

# CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE, A.S.

**Location(s):** AL, AN, LO, MA, NOL, WO  
**NOVA Code:** 4710

## Purpose

This program is designed to prepare students to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree program in criminal justice, criminology, or related fields.

## Transfer Information

Since four-year colleges can vary in their course and GPA requirements, please consult an advisor regarding specific requirements and course selection. The program is designed to transfer especially well to George Mason University.

## Recommended Preparation

Satisfactory completion of the following high school units or equivalent: 4 units of English; 4 units of mathematics (algebra I-II, geometry and pre-calc); 1 unit of laboratory science; and 1 unit of social studies.

## Two Years

Course	Title	Credits
<b>1st Semester</b>		
ADJ 100	Survey of Criminal Justice	3
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HIS Elective ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hist_elec">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hist_elec</a> )		3
Select one of the following:		3
MTH 154	Quantitative Reasoning	
MTH 155	Statistical Reasoning (or Higher) <sup>1</sup>	
SDV 100 or SDV 101	College Success Skills or Orientation to:	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>		
ADJ 201	Criminology	3
CST 100 or CST 110	Principles of Public Speaking or Introduction to Human Communication	3
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
ITE 152	Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>3rd Semester</b>		
Select one of the following:		3
ADJ 105	The Juvenile Justice System	
ADJ 211	Crim Law, Evidence And Procedures I	
ADJ 234	Terrorism And Counter-Terrorism <sup>2</sup>	
ADJ 140	Introduction to Corrections	3
Physical or Life Science Elective w/Lab ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec</a> )		4
SOC 200	Introduction to Sociology	3
Select one of the following:		3
SOC 268	Social Problems	
SOC 266	Race and Ethnicity	
General Education Elective ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/</a> ) <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

### 4th Semester

Physical or Life Science Elective w/Lab ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec</a> )		4
Select one of the following:		3
ADJ 133	Ethics & The Criminal Justice Prof. <sup>4</sup>	
ADJ 110	Introduction to Law Enforcement	
ADJ 233	Multiculturalism in Policing	
ADJ 236 or ADJ 229	Principles of Criminal Investigation or Community Policing in Modern Society	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hum_fa_elect">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hum_fa_elect</a> ) <sup>5</sup>		3
Select one of the following: <sup>6</sup>		3
ENG 2XX - Literature Elective ( <a href="https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_literature">https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_literature</a> )		
REL 237	Religions of the East	
REL 100	Introduction to the Study of Religion	
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

Electives should be chosen with the advice of an academic advisor to meet the requirements of the intended transfer institution.

- Students who plan to take MTH 245 Statistics I should take MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning or MTH 161 PreCalculus I first. Credit will not be awarded for both MTH 155 Statistical Reasoning and MTH 245 Statistics I.
- Students planning to attend George Mason University can take any of the courses listed. Students planning to attend different universities should consult transfer guides via [www.transfervirginia.org](http://www.transfervirginia.org) (<http://www.transfervirginia.org/>) for additional information.
- Students planning to attend George Mason University are encouraged to take CST 229 Intercultural Communication, PLS 241 Introduction to International Relations, or REL 100 Introduction to the Study of Religion. Consult transfer guides via [www.transfervirginia.org](http://www.transfervirginia.org) (<http://www.transfervirginia.org/>) for additional information.
- Prospective George Mason University students should consider enrolling in ADJ 133 Ethics & The Criminal Justice Prof. to fulfill core major requirements for the Criminology, Law, and Society degree program.
- Students must choose courses from two of the following three areas: Fine Arts, Humanities, and Literature. Credit will not be awarded for taking two courses from the same area.
- Any 200-level literature course with an ENG prefix satisfies this requirement.. Students planning to attend George Mason University are encouraged to take an approved ENG 225 or higher literature course.