



LAW, GOVERNMENT &  
PUBLIC SERVICE

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE

A.A. DEGREE/A.A.S. DEGREE/CERTIFICATE



**ACC**  
ALVIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## Start Your Career in Law Enforcement or other Criminal Justice Fields

The public depends on law enforcement and criminal justice professionals to protect life and property and to uphold the law. The opportunity to serve and protect the public attracts many to this challenging job, which requires honesty, sound judgment, integrity, and a sense of responsibility.

ACC offers three options to help you enter this rewarding and demanding field including:

### Career Opportunities

A degree in criminal justice opens the path to a wide variety of careers in various sectors. With this degree, you can find career opportunities in state and local law enforcement, the federal government, corrections, forensics, courtrooms, law firms, nonprofit organizations, corporations, higher education and many other industries.

1. An A.A.S. degree in Law Enforcement and Police Administration that prepares you for careers in law enforcement related occupations.
2. An A.A. degree in Criminal Justice enables you to transfer to a four-year university to pursue other types of criminal justice careers.
3. A Certification in Basic Law Enforcement is earned by students who complete the basic police academy.

### What Will I Study?

The A.A.S. degree will prepare you for a career in law:

- Court Systems and Practices
- Correctional Systems and Practices
- Crime in America

The A.A. degree will provide you with a solid foundation:

- Fundamentals of Criminal Law
- Correctional Systems and Practices
- Court Systems and Practices
- and more!

### For More Information:

**Website:** [www.alvincollege.edu/criminal-justice](http://www.alvincollege.edu/criminal-justice)

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**Your College**  **Right Now**

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## LAW ENFORCEMENT & POLICE ADMINISTRATION

Associate of Applied Science Degree – 60 credit hours

### FIRST YEAR - FIRST SEMESTER CREDITS

<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 1301 - Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 1306 - Court Systems & Practices	3
<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 1307 - Crime in America	3
CJLE 1327 - Interviewing & Report Writing for Criminal Justice Professions <b>or</b>	
Elective - Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
<sup>+</sup> SPCH 1315 - Public Speaking <b>or</b>	
SPCH 1318 - Interpersonal Communication	3

### SECOND SEMESTER

<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 1313 - Juvenile Justice System or Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 2313 - Correctional Systems & Practices	3
<sup>+</sup> ENGL 1301 - Composition I	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Social & Behavioral Science Core Curriculum (PSYC 2301 recommended)	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Language, Philosophy & Culture Core Curriculum (COMM 1307 recommended) <b>or</b>	
Select from Creative Arts Core Curriculum	3

### THIRD SEMESTER

<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 2314 - Criminal Investigation	3
CRIJ 2323 - Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3

### SECOND YEAR - FIRST SEMESTER

CRIJ 2301 - Community Resources in Corrections	3
CJSA 2323 - Criminalistics II <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
CJSA 2365 - Practicum <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Mathematics Core Curriculum (MATH 1332 recommended)	3

### SECOND SEMESTER

<sup>*</sup> CRIJ 2328 - Police Systems & Practices	3
<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 1310 - Fundamentals of Criminal Law <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
CJSA 2364 - Practicum <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3
GOVT 2306 – Texas Government <b>or</b>	
Select Course from Elective Group Below	3

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE (A.A.S.) DEGREE 60

<sup>A</sup>Denotes core requirement. Speak with Department Chair or Academic Advisor for proper course selection.  
<sup>A</sup>Articulated credit from an approved and successfully completed high school program may substitute for this class.  
<sup>\*</sup>Capstone Course

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Associate of Arts Degree – 60 credit hours

### FIRST YEAR - FIRST SEMESTER CREDITS

<sup>+</sup> Select from American History Core Curriculum	3
<sup>+</sup> Select 6 hours from Component Area Options Core Curriculum	6
<sup>ΔA</sup> CRIJ 1301 - Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
<sup>+</sup> ENGL 1301 - Composition I	3

### SECOND SEMESTER

<sup>+</sup> Select from American History Core Curriculum	3
<sup>Δ</sup> CRIJ 1310 - Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
<sup>ΔA</sup> CRIJ 2313 - Correctional Systems & Practices	3
<sup>+</sup> ENGL 1302 - Composition II <b>or</b>	
<sup>+</sup> ENGL 2311 - Technical Writing	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Language, Philosophy & Sciences Culture Core Curriculum	3

### SECOND YEAR - FIRST SEMESTER

<sup>+</sup> Select from Creative Arts Core Curriculum	3
<sup>ΔA</sup> CRIJ 1306 - Court Systems & Practices	3
<sup>Δ</sup> Elective - Select any CRIJ course	3
<sup>+</sup> GOVT 2305 - Federal Government	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Life & Physical Sciences Core Curriculum	3

### SECOND SEMESTER

<sup>A</sup> CRIJ 2328 - Police Systems & Practices	3
<sup>+</sup> GOVT 2306 - Texas Government	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Life & Physical Sciences Core Curriculum	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Mathematics Core Curriculum	3
<sup>+</sup> Select from Social & Behavioral Core Curriculum	3

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<sup>Δ</sup>Denotes Field of Study (FOS) courses.  
<sup>\*</sup>Capstone Course

## BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

Certificate – 25 credit hours

### FIRST SEMESTER CREDITS

CJLE 1211 - Basic Firearms	2
CJLE 1506 - Basic Peace Officer I	5
CJLE 1512 - Basic Peace Officer II	5
CJLE 1518 - Basic Peace Officer III	5
CJLE 1524 - Basic Peace Officer IV	5
CJLE 1329 - Basic Peace Officer V	3

### BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY CERTIFICATE 25

## \*ELECTIVE GROUP FOR A.A.S. DEGREE

BCIS 1305	Business Computer Applications	CRIJ 1310	Fundamentals of Criminal Law
CJLE 1211	Basic Firearms	CRIJ 1313	Juvenile Justice System
CJLE 1327	Interviewing & Report Writing	CRIJ 2323	Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement
CJLE 1506	Basic Peace Officer I	CJSA 2323	Criminalistics II
CJLE 1512	Basic Peace Officer II	CJSA 2364	Practicum - Criminal Justice /Safety Studies
CJLE 1518	Basic Peace Officer III	CJSA 2365	Practicum - Criminal Justice/Safety Studies
CJLE 1524	Basic Peace Officer IV	GOVT 2306	Texas State & Local Government
CJLE 1329	Basic Peace Officer V		