ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

The College of the Sequoias Administration of Justice program provides a comprehensive curriculum related to Corrections and Law Enforcement. The three criminal justice degrees offered at the College of the Sequoias, prepares students for career specific training and transfer to a four-year university for advanced academic studies. An associate degree in criminal justice significantly enhances employment opportunities in criminal justice careers at the state and local levels that include but are not limited to, state highway patrol, municipal police departments, adult and juvenile corrections, parole, and county sheriff's departments. Careers in county probation, federal law enforcement and federal corrections require a baccalaureate degree.

Transfer requirements in Administration of Justice are available at the COS Counseling Center. In all cases, students should consult with a counselor for specific transfer requirements.
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Associate Degrees

- Associate in Science in Administration of Justice for Transfer (AS-T) (https://catalog.cos.edu/areas-study/administration-justice/associate-science-administration-justice-transfer-as-t/)
- Associate of Science in Administration of Justice - Corrections (AS) (https://catalog.cos.edu/areas-study/administration-justice/associate-science-administration-justice-corrections-not-for-transfer-as/)
- Associate of Science in Administration of Justice - Law Enforcement (AS) (https://catalog.cos.edu/areas-study/administration-justice/associate-science-administration-justice-law-enforcement-not-for-transfer-as/)

For a complete list of courses and descriptions visit: COURSES (https://catalog.cos.edu/course-descriptions/)

AJ 011 Introduction to Criminal Justice 3unit(s)
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
Introduction to Criminal Justice offers an overview of the criminal justice system, including law enforcement, courts and corrections. Students will examine the structure, function and decision making processes of the criminal justice system from the perspective of the accused, the police, courts, corrections and victims.
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/). (C-ID AJ110)

AJ 013 Community Relations 3unit(s)
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course examines the complex, dynamic relationship between communities and the justice system in addressing crime and conflict with an emphasis on the challenges and prospects of administering justice within a diverse multicultural population. Topics include but are not limited to consenting and conflicting values in culture, religion, law and contemporary community policing models including community oriented policing and problem solving.
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/). (C-ID AJ110)

AJ 014 Criminal Law 1 3unit(s)
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course offers an analysis of the doctrines of criminal liability in the United States and the classification of crimes against persons, property, morals, and public welfare. Special emphasis is placed on the classification of crime, the general elements of crimes, the definitions of common and statutory law, and the nature of acceptable evidence.
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/). (C-ID AJ110)

AJ 025 Constitutional Law 3unit(s)
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
Students will apply logic and critical thinking to written and oral communication in the study of the fundamental rights of all citizens as protected by the United States Constitution. Case studies will be used as examples of the application of law.
Prerequisites: ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/).

AJ 045 Terrorism and Freedom 3unit(s)
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course is a study of terrorism including types, tactics and trends. The course also covers the history of freedom, its meaning today and the balance of individual rights and public order. The Patriot Act and its effects on the safety and freedom of the American citizen today are also examined.
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/).
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<td>Criminal Justice Communication</td>
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<td>This course covers techniques of communicating facts, information in corrections and probation law enforcement reports, letters, memoranda, and directives. Practical experience is offered in note taking, report writing and presentation of courtroom testimony. Introduction to technology used in criminal justice and corrections. <strong>Prerequisites:</strong> AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.</td>
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<td>Legal Aspects of Evidence</td>
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<td>The origin, development, philosophy, constitutional and procedural basis of evidence; judicial decisions and statutory rules of evidence governing the admissibility of testimony, writings and material objects. <strong>Advisory on Recommended Preparation:</strong> ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (<a href="https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/">https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/</a>). (C-ID AJ124)</td>
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<td>Juvenile Laws &amp; Procedures</td>
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<td>This course is an examination of the origin, development, and organization of the Juvenile Justice System as it evolved in the American Justice System. The course explores the theories that focus on Juvenile Law, courts and processes, and the constitutional protections extended to juveniles administered in the American Justice System. This course is useful to students entering the juvenile justice system and those already employed in the system. <strong>Advisory on Recommended Preparation:</strong> AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C and ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (<a href="https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/">https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/</a>). (C-ID AJ220)</td>
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<td>Juvenile Delinquency</td>
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<td>This is an introductory course designed to explore the concept of juvenile delinquency. Emphasis is on defining delinquency, identifying delinquents, examining theories of causation, identifying institutions for delinquents and identifying community-based programs designated to prevent delinquency. <strong>Prerequisites:</strong> ENGL 251 or ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.</td>
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<td>AJ 115</td>
<td>Criminal Law 2</td>
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<td>An in-depth study of criminal law and criminal procedures commonly associated with California state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies. The course provides a complex analysis of both state law, as created by the legislature, and case law as defined in state and federal appellate court decisions, while focusing on established criminal justice procedures. <strong>Prerequisites:</strong> AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.</td>
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<td>Correctional Counseling</td>
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<td>An Administration of Justice course designed for students who are either employed in a corrections setting or intend to pursue a career in this field. This course includes areas of professional ethics, psycho-diagnostic procedures in counseling, critical thinking and communication skills. <strong>Advisory on Recommended Preparation:</strong> ENGL 251 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (<a href="https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/">https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/</a>). <strong>Prerequisites:</strong> AJ 121 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.</td>
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<td>AJ 118</td>
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<td>This course examines the basic principles of criminal investigation. Topics include the crime scene, physical evidence identification, collection and preservation. It will also cover investigative techniques, patterns, modus operandi, the management of the investigation and concepts related to the prevention and suppression of crime. (C-ID AJ140)</td>
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<td>This course provides an introduction to the role of forensics in criminal investigations. It examines the methods used in the forensic analysis of crime scenes, pattern evidence, firearms, questioned documents and controlled substances. (C-ID AJ150)</td>
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AJ 121 Introduction to Corrections
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course provides a history of and critical analysis of punishment, the various types of punishment, alternatives to punishment, and the impact of punishment on the Criminal Justice System, corrections, a critical examination of the types of correctional institutions and the clients housed in each institution, and an examination of contemporary correctional issues. (C-ID AJ200)
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: ENGL 261 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or eligibility for ENGL 001 as determined by COS Placement Procedures (https://catalog.cos.edu/placement-procedures/).
Prerequisites: AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.

AJ 123 Criminal Justice Ethics
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course allows students the opportunity to explore ethical issues in the field of criminal justice through analysis and critical thinking and apply these concepts to both their professional and personal lives.

AJ 130 Correctional Law
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course provides the student with an awareness of the historical framework, concepts and precedents that guide correctional practice. Course material will broaden the individual’s perspective of the corrections environment, the civil rights of prisoners and responsibilities and liabilities of corrections staff.
Advisory on Recommended Preparation: AJ 121 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.
Prerequisites: AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C.

AJ 219 Police Patrol Procedures
Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion
This course is the study of basic patrol techniques including stopping, arresting and handcuffing criminal suspects; methods of police patrol and observations; handling disputes and crisis intervention, community policing, and crimes in progress.

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