

Course Sequencing		
Year	Quarter	Subject
First Year	Fall	HDEV 101 or 102 (Creating Academic Success OR College Connections) FYI 101 (First Year Introduction) PSYC& 100 (General Psychology) CJ& 101 (Intro to Criminal Justice)
	Winter	ENGL& 101 (English Composition 1) MATH& 107 or higher (MATH& 146 Intro to Statistics is recommended) CJ& 110 (Criminal Law) OR CJ& 105 (Intro to Corrections)
	Spring	CMST& 210 (Interpersonal Communication) BIOL& 160 (General Biology w/ Lab) HIST& 128 (World Civilizations 2)
Second Year	Fall	CJ& 240 (Intro to Forensic Science) Electives – 7 credits (choose from CJ or other courses needed for transfer) ENGL& 235 (Technical Writing)
	Winter	SOC 221 (Sociology of Deviance & Crime) CS 102 (Programming Fundamentals) EXSC 101 (Intro to Exercise Science)
	Spring	MUSC& 105 (Music Appreciation) NUTR& 101 (Intro to Nutrition) DRMA& 101 (Intro to Theatre)

The plan above is only a sample. If you want to see all of the courses we offer, please visit our online catalog [here!](#)

BEFORE YOU START

Ready to get started? To begin working towards the AA-DTA degree, you simply need to apply and be accepted to CBC. You can apply online at www.columbiabasin.edu.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Are you interested in exploring a career in Corrections, Law Enforcement or taking on a role in our judicial system? By studying Criminal Justice at Columbia Basin College (CBC), you'll explore the theories behind crime and punishment, juvenile delinquency, drug and alcohol addiction, and other criminal justice areas.

Mock crime scene investigation topics include:

- Police response
- Evidence collection
- Photography
- Crime scene sketches
- Interviewing and interrogation techniques
- Crash investigation

No matter your interests, there are opportunities for you in Criminal Justice. This program has close links with many other fields of study, incorporating elements of Psychology, Sociology, Biology, Chemistry, Anthropology, English, Education, Philosophy, Social Work, and Computer Science.

OUT OF CLASS TO DO'S

- Contact your instructors and/or the CBC Career Services Center to find an internship, observation/shadowing experience or a job related to criminal justice.
- Research transfer schools of interest with your Completion Coach.
- Visit the Academic Success Center for quiet study space, small group study, supplemental instruction, and tutoring assistance.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The skills you gain in CBC's Criminal Justice program will prepare you for any one of the following careers:

Law Enforcement

- Police officers, such as city police, deputy sheriff, or state patrol
- Forensic science
- Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI)
- Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)
- US marshal
- K-9 officer
- Detective
- Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)
- Hostage negotiator
- Crime scene technician

Corrections

- Corrections officer
- Probation officer
- Parole officer
- K-9 officer
- Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)

Judicial System

- Prosecutor
- Defense attorney
- Bailiff
- Court clerk
- Judge
- Court reporter
- Investigator

Other areas of interest

- Fish & Wildlife officer
- Dispatcher
- Child Protective Services inspector
- Private detective
- Security officer
- Education
- Homeland Security

FAQs

Class Times/Delivery Format

Classes are offered in a variety of formats, including in-person, online and hybrid.

Length of Program

Full-time students can complete the AA-DTA in two years.

Which Quarter Can I Begin?

You can begin any quarter!

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID OR OTHER FUNDING

Please complete:

The FAFSA application: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) provides financial aid for U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens, such as permanent residents. Visit the [FAFSA website](#) to create your FSA ID and to complete your application.

OR

The WASFA application: The Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) is for DACA or HB 1079 undocumented students. Visit the [Washington Student Achievement Council website](#) to complete your WASFA application.

Did you know??? You can apply for CBC scholarships two times every year! Click [here](#) for more information!

PLEASE NOTE: This document represents a sample plan for degree completion with this program of study. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with your Completion Coach. Completion Coaches can also help you plan other experiences to enrich your education such as internships, research, learning communities, and campus involvement and community-based learning.

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 7 am to 4:30 pm; Friday 7 am to noon

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