

Criminal Justice - Law Enforcement Leadership Emphasis B.S.

The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with an emphasis in Law Enforcement Leadership (BSCJ-CJCB) at East Texas A&M University is a 100% online, competency-based program designed specifically for law enforcement professionals, peace officers and military personnel. Tailored to meet the unique needs of first responders, this program provides flexible, self-paced learning that recognizes prior experience and training, such as police academy and other advanced certification.

With a focus on preparing law enforcement leaders for the challenges of modern policing, coursework emphasizes ethics and professionalism, leadership, officer wellness, communication, crisis response, and evidence-based practices. Students develop critical skills to lead with integrity, manage high-stakes incidents, and foster public trust. Graduates are equipped to make meaningful impacts in their agencies and communities while advancing their careers in law enforcement leadership.

The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with emphasis in Law Enforcement Leadership requires the completion of 120 semester hours. Up to 30 semester hours of lower-level Criminal Justice credit may be awarded for those with certification (see note below). Up to 84 semester hours may be transferred into the program and the remaining courses are offered in 7-week terms.

Students who have completed the certification programs below may receive up to 30 semester hours of credit for the lower-level criminal justice required core courses once they have successfully completed 30 semesters hours from East Texas A&M University.

- Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE)
- Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) for the State of Oklahoma
- Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) for the State of Louisiana
- Department of Homeland Security United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Integrated Training Program via the United States Border Patrol Agency (federal)

Core Curriculum Courses

See the Core Curriculum Requirements (<https://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/core-curriculum-requirements/>) 42

Lower-Level Criminal Justice Required Core

CJ 1301	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 1306	Courts and Criminal Procedure	3
CJ 1307	Crime in America	3
CJ 1310	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
CJ 1313	Juvenile Justice System	3
CJ 2301	Community-Based Corrections	3
CJ 2313	Correctional Systems	3
CJ 2314	Criminal Investigation	3
CJ 2323	Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement	3
CJ 2328	Police Systems & Practices	3

Applied Major Courses **

CJCB 302	21st Century Policing	3
CJCB 303	Ethics, Values and Professionalism in Policing	3
CJCB 304	Critical Incident Decision Management	3
CJCB 305	Communication	3
CJCB 306	Officer Wellness	3
CJCB 307	Technical Writing	1
CJCB 308	Crime Analysis	2
CJCB 402	Leadership	3
CJCB 403	Policing the Future	3
CJCB 499	Capstone	3

Support Courses

CJCB 309	Procedural Justice	3
CJCB 404	Critical Shift	3
CJCB 405	Evidence-Based Policing	3
CJCB 406	Implicit bias	3

CJCB 407	Organizational Culture in Public Safety	3
CJCB 408	Critical Thinking & Decision Making	3
CJCB 409	Homeland Security/Terrorism	3
Total Hours		120

** Applied Major Courses - Require a grade of B or better.

*** Students may transfer in up to 12 semester hours in lower or upper-level course work from a community college, another 4-year institution, or approved transfer credit.

***** At least 9 semester hours must be upper level and completed at ETAMU courses.

Second Bachelor's Degree

Students who have already earned a bachelor's degree, but are seeking a second bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice with an Emphasis in Law Enforcement Leadership must complete:

(HIST 1301 History of the United States through Reconstruction, HIST 1302 History of the United States Since Reconstruction, PSCI 2305 United States Government and Politics, PSCI 2306 Texas Government and Politics) CJCB 302 21st Century Policing; CJCB 303 Ethics, Values and Professionalism in Policing; CJCB 304 Critical Incident Decision Management; CJCB 305 Communication; CJCB 306 Officer Wellness; CJCB 307 Technical Writing ; CJCB 308 Crime Analysis ; CJCB 402 Leadership; CJCB 403 Policing the Future; CJCB 499 Capstone; one advisor-approved CJCB course of their choice. All CJCB courses must be completed with a grade of B or better. No transfer hours or Law Enforcement Certification hours allowed.