

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE (PH.D.)

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2022 through summer 2023. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
CJUS 700	Theories of Crime	3
CJUS 701	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems	3
CJUS 702	Advanced Juvenile Justice Policy	3
CJUS 703	Advanced Corrections Policy	3

**Total Hours** 12

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Research &amp; Evaluation Core Courses</b>		
CJUS 740	Advanced Research Design	3
CJUS 745	Quantitative Methods of Research	3
CJUS 750	Qualitative Methods of Research	3
CJUS 801	Criminal Justice Program Evaluation	3

**Total Hours** 12

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Advanced Focus Courses</b>		
CJUS 810	Transnational Organized Crime	3
CJUS 820	Advanced Topics in Terrorism and Intelligence	3
or CJUS 840	Stress Management in Criminal Justice	
CJUS 830	Criminal Justice Organizational Conflict	3

**Total Hours** 9

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Elective Courses</b>		
Choose nine credit hours of 700-900 level CJUS, HLSC or PLCY courses		9

**Total Hours** 9

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Dissertation Courses</b> <sup>1</sup>		
CJUS 885	Research Concept	3
CJUS 987	Dissertation I	5
CJUS 988	Dissertation II	5
CJUS 989	Dissertation III <sup>2</sup>	5
CJUS 990	Dissertation IV - Dissertation Defense <sup>2</sup>	0

**Total Hours** 18

deemed ready for enrollment in CJUS 990 Dissertation IV - Dissertation Defense (0 c.h.)

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 60 total hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
- Successful completion of Research Concept
- Successful defense of Dissertation
- Degree must be completed within 7 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format

<sup>1</sup> Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

<sup>2</sup> Any student who is not ready for enrollment in CJUS 990 Dissertation IV - Dissertation Defense (0 c.h.) after completing CJUS 989 Dissertation III (5 c.h.) may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat CJUS 989 Dissertation III (5 c.h.) until