

GUIDED PATHWAY: CRIMINAL JUSTICE – FIELD OF STUDY

LAW and PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Criminal Justice webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/CriminalJustice) [www.dcccd.edu/CriminalJustice] and your success coach at your campus.

This guided pathway is designed to meet the needs of students who plan to major in Criminal Justice at a university. An Associate of Arts degree in this pathway prepares you to transfer to a university to earn a bachelor's degree that opens the door to a career in corrections, probation, government and private security settings.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in Criminal Justice. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an A.A. degree with a Field of Study in Criminal Justice, which will increase your chances of transfer to bachelor's-level programs. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours (15 hours) required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See catalog for [official degree requirements](#).

This pathway fulfills the Dallas College Interstate Passport requirements. The Interstate Passport at Dallas College is awarded to students who have achieved lower-division general education learning outcomes in a set of approved courses that are recognized by all other colleges and universities participating. Please visit [the Interstate Passport – Dallas College webpage](#) for more information. Certain courses may not apply to the Passport block requirements. See your success coach for more information.

Visit www.dcccd.edu/transfer and select "Transfer from Dallas College," then click on a university to view more information about transferring to that institution. Speak with your success coach to choose courses that will help you to transfer to a specific university.

Catalog Year	2022-2023	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Associate of Arts Field of Study	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	Must be Complete	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official degree requirements](#).

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FIELD OF STUDY DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1

Total Hours: 16

ENGL 1301 – Composition I *This is a Core course. Must earn a grade of "C" or higher.*

HIST 1301 – United States History I *This is a Core course.*

MATHEMATICS X3XX Core Elective* *This is a Core course. Must earn a grade of "C" or higher.*

CRIJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

PHED 1164 – Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness* *This is a Core course.*

CHOOSE ONE: **SPCH 1311** – Introduction to Speech Communication* *This is a Core course.*

SPCH 1315 – Public Speaking* *This is a Core course* **OR**

SPCH 1321 – Business and Professional Communication* *This is a Core course.*

* There are several options to fulfill this requirement. See your success coach for a specific list.

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your success coach to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester.
2. At the end of the semester, begin researching colleges and universities where you would want to transfer and major in Criminal Justice.
3. Meet with your success coach to research your career options with a degree in Criminal Justice.

SEMESTER 2

Total Hours: 15

[ENGL 1302](#) – Composition II *This is a Core course.*

[HIST 1302](#) – United States History II* *This is a Core course.*

[CRIJ 1307](#) – Crime in America *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

[CRIJ 1306](#) – Court Systems and Practices *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

[SOCL 1301](#) – Introduction to Sociology* *This is a Core course.*

* There are several options to fulfill this requirement. See your success coach for a specific list.

SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your success coach to request an official program of study audit and confirm or update your academic/career pathway and program of study.
2. Ask your success coach about transfer options to pursue the bachelor's degree.

SEMESTER 3

Total Hours: 16

[LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE*](#) *This is a Core course.*

[GOVT 2305](#) – Federal Government *This is a Core course.*

[CREATIVE ARTS ELECTIVE*](#) *This is a Core course.*

[LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY, and CULTURE ELECTIVE*](#) *This is a Core course.*

[CRIJ 1310](#) – Fundamentals of Criminal Law *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

* There are several options to fulfill this requirement. See your success coach for a specific list.

SEMESTER 3 ACTION ITEMS

1. Begin applying to your top choice universities.
2. Begin applying for Financial Aid and Scholarships. You can start the FAFSA in October for the next academic year. (*i.e., in October 2022, you can complete the FAFSA if you plan to register for classes at a university Fall 2023*)
3. Check with your success coach for important deadlines & dates.

SEMESTER 4

Total Hours: 13

[LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE*](#) *This is a Core course.*

[GOVT 2306](#) – Texas Government *This is a Core course.*

[CRIJ 2313](#) – Correctional Systems and Practices *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

[CRIJ 2328](#) – Police Systems and Practices *This is a required Field of Study Course.*

* There are several options to fulfill this requirement. See your success coach for a specific list.

SEMESTER 4 ACTION ITEMS

1. After reviewing your degree plan and program of study, meet with your success coach to apply for the Associate of Arts degree with the Criminal Justice Field of Study.
2. Sign up for commencement.
3. Request final transcripts to be sent to the college or university to where you will transfer.
4. Join the [Alumni Network!](#)

DALLAS COLLEGE PATHWAY TOTAL: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS

The Bachelor of Arts in Social and Criminal Justice program at the University of Arizona Global Campus (UAGC) offers a unique interdisciplinary program that examines criminal justice from a perspective that sees it as a means of building a more just society. Students examine topics such as forensics, psychology, crime prevention, the Constitution, criminal law, and the correctional system.

It is best to apply to UAGC 3-5 weeks before students plan to transfer. It will help if students submit a copy of this pathway with their application as well as an unofficial transcript showing their degree. All specified courses are required. UAGC has recommended courses for the general education categories which may vary by program. Students will work with an UAGC Academic Advisor to schedule appropriate courses once enrolled.

For questions about the University of Arizona Global Campus portion of this transfer pathway, contact the Academic Partners Office at articulation@uagc.edu.

YEAR-BY-YEAR MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan.

Upon completing the designated Dallas College associate degree, students will enter UAGC as a junior.

JUNIOR YEAR**Total Hours: 30**

ASH 101 – Launchpad: Developing Skills & Strategies for Success - *Required, non-transferable entry course.*

GEN 499 – General Education Capstone (*Upper Division*) - *Required, non-transferable capstone course.*

PHI 208 – Ethics & Moral Reasoning

CRJ 310 – Applied Constitutional Law (*Upper Division*)

SOC 333 – Research Methods (*Upper Division*)

CRJ 308 – Psychology of Criminal Behavior (*Upper Division*)

CRJ 305 – Crime Prevention (*Upper Division*)

CRJ 301 – Juvenile Justice (*Upper Division*)

CRJ 306 – Criminal Law & Procedure (*Upper Division*)

CRJ 311 – Forensics (*Upper Division*)

SENIOR YEAR**Total Hours: 30**

CRJ 422 – Criminal Justice Capstone (*Upper Division*)

Elective 1 – *Must be upper division.*

Elective 2

Elective 3

Elective 4

Elective 5

Elective 6

Elective 7

Elective 8

Elective 9

UAGC PATHWAY TOTAL: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE MINIMUM: 120 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

This program to program transfer pathway is unofficial; does not guarantee automatic acceptance of transfer credits; and is based solely on Dallas College coursework with a grade of C- or better. The University of Arizona Global Campus (UAGC) course applicability and availability to take additional coursework beyond the designated Dallas degree will vary based on each student's individual transfer credit situation. We recommend students work with their UAGC Academic Advisor during their first UAGC course to ensure duplicative coursework is not scheduled pending their official transfer credit evaluation. For complete degree, residency, and transfer credit policies, please refer to the UAGC catalog. Successful completion of this UAGC program by itself does not provide licensure or certification in any state, regardless of concentration or specialization. Certain degree programs may not be available in all states.

Lower-division transfer courses will not count towards the 30-credit upper-division requirement at UAGC.

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