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

(Please see the Undergraduate Program Offerings by Campus chart in the catalog for a list of Herzing campuses offering this program.)

#### 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. This degree can also provide advancement opportunities for law enforcement personnel requiring an associate's degree when applying for or advancing within the profession. (Some states, including Minnesota, may require state certification or academy completion before being hired in a law enforcement position.)

### **PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

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

- 1. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of law enforcement practices.
- 2. Explain investigative techniques and evidence collection procedures for various criminal offenses.
- 3. Explain the inter relationship between law enforcement, our judicial system, and correctional agencies.
- 4. Articulate organizational and ethical issues affecting public safety personnel.

## POTENTIAL OCCUPATIONAL TITLES

Potential occupational titles for this program include, but are not limited to, security guards and first-line supervisors of protective service workers.

#### PROGRAM CONTENT

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

## **REQUIRED COURSES**

All courses, 34.00 semester credit hours, are required.

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Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Credit Hours
CJ 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	None	3.00
CJ 115	Criminal Law	None	3.00
CJ 130	Introduction to Law and Judicial Process	None	3.00
CJ 140	Report Writing and Communications	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 200	Introduction to Corrections	None	3.00
CJ 205	Multicultural Issues in Criminal Justice Management	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 210	Law Enforcement Security	CJ 130	3.00
CJ 220	Ethics in Law Enforcement	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 230	Evidence Forensics	CJ 130	4.00
CJ 250	Juvenile Justice	None	3.00
HS 100	Introduction to Homeland Security	None	3.00

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students enrolled in this associate's degree must complete a minimum of 24.00 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements. \*

- 4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Computer Applications ◆
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in General Education Electives ◆
- 1.00 Semester Credit Hours in Information Literacy
- 4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Natural Science or Humanities With a Critical Thinking Focus \*\* ▲ ◆
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Speech
- \* Transfer students may transfer courses that are within 1.00 semester credit hour of the courses listed above to meet these discipline requirements. Any resulting deficiency in the total of 24.00 semester credit hours required in general education may be made up with general education electives from any of the listed disciplines.
- \*\* A course with a critical thinking focus would be a course that addresses the theories and application of critical analysis with an emphasis on developing sequential reasoning skills. Examples may be courses in critical thinking, philosophy, logic, or science.
- ▲ Students in the state of Georgia must take a science course to fulfill this requirement.
- ◆ The state of Minnesota requires a minimum of 20.00 semester credit hours of general education for associate's degrees, not counting computer applications. However, all Herzing University students in the AASCJ program must complete a minimum of 24.00 semester credit hours in general education, including computer applications, to complete the requirement for graduation from this associate's degree program. Minnesota students must complete at least 2.00 semester credit hours of general education in the humanities.

#### PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 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