

**Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide for College of Lake County  
 School of Professional Studies  
 North Park University  
 Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice**

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**Program Description**

Students majoring in Criminal Justice will examine causes, prevention, and control of crimes, as well as the foundational theories and policies relevant to structures and operations of the criminal justice system. Students will develop a comprehensive understanding of criminology, research methods, management, ethics, criminal law and procedure, corrections, and juvenile and restorative justice. Students will have the opportunity to apply theory to real life situations in a variety of work settings during the practicum experience.

**Program Highlights**

Accelerated format	Earn 4-8 semester hours every seven weeks
Class format	Seven-week courses meet face-to-face (once/week) or online. <b>CJ major courses are only available in the classroom.</b>
BA degree	Flexible BA general education requirements allow for maximum transfer credit
Prior learning assessment	Up to 20 credits can be earned through Prior Learning Assessment; PLA Coordinator will assist student to determine credit possible; can include corporate/ occupational training and learning gained from work experience
Financial aid	Student loans, Federal Pell Grants, and Illinois MAP Grant benefits; some scholarships available
Books & Materials	Can be ordered online
Intended audience	Working students who need to complete a bachelor's degree while continuing to work

**Admission Requirements**

- 12 hours of transferable college-level coursework with a 2.00/4.00 cumulative GPA
- North Park will accept in transfer up to 90 semester hours from two-year and four-year institutions
- Completion of IAI general education core fulfills most BA core requirements

**Application Procedure**

- Complete online application; no application fee
- Submit official transcripts from all previous college work
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**Transferring Major Criminal Justice Courses from College of Lake County**

- A minimum grade of C or better is required from CLC to waive a course in the Criminal Justice major
- Courses are waived at the discretion of the major department faculty chair

**Graduation Requirements**

- Completion of major coursework (36-40 SH, in transfer and/or at North Park)
- Completion of core general education requirements (in transfer and/or at North Park)
- Minimum graduation requirement of 120 semester hours; minimum residency requirement of 32 semester hours earned at NPU
- A "C" average (2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale) for all work taken at NPU
- A "C" average within the major

The following are the North Park University core general education requirements and their College of Lake County equivalents. The IAI Common Core requirements for the Associate in Arts or the Associate in Science from College of Lake County will fulfill the majority of core curriculum requirements for general education at North Park University.

***This transfer guide is designed to assist students with their academic planning. Every effort is made to maintain accurate information; however, this information is subject to frequent change. In some cases, only a sampling of courses has been included. Courses within each general education category designated "IAI" will transfer to North Park's School of Professional Studies. Students should contact Jose-Jose Palma to keep informed of changes, as final responsibility for verifying information rests with the student.***

**Transfer Guide  
 Bachelor of Arts — General Education Requirements**

North Park Requirements	Credits	CLC College Equivalent Course Option(s)
Foundation Seminar	4	Transfer equivalents must be approved by School of Adult Learning faculty/staff
Writing Intensive Course	4	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Written Communication category [fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Research Writing	4	NA
Analytical Reasoning	4	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Math category
Biblical Studies	4	NA
Christian Life & Thought	4	PHI 123 or 126
Human Society	8	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities Categories [partially fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Health & Well-Being	2	HWP 240
Art & Aesthetic Interpretation	2	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Fine Arts category
Ethical Reasoning	2	PHI 125 or BUS 132 [fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Intercultural & Global Competence	8	Coursework in Global (non-US) history, foreign language, intercultural communication, global, international, or comparative studies, international politics, business, or economics
Natural Sciences	4	Minimum of 4 sh in life and/or physical science with lab component (Note: May be met by a single 4 sh class in physical or life science)

**Transfer Guide  
 Criminal Justice — Major Requirements**

North Park Requirements	Credits	CLC Equivalent Course Option(s)
CJ 3000: Introduction to Criminal Justice	4	CRJ 121
CJ 3100: Research Methods in Criminal Justice	4	NA
CJ 3200: Correctional Services	4	CRJ 124 + CRJ 227 or 224
CJ 3300: Juvenile Justice System	4	CRJ 229
CJ 3400: Criminal Procedure	2	CRJ 222
CJ 3500: Criminal Law	2	CRJ 221
CJ 4000: Law Enforcement Administration	2	CRJ 216
CJ 4100: Urban Communities and Crime	4	NA
CJ 4200: Restorative Justice	2	NA
CJ 4300: Professional Issues, Ethics, and Diversity	4	NA
CJ 4400: Practicum in Criminal Justice	4	NA
Total	36	NOTE: A maximum of 20 SH in the major may be replaced by transfer courses. (At least 50% of the major must be completed at North Park University.)

### **North Park University Criminal Justice Scholarship for Lake County Students**

As part of this articulation agreement, North Park University through the School of Professional Studies is offering reduced tuition to College of Lake County students who apply and are admitted into the BA in Criminal Justice program. To be eligible for the 20% discount on all North Park University tuition through the student's entire degree program, the student:

- must complete his/her School of Professional Studies application through the Office of Admissions;
- will have completed at least 30 semester hours of transferable credit from the College of Lake County;
- will have completed at least 3 (three) of the following College of Lake County CRJ courses (or course combination) within the past 7 years: CRJ 121, CRJ 227 and 124 or 224 (combined); or CRJ 222; or CRJ 216; or CRJ 221; or CRJ 229;
- must have a transfer GPA of 2.0 or above;
- is required to declare his/her major in Criminal Justice at North Park University/School of Professional Studies;
- must remain enrolled as a Criminal Justice major;
- is making progress towards graduation; and remains in good standing (2.0+ cumulative GPA).

The Scholarship will be awarded upon admittance to North Park University's School of Professional Studies (or when eligible accepted/enrolled student declares a major in Criminal Justice). Scholarships may be renewed for eligible students each year up to a maximum of 5 years from initial enrollment.