

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BSCJ)

### **GOALS AND COURSE TOPICS**

Start or enhance your career in human services with a Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Criminal Justice (BSCJ) degree. This online, accelerated, interdisciplinary program prepares you to serve the community in a wide variety of local, state and federal government jobs. Our graduates go on to pursue careers in law enforcement, juvenile justice, probation and parole, corrections, victim advocacy, research, private security administration, victim services, community advocacy, court services, social services, social and public relations, education, health services, community services, counseling, business, nonprofit administration, social work, public administration and law.

As a BSCJ graduate, you will understand the nature of social lives, social change, diverse communities, social behavior and social challenges. You will apply real-world research methods and theoretical analysis to evaluate programs and find practical solutions to complex social problems. You'll develop skills in creativity, innovation, critical thinking, problem solving, conflict resolution, negotiation, enhanced communication, collaboration, mediation, de-escalation and multicultural and an enhanced understanding of our place within a global context.

#### **Concentrations**

Learning experiences and assignments in this program emphasize real-world application of theories and solutions in human workplace settings. Course topics include:

- Criminological and Sociological Theories of Criminal Causation
- Social Class, Interaction and Social Change
- Criminal Law and Prosecutions
- Corrections, Rehabilitation and Intervention
- Human Services and Juvenile Delinguency
- The U.S. Court System

#### **Format**

The BSCJ undergraduate program is offered entirely online for maximum flexibility and accessibility for adult learners. Course materials are as rigorous as an on-campus program and taught by professors with significant experience in criminal justice and sociology fields. Small classes allow substantial online interaction to connect course materials to real-life work experiences and examples.

Averett University's commitment to community engagement provides for many opportunities for students to maximize their academic and professional pursuits.

#### Who This Program Is For

BSCJ applicants should be passionate about criminal justice and/or social services. The program is for high school graduates with some college and work experience and a cumulative high school and college GPA of at least 2.0, preferably in fields related to criminal justice or sociology. This is an online degree program so you must have access to an Internet-connected computer.

Averett University has Articulation Agreements with many community colleges facilitating up to 60 college credits that may transfer to the BSCJ degree program. We have Articulation Agreements with many criminal justice academies facilitating up to 36 credits that may transfer into the BSCJ degree program.

## **CORE COURSES AND CREDITS**

COURS	E # COURS	SE TITLE	CREDITS
IDS 10		DUCTION TO LEARNING	3
SOC 10	01 INTRO	TO SOCIOLOGY	3
SOC 23	16 CRIMII	NOLOGY	3
SOC 30	9 SOCIE	TY AND THE INDIVIDUAL	_ 3
SOC 33	17 RACE	AND ETHNICITY	3
SOC 47	70 RESEA	ARCH METHODS	3
CRJ 30	O1 CRIMII	NAL JUSTICE	3
CRJ 30	04 POLIC	E IN AMERICA	3
CRJ 30	OS CRISIS	S INTERVENTION	3
CRJ 34		IILE DELINQUENCY USTICE	3
CRJ 30	D8 TACTI	CAL COMMUNICATION	3
CRJ 37	75 CORRE	ECTIONS	3
CRJ 38	87 CRIMII	NAL LAW	3
CRJ 40	O7 COURT	TS AND TRIALS	3
CRJ 40	00 PROBL	LEM SOLVING STRATEGI	ES 3
SOC/CRJ Core Courses General Education Requirement Electives			45 30 45
TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION			N 120

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Transfer credits may impact general education/elective total requirements

Courses and requirements subject to change