



Northwest 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

E-mail general questions to

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For more information visit www.ohio.edu/nscc



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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 Northwest State Community College or OHIO Online. The table below lists Northwest 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	Northwest State Community College Course Numbers
FOUNDATIONS	Take one course from each listed category
Written Communication	ENG 111
Advanced Writing	BUS 211; ENG 112
Quantitative Reasoning	MTH 105, MTH 109, MTH 109 and MTH 112, MTH 112, MTH 214; PHI 110; STA 120
Intercultural Explorations	HIS 210*; HUM 210*; SSC 130
PILLARS	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Humanities: Texts and Contexts	ENG 223, ENG 250, ENG 251, ENG 260, ENG 261; HIS 210*; HUM 209*, HUM 210*; PHI 201, [PHI 210]
Humanities: Arts	HUM 221, HUM 230
Natural Sciences	BIO 101, BIO 115, BIO 201, BIO 202, BIO 231, BIO 257; CHM 201; PHY 150, PHY 251
Social or Behavioral Sciences	ECO 211, ECO 212; HIS 101, HIS 102, HIS 210*; HUM 210*; PSY 110; SSC 101, SSC 120
ARCHES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Constructed World	MTH 213
Natural World	BIO 232; CHM 202; PHY 140, PHY 252
Connected World	[CJT 130]; EDU 150; HST 240, HST 242; [PSY 210], [PSY 220], PSY 230, PSY 250; SSC 130
BRIDGES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each)
Speaking and Listening	[ENG 113]
Ethics and Reasoning	[ENG 113]
Diversity and Practice	[ENG 113]
Learning and Doing	No current Learning and Doing equivalencies.
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 Northwest State Community College or OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Northwest State Community College Course Number
Criminal Justice	[SOC 2600]	[CJT 130]
Criminology	SOC 3600	
Police and Society	SOC 3640	CJT 220
American Constitutional Law	POLS 4010	
Civil Liberties	POLS 4040	
Social Psychology of Justice	[PSY 3520]	
Punishment and Society	SOC 3660	CJT 230
Capstone: Police Legitimacy and Community Engagement	[T3 4955]	

Criminal Justice Course Requirements

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

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Northwest 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	
Statistical Reasoning (complete 3-4 credits)	LET 3555, [MATH 2500]; [PSY 2110]; ANTH/SOC 2500	
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	[PHI 210]
Professional Communications (complete 9 credits)	[COMS 1030], COMS 2050, COMS 2060; LET 3500, LET 4520; [TAS 4110]	[ENG 113], ENG 214
Behavioral Theory (complete 3 credits)	[PSY 2410], [PSY 2510], [PSY 2710]; SOC 3400; LET 4510	[PSY 210], [PSY 220]



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Additional Course Requirements

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

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Northwest 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 Northwest 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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