

Criminal Justice Articulation Agreement
between
Metropolitan State College of Denver
and
Aims Community College

In accordance with CCHE policy principles that Colorado public institutions facilitate the transfer of students among them, Metropolitan State College of Denver (MSCD) and Aims Community College enter into this agreement to meet transfer policy goals and enhance mutual cooperation.

This agreement encompasses both the Criminal Justice Program and course-to-course articulation. This agreement clarifies the status, treatment and benefits for students who choose to transfer from Aims Community College Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice and Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice programs to MSCD.

For the purposes of this agreement, potential transfer students are categorized as follows:

1. Aims Community College students who transfer to MSCD before completing an Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice or an Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice.
2. Aims Community College students who transfer to MSCD upon completion of an Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice or an Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice.

In all cases, the determination of the requirements for the baccalaureate degree program will be the responsibility of MSCD.

Students who transfer prior to completion of an Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice:

Aims Community College students who desire to transfer to MSCD before completing an Associate of Arts with Directed Studies in Criminal Justice, will be admitted in accordance with the following general principles:

1. For admission to MSCD, the student will be required to meet the standards in effect at the time of application.
2. Credits must have been earned with a grade of “C” or better in order to transfer. Courses with grades of “F”, “D”, “IP”, “I”, “U”, “AU”, and “Z” are not transferable. The applicability of credit awarded to the requirements for the baccalaureate degree program at MSCD will be determined in accordance with the current MSCD Transfer Guide.

3. MSCD will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of “C” or better. The institution may apply a state guaranteed general education course toward the major if that facilitates the student’s graduation more effectively.
4. The transfer credit is guaranteed only under the conditions that the transferring institution maintains current accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Higher Education.

Students who matriculate upon completion of an Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice:

Subject to the terms of this agreement, students who have earned either Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice degree will be admitted to MSCD in accordance with the following principles:

1. For admission to MSCD, the student will be required to have earned at least a 2.0 overall grade point average on a four-point scale.
2. Aims Community College students will be granted junior level standing if a minimum of 60 semester credit hours have been completed with a grade of “C” or better for each course taken within the 60 semester hours. Courses with grades of “F”, “D”, “IP”, “I”, “U”, “AU”, and “Z” are not transferable.
3. Aims Community College students who have earned either the Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice or the Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice with additional AA general education categories completed, as necessary, will be considered to have completed MSCD’s lower division general studies. The Aims Community College students will be required to complete satisfactorily upper division general studies requirements at MSCD. Students will be required to take any course required by the major.
4. All credits awarded in an Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice will apply to the baccalaureate degree as specified in the MSCD catalog at the time of admission.
5. MSCD will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of “C” or better. The institution may apply a state guaranteed general education course toward the major if that facilitates the student’s graduation more effectively.
6. The transfer credit is guaranteed only under the conditions that the transferring institution maintains current accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Higher Education.

Transferability and applicability of Colorado Community College Criminal Justice core courses is included in this agreement. Applicability of AA or AAS core courses (where the core has not been completed and/or stamped) is included in the current MSCD Transfer Guide.

Aims Community College students wishing to complete a baccalaureate degree in Criminal Justice may begin their course of study at Aims Community College, which offers the following Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice.

The AA with Directed Studies in Criminal Justice may include the state guaranteed general education core courses. Completion of the state guarantee general education core courses guarantees that the student has satisfied the lower division general studies requirements at MSCD. Students who have not completed state guaranteed general education core courses are referred to the MSCD Transfer Guide for course-by-course applicability to MSCD general studies.

In addition to the state guarantee general education core courses the student will complete the following Criminal Justice core.

Criminal Justice Core Curriculum

CCCOES COMMUNITY & LOCAL DISTRICT COLLEGES			METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE OF DENVER (Equivalent Courses)		
Course Prefix & Number	Course Name	Semester Credit Hours	Course Prefix & Number	Course Name	Semester Credit Hours
CRJ 110	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	CJC 1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	3
CRJ 111	Substantive Criminal Law	3	CJC 2100	Substantive Criminal Law	3
CRJ 112	Procedural Law	3	CJC 2140	Criminal Procedure	3
CRJ 125	Law Enforcement Operations	3	CJC 2200	Law Enforcement Operations	3
CRJ 135	Judicial Function	3	Elective		3
CRJ 145	Correctional Process	3	Elective		3
CRJ 210	Constitutional Law	3	CJC 1100	Evolutionary Legal Concepts in Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 220	Human Relations & Social Conflict	3	Elective		3
CRJ 230	Criminology	3	Elective		3

Institutional Graduation Requirements for this Degree Program

- A. The graduation requirements for a transfer student pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice.

1. Complete 120 semester hours with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher for all course work.
 2. Complete at least 40 semester hours in upper-division courses (3000- and 4000- level courses).
 3. Achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher in all MSCD courses that satisfy the requirement for the major.
- B. Required courses in Major, including pre-requisites and required supporting courses.

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Course Number	Course Name	CH	CC Course Number	CC Course Name	
CJC 1010	Intro to the Criminal Justice System	3	CRJ 110	Intro to Criminal Justice	
CJC 1100	Evolutionary Legal Concepts in Criminal Justice	3	CRJ 210	Constitutional Law	
CJC 2100	Substantive Criminal Law	3	CRJ 111	Substantive Criminal Law	
CJC 2120	Evidence & Courtroom Procedures	3			
CJC 2140	Criminal Procedure	3	CRJ 112	Procedural Criminal Law	
CJC 3120	Constitutional Law for Criminal Justice Professionals	3			
CJC 3200	Criminal Justice Administrative Behavior	3			
CJC 3350 or CJC 3400	Seminar in Delinquency Causation, Prevention & Control OR Criminal Behavior & Criminal Careers	3			
CJC 3410	Criminal Justice & the Social Structure	3			
CJC 4300	The American Correctional System	3			
CJC 4650	<u>Ethics for the Criminal Justice Professional (Senior Experience)</u>	3			

	CJC upper-division Electives	12		
Total Major Requirements		45		
Required Courses from:				
	Elective courses from anthropology, economics, history, political science, psychology, and sociology. All courses must be upper division.	12		
	Total MSCD credits required for graduation for students with an AA or AS degree with the state guarantee general education core from Aims Community College.	56 to 60		
	Transferred credits for Associate of Arts with Directed Area of Studies in Criminal Justice or for Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice degrees/with state guaranteed general education core courses	60 to 64		
Total Graduation Requirements		120		

Transfer Of Credit

- A. Grade Eligibility. Only academic courses with a letter grade of “C” or better will be accepted for transfer, courses with grades of “F”, “D”, “IP”, “I”, “U”, “AU”, and “Z” are not transferable.
- B. Information on the treatment of advanced placement, CLEP and national standardized test scores, other non-traditional methods of awarding credit can be found in MSCD’s Catalog.
- C. MSCD will accept all approved credits earned within ten years of transfer. Courses earned more than ten years earlier may be evaluated on an individual basis.
- D. MSCD will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of “C” or better. The institution may apply a state guaranteed general education course toward the major if that facilitates the student’s graduation more effectively.
- E. This transfer credit is guaranteed only under the condition that the transferring institution maintains current accreditation by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Higher Education.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement between Aims Community College and Metropolitan State College of Denver lists Criminal Justice courses that will transfer between these institutions. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate transfer of competencies.

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