



Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (Online)

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

2024-25 Catalog Year • Law and Public Service Career Path • Available at all Campuses

Although there may be several options to fulfill certain requirements for the associate’s degree, please note that this pathway lists the specific courses leading to this bachelor’s degree. All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. Refer to catalog for official degree requirements. You must receive a GPA of at least 2.00 on all college-level course work. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. Contact your advisor for information.

A.A. DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

| Semester 1 (16 hours) | Semester 2 (15 hours) |
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| ENGL 1301 – Composition I | ENGL 1302 – Composition II |
| HIST 1301 – United States History I | HIST 1302* – United States History II |
| Mathematics Core Elective (ACU prefers MATH 1332) | CRIJ 1307 – Crime in America |
| CRIJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice | CRIJ 1306 – Court Systems and Practices |
| SPCH 1311 – Introduction to Speech Communication <i>or</i> SPCH 1315* – Public Speaking (required course for ACU) <i>or</i> SPCH 1321 – Business and Professional Communication | SOCI 1301* – Introduction to Sociology |
| PHED 1164* – Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness | |

| Semester 3 (16 hours) | Semester 4 (13 hours) |
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| Science Core Elective* | Science Core Elective* |
| GOVT 2305 – Federal Government | GOVT 2306 – Texas Government |
| Creative Arts Core Elective* (ACU recommends ARTS 1301, DRAM 1310 or MUSI 1306) | CRIJ 2313 – Correctional Systems and Practices |
| | CRIJ 2328 – Police Systems and Practices |
| Language, Philosophy of Culture Core Elective* (ACU recommends ENGL 2332; if completed, ACU’s ENGL 221 will not be required) | |
| CRIJ 1310 – Fundamentals of Criminal Law | |

*ACU prefers these courses, but there are several options to fulfill this requirement. Contact your academic advisor for a specific list.



ACU TRANSFER TRACK

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For questions about the Abilene Christian University portion of this transfer pathway, contact the Admissions Office at (855) 219-7300. It is best to apply to ACU a full semester before you plan to transfer. It will help if you submit a copy of this pathway with your application. Abilene Christian University only accepts transfer course work with a grade of "C" or higher.



| Semester 1 (12 hours) | Semester 2 (12 hours) |
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| BIBL 103 – Story of the New Testament | BIBL 211 – Message of the Old Testament |
| POLS 384 – American Judicial Process | POLC 365 – Search and Seizure |
| POLC 330 – Domestic Violence | POLS 432 – Constitutional Law: Civil Rights |
| Elective | POLC 430 – Evidence and Procedure |

| Semester 3 (12 hours) | Semester 4 (12 hours) |
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| BIBT 342 - Christianity in Culture | POLS 487 – Terrorism Studies |
| ENGL 221 – Major British Writers I | POLS 315 – Political Science and Criminal Justice Research Methods |
| POLC 320 – Criminal Law | 2 Electives |
| POLC 420 – Law Enforcement Leadership | |

| Semester 5 (12 hours) |
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| POLC 455 – Professionalism and Ethics in Criminal Justice |
| POLC 499 – Criminal Justice Internship |
| SOCI 388 – Crime and Delinquency |
| Elective |

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