



DIVISION OF SOCIAL
& BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

— FOUR-YEAR PLAN —

ABOUT

The Criminal Justice Track is designed for students who wish to pursue a career in law enforcement or other related fields. Students will take electives in investigations, forensics, technical writing, and other areas that will equip them to be competitive candidates for jobs in all levels of law enforcement. Specialized courses in this track are taught by instructors with experience in their fields- matching course instruction with lived experience. The program is designed to be customizable, allowing students to take electives better suited for their desired career outcome.



DEGREE PLAN

***The courses listed are for this specific program and are in addition to the general education courses required for all students. See the reverse side or go to snu.edu/gen-ed for more information on those courses.*

YEAR 1

American Federal Government
US History I
US History II

YEAR 2

Introduction to Politics
Introduction to Law
Philosophies and Foundations
of Law Enforcement
Elective

YEAR 3

Mental Health & Societal Implications
of Law Enforcement
Diversity, Inclusion, Equity, and Justice
Technical Communications
Investigations, Interrogations,
and Interviews
Elective

YEAR 4

Forensic Evidence & Crime
Scene Processing
Criminal Law and United States
Court System
Senior Seminar
Elective
Elective



GENERAL EDUCATION

General Education forms the foundation of every student's academic journey at SNU. As a Christian liberal arts university, we are committed to equipping students with the knowledge, values, and skills essential for their development as both thoughtful Christians and engaged community leaders. Our General Education curriculum is intentionally designed to be both comprehensive and flexible—allowing students to pursue their individual interests while ensuring they graduate prepared for lifelong learning, service, and growth.

The General Education program consists of approximately 51 credit hours that introduce and develop important skills such as the:

- Importance of thinking critically and solving problems
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Appreciation of human creativity
- Importance of science and technology in the 21st century
- Power of social responsibility in our community
- Awareness of global diversity
- Role of our Christian faith in daily life

Students take at least one foundational course and one upper-level windows course in each of these areas.

Central to SNU's mission is the engagement of students in transformational learning experiences designed to explore what it means to seek truth together with a Christ-centered community of scholars.

YEAR 1

- Composition I & Composition II
- Introduction to Speech
- A foundation course in Social Responsibility
- A foundation course in Science & Technology
- Christian Faith & Life

YEAR 2

- Modern World
- Aesthetics
- A foundation course in Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
- Old Testament or New Testament Literature & Life

YEAR 3

- A windows course in Social Responsibility
- A windows course in Effective Communication
- A windows course in Science & Technology
- A windows course in Critical Thinking & Problem Solving

YEAR 4

- A windows course in Global Perspectives
- A windows course in Artistic Expression
- Foundations of Christian Belief