

SHSU Catalog (2025/2026)

Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice								
CORE REQUIREMENTS	Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology			936.294.3529	cjprograms@shsu.edu			
Course Name		Hours	TCCNS		SHSU			
Communication (6 hours)								
Composition I		3	ENGL 1301	ENGL 1301				
Composition II		3	ENGL 1302	ENGL 1302				
Mathematics (3 hours)								
Elementary Statistics OR College Mathematics		3	MATH 1342 MATH 1332	MATH 1342 MATH 1332				
Life & Physical Sciences (6 hours)								
Choose two courses from your current Texas community college's core approved list.								
Language, Philosophy, & Culture (3 hours) ¹								
Choose one course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.								
Creative Arts (3 hours)								
Choose one course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.								
American History (6 hours)								
United States History to 1876		3	HIST 1301	Н	ISTY 1301			
United States History since 1876		3	HIST 1302		ISTY 1302			
Government/Political Science (6 hours)								
American Government		3	GOVT 2305	P	POLS 2305			
Texas Government		3	GOVT 2306	P	POLS 2306			
Social & Behavioral Science (3 hours) ²								
Choose one course from your current Texas community college's core approved list.								
Component Area Option Recommendations (6 hours) ¹								
Choose <u>two</u> courses from your current Texas community college's core approved list.								
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	Full degree can be found here: https://www.shsu.edu/programs/bachelor-degree-in-criminal-justice/							
Course Name		Hours	TCCNS		SHSU			
Intro to Criminal Justice		3	CRIJ 1301		CRIJ 2361			
Criminology		3	CRIJ 1307		CRIJ 2362			
Fundamentals of Criminal Law		3	CRIJ 1310		CRIJ 2364			
Correctional Systems & Practice		3	CRIJ 2313		CRIJ 2365			
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Intro to Criminal Justice Criminology	3	CRIJ 1301 CRIJ 1307	CRIJ 2361 CRIJ 2362				
Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3	CRIJ 1310	CRIJ 2364				
Correctional Systems & Practice	3	CRIJ 2313	CRIJ 2365				
Police Systems & Practices	3	CRIJ 2328	CRIJ 2367				
Foreign Language (14 hours) ¹							

SHSU requires 4 semesters of foreign language (one field)

*SHSU accepts a maximum of 70 credit hours: 66 academic hours + 4 hours of activity-based physical education (kinesiology) hours. Students must earn a 2.0 minimum overall GPA in all coursework, overall major GPA, SHSU GPA, and SHSU major GPA. A minor is not required for this degree program.

Full Degree Available On-Campus & Online

- 1 Intermediate I and II of foreign language satisfies Core Curriculum requirements for Component Area IV: Language, Philosophy, & Culture, and 3 credits of Component Area IX: Component Area Option.
- 2 CRIJ 2361 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Science).