

Lake Michigan College (LMC)

Articulation Agreement & Transfer Guide

The Criminal Justice baccalaureate degree prepares students for a professional career in the Criminal Justice system in Michigan and throughout the country. This **Generalist option** prepares the student to seek federal, state and/or local Criminal Justice agency employment or admission to law school or graduate school, and it gives students an education with a broad focus in Criminal Justice. The program offers small class sizes, usually between 15 to 30 students, and our degreed faculty members have extensive Criminal Justice experience and utilize a pragmatic approach to prepare students for a career in Criminal Justice. The most common positions for graduates of this program are: police officer, corrections officer, community correction officer, probation officer, detective, federal agent, and investigator for a multitude of public and private agencies and/or corporations.

Course requirements that can be completed at LMC

LMC Course	Ferris Equivalency	LMC Course Title	LMC Credit Hours
COMM 101	COMM 121	Intro to Public Speaking	3
ENGL 101	ENGL 150	English Composition I	3
ENGL 102	ENGL 250	English Composition II	3
LMC	VARIES	FSU General Education - Natural Sciences Elective w/Lab	4
LMC	VARIES	FSU General Education - Natural Sciences Elective	3-4
MATH 122 or MATH 110 or MATH 123	MATH 115 or MATH 116 or MATH 117	Intermediate Algebra or Tech Math 1 or Quantitative Reasoning	4
LMC	VARIES	FSU General Education - Culture Electives (One class at FSU 200 level)	9
PSYC 201	PSYC 150	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 101	SOCY 121	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 205	SOCY 340	Race and Ethnic Relations	3
SOC 202	SOCY 225	Marriage and Family	3
LMC	VARIES	Additional 300/400 Electives	3-6
LMC	VARIES	Additional Free Electives	16-19
LAW 140	CRIM 110	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CORR 160	CRIM 111	Introduction to Corrections	3
LAW 142	CRIM 220	Supervision & Management in Criminal Justice	3
LAW 250	CRIM 260	Delinquency Prevention and Control	3
BUSA 205 or BUSA 103 or BUSA 201	BLAW 221 or BUSN 122 or ACCT 201	Elementary Business Law 1 or Introduction to Business or Principles of Accounting 1	3
CIS 100 or CIS 108	ISYS 202 or ISYS 105	Intro to Computers or Computer Oper/Microcomp	3
Total LMC Credits			78-85

FSU General Education Requirements can be found at: [Ferris General Education Requirements](#). Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses.

Course requirements that will need to be completed at Ferris State University

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours
ENGL 321 or ENGL 311 or ENGL 325	Advanced Composition or Advanced Technical Writing or Advanced Business Writing	3
CRIM 305	Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice	3
CRIM 310	Corrections and Society	3
CRIM 311	Police and Society	3
CRIM 322	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
CRIM 385	Seminar- Current Issues in Criminal Justice	3
CRIM 391	Criminal Justice Internship	4
CRIM 411	Crime Control Policy	3
CRIM 425	Michigan Criminal Law	4
CRIM 430	Michigan Criminal Procedure	4
CRIM 499	Criminal Justice Assessment	2
Total Ferris Credits		35
Total Credits Required for Degree		120

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Delivery Locations

This degree and the Ferris courses are offered to students of Lake Michigan College at the following locations:

- Southwestern Michigan College, Dowagiac, MI
- Ferris State University, Big Rapids, MI
- Select courses delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at either Southwestern Michigan College, the Ferris main campus, or at another off-campus location).

General Admission Criteria

To be admitted to this degree program, students must have earned either a completed Associate degree or at least 48 transferable semester credit hours with a 2.0 cumulative grade point average or higher (2.0 on 4.0 scale) from an accredited college or university. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application. Financial aid is available and may include concurrent enrollment at both institutions.

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation. Students are encouraged to work with their Ferris Advisor for selection of any electives, to ensure transferability and to minimize credits taken.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Online Learning

Select courses are delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location). The "Online Readiness Tutorial" is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in Blackboard skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, submitting a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students are encouraged to work with their Ferris advisor for selection of any electives, to ensure transferability and to minimize credits taken.

Original Signed Articulation Agreement

The original, signed document is kept on file in the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships. To obtain a copy of the original, signed document, contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships at 231/591-5983 or email your request to transfercenter@ferris.edu.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

Indemnification

To the extent permitted by law, Ferris State University and the Community College agree to indemnify and hold one another harmless from any and all claims initiated by student participants, their parents, survivors, or agents, arising from any negligent acts or omission on the part of either institution or any of their employees.

Articulation Agreement

Effective Dates: September 15, 2014 – September 15, 2018

This Agreement shall commence as of September 15, 2014 – September 15, 2018 and shall be for an initial term of three years. Minor updates to the agreement may be made during this time. This agreement may be renewed at the end of three years. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing the other party with written notice of the intent to terminate the agreement. The agreement shall terminate not less than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both parties.

Signatures

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