

## THE LEE P. BROWN CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE

The Lee P. Brown Criminal Justice Institute includes the Department of Criminal Justice, which offers two degrees: The Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree in Criminal Justice and the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Criminal Justice. These two degrees are available in the traditional “face-to-face” manner, as hybrid courses with online and face-to-face components, or entirely online modalities. The concentration in criminal justice administration has been especially adapted to serve non-traditional students seeking a in criminal justice. These degree plans are designed to prepare students to enter careers in law enforcement and related occupations or to pursue higher education. The curriculum in the A.A. degree and the BA degree focuses on equipping the student for roles in policing, courts and corrections. The studies and internships provide a theoretical foundation in the discipline which together with reasoning and judgment fosters the development of skills imperative for these professions. Through directed studies, seminars, and internships students apply their knowledge and learn to participate effectively in the justice system.

The Criminal Justice program provides an interdisciplinary scientific study of victims, offenders and criminal justice professionals in the operation and administration of the American legal system. The program is designed to provide a thorough foundation to prepare students for employment and/or continued education.

### ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Associate of Arts degree in Criminal Justice is a two-year course of study designed to prepare students for entry- level positions in municipal, state, county and federal law enforcement agencies, loss prevention and security fields. The curriculum focuses on the roles of policing, courts, law and corrections. After completion of the Associate of Arts degree program, students may elect to pursue the Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice.

#### GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

For the Associate of Arts degree in Criminal Justice, the student must complete the following:

General Education Requirements	45	Semester Hours
Major Field of Study Requirements	<u>15</u>	Semester Hours
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>60</b>	

#### Graduate Requirements

Graduates of the Associate of Arts program in criminal justice must:

1. Earn at least a “C” in all courses required for the major in Criminal Justice.
2. Have at least a 2.00 GPA.
3. Complete all GEEP and CLAP requirements.
4. Complete the application for graduation and satisfy all other applicable requirements; secure recommendation from advisor and school’s dean.

The General Education curriculum is central to the mission of Wiley University. It defines and monitors

required courses designed to provide a common base of knowledge, values, and core competencies essential to the education of students and their leadership development. It is vital to the accomplishment of the University's mission that a balance between professional and general education be established and maintained in which each is complementary to and compatible with the other.

The goal of general education is to ensure that all Wiley University students become articulate and acquire reasoning and critical thinking, moral sensitivity, awareness of society, consciousness of human diversity, and understanding of the value of citizenship. Wiley University has a core curriculum of 45 credit hours that all students aspiring to become candidates for the Bachelor of Arts, the Bachelor of Science, or the Bachelor of Business Administration must complete. The core curriculum is defined as “the curriculum in the liberal arts, humanities, sciences, and political, social and cultural history that all undergraduate students are required to complete, preferably within the first two years of the University experience” (Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board). The purpose of the core curriculum is to provide the skills, knowledge, and perspectives, known as **competencies**, which help define the educated person.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE CURRICULUM GUIDE

### Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice

#### Freshman Year

First Semester			Cr. Hrs.	Second Semester			Cr. Hrs.
ENGL	1301	English Composition I	3	ENGL	1302	English Composition II	3
HIST	2300	Intro to Afr Amer Studies	3	CRIJ	1330	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
RELI	1301	Survey of Religion and Phil	3	PHYS	1402	Intro to Physical Science with Lab	4
MATH	1330	College Algebra	3	PHED	1111	Fund. of Health & Fitness II	1
PHED	1110	Fund. of Health & Fitness I	1	SPCH	2300	Speech Communications	3
GESS	1200	Academic Success Seminar	2	GEEP	1002	General Education Enrich Program	<u>0</u>
GESS	1100	Academic Success Seminar - PF	<u>1</u>				<b>14</b>
GEEP	1001	General Educ Enrich Program	<u>0</u>				
			<b>16</b>				

#### Sophomore Year

First Semester			Cr. Hrs.	Second Semester			Cr. Hrs.
CRIJ	2300	Criminology	3	CRIJ	2305	Crime in America	3
CRIJ	2331	Intro to Law Enforcement	3	CRIJ	2332	Intro to Corrections	3
ENGL	2311	World Lit I	3	HIST	1302	US History II	3
HIST	1301	United States History I	3	HUMA	2300	Humanities	3
SPAN	2301	Elementary Spanish II	3	SPAN	2302	Elementary Spanish II	3
GEEP	2001	General Educ Enrich Program	<u>0</u>	GEEP	2002	General Education Enrich Program	<u>0</u>
			<b>15</b>				<b>15</b>
						<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>60</b>

#### General Education Requirements (39 hours)

			Semester Hours
BIOL	1401	Introduction to Biological Sciences with Lab (OR)	4
PHYS	1402	Introduction to Physical Sciences with Lab	
ENGL	1301	English Composition I	3
ENGL	1302	English Composition II	3
ENGL	2311	World Literature I	3
GESS	1200	Academic Success Seminar	2

GESS	1100	Academic Success Seminar – Personal Finance	1
HIST	1301	US History I	3

HIST	1302	US History II	3
HIST	2300	Introduction to African American Studies	3
HUMA	2300	Humanities	3
MATH	1330	College Algebra	3
PHED	1110	Fundamentals of Health Fitness I	1
PHED	1111	Fundamentals of Health Fitness II	1
RELI	1301	Survey of Religion and Philosophy	3
SPANI	2301	Elementary Spanish I	3
SPAN	2302	Elementary Spanish II	3
SPCH	2300	Speech Communications	<u>3</u>
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>			<b>45</b>

**Courses Required to Satisfy the Major Field of Study Requirements for an Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice:**

			<b>Semester Hours</b>
CRIJ	1330	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRIJ	2300	Criminology	3
CRIJ	2305	Crime in America	3
CRIJ	2331	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
CRIJ	2332	Introduction to Corrections	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>			<b>15</b>

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

### **Program Overview**

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice is designed to prepare students to enter careers in law enforcement and/or related occupations and pursue higher education. The curriculum focuses on the role of policing, courts and corrections. It further provides a theoretical foundation of the discipline combined with reasoning, judgment, and skills imperative to the profession.

### **Objectives**

The objectives of the Criminal Justice program include, but are not limited to, the following:

Graduates of the program will demonstrate a depth of understanding in the field, communication skills, critical thinking, and technical competencies required in the workplace.

Graduates will be prepared to gain entry to graduate or professional school. Graduates will be employable in their chosen area of criminal justice.