

Transfer Degree Map:
Associate of Science Field of Study Criminal Justice to
Sam Houston State University
Bachelor of Science in Homeland Security Studies

4 – Year Suggested Academic Plan for Transfer, 2024 – 2025 Catalog Year

First Year - Freshman

HCC Fall Semester				HCC Spring Semester			
HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
EDUC 1300 (4)	General Elective	Learning Framework	3	ENGL 1302	ENGL 1302	Composition II (Core 010)	3
ENGL 1301	ENGL 1301	Composition I (Core 010)	3	HIST 1302	HIST 1302	U.S. History II (Core 060)	3
HIST 1301s	HIST 1301	U.S. History I (Core 060)	3	PSYC 2317 (4)	Gen. Electives	Statistical Methods in Psychology	3
MATH 1342 (1)	(Core 020)	Component Area 020: Mathematics	3	Life Phys. Sci.	(Core 030)	Choose from HCC Core Curriculum	4
CRIJ 1301	CRIJ 2361	Intro to Criminal Justice (Core 080 @ SHSU)	3	CRIJ 1306 (2)	CRIJ 2394	Court Systems & Practices	3
Total			15	Total			16

Second Year - Sophomore

HCC Fall Semester				HCC Spring Semester			
HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
Lang Phil Cult	(Core 040)	Choose from HCC Core Curriculum	3	GOVT 2306	POLS 2306	Texas Government (Core 070)	3
GOVT 2305	POLS 2305	Federal Government (Core 070)	3	Creative Arts	(Core 050)	Choose from HCC Core Curriculum	3
SOCI 1301 (2)	SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology (Core 080)	3	CRIJ 2328 (2)	CRIJ 2367	Police Systems & Practices	3
Life Phys. Sci.	(Core 030)	Choose from HCC Core Curriculum	4	CRIJ 1307 (4)	CRIJ 2362	Crime in America	3
CRIJ 2313 (4)	CRIJ 2365	Correctional Systems & Practices	3	CRIJ 1310 (2)	CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
Total			16	Total			15

HCC Summer Session

HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	HCC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
(Core 090)	Component Area Option	Core Curriculum Component Area Option (Core 090)	4				
Total			4	Total			

Houston Community College Total Semester Hours: 66

Third Year – Junior

SHSU Fall Semester			SHSU Spring Semester		
SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
SCST 2363	Introduction to Homeland Security	3	SCST 3394	Global Terrorism & Homeland Security	3
SCST 2365	Introduction to Emergency Management	3	SCST 4365	Border Security	3
SCST 2364	Homeland Security Research Methods	3	SCST 3393	Public Health in Homeland Security	3
SCST 3380	Law and Ethics in Homeland Security	3	Prescribed Electives (3)	Prescribed Electives	3
Prescribed Electives (3)	Prescribed Electives	3	Gen. Elect. (4)	General Elective	3
Total		15	Total		15

Fourth Year - Senior

SHSU Fall Semester			SHSU Spring Semester		
SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
SCST 4363	Homeland Security Intelligence	3	SCST 4379	Comparative Homeland Security	3
Prescribed Electives (3)	Prescribed Electives	3	Prescribed Electives (3)	Prescribed Electives	3
Gen. Elect. (4)	General Elective	3	Gen. Elect. (4)	General Elective	3
Gen. Elect. (4)	General Elective	3	Gen. Elect. (4)	General Elective	3
Total		12	Total		12

SHSU Total Semester Hours: 54

Notes/Comments:

- (1) MATH 1342 or MATH 1332 is recommended.
- (2) Degree Specific Electives: **Select 4** from the following (12 credits): * If one or more of these courses are taken to fulfill Core Curriculum requirements, degree-specific elective courses must be taken to fulfill the degree-specific elective course requirement.
 - CRIJ 2364 - Fundamentals Of Criminal Law,
 - CRIJ 2367 - Police Systems & Practices,
 - CRIJ 2368 - Criminal Investigation,
 - CRIJ 2394 - Courts And Criminal Procedure,
 - ECON 2300 - Introduction To Economics*,
 - PHIL 2303 - Critical Thinking*,
 - SOCI 1301 - Introduction to Sociology*
- (3) Prescribed Electives **Select 4** from the following (12 credits):
 - SCST 2366 – Introduction to Cybersecurity,
 - SCST 2368 - Transportation Security,
 - SCST 3381 - Climate and Security,
 - SCST 3383 - Energy Security,
 - SCST 3384 - Water Security,
 - SCST 4301 - Chemical and Energy Sector Resilience,
 - SCST 4302 - Healthcare Sector Resilience,
 - SCST 4303 - Transportation Sector Resilience,
 - SCST 4362 - United States Security Post 9/11,
 - SCST 4364 - Homeland Security and Emergency Management,
 - SCST 4368 - Technology and Homeland Security,
 - SCST 4370 - Intelligence Analysis,
 - SCST 4377 - Special Topics in Security Studies,
 - SCST 4386 - Interagency and Public Communications in HS,
 - SCST 4387 - Strategic Planning for Homeland Sec
- (4) General Electives: General electives to reach 120 total hours. HCC A.S. requires 12 hours that will transfer to SHSU as general electives.

Sam Houston State University – Transfer Information

Program Specific Information:

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

- Student must earn a 2.0 minimum overall GPA in all coursework.
- 42 semester hours of advanced coursework (3000 or 4000 level) are the absolute minimum. Minimum number of semester hours in residence: 30 semester hours of which 24 must be advanced.
- Additional information: Reference the [Program Landing Page](#) for additional information, such as cost, delivery format, contact information, or to schedule a visit.

Transfer of Credit & Student Benefits:

- Reverse transfer of credit.
- [Be A Bearkat - Transfer \(shsu.edu\)](#)
- Bearkat Transfer Scholarship available to full-time students:
 - Please refer to <https://www.shsu.edu/cost-aid/types-of-aid/scholarships> for Transfer Scholarship Conditions and Renewal Scholarship Conditions
- HCC Honors students admitted to SHSU:
 - will be accepted to SHSU's Honors College. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.25 and satisfy other Honors College admission criteria (such as full-time enrollment of at least 12 hours)
 - may transfer up to 12 hours of HCC Honors credits
 - will be eligible for additional scholarships
 - may develop their HCC Honors thesis (if completed) into an SHSU Honors thesis (and thereby graduate "with Highest Honors")
 - will be eligible, if space permits, to live in SHSU's dorms