

## Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Illinois Valley Community College (IVCC) and Governors State University (GovState) for the Criminal Justice degree program based on the current catalogs of both schools. The student would receive an Associate of Arts (AA) focusing on Criminal Justice from IVCC and a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice (BA) degree from GovState. This program is offered completely online.

### I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM (37 Hours)

#### Communications (9 hours)

- ENG 1001 - Composition I (3) (Meets ENGL-1000)
- ENG 1002 - Composition II (3) (Meets ENGL-1010)
- SPH 1001 - Fundamentals of Speech (3) (Meets COMM-1000)

#### Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- Humanities Course (3)\*
- Fine Arts Course (3)\*
- PHL 1002 - Ethics (3) (recommended)

#### Mathematics (3 hours)

- MTH 1008 - General Elementary Statistics (3) (Meets MATH-2100)

#### Life and Physical Sciences (7 hours)

Minimum of 7 credit hours to include 1 lab course. (7-8)\*

#### Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

- SOC 1000 - Intro to Sociology (3) (Meets SOC-1100)
- PSYC - Intro to Psychology (3) (Meets PSYC-1101 and AAS GE)
- Social Science Course (3) (Meets AAS Gen Ed)

### II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/MAJOR FIELD (23 Hours)

- Health and Wellness (1)
- CRJ 1000 - Intro to Criminal Justices (3) (Meets CJUS-2100)
- Select at least one of the following: CRJ 1210, CRJ 1070 or CRJ 1030 (3)
- Electives (16)
  - Select any college level course recommend additional CRJ courses

### REQUIRED A.A.S. DEGREE PROGRAM TOTAL: 60 Hours

\* Refer to the IVCC catalog guidelines for a list of course choices for Section I-II.

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### III. TO BE TAKEN AT GOVSTATE (50 Hours)

#### Required Courses (24 hours)

CJUS 3099	- Junior Seminar in Criminal Justice (3)
CJUS 3100	- Foundations of Social Justice (3)
CJUS 3250	- Foundations of Restorative Justice (3)
CJUS 3415	- Criminological Inquiry and Research Design (3)
CJUS 3440	- Exploring Ethics in the Justice System (3)
CJUS 4100	- Theories of Crime and Deviance (3)
CJUS 4465	- Comparative and International Perspectives in Criminal Justice (3)
CJUS 4990	- Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice (3)

#### Selectives (15 hours)

Students must also take 15 credits of selective courses from approved list in GovState catalog. Students also have the option to complete a concentration in Restorative Justice. Three hours were completed through the IVCC courses above.

#### Electives (11 Hours)\*

A minimum of 1 hour has to be at the 3000-4000 level.

### Minimum Required for Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice: 120 Hours

#### For Additional Information:

**Governors State University**  
**Jaguar Transfer Evaluator at**  
<https://govst.transfer.degree/>

**Illinois Valley Community College**  
**Counseling & Transfer Center**  
**(815) 224-2720**

**Visit the College of Arts and Sciences**  
at [www.govst.edu/cas](http://www.govst.edu/cas).

**Visit IVCC at [www.ivcc.edu](http://www.ivcc.edu)**

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