

PUBLIC SAFETY (NEXUS)

Program Overview

The Nexus Degree in Public Safety is a 2-year undergraduate transfer degree program designed for the completion of the general education requirements and related studies typically pursued during the first two years of a four-year baccalaureate degree program and including 18 credit hours of public safety and policing curriculum. Most of the coursework in this degree program encompasses CSU's Core Curriculum requirements, which include some preparatory or introductory coursework for specific upper division courses. However, this degree does not include an in-depth study, as an in-depth study in a criminal justice major field is typically pursued at the upper division level (last two years) of a four-year program.

Career Opportunities

Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core IMPACTS Area : Institutional Priorities ¹		4-5
Choose one of the following communication options		3
COMM 1110	Public Speaking	
Foreign Language Course Options		
AMSL, ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, GREK, ITAL, JAPN, KREN, LATIN, PORT, SPAN - 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002; SWAH - 1001, 1002.		
Take one of the following courses		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour	
Core IMPACTS Area : Mathematics & Quantitative Skills ¹		3-7
DATA 1501	Introduction to Data Science	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	3
MATH 1101	Introduction to Mathematical Modeling	3
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3
MATH 1113	Pre-Calculus	4
MATH 1125	Applied Calculus	3
MATH 1131	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I	4
MATH 1132	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II	4
MATH 1165	Computer-Assisted Problem Solving	3
MATH 1401	Introduction to Statistics	3
MATH 1501	Calculus I	4
MATH 2125	Introduction to Discrete Mathematics	3
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Political Science and U.S. History		6
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	3
	or HIST 2112 U. S. History since 1865	
POLS 1101	American Government	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Arts, Humanities, and Ethics		6
Select one Fine Arts course		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	

ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts ²	
Select one Humanities course		3
ENGL 2111	World Literature I	
ENGL 2112	World Literature II	
ITDS 1155	The Western Intellectual Tradition	
ITDS 1774	Introduction to Digital Humanities	
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts ²	
Core IMPACTS Area : Communicating in Writing		6
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences ^{1,3}		7-11
ANTH 1145	Human Origins	3
ASTR 1105	Descriptive Astronomy: The Solar System	3
ASTR 1106	Descriptive Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies	3
ASTR 1305	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	1
ATSC 1112	Understanding the Weather	3
ATSC 1112L	Understanding the Weather Lab	1
BIOL 1125	Contemporary Issues in Biology Non-Lab	3
BIOL 1215K	Introductory Biology	4
BIOL 1225K	Contemporary Issues in Biology with Lab	4
CHEM 1151 & 1151L	Survey of Chemistry I and Survey of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1152 & 1152L	Survey of Chemistry II and Survey of Chemistry II Lab	4
CHEM 1211 & 1211L	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1212 & 1212L	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry II Lab	4
CPSC 1105	Introduction to Computing Principles and Technology	3
CPSC 1301K	Computer Science I	4
ENVS 1105	Environmental Studies	3
ENVS 1105L	Environmental Studies Laboratory	1
ENVS 1205K	Sustainability and the Environment	4
GEOG 2215	Introduction to the Geographic Information Systems	3
GEOL 1110	Natural Disasters: Our Hazardous Environment	3
GEOL 1121	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology	3
GEOL 1121L	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology Lab	1
GEOL 1122	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology	3
GEOL 1322	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology Lab	1
GEOL 2225	The Fossil Record	4
PHYS 1111 & PHYS 1311	Introductory Physics I and Introductory Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 1112 & PHYS 1312	Introductory Physics II and Introductory Physics II Lab	4

PHYS 1125	Physics of Color and Sound	3
PHYS 1325	Physics of Color and Sound Lab	1
PHYS 2211 & PHYS 2311	Principles of Physics I and Principles of Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 2212 & PHYS 2312	Principles of Physics II and Principles of Physics II Lab	4
Core IMPACTS Area : Social Sciences		6
Select one Behavioral Science course		
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	
PHIL 2030	Moral Philosophy	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	
Select one World Cultures course		3
ANTH 1107	Discovering Archaeology	
ANTH 1105	Cultural Anthropology	
ANTH 2105	Ancient World Civilizations	
ANTH 2136	Language and Culture	
ENGL 2136	Language and Culture	
GEOG 1101	World Regional Geography	
HIST 1111	World History to 1500	
HIST 1112	World History since 1500	
ITDS 1156	Understanding Non-Western Cultures	
Core IMPACTS Total Hours		42

¹ The hours applied in the Institutional Priorities; Mathematics & Quantitative Skills; and Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences areas must add to 18 credit hours.

² ITDS 1145 Comparative Arts, though listed under both Fine Arts and Humanities, may be taken only once.

³ At least 4 of the credit hours in this area must be in a lab science course.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core IMPACTS Requirements		42
Field of Study Requirements Program Requirements		
CRJU 1105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 4165	Community Relations	3
CRJU 4169	Technical Writing in Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 4175	Interpersonal Communication Skills for Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 4698	Criminal Justice Internship	6
Field of Study Requirements Total		60

Program Map

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
AREA D1	Lab Science (see list in catalog)	4

POLS 1101	American Government	3
CRJU 1105	Introduction to Criminal Justice (minimum grade of C)	3
Area B2	ITDS 1779 (2), LEAD 1705 (2), PERS 1506 (1; may be repeated with different topic), PERS 1507 (2) ¹	2

Credit Hours 15

Spring

ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
CRJU 4169	Technical Writing in Criminal Justice	3
Area B1	COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (or higher level math) ²	3
CRJU 4165	Community Relations (minimum grade of C)	3

Credit Hours 15

Second Year

Fall

HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 or U. S. History since 1865	3
CRJU 4175	Interpersonal Communication Skills for Criminal Justice (minimum grade of C)	3
AREA D2	Tech/Math/Science course (see list in catalog)	3
AREA C	Humanities (see list in catalog)	3
Area E	World Culture (see list in catalog)	3

Credit Hours 15

Spring

CRJU 4698	Criminal Justice Internship (minimum grade of C)	6
Area C	Fine Arts (see list in catalog)	3
AREA D1	Non-lab science (see list in catalog)	3
AREA E	Behavioral Science (see list in catalog)	3

Credit Hours 15

Total Credit Hours 60

¹ B2: Select 2 hours from the following courses:
ITDS 1779 Scholarship Across the Disciplines (2 cr)
LEAD 1705 Introduction to Servant Leadership (2 cr)
PERS 1506 Perspectives (1 cr; may be repeated with a different topic)
PERS 1507 Perspectives (2 cr)

² Recommended: STAT 1401 Elementary Statistics.

Admission Requirements

There are no program specific admission requirements.

Additional Program Requirements