

# Area of Focus: Criminal Justice

Associate in Arts (AA) transfer degree

This Sample Transfer Plan is for students intending to major in Criminal Justice after transfer but who have not selected a transfer institution. Students who have a specific transfer school in mind should work with BHC and transfer school advisors to ensure the transfer school's requirements are met.

Criminal Justice is a multidisciplinary social science which addresses the presence, causes, consequences, and prevention of crime in society. Baccalaureate graduates who have majored in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or Law Enforcement may find employment in loss prevention, criminal justice, and social service agencies, or pursue graduate studies in criminology, criminal justice, law, and related fields.

General Education I	Recommendations: minimum 37 credits
This section includes the complete <u>Illinois Articulation Initiativ</u> courses meeting general education requirements at more tha	e General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC) which is a package of n 100 participating Illinois colleges and universities.
<b>Communication (9 credits)</b> – all courses required ENG 101 Composition I (3) – grade 'C' or better required ENG 102 Composition II (3) – grade 'C' or better required SPEC 101 Principles of Speech Communication (3)	Social & Behavioral Sciences (9 credits) Must include courses from two disciplines POLS 122 American National Government (3) SOC 101 Principles of Sociology (3) Choose one IAI: S course (3)
Humanities & Fine Arts (9 credits) Humanities – choose one IAI: H or HF course (3) Fine Arts - choose one IAI: F or HF course (3) Humanities or Fine Arts – choose another IAI: F, H or HF course	Mathematics (3 credits) MATH 108 Statistics for General Education (3) -or <u>-</u> MATH 110 Mathematics for General Education (3) e (3)
Physical & Life Sciences (7 credits min include one lab)         Life Science – choose one IAI: L course (3 min.)         -or         Physical Science – choose one IAI: P course (3 min.)	<ul> <li>NSCI 101 Environmental Science I (3) <u>and</u></li> <li>NSCI 102 Environmental Science II (4)</li> </ul>

Elective I	Recommendations:	up to 23 credits	
This section includes courses appropriate for this area of focus. Because transfer institutions vary in their acceptance of coursework, see <u>Course Transfer Tables and Transferology</u> , or an advisor. IAI courses are identified with an asterisk *. Seek advising about other elective courses that may support your reasons for choosing this area of focus.			
Criminal Justice Electives CRJU 104 Police Administration (3) CRJU 151 Criminal Justice System (3)* CRJU 152 Criminology (3)* CRJU 153 Survey of Corrections (3)* CRJU 247 Juvenile Delinquency (3)* CRJU 254 Criminal Investigation I (3) CRJU 255 Criminal Law (3)	and/or graduation requirement satisfied with high school and/o Minor: Transfer majors may re	otential second language admission ts of transfer schools, which may be or college courses. Consult an advisor. equire a minor area of study, which may rses. Discuss possible minors & courses	
Other Electives PSYC 101 Intro to Psychology (3) * SOC 250 Social Inequality (3) * SOC 261 Deviant Behavior (3)			

## 60 total credits required for AA degree (General Education + Electives)

**Non-Western studies graduation requirement.** To graduate with the AA degree, include at least one non-Western studies course. The course can simultaneously fulfill a general education requirement in Humanities, Fine arts, or Social & Behavioral Science, or be taken as an elective. Choose from ANTH 100 or 102; ART 285 or 286; ENG 217, 218 or 219; HIST 222, 141, 142 or 151; HUM 102; IS 200; or MUSC 158.

BHC develops Sample Transfer Plans as a service to students. Final responsibility for verifying all graduation and transfer requirements rests with the student. PLAN CREATED February 28, 2018; updated June 16, 2023.

### Learn More About This Area of Focus:

- Get to know <u>Black Hawk College Career Services</u> Phone: 309-796-5626
- Visit <u>Career Coach</u> to Browse Careers. Includes job data and open positions for the greater Quad City region and beyond.
- Browse careers at <u>Collegegrad.com/careers</u> <u>O\*Net OnLine</u> <u>Occupational Outlook Handbook</u> <u>Occupational Profiles</u>
- For additional information visit: <u>American Correctional Association</u>; <u>American Probation and Parole Association</u>; <u>Fraternal</u> <u>Order of Police</u>; <u>National Organization for Victim Assistance</u>

### **Course Transferability:**

- Course and transfer requirements can vary among institutions and may differ from the recommendations on this guide. Grades of 'C' or better may be required for a course to transfer, especially courses intended for the major.
- Students are advised to select a transfer school as soon as possible, typically before completing 30 college-level credits.

Where to transfer? Explore transfer colleges and universities and their majors:				
Explore Colleges & Universities <u>https://www.bhc.edu/academics/tran</u> <u>sfer-planning/explore-colleges-</u> <u>universities/</u>	Illinois Institutional Profiles https://illinoispostsecondaryprofiles.com/Home/I ndex	College Navigator <u>https://nces.ed.gov/collegenaviga</u> <u>tor/</u>		

### Degree Timeframe:

- Students who complete an average of 15 college-level credits in four consecutive fall and spring semesters could complete the degree in two years. Students determine their own pace and progress and should consider their work and personal commitments, course difficulty, course pre-requisites, and possible need for additional courses determined by placement assessments. Advisors are available to discuss credit load and schedules appropriate for student goals and circumstances.
- Students transferring before completing the associate degree should discuss <u>Reverse Transfer</u> with their BHC advisor. Black
  Hawk College will evaluate your college or university work to determine if those credits will fulfill the remaining requirements
  of the associate's degree.

#### Advising Notes:

- See the current <u>BHC Catalog</u> for all IAI course codes, course descriptions, pre-requisite information, and complete graduation requirements to earn the degree. The area of focus is not stated on student transcripts.
- This guide is not a substitute for advising. All students are encouraged to connect with their assigned BHC advisor each semester.

Semester	Meet with BHC advisor	Registration begins
Summer and Fall	February or March	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday in April
Spring & minimester	September or October	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday in November

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