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B.S.C.J in Criminal Justice Description

The course of study leading to the B.S.C.J. degree offers students the opportunity to study law enforcement, corrections, or homeland security/emergency management and the administration of justice.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

Goals/Mission Statement

Our mission is to educate students in a learning environment conducive to excellence in meeting the complex challenges present in justice- related services. Our faculty's goal is to expand the knowledge base and to integrate cutting-edge information into the learning experiences of students. In addition, the Department of Legal Studies' mission is to extend service to our constituents to enhance learning, program development, and justice-related service in Mississippi, the region, and the nation.

General Education Requirements

See the General Education Core Curriculum for the School of Applied Sciences. Criminal justice students may use CJ 202 as an option to complete the statistics requirement.

An additional 3 hours is required in the following related subject: either 3 hours of Writ 250 or CJ 322.

Course Requirements

The B.S.C.J. degree requires 42 credit hours of criminal justice courses. The following 18 hours of coursework are required of all criminal justice majors:

- CJ 100: Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 hours)
- CJ 210: Criminal Law (3 hours)
- CJ 300: Ethics in Legal Studies (3 hours)
- CJ 324: Theories of Criminal Behavior (3 hours)
- CJ 450: Criminal Justice Research (3 hours)
- CJ 490: Criminal Justice Internship (3 hours) or CJ 499: Colloquium in Criminal Justice (3 hours)

The remaining 24 hours of major coursework are taken under the student's chosen area of emphasis: corrections, homeland security or law enforcement.

Other Academic Requirements

For majors in this field, a minimum grade of 2.5 must be maintained on all criminal justice coursework.

All CJ majors must complete a minor or second major selected by the student and approved by the student's academic adviser.

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In addition to the 18-hour CJ core, students who select the homeland security emphasis must complete the following 24 hours of CJ coursework:

CJ 115, 285, 376, 400, 420, and 9 hours of CJ electives.

Degree Requirements

The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

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General Education

| REQUIREMENT | HOURS | DESCRIPTION |
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| First Year Writing I | 3 | Complete Hon 101 , Writ 100 or Writ 101 with a passing grade. |
| First Year Writing II | 3 | Complete one of the following courses with a passing grade: Liba 102 , Writ 102 or Hon 102 . |
| 3 hrs literature 200+ | 3 | Complete 3 hours of literature at the 200 level or higher with a passing grade. |
| 3 hrs Arts Appreciation | 3 | Complete 3 hours in the area of fine or performing arts. Choose from art history, music, dance, and theatre arts. Studio and workshop courses cannot be used to satisfy this requirement. Acceptable freshman or sophomore-level courses are: AH 101 , AH 102 , AH 201 , AH 202 ; Music 101, Music 102, Music 103, Music 104, Music 105; Dance 200; and Theatre 201. |
| Soc 101 | 3 | Complete Soc 101 with a passing grade. |
| Psy 201 | 3 | Complete Psy 201 with a passing grade. |

General Education II

| REQUIREMENT | HOURS | DESCRIPTION |
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| Writ 250 or CJ 322 | 3 | Complete either Writ 250 or CJ 322 with a passing grade. |
| Human biology lab | 1 | Successfully complete the accompanying human biology lab. |



| REQUIREMENT | HOURS | DESCRIPTION |
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| Additional science course | 3 | Complete an additional science course. |
| Additional science lab | 1 | Successfully complete an additional science lab. |
| Human biology course | 3 | Successfully complete either Bisc 102 , Bisc 160 , Bisc 206 or Bisc 207 with a passing grade. |
| 3 hrs Math 120 or higher | 3 | Successfully complete Math 120 or a higher level math with a passing grade. |
| 3 hrs humanities or art apprec. | 3 | Additional Humanity or Arts Appreciation: 3 hours of humanities or arts appreciation. Humanities consists of African American Studies (AAS 201 OR 202); Classics (CLC); ENVS 101 ; Gender Studies (G St 201 , 202 , or 301); Southern Studies (S ST 100 -level); History (HST), Literature (Eng 220-226); Philosophy (PHIL), Religion (REL), honors freshman seminar (if not used for composition) |
| 3 hrs statistics course | 3 | Successfully complete a statistic course from the following list of courses: CJ 202 , Math 115 , Econ 230 , Bus 230 or Psy 202 . |

Major Requirements

| REQUIREMENT | HOURS | DESCRIPTION |
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| CJ 100 | 3 | Complete CJ 100 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 210 | 3 | Complete CJ 210 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 300 | 3 | Complete CJ 300 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 324 | 3 | Complete CJ 324 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 450 | 3 | Complete CJ 450 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 490 or CJ 499 | 3 | Complete CJ 490 or CJ 499 with a passing grade. |
| Enroll in a BSCJ emphasis | | Enroll in an emphasis area within the BS in Criminal Justice program. |
| Overall Major GPA | | Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements. |

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| CJ 115 | 3 | Complete CJ 115 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 285 | 3 | Complete CJ 285 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 376 | 3 | Complete CJ 376 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 400 | 3 | Complete CJ 400 with a passing grade. |
| CJ 420 | 3 | Complete CJ 420 with a passing grade. |
| 9 hrs criminal justice elective | 9 | Successfully complete 9 credit hours of criminal justice (CJ) electives. Courses may not be chosen from any criminal justice course that is being used for the Homeland Security emphasis or part of the 5 required CJ courses (100, 210, 300, 490, and 499). |

