

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

First Year - Freshman

STC Fall Semester				STC Spring Semester			
STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
HIST 1301 (1)	HSTY 1301	United States History I	3	HIST 1302 (2)	HSTY 1302	United States History II	3
ENGL 1301	ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	ENGL 1302	ENGL 1302	Composition II – Rhetoric	3
CRIJ 1301	CRIJ 2361	Intro to Criminal Justice (Core 080)	3	GOVT 2305	POLS 2305	Federal Government	3
Creative Arts	(Core 050)	Core Curriculum 050: Creative Arts	3	CRIJ 1306 (3)	CRIJ 2394	Court Systems and Practices	3
Total			12	Total			12

STC Summer Session

STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
(Core 090)	(Core 090)	Core Curriculum 090: Component Area Option	3	CRIJ 1310	CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
GOVT 2306 (4)	POLS 2306	Texas Government	3				
Total			6	Total			3

Second Year - Sophomore

STC Fall Semester				STC Spring Semester			
STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	STC	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
MATH 1414	MATH 1314	College Algebra	3-4	(Core 030)	(Core 030)	Core Curriculum 030: Life & Physical Sciences	4
(Core 030)	(Core 030)	Core Curriculum 030: Life & Physical Sciences	4	PHIL 2306	(Core 040)	Introduction to Ethics	3
CRIJ 2313	CRIJ 2365	Correctional Systems and Practices	3	(Core 090)	(Core 090)	Core Curriculum 090: Component Area Option	1
CRIJ 2328	CRIJ 2367	Police System and Practices	3	CRIJ 2314 (3,5)	CRIJ 2368	Directed Elective	3
				CRIJ 1307 (5)	CRIJ 2362	Crime in America	3
Total			13-14	Total			14

South Texas College Total Semester Hours: 60-61

Third Year - Junior

SHSU Fall Semester			SHSU Spring Semester		
SHSU	Course Name	Hrs	SHSU	Course Name	Hrs
CRIJ 3378	Introduction To Methods Of Research	3	CRIJ Adv. Elect. (6)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	6
CRIJ Adv. Elect. (6)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	6	Degree Spec. Course (4)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3
Degree Spec. Course (4)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3	Gen. Elect. (3)	General Electives	3
ENGL 3330	Introduction to Technical Writing	3	VCST 3350	Victimology	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 and Social Diversity	3	Adv. Elect. (7)	General Advanced Elective	6
CRIJ Adv. Elect. (6)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	6	CRIJ Adv. Elect. (6)	CRIJ Advanced Electives	3
STAT 3379, MATH 3379, PSYC 3402, or SOCI 3345	Statistical Methods in Practice OR Psychological Statistics OR Social Statistics	3-4	Gen. Elect. (3)	General Electives	3
Degree Spec. Course (4)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3	Degree Spec. Course (4)	Degree Specific Courses (choose from list below)	3
Total		15-16	Total		15

SHSU Total Semester Hours: 60-61



**Transfer Degree Map: South Texas College
Associate of Arts – Criminal Justice to
Sam Houston State University
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**



Notes/Comments:

- (1) Select one (1) of the following:
 - HIST 1301 – United States History I
 - HIST 2327 – Mexican-American History I
- (2) Select one (1) of the following:
 - HIST 1302 – United States History II
 - HIST 2327 – Mexican-American History II
- (3) General elective to reach 120 total hours.
- (4) Degree Specific Courses - Select five (5) from the following:
 - 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 3331 - Abnormal Psychology,
 - PSYC 3383 - Psychology And The Law,
 - SOCI 1301 - Introduction to Sociology,
 - SOCI 3324 - Social Inequality
- (5) Directed Electives – Choose two (2) courses from the Directed Electives section listed for SHSU [here](#).
- (6) Advanced CRIJ Electives - 3000 - 4000 level CRIJ courses
- (7) Advanced Electives = any 3000 - 4000 level course.

Sam Houston State University – Transfer Information

Program Specific Information:

Bachelor of Science: 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 <http://www.shsu.edu/dept/financial-aid/scholarships/transfer.html> 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