

## Corrections – Associate in Applied Science (CORR.AAS)

Corrections officers are charged with safekeeping any person who has been arrested, is awaiting trial or is in a correctional institution. Officers maintain order within the institution, enforce rules and regulations and often supplement counseling that inmates receive from mental health professionals. In addition to being prison/jail guards, corrections officers can work in other related positions, such as juvenile facilities.

*Minimum credits: 60*

*Minimum cumulative GPA: 2.0*

*Minimum grade in all courses: 2.0*

*Minimum Jackson College credits: 15*

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (20 CREDITS)

#### **GEO 1: Write clearly, concisely and intelligibly (3 credits)**

**Take the following:**

ENG 131 Writing Experience I

#### **GEO 2: Recognize the importance of effective communication in a dynamic and changing society (3 credits)**

**Choose one of the following:**

COM 231 Communication Fundamentals  
COM 240 Interpersonal Communication  
COM 250 Intercultural Communication  
HIS 211 Minority Groups in America  
HUM 131 Cultural Connections  
PHL 243 Great World Religions  
PLS 262 International Relations  
PSY 152 Social Psychology (or SOC 152 Social Psychology)  
SOC 246 Marriage & Family

#### **GEO 3: Demonstrate computational skills and mathematical reasoning (4 credits)**

**Take the following:**

MAT 130 Quantitative Reasoning (or higher)

#### **GEO 4: Demonstrate scientific reasoning (4 credits)\*\***

**Choose one of the following:**

BIO 110 Introductory Biology  
CEM 131 Fundamentals of Chemistry  
GEL 109 Earth Science  
NSC 131 Contemporary Science  
PHY 131 Conceptual Physics

**GEO 5: Understand human behavior and social systems, and the principles which govern them (3 credits)**

**Take the following:**

PLS 141 American National Government

**GEO 6: Identify artistic, linguistic, and theoretical perspectives across the human experience (3 credits)**

**Choose one of the following:**

ART 111 Art History: Prehistoric to 1400  
ART 112 Art History: Renaissance to Present  
HUM 131 Cultural Connections  
MUS 131 Understanding Music

**CORRECTIONS RELATED REQUIREMENTS (16 CREDITS)**

**Take the following:**

CIS 101 Introduction to Computer Systems OR  
CIS 201 Advanced Information Technologies  
ENG 232 Technical & Business Writing  
PSY 130 General Psychology  
PSY 251 Abnormal Psychology  
SOC 231 Principles of Sociology

**CORRECTIONS CORE REQUIREMENTS (15 CREDITS)**

**Take the following:**

CRJ 119\* Client Growth & Development  
CRJ 120\* Human Relations for Corrections  
CRJ 121\* Introduction to Corrections  
CRJ 124\* Institution Populations  
CRJ 127\* Corrections Law

**CORRECTIONS ELECTIVES (9 CREDITS)**

Additional elective hours can be used from the following areas. Choose elective courses relevant to your career goals from any CRJ, PSY, or SOC offerings.

If you hold a CPL from the Police or Corrections Academy, credit will be awarded as CRJ 231 (6 credits) and CRJ 224 (3 credits).

\*Recommended for prospective State of Michigan correctional officers. Each corrections course must be completed with a 2.0 to meet the requirement of the Michigan Correctional Officers Training Council "Desired" background for students to be successful in particular courses (this is for courses that do not have specific prerequisites, but desired experience or knowledge) includes a willingness to help others, good interpersonal communication, and critical thinking skills.