

Criminal Justice and Criminology

University of Central Missouri

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Program Description

The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree/requirements/associate-arts/>) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students who transfer to UCM with an Associate of Arts degree are considered to have met all 42 hours of UCM's General Education requirements, with the exception of Major/Minor-Required General Education courses and the Constitution Requirement. Visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-counseling/transfer/files/transfer-guides/ucmo-general-ed.pdf>) for details. The elective hours within the A.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors/minors.

Students who transfer to UCM without a degree (or a degree other than an AA) will have all coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

JCCC students not completing the AA degree should visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-counseling/transfer/files/transfer-guides/ucmo-general-ed.pdf>) for course equivalents and also the UCM catalog for any specific or additional General Education requirements for their UCM program of study.

NOTE: Courses taken to fulfill General Education requirements may not be taken on the pass/fail basis.

Students should be cognizant of UCM's Upper-Level Course Requirement and Residence Requirement, especially if enrolling in more than 60 hours at JCCC. Visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-counseling/transfer/files/transfer-guides/ucmo-general-ed.pdf>) for details.

The Criminal Justice and Criminology, BS degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate information about the program, you must meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

Program Requirements

UCM General Education and Criminal Justice and Criminology Major Requirements

All students must complete a minimum of 42 credit hours in general education.

The following courses count toward the UCM BS in Criminal Justice and Criminology Major Requirements:

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
CJ 121	Introduction to Criminal Justice System + #	3	CJ 1000	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 122	Police Operations* +	3	CJ 3010	Policing a Democratic Society	3

CJ 124	Criminal Justice and Corrections +	3	CJ 3006	Corrections	3
CJ 133	Juvenile Behavior +	3	CJ 2700	Intro to Juvenile Justice	3
CJ 141	Criminal Law +	3	CJ 3300	Criminal Law and Procedure	3
CJ 255	Ethics and Criminal Justice +	3	CJ 2010	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3

The following electives count toward the UCM BS in Criminal Justice and Criminology degree. Students are recommended to choose JCCC CJ 122 and CJ 133 (both are Major Requirements for the BS degree at UCM).

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
CJ 127	Criminology	3		No specific course equivalent, but counts as CJ Elective at UCM	
CJ 148	Physical and Sexual Violence within the Family	3	CJ 4403	Sexual Assault the CJ System	3
CJ 150	Criminal Procedure	3		No specific course equivalent, but counts as CJ Elective at UCM	
CJ 154	Fundamentals of Criminal Investigation	3	CJ 3400	Criminal Investigation	3
CJ 201	Police Interrogation	3		No specific course equivalent, but counts as CJ Elective at UCM	
CJ 223	International Criminal Justice Systems	3	CJ 3020	Comparative Justice Systems	3
CJ 228	Criminal Justice Communications*	2		No specific course equivalent, but counts as CJ Elective at UCM	
CJ 230	Criminal Behavior*	3		No specific course equivalent, but counts as CJ Elective at UCM	
CJ 235	Community Based Corrections	3	CJ 4006	Probation/Parole/Com Correctns	3
CJ 275	Police Leadership* +	3	CJ 3101	Police Organization Mgmt	

Remaining courses to be taken at UCM for BS in Criminal Justice and Criminology

9 hours of Criminal Justice Electives: (6 of the 9 hours must be Upper-Level courses) - Must be taken at UCM to meet Residency Requirements of 15 hours in the Major earned at UCM including 12 hours of Upper-Level hours in the Major earned at UCM

Free Electives: (39 hours) Free choice elective hours may vary depending on transfer coursework and course selection at UCM. Students may be able to take additional hours at JCCC to count as free electives at UCM, but should be aware of UCM's Residency and Upper-Level Requirements:

- Minimum of 30 hours earned at UCM
- Minimum of 30 Upper-Level (3000/4000) hours, 20 of those earned at UCM

Courses taken at two-year colleges are not applicable toward UCM Upper-Level Requirement. Students are advised to meet with a UCM advisor before taking additional hours at JCCC.

* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

+ UCM course requires a grade of "C" or better.

^ UCM Criminal Justice Electives – 15 hours total required; 6 of the 9 remaining hours must be Upper-Level courses and must be taken at UCM to meet Residency Requirements of 15 hours in the Major earned at UCM including 12 hours of Upper-Level hours in the Major earned at UCM.

General Education course required by this major.