

# BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Bachelor of Arts, Major in Criminal Justice</b>		
Core Curriculum ( <a href="http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/">http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/</a> )		
Component Area I (Communication)		6
Component Area II (Mathematics)		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science)		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture)		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts)		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History)		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences)		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option)		4
<b>Degree Specific Requirements</b>		
ENGL 3330	Intro to Technical Writing	3
Select one of the following:		3-4
MATH 3379	Statistical Methods in Practice	
PSYC 3402	Psychological Statistics	
STAT 3379	Statistical Methods in Practice	
Foreign Language <sup>1</sup>		14
<b>Criminal Justice Major Core</b>		
CRIJ 2361	Intro To The Crim Justice Sys <sup>2</sup>	3
CRIJ 2362	Criminology <sup>3</sup>	3
CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals Of Criminal Law <sup>4</sup>	3
CRIJ 2365	Correctional Sys & Practice <sup>4</sup>	3
CRIJ 2367	Police Systems & Practices <sup>4</sup>	3
CRIJ 3350	Victimology <sup>5</sup>	3
CRIJ 3378	Intro To Methods Of Research <sup>6</sup>	3
CRIJ 4385	Criminl Justc & Social Divrsty (Must be taken after CRIJ 3378) <sup>5</sup>	3
<b>Criminal Justice Major Electives</b>		
CRIJ Advanced Electives		21
General Electives		19
General Electives (Advanced)		3
<b>Minor (if required)</b>		
Total Hours		120-121

<sup>1</sup> WOLC 2311 and WOLC 2312 satisfy the requirement for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) as well as three hours of Component Area IX (Component Area Option).

<sup>2</sup> CRIJ 2361 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Science).

<sup>3</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 1.

<sup>4</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 2.

<sup>5</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 4.

<sup>6</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 3.

## Notes

Forty-two semester hours of advanced coursework (3000 or 4000 level) are the absolute minimum. Minimum number of semester hours in residence: 30 semester hours of which 24 must be advanced.

Use general electives to satisfy the 42 advanced hour requirement.

**First Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Component Area IX ( <a href="http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix">http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix</a> )		1 Component Area II <sup>5</sup>	3
CRIJ 2361 <sup>1</sup>		3 CRIJ 2362 <sup>6</sup>	3
ENGL 1301 <sup>2</sup>		3 ENGL 1302 <sup>2</sup>	3
HIST 1301 <sup>3</sup>		3 HIST 1302 <sup>3</sup>	3
POLS 2305 <sup>4</sup>		3 POLS 2306 <sup>4</sup>	3
		13	15

**Second Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Component Area III ( <a href="http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii">http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii</a> )		4 Component Area III ( <a href="http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii">http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii</a> )	4
CRIJ 2364 <sup>7</sup>		3 Component Area V ( <a href="http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav">http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav</a> )	3
CRIJ 2365 <sup>7</sup>		3 CRIJ 2367 <sup>7</sup>	3
General Electives (3000/4000)		3 WOLC 1412 <sup>8</sup>	4
WOLC 1411 <sup>8</sup>		4	
		17	14

**Third Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
CRIJ Electives (3000/4000)		6 CRIJ Electives (3000/4000)	6
CRIJ 3378 <sup>9</sup>		3 General Electives	3
ENGL 3330 <sup>10</sup>		3 General Electives (3000/4000)	3
WOLC 2311 <sup>8</sup>		3 WOLC 2312 <sup>8</sup>	3
		15	15

**Fourth Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
CRIJ 4385 <sup>11</sup>		3 CRIJ 3350 <sup>11</sup>	3
CRIJ Electives (3000/4000)		6 CRIJ Electives (3000/4000)	3
General Electives		5 General Electives	5
STAT 3379, MATH 3379, or PSYC 3402		3-4 General Electives (3000/4000)	3
		17-18	14

Total Hours: 120-121

- <sup>1</sup> Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).
- <sup>2</sup> Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communication).
- <sup>3</sup> Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
- <sup>4</sup> Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
- <sup>5</sup> Recommend MATH 1314 or MATH 1332.
- <sup>6</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 1.
- <sup>7</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 2.
- <sup>8</sup> Satisfies the requirement for Component Area IV Language, Philosophy, and Culture).
- <sup>9</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 3.
- <sup>10</sup> Must be taken in residence.
- <sup>11</sup> May be completed either Fall or Spring semester of Year 4.

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The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BA in Criminal Justice is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Critical thinking.
- Written and oral communication.
- Analytical research.
- Proactive and action oriented.