

# CORRECTIONS, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

**Banner code:** 2\_AA\_CORR

**Financial aid:** Eligible

Theories, principles, and techniques of juvenile justice and corrections.

**Potential careers students may enter upon completion are as follows:**

- Police officer
- Probation officer
- Corrections officer

## Program Level Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Describe the roles of corrections professionals within the adult and juvenile justice systems.
2. Recognize the differences in staff and inmate hierarchies within the correctional environment.
3. Identify the components of an integrated and strategic supervision model for community corrections that reduces offender recidivism.
4. Describe the principles of evidence-based practice used by human service professionals to achieve effective interventions.
5. Explain the legal justifications required for conducting a search and an arrest, and the exceptions to these requirements.
6. Describe crimes by their names, elements, and classifications.
7. Develop effective reading, writing, speaking, listening, and nonverbal communication skills for a variety of audiences.
8. Evaluate legal arguments, and explain constitutional and statutory limits on the application of law.
9. Identify the foundational requirements for the admissibility and the exclusion of evidence in a criminal court proceeding.
10. Discuss the Six Pillars of Character as defined by the Josephson Institute of Ethics: trustworthiness, respect, fairness, responsibility, justice and fairness, caring, civic virtue and citizenship, and how they apply to personal and professional environments.

## Associate Degree Graduation Requirements

(See GWC website (<http://www.goldenwestcollege.edu>) for the most up-to-date information on Associate Degree Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/golden-west/general-education/associate-degree/>.)

1. Completion of General Education Requirements by one of the following methods:
  - a. Completion of a minimum of 18 units as listed under Areas A through E, including the Cultural Diversity Requirement.
  - b. Completion of a minimum of 39 units of CSU General Education requirements. Students who complete this pattern are also eligible to receive the Certificate of Achievement in CSU General Education Breadth (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/golden-west/general-education/csu-ge/>).
  - c. Completion of a minimum of 34 (UC) or 37 (CSU) units of Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) requirements. Students who complete this pattern are also

eligible to receive the Certificate of Achievement in IGETC (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/golden-west/general-education/igetc/>).

2. Completion of a Major or Area of Emphasis—a minimum of 18 units.
3. Completion of additional elective units to a total of 60 units.
4. 2.0 overall Grade Point Average at GWC and 2.0 overall Grade Point Average for all colleges attended.
5. At least 12 units completed at GWC.

Students should consult a GWC counselor in order to select the best pathway to meet their educational goals. For students who intend to transfer, the choice of general education will be specific to both their major and transfer institution.

Course	Title	Units
<b>Required Courses</b>		
CJ G123	Juvenile Law	3
CJ G128	Criminal Procedure & Evidence	3
CJ G137	Community Relations And Special Issues In Criminal Justice	3
CJ G141	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
CJ G146	Police Report Writing	3
CJ G150	Introduction To Corrections	3
CJ G151	Practical Aspects Of Corrections	3
CJ G152	Probation and Corrections: Case Planning and Supervision	3
<b>Major Total</b>		<b>24</b>
<b>GE Pattern (Local, CSU GE-Breadth, or IGETC)</b>		<b>18-39</b>
Total Units		60