

Undergraduate Certificate in Corrections

This program is delivered only through Kenai Peninsula College.

This 31-credit undergraduate certificate provides training in the field of corrections, instruction in written and oral communication skills, and a foundation in restorative justice, criminology and justice organization and management. The certificate may be extended to a more advanced degree with the completion of additional coursework.

Admission Requirements

Satisfy the Application and Admission Requirements for Undergraduate Certificates (<http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/admissions/undergraduate>).

Program admission will be based on approval through Kenai Peninsula College (KPC). Students must submit the KPC admissions application and the application for the corrections program.

Advising

Students are encouraged to contact KPC academic and staff advisors for assistance in planning and reviewing the academic program. Advisors are available prior to enrollment and during the semesters through email, telephone or face-to-face contact. Students interested in the undergraduate certificate should consult a faculty advisor in corrections before enrolling, particularly for information concerning employment restriction.

Students must meet all KPC requirements to enroll in courses, as listed in the KPC website or UAOnline. KPC offers preparatory courses for students who need to improve their academic and study skills in order to succeed in the college environment.

Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission, as listed in this catalog. Call (907) 262-0344 or (877) 262-0330 for further information

Graduation Requirements

- Satisfy the General University Requirements for Undergraduate Certificates (<http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/certificaterequirements>).
- Complete the program requirements below with a minimum grade of C.

Program Requirements

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| CIOS A135A | Spreadsheets I: MS Excel | 1 |
| COMM A237 or PSY A153 | Interpersonal Communication Human Relations | 3 |
| JUST A110 | Introduction to Justice | 3 |
| JUST A210 | Principles of Corrections | 3 |

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| JUST A211 | Introduction to Restorative Justice | 3 |
| JUST A221 | Justice Organization and Management | 3 |
| JUST/SOC A251 | Crime and Delinquency | 3 |
| Select two of the following: | | 6 |
| WRTG A111 | Writing Across Contexts | |
| WRTG A212 | Writing and the Professions | |
| WRTG A213 | Writing and the Sciences | |
| WRTG A214 | Arguing Across Contexts | |
| Total Credits | | 25 |

A total of 31 credits is required for this certificate.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

The specific education outcomes of this program are to produce graduates who are able to:

1. Describe the criminal justice system as a whole and the organization of criminal justice institutions.
2. Demonstrate proficiency in probation, parole and correctional institutional methods.
3. Coordinate with human services and other public service entities.
4. Manipulate spreadsheets and compute formulas with basic proficiency.
5. Communicate effectively in oral and written technical English appropriate for public service.
6. Explain theories of criminology.
7. Describe adult corrections institutions, community-based programs and restorative justice.
8. Explain relevant human services issues (human behavior, substance abuse) and problem-solving methods.
9. Possess competitive entry-level skills for employment and promotion in the field of corrections.