

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**  
**COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education <b>Summer 2023 through Spring 2024</b>

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	120
Major Hours .....	30
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	2.00
Major - Combined and OU .....	2.00

Program
<b>Criminal Justice (Online)</b>
<b>B647</b>
Bachelor of Science

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

A minimum of 40 hours of General Education-approved coursework is required.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Symbolic &amp; Oral Communication (Core I)</b>		
LSTD 1113	Interdisciplinary Composition I	3
LSTD 1133	Interdisciplinary Composition II	3
LSTD 1053	Mathematics in Liberal Studies	3
Language <sup>1</sup>		0-10
<b>Natural Science (Core II)</b>		
LSTD 2533	Science as a Process (no laboratory)	3
Choose one natural science course with lab <sup>3</sup>		4-6
<b>Social Science (Core III)</b>		
LSTD 1333	Governing Ourselves (recommended)	3
or P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Select one Social Science course <sup>2,3</sup>		3
<b>Arts and Humanities (Core IV)</b>		
Choose one of the following:		3
LSTD 1153	A History of the United States	
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	
HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from each of the following three fields. One course must be upper-division (3000-4000 level)		9
Choose one Artistic Forms course <sup>3</sup>		
Choose one Western Culture course <sup>3</sup>		
Choose one World Culture course <sup>3</sup>		
<b>First Year Experience (Core V)</b>		
Choose one course <sup>3</sup>		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>37-49</b>

<sup>1</sup>Students who have completed two years of high school language are exempt from the general education language requirement. If this requirement is waived, a few hours of General Education electives may be needed to achieve the required 40 hour minimum.

<sup>2</sup>LSTD 1313 recommended.

<sup>3</sup>Courses taken to fulfill the University General Education Requirements must be chosen from the University-Wide General Education Approved Course Lists.

**FREE ELECTIVES**

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 40 upper-division hours.

A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in each course presented for major credit.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Major Core</b>		
LSCJ 3113	Comparative Justice Systems	3
LSCJ 3133	Theories of Criminal Behavior	3
LSCJ 3223	American Judicial Processes	3
LSCJ 4243	Police and Policing	3
LSCJ 4263	The American Correctional System	3
LSCJ 4443	Juvenile Delinquency	3
LSTD 3003	Interdisciplinary Inquiry	3
LSTD 3153	Foundations of Ethics in Liberal Studies	3
LSCJ 3953	Prospectus-Writing for Criminal Justice	3
LSCJ 4953	Capstone in Criminal Justice	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

**COMPUTER LITERACY REQUIREMENT**

Students must demonstrate computer proficiency which includes the competent use of a variety of software and networking applications. Please consult your academic advisor for courses to fulfill this requirement.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/professional-continuing-studies/college-pacs-administrated-programs/criminal-justice-bachelor-science/>).

**SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY**

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Professional & Continuing Studies academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Professional & Continuing Studies, and major requirements.

<b>Year</b>	<b>FIRST SEMESTER</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>SECOND SEMESTER</b>		<b>Hours</b>
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	LSTD 1113	Interdisciplinary Composition I ( Core I )	3	LSTD 1133	Interdisciplinary Composition II ( Core I )	3
	LSTD 1153	A History of the United States ( Core IV )	3	LSTD 1333	Governing Ourselves ( Core III )	3
	LSTD 2023	Strategies for Success	3	LSTD 1053	Mathematics in Liberal Studies ( Core I )	3
		First Year Experience (Core V)	3	LSTD 1003	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study	3
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>		Language I (Core I)	5		Language II (Core I)	5
	LSTD 1313	What in the World are the Social Sciences? ( Core III )	3		Science with Lab Component (Core II)	4
	LSTD 2533	Science as a Process ( Core II )	3		Free Elective	3
	LSTD 2033	Writing for Success	3		Free Elective	3
		Free Elective	1			
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>JUNIOR</b>	LSTD 3003	Interdisciplinary Inquiry	3	LSTD 3153	Foundations of Ethics in Liberal Studies	3
	LSCJ 3113	Comparative Justice Systems	3	LSCJ 3223	American Judicial Processes	3
	LSCJ 3133	Theories of Criminal Behavior	3	LSCJ 4243	Police and Policing	3
		Western Culture (Core IV)	3		Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>	LSCJ 3953	Prospectus-Writing for Criminal Justice	3	LSCJ 4953	Capstone in Criminal Justice	3
	LSCJ 4443	Juvenile Delinquency	3		Free Elective	3
	LSCJ 4263	The American Correctional System	3		Free Elective	3
		World Culture (Core IV)	3		Free Elective	3
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3
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