ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CORRECTIONS TRACK

The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Criminal Justice is considered appropriate for persons preparing for employment in many municipal, state, and private police agencies as well as persons considering employment in local, state, federal, and private correctional facilities. The associate degree also is a stepping stone for those students who plan to go on for a bachelor's degree. The associate degree in Criminal Justice has three tracks:

- law enforcement track
- corrections track
- loss prevention/assets protection track

The program requires 60 semester hours:

- 26-28 hours in general degree requirements
- 18 hours in Criminal Justice core courses
- 12 hours in the selected track
- 2-4 hours of electives.

The Associate of Applied Science degree can be completed in four semesters if students average 15 hours per semester.

Transfer students must take at least 20 hours of YSU courses. Sixteen (16) semester hours of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences course work must be taken at Youngstown State University.

The associate degree is built upon core/track concept with emphasis (track) areas in:

- law enforcement
- corrections
- loss prevention/assets protection

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**COURSE** | **TITLE** | **S.H.**
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**FIRST YEAR REQUIREMENT - STUDENT SUCCESS**
YSU 1500 | Success Seminar | 1-2
or SS 1500 | Strong Start Success Seminar
or HONR 1500 | Intro to Honors

**General Education Requirements**
ENGL 1550 | Writing 1 | 3-4
or ENGL 1549 | Writing 1 with Support
ENGL 1551 | Writing 2 | 3
CMST 1545 | Communication Foundations | 3

**Arts and Humanities**
PHIL 2625 | Introduction to Professional Ethics | 3
or PHIL 2627 | Law and Criminal Justice Ethics
One other Arts and Humanities non-ethics course | 3
SOC 1500 | Introduction to Sociology | 3
PSYC 1560 | General Psychology | 3
Natural Science with lab (4 hours) | 4

**Major Requirements**
CRJS 1500 | Introduction to Criminal Justice | 3
CRJS 2601 | Policing | 3
CRJS 2602 | Criminal Courts | 3

**Corrections Track**
Select 12 s. h. from the following:
CRJS 3702 | Correctional Strategies and Correctional Strategies Practicum | 3
CRJS 3715 | Criminal Justice Management Concepts | 3
CRJS 3736 | Criminal Victimization | 3
CRJS 3740 | Criminal Justice Information Systems | 3
CRJS 3765 | Human Relations | 3
CRJS 4803 | Correctional Case Management and Treatment | 3

**Electives (any nondevelopmental courses)** | 4

**Total Semester Hours** | 60-62

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**Learning Outcomes**

1. Students can discriminate the influence of the CJ system at the subsystem levels (policing, courts, and corrections).
2. Students can apply CJ theories.
3. Students can analyze legal situations.