

This Associate in Arts degree program is designed for students who want to earn a bachelor's degree in a program which offers an interdisciplinary, issue-oriented program focusing upon the issues of crime, law enforcement, corrections, and the criminal justice system.

Specializations in probation and parole and forensic studies are available. For additional program information, visit the [UWF website](#).

Possible employment areas in this career field include law enforcement officer, youth counselor (juvenile after-care), probation officer, college teacher (with additional training and education), parole officer, research director, correctional counselor, criminologist (criminal/juvenile justice agencies), probation counselor (juvenile court), administrator (criminal/juvenile justice agencies), consumer safety officer, correctional officer, private investigator, expert witness, private/corporate security officer/director.

For more information please visit The Occupational Outlook Handbook: [Correctional Officers, Probation Officers, Police/Detectives, Social Workers, College/University Faculty](#).

While academic advisors, faculty and staff provide significant academic planning and related assistance to students, completion of all degree requirements, and the process of monitoring progress to that end, is ultimately the responsibility of the student.

ACADEMIC PLAN: Associate in Arts Degree

Criminal Justice

Transfer Institution: University of West Florida

Code 1040 **Program Length** 60 credits

Entrance Requirements

Background checks are performed on individuals seeking employment in law enforcement and corrections in the State of Florida. Background checks include but are not limited to: U.S. citizenship; 19 years of age; fingerprints for background checks by FDLE and FBI; no conviction or guilty plea for domestic violence; no conviction, guilty plea, or nolo contendere for any felony or misdemeanor involving perjury or false statement whether or not adjudication was withheld; pass a physical exam by a licensed physician; pass a skills ability examination; pass an eight panel drug screen; not have received a dishonorable discharge from the military; have a valid driver's license; be a high school graduate or equivalent; and be of good moral character.

A minimum GPA of 2.25 is required for admission into the major at UWF.

All first time in college (Fall 2014 and beyond) students are required to successfully complete two years of the same foreign language in high school or two semesters of the same foreign language at the college level before the associate degree is awarded. Home School students must demonstrate competency through competency testing.

2020-2021

For more information
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Student Affairs
Chipola College
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FRESHMAN YEAR

1st Semester		Sem. Hrs.	2nd Semester		Sem. Hrs.
ENC 1101 ¹	English Composition I	3	ENC 1102 ¹	English Composition II	3
CCJ 1020 or ELECTIVE ²	Intro to Criminal Justice	3	CJC 1000 or ELECTIVE ²	Intro to Corrections	3
XXX XXXX ¹	NATURAL SCIENCE CORE	3	XXX XXXX ¹	NATURAL SCIENCE	3
MAC 1105	College Algebra	3	STA 2023 ⁴	Introduction to Statistics	3
SLS 1401	Career and Life Planning	1	XXX XXXX ²	ELECTIVE	3
SLS 1101	Orientation	1			
TOTAL		14	TOTAL		15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

1st Semester		Sem. Hrs.	2nd Semester		Sem. Hrs.
XXX XXXX ¹	GORDON RULE WRITING	3	XXX XXXX ¹	GORDON RULE WRITING	3
XXX XXXX ^{1.5}	GEN. ED. REQUIRED COURSE	3	XXX XXXX ⁵	SOCIAL SCIENCE	3
XXX XXXX ^{1.5}	SOCIAL SCIENCE CORE	3	XXX XXXX ¹	HUMANITIES CORE	3
SPN 1120 ³	Elementary Spanish I		SPN 1121 ³	Elementary Spanish II	
or XXX XXXX ²	or ELECTIVE	3-4	or XXX XXXX ²	or ELECTIVE	3-4
XXX XXXX ^{2.5}	ELECTIVE	3	XXX XXXX ^{2.5}	ELECTIVE	3
TOTAL		15-16	TOTAL		15-16

¹ See the General Education Requirements in the Current Chipola College Catalog.

² Electives may include PSY 2012; any SYG course; DEP 2004, SPC 2608, CGS 1060 and other computer courses, foreign language, and/or other Criminal Justice courses. Probation & Parole majors should take SPC 2608.

³ If student has taken 2 credits of Foreign Language in high school then choose elective.

⁴ Recommended Course

⁵ **All first-time-in-college students (Fall 2018 and beyond) are required to demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options:**

1) successfully passing either POS 2041 American Federal Government or AMH 2020 American History Since 1865, or 2) achieving the standard score on AP Government and Politics: United States, AP United States History or CLEP: American Government.