS and the Ohio Transfer 36 or Prior Degree Completion

Students who complete the minimum requirements of the Ohio Transfer 36 (OT36, formerly the Ohio Transfer Module), an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or bachelor's degree from an accredited institution* prior to enrollment in a degree-seeking program at Ohio University will receive transfer credit equivalent to fulfilling Ohio University's BRICKS general education requirements in Foundations (excluding the Advanced Writing component, which requires completion of an equivalent course), Pillars, and Arches. Students who have not completed the OT36 or an approved degree will have their courses evaluated individually to determine appropriate general education requirement fulfillment. *Institutions must be accredited by regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) to qualify.

Criminal Justice Major Courses

At least 7 major courses must be completed at OHIO.

At least 50% of the Ohio University Criminal Justice major coursework must be completed at Ohio University.

General education requirement courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets.

Criminal Justice Core

Complete three of the following courses through Columbus State Community College or OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Columbus State Community College Course Number
Criminal Justice	[SOC 2600]	[CRJ 1101], [SOC 2209]
Criminology	SOC 3600	CRJ 1025; SOC 2410
Police and Society	SOC 3640	
American Constitutional Law	POLS 4010	
Civil Liberties	POLS 4040	
Social Psychology of Justice	[PSY 3520]	
Punishment and Society	SOC 3660	
Capstone: Police Legitimacy and Community Engagement	[T3 4955]	

Criminal Justice Course Requirements

Complete the following courses through Columbus State Community College or OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Columbus State Community College Course Number
Legal and Social Issues (complete 6 credits)	IHS 4245, IHS 4246; LET 3600; POLS 3040, POLS 4160; SOC 3340, SOC 3325, SOC 3625, SOC 3675, SOC 3685, SOC 4620, SOC 4640, SOC 4660	POLS 1250
Statistical Reasoning (complete 3-4 credits)	LET 3555, [MATH 2500]; [PSY 2110]; ANTH/SOC 2500	[STAT 2450]
Research Methods (complete 3-4 credits)	LET 3550, PSY 2120, SOC 3500, [SW 3870]	
Ethical Reasoning and Understanding Communities (complete 9 credits)	[PHIL 1300]; [PSY 3440]; [SOC 3110], [SOC 3620], [SOC 3730]; SW 3293; TAS 3110	[PHIL 1130]
Professional Communications (complete 9 credits)	[COMS 1030], COMS 2050, COMS 2060; LET 3500, LET 4520; [TAS 4110]	[COMM 1105], COMM 1110, COMM 2232
Behavioral Theory (complete 3 credits)	[PSY 2410], [PSY 2510], [PSY 2710]; SOC 3400; LET 4510	[PSY 2325], [PSY 2331]



Additional Course Requirements

Complete a total of 30 hours at the 3000- or 4000-level through the Columbus State Community College or OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Columbus State Community College Course Number
Electives	Work with an Academic Advisor for appropriate course selection	

Disclaimer:

The information on this guide is based on the catalog requirements posted in the 2025-2026 Ohio University catalog and related Columbus State Community College equivalents as of the Last Updated date. All information is subject to change without notice. Students must complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours, are responsible for tracking their degree completion on their DARS, and are encouraged to work with an Ohio University academic advisor in their degree planning. Courses are subject to availability at each institution. It is suggested that students meet with an advisor to discuss course selection based on offered options.

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