



Cerritos College

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

Program of Study

The following Administration of Justice Associate in Arts Degree program meets guidelines established by the California Community Colleges' Chancellor's Office. Six units of elective, non-transferable Administration of Justice credit may be granted to employed peace officers that have completed a basic P.O.S.T. academy.

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

Complete a minimum of 60 units, including: (1) the Administration of Justice Core and Department requirements, (2) AA degree general education requirements, and (3) additional elective courses as needed.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE CORE REQUIRED (21 UNITS)

		UNITS
AJ 91	Report Writing Procedures	3
AJ 101	Introduction to Administration of Justice	3
AJ 102	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
AJ 103	Criminal Procedures	3
AJ 104	Criminal Evidence	3
AJ 105	Community Relations	3
AJ 202	Substantive Law	3

DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS REQUIRED (12 UNITS)

AJ 110	Patrol Procedures and Enforcement Tactics	3
AJ 220	Criminal Investigation	3
PSYC 101	General Introductory Psychology	3
or PSYC 261	Social Psychology	(3)
SOC 101	Introductory Sociology Principles	3
or SOC 201	Introductory Sociology: Social Problems	(3)

ELECTIVE GROUP

AJ 51	Firearms	1
AJ 52	Advanced Firearms	1
AJ 61	Defense Tactics	1
AJ 62	Advanced Defense Tactics	1
AJ 71	First Aid (AJ)	2
AJ 107	Introduction to Probation and Parole	3
AJ 130	Traffic Control and Investigation	3
AJ 150	Introduction to Corrections	3
AJ 173	A.J. Occupational Work Experience	3
AJ 180	Introduction to Security	3
AJ 208	Special Issues in Law Enforcement	3
AJ 221	Narcotics and Vice Control	3
AJ 222	Juvenile Procedures	3

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

AJ 298	Directed Studies	1
AJ 299	Directed Studies	2
BCOT 131	Beginning College Keyboarding & Document Processing (Recommended)	3
SPAN 223	Spanish for Careers	3
JOUR 101	Beginning Newswriting and Reporting	3
PHOT 100	Introductory Photography	3
BL 100	Introduction to California Civil Procedures	3
BL 101	Introduction to Law	3
BL 103	Legal Research	3

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES: Upon completion of the Administration of Justice Associate in Arts Degree program, employment in various positions in the criminal justice system is available, including police officer, deputy sheriff, correctional officer, investigator, etc. Civil service regulations and state laws govern the appointment of public law enforcement officers. Eligibility depends on performance in competitive exams in addition to education and experience. The positions have rigorous physical, psychological and integrity requirements. Employment is further conditioned on completion of a satisfactory background investigation. Completion of the Baccalaureate transfer program provides the educational potential for advancement to supervisory and management positions or entry to graduate studies or law school.

See Cerritos College Graduation Requirements.