

## Field of Study Curriculum for Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice Field of Study Curriculum Advisory Committee reviewed the lower-division (freshman and sophomore) requirements of all public four-year colleges and universities in the state of Texas for students seeking a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in criminal justice, including all specializations, concentrations, etc. The Committee compiled and compared the findings in an attempt to develop a set of courses that could constitute a Field of Study Curriculum for Criminal Justice; the curriculum would apply to institutions that award the BA or BS degree with a major in criminal justice, including all criminal justice specializations.

Based on that information, the Committee recommends the following set of courses (totaling 15 semester credit hours (SCH) of fully transferable and applicable lower-division courses) and up to an additional 6 “discretionary” SCH to be considered as a Field of Study Curriculum for Criminal Justice. Staff concurs with that recommendation.

### Courses

TCCNS*	SCH	COURSE TITLE
CRIJ 1301	3	Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRIJ 1306	3	Court Systems & Practices
CRIJ 1310	3	Fundamentals of Criminal Law
CRIJ 2313	3	Correctional Systems & Practices
CRIJ 2328	3	Police Systems & Practices

\*Texas Common Course Numbering System

NOTE: Up to a total of 6 additional semester credit hours of criminal justice-related lower-division course work may be transferred by local agreement **OR** required by the receiving institution, as long as the additional credit does not duplicate any other requirement within the field of study curriculum. Standards of instruction accepted for courses in the *Lower-Division Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM)* will apply unless course-equivalent status has been developed by local agreement.