

Best Choices Guide

Psychology/Criminal Justice Dual Degree (BS)

This Associate of Arts degree is designed for Colorado Community College System (CCCS) students who want to transfer to UCCS and complete a Bachelor of Arts degree with a dual degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice. It is based on the [best academic advising choices](#) for future UCCS students. Please note that final graduation requirements for the bachelor's degree will be based on your year of admission to UCCS. Contact transfer@uccs.edu for more information.

To earn the Associate of Arts Degree, students must complete the following course requirements for a total of 60 semester credit hours, at least 31 of which must be Colorado GT-Pathways courses. Courses taken at other colleges, AP, IB, CLEP, DSST, and other sources of credit may not be applicable upon transfer to UCCS even if applied to the associate's degree at CCCS. Check the CDHE's [GT Pathways](#) website for more information.

To transfer to UCCS, students should have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better. A minimum grade of C- or higher is required for courses to transfer to UCCS.

Degree Requirements	Courses	
Written Communication (6 hours)	- ENG 121/1021 - ENG 122/1022 <i>Note: Students who test into ENG 122/1022 should take ENG 201/2001 or HIS 265/2765 as their second written communication course.</i>	
Oral Communication (3 hours)	COM 115/1150	
Mathematics (3 hours)	Complete one GT-MA1 Course (MAT 120/1240 preferred) ¹	
Arts & Humanities (6 hours)	Complete PHI 113/1013 and one additional GT-AH course (GT-AH1) (GT-AH2) (GT-AH3) (GT-AH4)	
History (3 hours)	Complete one GT-HI1 course (GT-HI1) (DO NOT take more than one GT-HI course for this AA.)	
Social & Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)	Complete PSC 111/1011, SOC 101/1001, and one additional GT-SS Course (GT-SS1) (GT-SS2) (GT-SS3)	
Physical and Life Sciences (7 hours)	Complete two GT-SC courses. (GT-SC1) (GT-SC2) At least one course MUST come from the GT-SC1 category.	
Additional Requirements (23 hours) Courses recommended by UCCS for this degree.	PSY 101/1001	3
	PSY 102/1002	3
	CRJ 110/1010	3
	CRJ 230/2030	3
	3 GT-SS3 PSY Electives	9
	General Electives ²	2

Other AA/AS Requirements

- A minimum of 60 credit hours in a prescribed program of study with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (a C average). At least 15 of these credit hours must be earned from the CCC granting the degree.

¹Reasoning Skills – UCCS

The College of Letters, Arts and Sciences (LAS) at UCCS requires all students to complete a Reasoning Skills requirement. It can be completed in two ways:

- Take MAT 1240, Math for the Liberal Arts **OR**
- Take MAT 1340, College Algebra (or higher) **AND** either MAT 1260, Intro to Statistics **or** PHI 1013, Logic. PHI 1013 fulfills a GT-AH3 course for the AA/AS.

Psychology majors are encouraged to take MAT 1240 or MAT 1340. Psychology majors take a required Statistics course at UCCS (PSY 2100 - Intro to Psychological Sciences) that will fulfill the Reasoning Skills requirement with MAT 1340. MAT 1240 **or** MAT 1340 will fulfill the prerequisite for PSY 2100.

²Language other than English - UCCS

Beginning fall 2023, the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences (LAS) at UCCS requires all students to complete a language requirement as part of their degree program. Students who provide a final, official transcript showing completion of an Associate's degree prior to their first semester of enrollment at UCCS will be waived from this requirement. For those who don't complete the Associate's degree, the second semester of a world language (ex: SPA 1012, Spanish Language II) or higher completes the requirement. Students who completed two years of the same world language in high school, or have AP, IB, or CLEP scores equivalent to a Language II course, will have completed the requirement upon receipt of high school transcripts and/or exam scores. Other exemptions and test-out options are available.

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Four-Year Degree Plan - Psychology/Criminal Justice Dual Degree

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology/Criminal Justice Dual Degree degree at UCCS. Courses are listed by the course number at the appropriate institution. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

Suggested First Year

FALL			SPRING		
✓	Course	Hours	✓	Course	Hours
	ENG 121/1021	3		ENG 122/1022	3
	CRJ 110/1010	3		CRJ 230/2030	3
	PSY 101/1001	3		PSY 102/1002	3
	PSC 111/1011	3		SOC 101/1001	3
	PHI 113/1013	3		GT-AH course	3
	TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Suggested Second Year

FALL			SPRING		
✓	Course	Hours	✓	Course	Hours
	PSY Elective	3		COM 115/1150	3
	GT-HI1 course	3		PSY Elective	3
	GT-SC1 course	4		PSY Elective	3
	GT-SS course	3		GT-MA1 course	3
	General Electives	2		GT-SC2 course	3
	TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Suggested Third Year

FALL			SPRING		
✓	Course	Hours	✓	Course	Hours
	PSY 1100	1		PSY 2110	4
	PSY 2100	4		PSY Core Content Course	3
	PSY Core Content Course	3		PSY Core Content Course	3
	CRJU 3250	3		CRJU 4042	3
	General Elective (Sustainability)	3		CRJU 4043	3
	TOTAL	14		TOTAL	16

Suggested Fourth Year

FALL			SPRING		
✓	Course	Hours	✓	Course	Hours
	PSY Advanced Seminar	3		CRJU 4960	3
	PSY Core Content Course	3		CRJU 3268 (Inclusiveness)	3
	CRJU 4044	3		UD PSY Elective	3
	CRJU 4121 (Inclusiveness)	3		UD PSY Elective	3
	HUM 3990	3		UD PSY Elective	3
	TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

UCCS Bachelor of Arts, Psychology/Criminal Justice Dual Degree Major Requirements

- A minimum of 120 hours must be completed with a cumulative CU grade point average of 2.0; at least 45 of these hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
- The Psychology/Criminal Justice Dual Degree majors require a minimum of 64 hours with a grade point average of 2.0, and at least 36 of the hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
- The last 30 hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences and the College of Public Service at UCCS.

Additional Resources

- Visit the UCCS Transfer website at [Transfer Admissions](https://www.uccs.edu/transfer)
- Contact a Transfer Advisor at transfer@uccs.edu