

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (C): LEGAL STUDIES EMPHASIS

Overview

This course of study is designed to prepare students for a career in law (i.e. legal assistant, court reporter) or a law enforcement-related field and/or to transfer to Bachelor's degree programs in Law, Criminal Justice or related fields and/or to qualify for admission to law school.

Requirements

Certificate of Achievement Requirements

Complete all Department Requirements for the Certificate of Achievement with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. Candidates for a Certificate of Achievement are required to complete at least 20% of the department requirements through SBCC.

Code	Title	Units
Department Requirements		
AJ 101	Introduction To The Administration Of Justice	3
AJ 102	Ethics In The Criminal Justice System	3
AJ 103	Legal Aspects Of Evidence and Procedure	3
AJ 105	Diversity, Law and Justice	3
AJ 107	Concepts Of Criminal Law	3
AJ 245	Constitutional Law	3
Complete two courses from the following:		6-7
AJ 104	Introduction to Corrections	
AJ 110	Introduction To Forensics	
AJ 111	Criminal Investigation	
AJ 250	The Study of Murder	
AJ 255	Terrorism And The Criminal Justice System	
AJ 265	Crime and Human Behavior	
AJ 271	The Study of Evil	
BLAW 101	Business Law	
POLS 151	Law And Society	
Total Units		24.00-25.00

Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the American Criminal Justice system and the scope of responsibilities of the various local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies beginning with arrest through parole.
2. Articulate the system's objectives, the crime problem, and role expectations of criminal justice personnel, and describe the various agencies and each subsystem within the system.
3. Analyze legal concepts and make rational decisions about case processing. Demonstrate knowledge of the rules of evidence, legal

definitions, and concepts of evidentiary law. Apply basic investigative proficiencies.

4. Analyze the role of the Constitution and judiciary in shaping society, the criminal justice system, and our system of government.
5. Examine the issues of judicial review and incorporation of the Bill of Rights and evaluate and assess the effect of the political process on Supreme Court interpretations.
6. Demonstrate critical thinking and analytical skills acquired in the social sciences in preparation for continuance of college-level education.

Recommended Sequence

Make an appointment with your SBCC academic counselor through Starfish to create a Student Education Plan that reflects a recommended course sequence for this program that is tailored to your individual needs.

How to schedule an Academic Counseling appointment (<https://www.sbcc.edu/counselingcenter/counselingappointments.php>).