

4 – Year Suggested Academic Plan for Transfer, 2025 – 2026 Catalog Year

First Year - Freshman

LIT First Semester				LIT Second Semester			
LIT	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	LIT	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
ENGL 1301	ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	HIST 1302	HSTY 1302	United States History II	3
SPCH 1315	COMS 1361	Public Speaking	3	Core 090	Core 090	Core Curriculum 090: Component Area Option	3
MATH X3XX (1)	Core 020	Core Curriculum 020: Mathematics	3	Life Phys. Sci.	Core 030	Core Curriculum 030: Life & Physical Sciences	3
HIST 1301	HSTY 1301	United States History I	3	Core 090	Core 090	Core Curriculum 090: Component Area Option	2
CRIJ 1301 (2)	CRIJ 2361	Intro to Criminal Justice	3	CRIJ 1310 (2)	CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
Total			15	Total			14

Second Year - Sophomore

LIT First Semester				LIT Second Semester			
LIT	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	LIT	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
Core 040	Core 040	Core Curriculum 040: Language, Philosophy, and Culture	3	GOVT 2306 (3)	POLS 2306	Texas Government	3
Life Phys. Sci.	Core 030	Core Curriculum 030: Life & Physical Sciences	3	Core 080 (3)	Core 080	PSYC 2301 or SOCI 1301 recommended	3
Core 090	Core 090	Core Curriculum 090: Component Area Option	1	Creative Arts	Core 050	Core Curriculum 050: Creative Arts	3
GOVT 2305	POLS 2305	Federal Government	3	SOCI 2336	CRIJ 2362	Criminology	3
CRIJ 2313 (2)	CRIJ 2365	Correctional Systems & Practices	3	Major Elective (2)	Elective	Approved Major Elective (A.S.)	3
CRIJ 2328 (2)	CRIJ 2367	Police Systems & Practices	3				
Total			16	Total			15

Lamar Institute of Technology Total Semester Hours: 60

Third Year - Junior

SHSU Fall Semester			SHSU Spring Semester		
SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
Degree Spec. Course (3)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3	Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3
CRIJ 3378	Intro To Methods Of Research	3	Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3
Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3	Degree Spec. Course (3)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3
Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3	VCST 3350	Victimology	3
ENGL 3330	Intro to Technical Writing	3	Elective (5)	General Elective	3
Total		15	Total		15

Fourth Year - Senior

SHSU Fall Semester			SHSU Spring Semester		
SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
CRIJ 4385	Criminal Justice & Social Diversity	3	Degree Spec. Course (3)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3
Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3	Adv. Electives (6)	Advanced Electives	3
Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3	Adv. CRIJ (4)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3
Adv. Electives (6)	Advanced Electives	3	STAT 3379, MATH 3379, PSYC 3402, or SOCI 3345	Statistical Methods in Practice or Psychological Statistics or Social Statistics	3-4
Elective (5)	General Elective	3	Elective (5)	General Elective	3
Total		15	Total		15-16

SHSU Total Semester Hours: 60 - 61



**Transfer Degree Map: Lamar Institute of Technology
Associate of Science to
Sam Houston State University
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**



Notes/Comments:

- (1) MATH 1342 or MATH 1332 is recommended.
- (2) Approved Major Elective: options can be found [here](#).
- (3) Select five (5) from the following: Degree Specific Requirements
 - COMS 3370 - Intercultural Communication, COMS 3371- Conflict, Negotiation & Resolution,
 - COMS 4366 - Deceptive Communication,
 - ECON 2300 - Introduction To Economics,
 - PHIL 2303 - Critical Thinking,
 - PHIL 3365 - Modern Philosophy,
 - POLS 2306 - Texas Government,
 - POLS 3393 - Social Policy,
 - PSYC 1301 - Introduction To Psychology (PSYC 2301 @ ACC),
 - PSYC 3331 - Abnormal Psychology,
 - PSYC 3383 - Psychology And The Law,
 - SOCI 1301 - Introduction to Sociology,
 - SOCI 3324 - Social Inequality
- (4) Adv. CRIJ = Advanced CRIJ Electives - 3000 - 4000 level CRIJ courses
- (5) General electives to reach 120 total credits
- (6) Advanced Electives = any 3000 - 4000 level course

*Students seeking an Associate Degree must complete the [Core Curriculum](#). The Core Curriculum is required by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Students are required to complete 42 SCH from nine different component areas. Once complete, a student is considered 'Core Complete'.

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
- Transfer 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 transfer Honors credits
 - will be eligible for additional scholarships
 - may develop their transfer 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