# **Administration of Justice (AOJ)**

#### AOJ 001 Intro to Criminal Justice

(3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Advisory(s): ENG 051A Transfers to: UC/CSU

**C-ID:** AJ 110

#### Introduction to Criminal Justice

AOJ 001 introduces students to the characteristics of the criminal justice system in the United States. Focus is placed on examining crime measurement, theoretical explanations of crime, responses to crime, components of the system, and current challenges to the system. The course examines the evolution of the principles and approaches utilized by the justice system and the evolving forces which have shaped those principals and approaches. Although justice structure and process is examined in a cross cultural context, emphasis is placed on the US justice system, particularly the structure and function of US police, courts, and corrections. Students are introduced to the origins and development of criminal law, legal process, and sentencing and incarceration policies.

### AOJ 003 Intro to Corrections (3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Transfers to: UC/CSU

**C-ID:** AJ 200

#### Introduction to Corrections

AOJ 003 provides a history of and critical analysis of punishment, the various types of punishment, alternatives to punishment, and the impact of punishment on the criminal justice system, corrections, a critical examination of the types of correctional institutions and the clients housed in each institution, and an examination of contemporary correctional issues.

### AOJ 004 Control & Supervision Inmates

(3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Advisory(s): ENG 051A Transfers to: CSU

#### Control & Supervision Inmates

AOJ 004 offers an overview of supervision of inmates at the local, state and federal levels of correctional institutions. The issues of controlling and supervising inmates in a continuum from daily institutional life through emergency and crisis situations will e introduced and discussed. The course will emphasize the roles played by the correctional workers as well as the offenders. Topics will include inmate subculture, violence and effects of crowding on inmates and staff as coping techniques for correctional officers in the institutional environment. The causes and effects of abusive tactics will also be discussed.

### AOJ 005 Concepts of Probation & Parole

(3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Advisory(s): ENG 101B Transfers to: CSU

### Concepts of Probation and Parole

AOJ 005 includes a historical overview of correctional development in its institutions and the community methods of prisoner intake and classification survey of treatment programs community-based correctional programs post-institutional treatment, and examination of corrections as a career.

# AOJ 006 Correct Interviewing & Couns.

Class Hours: 54 Lecture

Advisory(s): ENG 101B, and ENG 105B

Transfers to: CSU

Correctional Interviewing and Counseling

AOJ 006 is an overview of the techniques in interviewing and counseling available to practitioners in Corrections. students will learn the use of appropriate techniques and theories in confidence building, which may be used by the correctional employee in client interviews and counseling. This is a course for students planning to enter or already employed within the Correctional Science field.

### AOJ 007 Legal Aspects of Corrections

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture Advisory(s): ENG 051A Transfers to: CSU

Legal Aspects of Corrections

AOJ 007 provides students with an awareness of the historical framework, concepts and precedents that guide correctional practice. Course material will broaden the individuals perspective of the corrections environment, the civil rights of prisoners and responsibilities and liabilities of corrections officials.

### AOJ 008 Law and Psychology

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**Class Hours:** 54 Lecture **Transfers to:** CSU

Law and Psychology

AOJ 008 focuses on the interaction and application law and psychology in respect to criminal behavior. This course will focus on the legal and psychological considerations in the identification, prosecution, incarceration and treatment philosophies available to the criminal justice or social service professional. This course may be used as elective credit for either Administration of Justice or Psychology but not for both.

## AOJ 010 Principles & Proc of Crim Just

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture Transfers to: CSU

Princ & Procedures of Criminal Justice

AOJ 010 provides an examination and analysis of due process in criminal proceedings from pre-arrest through trial and appeal utilizing statutory law and state and constitutional law precedents.(AA/AS, CSU)

#### AOJ 012 Written Criminal Justice Comm

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture

Advisory(s): ENG 101B and ENG ENG 105B

Transfers to: CSU

Written Criminal Justice Communications

AOJ 012 will cover ideas effectively in a simple, clear and logical manner in the various types of criminal justice systems reports, letters, memoranda, directives, and administrative reports. Emphasis is on law enforcement and correctional terminology, organization of information and use of English; practice experience in note taking and report writing using standard law enforcement and correction forms; presentation of testimony in court.

### AOJ 015X Occupational Work Experience

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**Class Hours:** Work Experience

**Transfers to:** CSU Occupational Work Experience

Cooperative Work Experience Education (CWEE) develops skills and knowledge by integrating classroom study with planned, supervised work experience. It is based on the principle that well-educated individuals develop most effectively through an educational plan that incorporated work experience. Through these structured experiences, the students enrich their college studies, which enhance their total development. Occupational Work Experience is supervised employment which is intended to assist students in acquiring desirable work habits, attitudes, and career awareness in the field of the student's major. Students may earn up to 8 units per semester for a maximum of 16 total units. Credits are awarded for paid or voluntary work. For every 75 hours of paid work completed within the semester, 1 unit or credit is awarded. For every 60 hours of volunteer work completed within the semester, 1 unit of credit is awarded. Occupational Work Experience credits are counted as electives toward an Associate's Degree at West Hills College Lemoore and are transferable to four year universities (for specific transfer eligibility, please contact a counselor or an advisor).

#### AOJ 016 Human & Comm Rela in Crim Just

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture Transfers to: UC/CSU

Human & Comm. Relations in Crim Justice

AOJ 016 examines the complex, dynamic relationship between communities and the justice system in addressing crime and conflict with an emphasis on the challenges and prospects of administering justice within a diverse multicultural population. Topics may include the consensus and conflicting values in cultural, religion, and law.

# AOJ 020 Criminal Law (3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Prerequisite(s): AOJ 001 Advisory(s): ENG 001A Transfers to: UC/CSU

Criminal Law

AOJ 020 offers an analysis of the doctrines of classification of crimes against persons, property, morals, and public welfare. Special emphasis is placed on the classification of crime, the general elements of crime, the definitions of common and statutory law, and the nature of acceptable evidence. This course utilizes case law and case studies to introduce students to criminal law. The completion of this course offers a foundation upon which upper-division criminal justice course will build. The course will also include some limited discussion of prosecution and defense decision making, criminal culpability, and defenses to crimes.

### AOJ 022 Criminal Evidence (3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Transfers to: UC/CSU

**C-ID:** AJ 124

Criminal Evidence

AOJ 022 This course examines categories of evidence and legal rules governing its admission and exclusion in the criminal process.

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# AOJ 024 Criminal Investigation

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Transfers to: CSU C-ID: AJ 140

### Criminal Investigation

AOJ 024 addresses the techniques, procedures, and ethical issues in the investigation of crime, including organization of the investigative process, crime scene searches, interviewing and interrogating, surveillance, source of information, utility of evidence, scientific analysis of evidence and the role of the investigator in the trial process.

### AOJ 029 Criminology (3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture

Advisory(s): ENG 101A and ENG 101B

Transfers to: CSU

### Criminology

AOJ 029 is an introduction to major types of criminal behavior, characteristics of offenders, factors which contribute to crime and delinquency; the criminal justice process; the function of law enforcement, the courts, probation, parole and institutions; changes in crime control and treatment processes; the role of society.

### AOJ 032 Juvenile Delinquency

Class Hours: 54 Lecture

**Advisory(s):** ENG 001A (Recommended, Previous or concurrent).

**Transfers to:** UC/CSU

### Juvenile Delinquency

AOJ 032 is an examination of the origin, development, and organization of the Juvenile Justice System as it evolved in the American Justice System. The course explores the theories that focuses on Juvenile Law, courts and processes, and the constitutional protections extended to juveniles administered in the American Justice System.

#### AOJ 050A P. C. 832 Arrest Control Mod

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture

**Advisory(s):** ENG 101B and ENG 105B

#### P. C. 832 Arrest Control Module

AOJ 050A is the 40-hour Arrest and Control Module P.C. 832 and meets the requirements set forth by the California Peace Officer Standards for Training (POST) for the Arrest Control Module, only. It is one half of the first tier of training for individuals desiring to be peace officers. Successful students must pass two examinations: (1) a physical methods of arrest/defensive tactics practical (a pass-fail test where the student must demonstrate to the instructors' satisfaction, the proper methods for approaching a subject to taken into custody (individual may be of the opposite sex, physically larger and stronger that the student), controlling that individuals with voice commands, empty hand control, including a defensive take-down, if necessary, and the proper method for searching and cuffing the individual; AND (2) the P.C. 832 state written exam. The student must pass BOTH exams to pass this component of P.C. 832, known as AOJ 50A. A DOJ Clearance Letter is not required for this component. Certificates issued to successful students are valid for three years from their issuance date. Should the student become employed as a peace officer within this three-year period, however, the certificate freezes and remains valid until he or she leaves that agency and there has been a three-year or greater break in peace office employment. Unlimited, expires every 3 years unless employed by P.O.S.T. certified agency.

#### AOJ 050B P.C. 832 Firearms Module

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Class Hours: 27 Laboratory

P. C. 832 Firearms Module

P.C. 832 AOJ 050B meets the 24-hour firearms requirement of the two-module P.C. 832 course as certified by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards for Training (POST). The first three meetings are classroom instruction and the final four involve live fire on the police range. Prior to being admitted to the range students must provide the Program Coordinator with a Department of Justice Clearance Letter stating that they are not of a class of persons prohibited from possessing a concealable firearm and do not have active restraining orders against them. To obtain this, students must have their fingerprints taken (Live Scan) at the local police/sheriff's department and pay a fee for the search and services. This is not required for students sponsored by a law enforcement agency provided the agency is willing to state such on department letterhead. Information on how to fill out the Live Scan request for service form can be obtained from the AOJ Office or the Registration office. No other background checks will suffice for this mandate. If the Clearance Letter is not provided, the student will be dropped. Students must each provide their own firearm, ammunition, holster, utility belt, magazines or speed loaders and the appropriate holders, eye and ear protection, and a handgun cleaning kit made for their firearm type. There will be no sharing of firearms. All firearms and equipment must be approved by the Range Master. Students under 21 must deliver to the Coordinator a letter signed by a parent or guardian meeting the specifications set forth in section 12100 of the California Penal Code, giving their permission for the student to possess a concealable firearm, ammunition, and to participate in this firearms training course. Students under 18 may not take this course. The certificate issued to those passing the course is valid for three years only, unless the student becomes employed as a peace officer. Students are reminded that there is a 10-day waiting period for the delivery of new or used firearms. Questions should be referred to the Administration of Justice Office. DO NOT BRING YOUR FIREARM OR AMMUNITION TO THE CLASSROOM