ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The criminal justice program provides a Christian liberal arts and social scientific basis, addressing the field of criminal justice from a biblically restorative perspective. It aims to honor biblical and social bases of law and the need for justly ordered society. Further, it recognizes that laws are not isolated from other social institutions and structures, so that the legal and social justice systems require practitioners who are well educated, resolute, just, and seasoned with Christian love. We seek to provide the criminal justice system with competent, compassionate professionals who afford not only punishment but also restoration of those who break laws and even greater restitution for the general society and victims of crimes. Graduates of this major will have an applied emphasis and will take their places within the criminal justice field with a biblical basis from which to conduct their work in society. They will be prepared to not only labor within existing systems, but also to present alternatives that lead to remediation, rehabilitation, and restoration of justice and peace to the greatest extent possible in an imperfect world.

FOUNDATIONS COURSEWORK

- First Year Experience
  - FYF 101/111
- Theology
  - THEO 121
  - THEO 122
- Philosophy
  - PHIL 101
  - PHIL 102/110/111/HON 108
- History
  - HIST 103
  - HIST 104
- English
  - ENGL 103/HON 103
  - ENGL 104
- Natural Sciences
  - Biology—laboratory based biology course
  - Physical Science—laboratory based chemistry/physics course
- Fine Arts
  - One from 9 options
- Physical Wellness
  - PE 110/112
- Cross Cultural Studies
  - Two from 20 options

PROGRAM COURSEWORK

- Major Requirements
  - CJ 121 Introduction to Criminal Justice
  - CJ 201 Comparative and Alternative Criminal Justice Systems—CCS
  - CJ 302 Criminology
  - CJ 304 Restorative Justice: Principles and Its Alternatives
  - CJ 301 Criminal Law and Judicial System
  - CJ 302 Law Enforcement
  - CJ 303 Incarceration, Parole, and Probation
  - CJ 400 Field Education
  - CJ 410 Senior Seminar
  - One from CJ 305, 306, 310
- Required Cognates
  - COMM 101 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
  - MATH 151 Statistics
  - SOC 121 Principles of Sociology
  - SOC 335 Social Science Research Methods
  - One from: HIST 319, PLSC 250, PSYCH 322
- Minor Required

This plan includes Foundation and Major coursework. A minor is required and additional elective credits may be needed to reach the required 120 credit hours to earn degree.

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