

**Dual Credit Academy 2016-2017**  
**Workforce Programs for High School Students**

**Criminal Justice**

The Criminal Justice courses are offered to those students who are seeking careers as police officers, sheriff's deputies, state law enforcement officers, district attorney's investigators, and correctional officers. Classes can be taken in any order and will be set on a rotation. Classes will be scheduled opposite academic dual credit classes.

Semester	Course	Credit Hours Contact Hours	Days	Times	Tuition (In/Out District)
Year 1 - Fall	CRIJ	3 / 48	2days/wk	1:30-2:50	\$200 / \$250
Year 1 - Spring	CRIJ	3 / 48	2days/wk	1:30-2:50	\$200 / \$250
Year 2 – Fall	CRIJ	3 / 48	2days/wk	1:30-2:50	\$200 / \$250
Year 2 - Spring	CRIJ	3 / 48	2days/wk	1:30-2:50	\$200 / \$250

**TSI Assessment:** Reading – 351.

**Credential:** 12 credit hours toward Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice

**COM Next Steps – Stackable Credentials:**

- Complete Associate of Arts Degree, Field of Study – Criminal Justice; these courses are transferrable to a four-year university.

**CRIJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice**

This course provides a historical and philosophical overview of the American criminal justice system, including the nature, extent, and impact of crime; criminal law; and justice agencies and processes.

Prerequisite: TSI Reading 351

**CRIJ 1306 - Court Systems and Practices**

This course is a study of the court system as it applies to the structures, procedures, practices and sources of law in American courts, using federal and Texas statutes and case law.

Prerequisite: TSI Reading 351

**CRIJ 1310 – Fundamentals of Criminal Law**

This course is the study of criminal law including application of definitions, statutory elements, defenses and penalties using Texas statutes, the Model Penal Code, and case law. The course also analyzes the philosophical and historical development of criminal law and criminal culpability.

Prerequisite: TSI Reading 351

**CRIJ 2313 – Correctional Systems and Practices**

This course is a survey of institutional and non-institutional corrections. Emphasis will be placed on the organization and operation of correctional systems; treatment and rehabilitation; populations served; Constitutional issues; and current and future issues.

Prerequisite: TSI Reading 351

**CRIJ 2328 – Police Systems and Practices**

This course examines the establishment, role and function of police in a democratic society. It will focus on types of police agencies and their organizational structure, police-community interaction, police ethics, and use of authority.

Prerequisite: TSI Reading 351

**Job Market and Salary Information**

Police Officer	Average Median Salary	Percentage of Growth by 2022
Houston Region	53,810	1.6%
Texas	52,130	1.6%
National	56,980	5%

Attorney	Average Median Salary	Percentage of Growth by 2022
Houston Region	110,875	15%
Texas	141,240	14%
National	113,530	10%