

Spartanburg Methodist College

Bachelor of Arts Degree (BA)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONCENTRATION



SMC offers a customizable, multidisciplinary studies Bachelor of Arts Degree that allows you to choose two concentrations (similar to majors) to focus your studies on, without adding time or coursework to your degree. When you customize your degree for your interests, you get a broader education and skill set that prepares you for more jobs today and new career paths in the future. Our customizable Bachelor of Arts Degree provides you with a quality liberal arts education and discipline-specific coursework.

Criminal Justice

The criminal justice concentration provides students with the knowledge and resources they need to pursue a variety of careers in the field. Students learn about various societal institutions such as courts, jails and prisons, and probation offices. Graduates will leave the program fully prepared for work in law enforcement or even pursue a law degree.

CHOOSE ANOTHER CONCENTRATION

With SMC's customizable Bachelor of Arts Degree, students choose two concentrations to complete their degree program. Combining criminal justice with either business, English, history, psychology, or religion will expand your career options.

CAMAK CORE

Every four-year degree at Spartanburg Methodist College includes our unique Camak Core professional development program. The Camak Core is a required set of courses that focus on teaching students professional skills such as leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, and professional communication. Students graduate better prepared to interview for jobs and enter the workforce.



START HERE
*to begin your higher
education journey.*



FINISH HERE
*with the skills you
need to succeed.*



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The Bachelor of Arts Degree is designed to be transferred into from an associate degree or its equivalent (60 credit hours). In addition to a core of Professional Development courses (18 hours), which all students will take, the student then selects two concentrations (18 hours each) from business, criminal justice, English, history, psychology, or religion.

TRANSFER PATHWAY

The transfer pathway into all of SMC's bachelor's degrees includes the following elements: the student must have earned an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree or have earned 60 credit hours of transferable general education coursework with a minimum 2.00 GPA from a regionally accredited college or university.

TUITION & FEES

The tuition and fees below apply to the 2024-2025 school year. Please note that all tuition and fees are subject to change at any time when circumstances warrant.

Tuition (per academic year)	\$17,400*
Room & Board (per academic year)	\$10,200
Fees (per academic year)	\$3,250

*Tuition rate for full-time students is based on an hourly rate of \$725 per credit hour up to the 12-credit-hour, full-time requirement.

Course Requirements

Subject/Course Requirement Semester Hours

Associate Degree* – 60 Hours Required

Associate degree or equivalent (60 credit hours of general education courses & 2.0 GPA)

Camak Core – 18 Hours Required

Professional development coursework to include leadership, communications, applied technology, and career-based experiences.

PDEV 301 Professional Communication	3
PDEV 310 Professional Development and Leadership	3
PDEV 320 Community Discovery and Engagement	3
PDEV 400 Applied Technology	3
PDEV 410 Semester Internship or	
PDEV 411, 412, 413 Internships I, II, III (1 hour each)	3
PDEV 430 Capstone	3

Criminal Justice Concentration – 18 Hours Required

There are no prerequisites for students entering the Criminal Justice concentration.

Students must take the following courses:

- CRMJ 301 Research Methods
- CRMJ 450 Criminal Justice Policy

Students will choose four of the following courses:

- CRMJ 310 Criminal Investigation and Forensics
- CRMJ 315 Juvenile Justice
- CRMJ 320 Victimology
- CRMJ 340-349 Special Topics in Criminal Justice
- CRMJ 410 Criminal Law and Procedure
- CRMJ 415 Death Penalty
- CRMJ 425 Race, Ethnicity, and Crime
- CRMJ 450 Criminal Justice Policy

Second Concentration – 18 Hours Required

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts – Criminal Justice Concentration must select a second concentration from Business, English, History, Psychology, or Religion.

Electives – 6 Hours Required

Competency in Foreign Language at the 102 (SPAN 140 for heritage Spanish speakers) or higher level is required. Up to six elective hours may be used to achieve Foreign Language competency; otherwise, elective hours must be taken at the 300 level or higher.

Total 120 Credit Hours

*Associate degree (not Applied Science) or equivalent from a regionally accredited college or university (60 credit hours of general education courses & 2.0 GPA).