CRIMINAL JUSTICE CORE, OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATE



Information

Criminal Justice is an interdisciplinary program with enough flexibility to permit students to pursue diverse interests within the system. For example, an Associate of Arts (AA) in Criminal Justice allows students interested in social work, probation, parole, law, or law enforcement to have a foundational understanding before transfer to the university for a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree. Students directed toward probation, parole, or corrections work are advised to select courses from the transfer core. Students seeking an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Criminal Justice have the opportunity to earn three certificates on the pathway to that degree. The AAS transfers to a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Science (BAAS) degree at many universities.

Students enrolling in San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (e.g., internship, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the external learning sites to engage in all external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address potential vaccination exemptions directly with the external learning site.

Occupational Certificate

Working police officers who have completed a basic police academy and passed the state's licensing exam may be eligible to earn credit for prior learning through San Jacinto College once they complete six hours of criminal justice courses. Students may contact the Department Chair for more information.