

# ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (C): CRIMINOLOGY EMPHASIS

## Overview

This course of study is designed to prepare students for a career in law enforcement-related field (i.e., police officer, deputy sheriff, probation officer) and/or to transfer to Bachelor's degree programs in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or related fields.

## 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
<b>Department Requirements</b>		
AJ 101	Introduction To The Administration Of Justice	3
AJ 102	Ethics In The Criminal Justice System	3
AJ 125	Introduction To Criminology	3
AJ 250	The Study of Murder	3
PSY 100	General Psychology	3-4
or PSY 100H	General Psychology, Honors	
SOC 101	Introduction To Sociology	3-4
or SOC 101H	Introduction to Sociology, Honors	
Complete two courses from the following:		6-7
AJ 103	Legal Aspects Of Evidence and Procedure	
AJ 104	Introduction to Corrections	
AJ 105	Diversity, Law and Justice	
AJ 107	Concepts Of Criminal Law	
AJ 111	Criminal Investigation	
AJ 113	Community Relations	
AJ 245	Constitutional Law	
AJ 255	Terrorism And The Criminal Justice System	
AJ 265	Crime and Human Behavior	
AJ 271	The Study of Evil	
PSY 170	Abnormal Psychology	
SOC 104	Social Psychology	
or PSY 175	Social Psychology: Psychological Perspective	
SOC 106	Sociology of Deviance	
SOC 109	Social Problems	
SOC 115	Introduction To Social Research	

or PSY 200 Research Methods and Experimental Design in Psychology

**Total Units** **24.00-27.00**

## 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. Describe the system's responsibilities to the community, factors in crime causation, the social implications of crime and communication barriers between the system and the community.
3. Articulate the differences between the major criminological theories of the causes of crime and how those theories relate to policies toward crime and criminal behavior.
4. Identify and describe the different methods used in measuring crime and criminal behavior patterns.
5. Identify and discuss the legal, social, and political contexts of crime and punishment.
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 ([http://www.sbccc.edu/starfish/howtos/starfish\\_appt\\_how\\_to.pdf](http://www.sbccc.edu/starfish/howtos/starfish_appt_how_to.pdf)).