# Criminal Justice, AS

## Program Description

Utah Tech's criminal justice major is an interdisciplinary program that combines the study of criminal law, law enforcement, and criminology, providing a firm foundation for a myriad of careers. This course of study exposes students to the interconnected nature of the criminal justice system and explores criminological explanations for crime commission. Graduates from this program are prepared to enter applied positions in the criminal justice system or pursue graduate degrees in law, criminology, sociology, forensics psychology, etc. The associate's degree in criminal justice as Utah Tech prepares students to continue their education in other criminal justice programs at various USHE institutions or at Utah Tech. This program emphasizes criminal law, criminal investigation, and the functioning of the criminal justice system.

## Program Curriculum

### 60 credits

### Utah Tech General Education Requirements

All Utah Tech General Education requirements must be fulfilled. A previously earned degree may fulfill those requirements, but courses must be equivalent to Utah Tech's minimum General Education standards in American Institutions, English, and Mathematics.

General Education Core Requirements (https://catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)

| Code | Title | Hours |
|---|---|---|
| English | | 3-7 |
| Mathematics | | 3-5 |
| American Institutions | | 3-6 |
| Life Sciences | | 3-10 |
| Physical Sciences | | 3-5 |
| Fine Arts | | 3 |
| Literature/Humanities | | 3 |
| Social & Behavioral Sciences | | 3 |

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| **Discipline Core Requirements** | | |
| CJ 1010 | Introduction to Criminal Justice | 3 |
| CJ 1330 | Criminal Law | 3 |
| CJ 1340 | Criminal Investigation | 3 |
| CJ 2350 | Laws of Evidence | 3 |
| **Discipline Elective Requirements** | | |
| Complete a minimum of 9 (nine) credits in any Utah Tech Criminal Justice courses other than CJ 4890R. | | |
| **Note:** | | |
| Students planning to earn a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice should take MATH 1040 to fulfill the GE: Mathematics requirement. | | |

## Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 60 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete at least 20 semester hours of credits at Utah Tech for institutional residency.
3. Minimum C- grade in Discipline Core Requirements.
4. Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.