

Official Program Outline



HERZING
— UNIVERSITY —

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE/ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (ASCJ/AASCJ)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This program provides students with comprehensive academic knowledge of criminology, law enforcement, corrections, and the criminal justice system as well as the skills and techniques used in these disciplines. The program emphasizes the importance of community relationships, diversity, and crisis intervention while preparing students to pursue employment opportunities in various criminal justice environments such as law enforcement, courts, adult and juvenile corrections, public safety, loss prevention, private investigations, or community-based programs and services. Some positions within the field may require additional education, training, or graduation from an academy. Upon completion of this degree, students are eligible to continue into the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

(Some states, including but not limited to Minnesota, require additional certification, licensing, and/or training academy completion to be eligible for employment in a law enforcement capacity.)

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this program, the student should be able to:

1. Analyze the impact of criminal justice policy on various populations.
2. Explain investigative techniques and evidence collection procedures for various criminal offenses.
3. Analyze the interrelationship between law enforcement, our judicial system, and correctional agencies.
4. Evaluate social and ethical issues affecting public safety personnel.

PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 60.00 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

REQUIRED COURSES

All courses, 37.00 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
BH 200	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	None	3.00
CJ 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	None	3.00
CJ 115	Criminal Law	None	3.00
CJ 120	Introduction to Criminology	None	3.00
CJ 130	Introduction to Law and Judicial Process	None	3.00
CJ 140	Report Writing and Communication	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 200	Introduction to Corrections	None	3.00
CJ 215	Crisis Intervention	None	3.00
CJ 220	Ethics in Law Enforcement	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 230	Evidence Forensics	CJ 130	4.00
CJ 240	Patrol Procedures	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 250	Juvenile Justice	None	3.00

OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES

A minimum of 3.00 semester credit hours of open electives is required.

REQUIRED COURSES IN GENERAL EDUCATION

Students enrolled in this associates degree must complete a minimum of 18.00 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for specific information about courses within each discipline. Courses transferred from other accredited colleges may also be used to meet these requirements.

General Education Discipline	Required Semester Credit Hours
Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EN 104 English Composition I • EN 111 Information Literacy 	6.00
Humanities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HU 140 Cultural Diversity 	3.00
Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA 109 College Algebra 	3.00
Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SC 270 Environmental Literacy 	3.00
Social and Behavioral Sciences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PS 101 Psychology* 	3.00

*Required Course

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

All courses, 2.00 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
PD 121	Professional Development I	None	1.00
PD 202	Professional Development II	None	1.00

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course				
Course Number	Lecture Hours	Internship Hours	Total Contact Hours	Credits
BH 200	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 105	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 115	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 120	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 130	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 140	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 200	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 215	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 220	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 230	60.00	0.00	60.00	4.00
CJ 240	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
CJ 250	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
PD 121	15.00	0.00	15.00	1.00
PD 202	15.00	0.00	15.00	1.00

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course				
Course Number	Lecture Hours	Internship Hours	Total Contact Hours	Credits
Electives	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
Gen Ed - Communications	90.00	0.00	90.00	6.00
Gen Ed – Humanities	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
Gen Ed – Mathematics	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
Gen Ed - Science	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
Gen Ed – Social and Behavioral Sciences	45.00	0.00	45.00	3.00
Totals	900.00	0.00	900.00	60.00

NEW COURSE DESCRIPTION

CJ 215 Crisis Intervention

This course covers both basic and advanced knowledge and the skills required to provide effective crisis intervention services. Students are introduced to the methods and techniques of crisis intervention employed by professionals in the field. Students will evaluate the human stress response to crisis intervention and examine post-traumatic stress and other disorders. Ethical issues are also considered.