

Criminal Justice Transfer Guide McHenry County College

This transfer program for the prospective Criminal Justice major is recommended by the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) and can be incorporated into MCC's Associate in Arts (A.A.) or Associate in Science (A.S.) degree. It is designed to help students who have decided on the Criminal Justice major but who are **undecided about a baccalaureate transfer school**. **If you know where you will transfer, do not use this guide. Instead, use course information specific to the major at that school.** The decision to accept courses is always up to the transfer school, and responsibility for complying with requirements ultimately rests with the student. Four-year schools have specific requirements for admission to the major (e.g. minimum grade point average and prerequisite coursework).

The following are course suggestions to follow while you are deciding on a specific transfer institution. Students should be knowledgeable in the use of computers, i.e. be able to negotiate an operating system; access the internet; and use word processing, database, and spreadsheet software. **(Please remember that all of these courses may not be required at the transfer school you choose.)**

PLEASE SEE AN ADVISOR FOR GUIDANCE IN SELECTING A TRANSFER SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATE COURSEWORK.

IAI General Education Core Curriculum

Communications: 3 courses (9 semester credits)

ENG151 (3 cr.) – Composition I
ENG152 (3 cr.) – Composition II
SPE151 (3 cr.) – Introduction to Speech

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 courses (9 semester credits)

PSY151 (3 cr.) –Intro. to Psychology (recommended)
SOC151 (3 cr.) – Intro. to Sociology (recommended)
Select 1 more course from the IAI Social and Behavioral Sciences*.

Mathematics: 1 or 2 courses (3 to 6 semester credits)

(The A.A. degree requires 3 credits and the A.S. degree requires 6 credits.)
Select from the IAI Mathematics courses*.

Humanities and Fine Arts: 3 courses (9 semester credits)

Select 1 course from IAI Humanities*.
Select 1 course from IAI Fine Arts*.
Select 1 course from either IAI Humanities or IAI Fine Arts*.

Physical and Life Sciences: 2 courses (8 semester credits)

Select 1 course from the IAI Physical Sciences*
Select 1 course from the IAI Life Sciences*

*For complete listings of approved courses, see MCC's catalog or the A.A. and A.S. degree planning sheets.

Criminal Justice Courses

The following courses are suggested Criminal Justice courses for the student who is undecided about the transfer school. Please keep in mind that all of these courses may not substitute for the major coursework required at the transfer school. *If coursework is accepted, the transfer school generally requires a grade of "C" or better.*

Criminal Justice Core

CJS101 (3 Cr.) – Intro. to Criminal Justice

Other Criminal Justice Courses

CJS106 (3 cr.) – Introduction to Corrections
CJS120 (3 cr.) – Juvenile Delinquency
CJS140 (3 cr.) - Criminology

Don't Forget!

- **Do not take too long to decide on your transfer school. There is no guarantee that all of the courses listed on this guide will be required at your transfer school. Also, there may be other MCC courses that your transfer school will accept.**
- **Foreign language is a graduation requirement at some schools.**
MCC's A.A. degree foreign language requirement: Completion of the same foreign language through the 4th semester college-level class.
- **The completion of the coursework on this guide does not satisfy a degree at MCC.**

The Illinois Articulation Initiative website was used to create this guide. Transfer guides are produced as a service to MCC students. Every effort is made to maintain up-to-date and accurate information; however, this information is subject to change. Students should

check with an MCC advisor and with the IAI website (www.itransfer.org.) for the most current course recommendations.