



Harper College Transfer Guide for North Park University School of Professional Studies Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

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Program Description

Students majoring in Criminal Justice will examine causes, prevention, and control of crimes, as well as the foundational theories and policies relevant to structures and operations of the criminal justice system. Students will develop a comprehensive understanding of criminology, research methods, management, ethics, criminal law and procedure, corrections, and juvenile and restorative justice. Students will have the opportunity to apply theory to real life situations in a variety of work settings during the practicum experience.

Program Highlights

Accelerated format	Earn 4-8 semester hours every seven weeks
Class format	Seven-week courses meet face-to-face (once/week) or online; Criminal Justice major coursework is only offered in the classroom.
BA degree	Flexible BA general education requirements allow for maximum transfer credit
Prior learning assessment	Up to 20 credits can be earned through Prior Learning Assessment; PLA Coordinator will assist student to determine credit possible; can include corporate/ occupational training and learning gained from work experience
Financial aid	Student loans, Federal Pell Grants, and Illinois MAP Grant benefits; some scholarships available
Books & Materials	Can be ordered online
Intended audience	Working students who need to complete a bachelor's degree while continuing to work

Admission Requirements

- 12 hours of transferable college-level coursework with a 2.00/4.00 cumulative GPA
- North Park will accept in transfer up to 90 semester hours from two-year and four-year institutions
- Completion of IAI general education core fulfills most BA core requirements

Application Procedure

- Complete online application; no application fee
- Submit official transcripts from all previous college work

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of major coursework (36-40 SH, in transfer and/or at North Park)
- Completion of core general education requirements (in transfer and/or at North Park)
- Minimum graduation requirement of 120 semester hours; minimum residency requirement of 32 semester hours earned at NPU
- A "C" average (2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale) for all work taken at NPU
- A "C" average within the major

The following are the North Park University requirements/courses and their Harper College equivalents. The Associate in Arts or the Associate in Science from Harper College will fulfill the University Core Curriculum requirements required for general graduation purposes at North Park University.

This transfer guide is designed to assist students with their academic planning. Every effort is made to maintain accurate information; however, this information is subject to frequent change. In some cases, a sampling of courses has been included. Courses within each general education category designated "IAI" will transfer to North Park's School of Professional Studies. Students should contact Leslie Bertholdt to keep informed of changes, as final responsibility for verifying information rests with the student.

**Transfer Guide
Bachelor of Arts — General Education Requirements**

North Park Requirements	Credits	Harper College Equivalent Course Option(s)
Foundation Seminar	4	Transfer equivalents must be approved by School of Professional Studies faculty/staff
Writing Intensive Course	4	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Written Communication category [fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Research Writing	4	NA
Analytical Reasoning	4	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Math category
Biblical Studies	4	NA
Christian Life & Thought	4	PHI 205, or 220
Human Society	8	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities Categories [partially fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Health & Well-Being	2	Coursework in personal health, personal development, psychological wellness and development
Art & Aesthetic Interpretation	2	Coursework equivalent to IAI Common Core Fine Arts category
Ethical Reasoning	2	Coursework in any disciplinary approach to ethics (philosophy, business, religion) [fulfilled in Criminal Justice major coursework]
Intercultural & Global Competence	8	Coursework in Global (non-US) history, foreign language, intercultural communication, global, international, or comparative studies, international politics, business, or economics
Natural Sciences	4	Minimum of 4 sh in life and/or physical science with lab component (Note: May be met by a single 4 sh class in physical or life science)

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Criminal Justice — Major Requirements**

North Park Requirements	Credits	Harper College Equivalent Course Option(s)
CJ 3000 Introduction to Criminal Justice	4	LEJ 101
CJ 3100 Research Methods in Criminal Justice	4	NA
CJ 3200 Correctional Services	4	LEJ 104 + one other LEJ course
CJ 3300 Juvenile Justice System	4	LEJ 205
CJ 3400 Criminal Procedure	2	LEJ 202
CJ 3500 Criminal Law	2	LEJ 201
CJ 4000 Law Enforcement Administration	2	LEJ 200
CJ 4100 Urban Communities and Crime	4	NA
CJ 4200 Restorative Justice	2	NA
CJ 4300 Professional Issues, Ethics, and Diversity	4	NA
CJ 4400 Practicum in Criminal Justice	4	NA
Total	36	NOTE: At least 50% of major coursework must be completed at North Park University.