

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice

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Core Curriculum Requirements	Course Name	Hours	TCCNS	SHSU
Communication (6 hours)	Composition I	3	ENGL 1301	ENGL 1301
	Composition II	3	ENGL 1302	ENGL 1302
Mathematics (3 hours)	Elementary Statistics OR College Mathematics	3	MATH 1342 OR MATH 1332	MATH 1342 OR MATH 1332
Life & Physical Sciences (6 hours)	Choose <u>two</u> courses from your current Texas community college's core approved list.			
Language, Philosophy, & Culture (3 hours) ¹	Choose <u>one</u> course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.			
Creative Arts (3 hours)	Choose <u>one</u> course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.			
American History (6 hours)	United States History to 1876	3	HIST 1301	HSTY 1301
	United States History since 1876	3	HIST 1302	HSTY 1302
Government/Political Science (6 hours)	American Government	3	GOVT 2305	POLS 2305
	Texas Government	3	GOVT 2306	POLS 2306
Social & Behavioral Science (3 hours) ^{1,2}	Choose <u>one</u> course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.			
Component Area Option Recommendations (6 hours)	Choose <u>two</u> courses from your current Texas community college's core approved list.			
Major Requirement or Field of Study	Course Name	Hours	TCCNS	SHSU
Both	Intro to Criminal Justice	3	CRIJ 1301	CRIJ 2361
Both	Criminology	3	CRIJ 1307	CRIJ 2362
Both	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3	CRIJ 1310	CRIJ 2364
Both	Correctional Systems & Practice	3	CRIJ 2313	CRIJ 2365
Both	Police Systems & Practices	3	CRIJ 2328	CRIJ 2367
Additional Social Science Requirements²				
Major	Introduction to Economics	3	ECON 1301	ECON 2300
Major	Critical Thinking	3	PHIL 2303	PHIL 2303
Major	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 2301	PSYC 1301
Major	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCI 1301	SOCI 1301

*SHSU accepts a maximum of 70 credit hours: 66 academic hours + 4 hours of activity-based physical education (kinesiology) hours. Students must earn a 2.0 minimum overall GPA in all coursework, overall major GPA, SHSU GPA, and SHSU major GPA.

A minor is not required for this degree program.

Full Degree Available on Campus & Online.

1 - CRIJ 2361 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).

2 - The BS degree requires 5 additional social science courses outside of the core. The 4 courses recommended above are traditionally offered at most TX community colleges.

3 - GOVT 2306 can count towards 1 of 5 required social science classes.

Full degree can be found here: [Criminal Justice, Bachelors](#)

Field of Study for [Criminal Justice](#)

Course(s) may not be required for the Bachelor's degree, but it will be accepted at SHSU.

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