

SHSU Courses at STC Campus

Courses

Once students have been admitted to SHSU, they will find the courses above available for registration. To register for these courses, the student will need to complete an advising appointment or contact Lori Rodriguez or Hannah Mongeau at CJAcademics@shsu.edu in the CJ department to have the course restriction lifted. This course restriction prevents students from unintentionally registering for courses in McAllen.

Courses will take place on the [STC Pecan Campus - McAllen](#) with classroom and building details being finalized now.

Spring 2026:

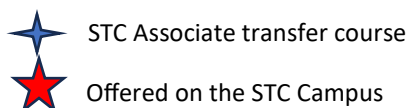
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| 1. CRIJ 4384.15 Police Strategies | M 6-9 PM |
| 2. CRIJ 4360.15 Crime and The Media | Tu 6-9 PM |
| 3. CRIJ 3363.15 Violent Offenders | Tu/Th 3:30-4:45 |
| 4. CRIJ 4362.15 Substance Use and Abuse | W 6-9 PM |
| 5. VCST 3350.30 Victimology | Th 6-9 PM |

Fall 2026:

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| 1. CRIJ 3338.15 Introduction to Police Personnel Management | M 6-9 PM |
| 2. CRIJ 3370.15 Human Trafficking | Tu 6-9 PM |
| 3. CRIJ 3390.15 Contemporary Issues in Police Management | Tu/Th 3:30-4:45 |
| 4. CRIJ 4336.15 Understanding Human Behavior | W 6-9 PM |
| 5. CRIJ 3378.15 Introduction to Research Methods | Th 6-9 PM |

Courses are aligned to allow students the opportunity to obtain an academic certificate in Management and Leadership by taking electives offered at the SHSU Classroom on the STC campus. Listed below are the courses aligned to this certificate.

Undergraduate Certificate in Management and Leadership in Criminal Justice				
Required Courses				
CRIJ 2367	Police Systems & Practices		3	
CRIJ 3338	Introduction to Police Personnel Management		3	
CRIJ 3390	Contemporary Issues in Police Management		3	
Prescribed Electives				
Choose one course from the following:			3	
CRIJ 4336	Understanding Human Behavior			
CRIJ 4365	Professionalism and Ethics In Criminal Justice			
CRIJ 4384	Police Strategies			
Total Hours			12	



CRIJ 3338. Introduction to Police Personnel Management. 3 Hours.

Students will gain a foundational understanding of recruitment, selection, training, performance evaluation, discipline, and labor relations within law enforcement agencies. Students will explore theories and application practices for future roles in police administration and management.

CRIJ 3370.15 Human Trafficking. 3 Hours.

Students learn the history of human trafficking, anti-trafficking enforcement efforts, theories of human trafficking, and legislation. Students gain a comprehensive understanding of the issue of human trafficking and responses by the criminal justice system to prevent and monitor this form of crime.

CRIJ 4365.15 Professionalism and Ethics in Criminal Justice. 3 Hours.

(SH Prior Course ID: CJ 465); Students study the theories and practices in areas of legality, morality, values, and ethics as they pertain to criminal justice. Topics may include police corruption, brutality, and methods of dealing with such practices as well as the concept of profession and professional conduct.

CRIJ 4336. Understanding Human Behavior. 3 Hours.

Students examine underlying influences that affect human behavior, including biological, cultural, psychological, and social factors. Students will explore a wide range of influences that contribute to personality development and social behaviors commonly observed in the criminal justice system.

CRIJ 4387. Multiculturalism in Criminal Justice. 3 Hours.

Students explore the goals, benefits, and challenges of multiculturalism in the criminal justice system. Topics may include the experiences of marginalized groups including African Americans, Latinx Americans, Asian Americans, Native Americans, women, the LGBT community, the elderly, and youth within the criminal justice system. Emphasis is also placed on multiculturalism within the workforce. Training tools and policy recommendations are offered and discussed.

CRIJ 3363. Violent Offenders. 3 Hours. (Tues/Thur)

(SH Prior Course ID: CJ 363); Students examine the psychological and behavioral characteristics of the most violent criminal types. The course will cover many topics of criminality, violence, and their causes and will introduce students to the behavioral and psychological issues relevant for understanding, assessing, and managing abnormal criminal behavior. Topics may include sanity, psychopathy, criminal profiling, mental disorders, gangs, serial killers, stalking, women who kill, threat assessment, and/or collective violence.

Prerequisite: CRIJ 2361 or CRIJ 2362 .

CRIJ 4360. Crime and the Media. 3 Hours.

(Prior SH course id: CJ 460); Students survey the connections between the mass media, crime, and criminal justice; explore how the criminal justice system, criminals, and crime are portrayed in film, TV drama, and news media; and examine how the media reflect our collective perceptions of crime, violence, and victimization as well as shape attitudes toward crime.

CRIJ 4362. Substance Use And Abuse. 3 Hours.

(SH Prior Course ID: CJ 462); Students engage in the description, classification, and analysis of the causes and correlates of substance use problems.

CRIJ 4384. Police Strategies. 3 Hours. (Monday)

Students analyze police policies with particular attention to the current major problem areas from the point of view of both the administrator and the line operations officer with an integration of established scientific knowledge with practical police experience in the various areas of police functioning.

Prerequisite: CRIJ 2367 .

CRIJ 3390. Contemporary Issues in Police Management. 3 Hours.

Students gain an understanding of complex management issues for law enforcement agencies. Through case studies and lectures, students explore key issues such as leadership, organizational culture, community relations, diversity, technology, and accountability. Students develop the critical thinking skills necessary to understand and address the complexities of managing modern police organizations.

VCST 3350. Victimology. 3 Hours.

Students engage in a survey of the literature, research, and current trends concerning the victim in the criminal justice system. Particular attention is given to victims' rights and compensation, fear of crime, measuring victimization, and the impact of victimization on individuals. Course Equivalents: CRIJ 3350, CRIJ 4380 .

CRIJ 3378. Introduction To Methods Of Research. 3 Hours.

(SH Prior Course ID: CJ 378); Students are introduced to the scientific approach to understanding the social world, the relation between theory and research, research design, and data collection. This course is designed to help students gain an understanding of the research process involved in examining criminal justice issues.

Financial Aid

Dual-enrolled STC Students. If you are dually enrolled at STC and want to take SHSU courses, see the information below about your financial aid.

For students attending STC and SHSU, the HOME school will be where the student is degree seeking and taking the most credit hours. There is a shared TEAMS channel so that the two Financial Aid Office can communicate and assist students with the consortium agreement process.

SHSU's tuition/fee payment is due at 10:00 pm the night before the semester starts. We do offer [payment plan](#) and [emergency loan](#) options to allow time for the refunds to be issued from STC and payment to be received at SHSU. If the student is at STC, they can visit the Financial Aid Office there for assistance with the consortium agreement and if the student is here in Huntsville, then they can visit SHSU Financial Aid Office for assistance.

Online 15- or 5-week Courses

If you do not see what you are looking for or you want to combine online and in person courses, CJ and Victim Studies courses are available in 15- or 5-week formats, while Homeland Security courses are in 5-week only. You could take one in person course and one online course each A, B, and C term and never have more than two courses at the same time, earning 12 semester hours. More information about 5-week online courses is available here: <https://www.shsu.edu/academics/criminal-justice/programs/5-Week-PDL-Courses.html>