New Mexico State University

Bachelor of Criminal Justice Curriculum

Required Courses

*Lower Division – Must be Completed Prior to Taking Upper Division Courses*

CJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice – *prerequisite for all other CJ courses*

CJ 205 Criminal Law I

CJ 210 American Law Enforcement Systems

CJ 230 Introduction to Corrections

CJ 250 Courts and the Criminal Justice System

*Upper Division*

CJ 300 Introduction to Criminal Justice Research  
(May substitute SOC 352, GOV 300, PSY 310, or SWK 467)

CJ 301 Advanced Research Methods  
(May substitute any Introductory Statistics course)

CJ 449 Senior Seminar – *To be completed during the Senior year (90 or more earned credit hours)*

*Electives*

Must complete 4 (12 credits) upper division elective courses (courses numbered 300 or higher) in addition to those listed above. CJ 393 Internship cannot be used to satisfy this requirement but may be used to satisfy the University requirement of 48 upper division credit hours.

*Second Language Requirement*

Complete a second language* through the 212 (non-native speakers, sequence = 111, 112, 211, 212); 214 (native speakers, sequence = 113, 114, 213, 214) level; or MATH 191G.

Pass CD 476, American Sign Language III with a grade of C or better.

Second language can be waived with 3 credits in a single language from high school, with a grade of C or better.

*Other University Requirements*

Earn a total of 128 credit hours, of which 48 credit hours must be at the upper division level (courses numbered 300 or higher, including VWW and all upper division CJ courses).
Complete University Viewing A Wider World Requirement (VWW).

Complete Statewide Common Core courses.

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