BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from the University of North Texas consists of 120 college credit hours. The degree requires 45 hours of general academic and supporting coursework, 48 hours in the major, and 21-27 hours of general electives.

UNT CORE REQUIREMENTS (33 hours plus * courses)

College Writing (6 hours)

U.S. History (6 hours)

Visual/Performing Arts (3 hours)

Humanities (3 hours)

Political Science (6 hours)

Natural Sciences (6 hours)

College Math (3 hours)

(*Social/Behavioral Sciences, Discovery, and Capstone requirements (9 hours) can be satisfied by CJ major requirements)

SUPPORTING COURSES: CJ MAJOR (12 hours)

PSYC 1630, General Psychology I SOCI 1510, Introduction to Sociology

TECM 2700, Technical Writing

Communications Course (3 hours – students choose from Introduction to Communications, Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking, and Rhetoric and Argument)

CJ MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (48 hours)

The 33-hour CJ core provides students with a broad-based understanding of the CJ field. The 15-hour CJ elective block affords students the opportunity to tailor their degree to suit their career goals and interests.

CJ Required Core Courses (33 hours)

CJUS 2100, Crime and Justice in the U.S.	CJUS 3700, Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice
CJUS 2600, Diversity Issues	CJUS 4200, Criminal Procedure
CJUS 3201, Criminal Law	CJUS 4360, Criminal Investigation
CJUS 3300, Police Systems	CJUS 4700, Research Methods in CJUS
CJUS 3400, Correctional Systems	CJUS 4901, CJ and Public Policy (Capstone)
CJUS 3600, Criminology	

CJ Required Electives (15 advanced hours—students choose 5 courses)

CJUS 4350, Seminar on Violence
CJUS 4330, Domestic and Int. Terrorism
CJUS 4370, Advanced Criminalistics I
CJUS 4380, Advanced Criminalistics II
CJUS 4390, Crime Scene Investigation Theory

CJUS 3410, Correctional Case Management
CJUS 4460, Community Corrections
CJUS 3610, Juvenile Justice
CJUS 4500, Administration of CJ Agencies
CJUS 3620, Juvenile Delinquency
CJUS 4650, Victimology

CJUS 3630, Drugs, Crime, and Society
CJUS 4660, Offender Behavior
CJUS 4250, Law and Social Problems
CJUS 4850, Internship in Criminal Justice

CJUS 4870, Special Topics (may be repeated)

GENERAL ELECTIVES (21-27 hours)

Students may use their general elective hours to fulfill an academic minor or may sample electives across the university curriculum.