



PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE 2025-2026

Criminal Justice Diploma

The purpose of this program planning guide is to help students track their progress within their chosen program. The information in this planning guide is accurate at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their program and course choice. Students should use the program planning guide dated the year in which they began the program. This guide should be used in conjunction with the official version of the Medicine Hat College Calendar, and calendars of appropriate transfer institutions, which are the final authorities regarding program requirements.

Year One

FALL SEMESTER			WINTER SEMESTER		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
CJLS 100 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Criminal Justice</i>			CJLS 105 [3] (lec) <i>Policing and Law Enforcement</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 100		
CJLS 103 [3] (lec) <i>Theories of Crime</i>			CJLS 107 [3] (lec) <i>Corrections and Offender Rehabilitation</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 100		
CJLS 104 [3] (lec) <i>Criminal Law and the Judicial Process</i>			CJLS 108 [3] (lec) <i>Young Persons in Conflict with the Law</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 103 & CJLS 104		
PSYC 201 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Psychology II – Social Science</i>			IDST 100 [4] (lec/lab) <i>Intro Communications for Helping Professionals</i>		
Elective: Communication (see options below)			SOCI 201 [3] (lec) <i>Introductory Sociology</i>		

Year Two

FALL SEMESTER			WINTER SEMESTER		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
CJLS 200 [3] (lec) <i>Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 100 & CJLS 103			CJLS 204 [3] (lec) <i>Professional Ethics in Criminal Justice</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 200		
CJLS 202 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Criminal Investigations</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 105			CJLS 224 [3] (lec) <i>Mental Health</i>		
CJLS 203 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Conflict Management and Crisis Intervention</i> Prerequisite: IDST 100			CJLS 233 [3] (lec) <i>Legal Evidence and Trial Presentation</i> Prerequisite: CJLS 104		
CJLS 247 [3] (lec) <i>Public Safety and Emergency Management</i>			CJLS 257 [3] (lec) <i>Leadership and Development</i>		
Elective: General Elective (see options below)			Elective: General Elective (see options below)		

Language and Communication Options

ENGL 125 [3] (lec) *Introductory Report Writing and Speech*

ENGL 252 [3] (lec) *Introductory Composition*

General Elective Options*

ANTH 213 [3] (lec) *Contemporary Indigenous Issues in Canada*

IDST 485 [3] (lec) *Death and Dying*

KNES 247 [4] (lec/lab) *Introduction to Wellness, Fitness & Nutrition*

NUTR 200 [3] (lec) *Introduction to Nutrition*

PSYC 345 [3] (lec) *Social Psychology*

Prerequisite: Any 200-level Psychology

SOCI 203 [3] (lec) *Current Social Issues*

***Or another applicable and available course chosen with the advisor and approved by the Program Coordinator**

Program Notes:

Graduation Requirements

To successfully complete this program students must:

- Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- Attain a minimum pass mark of “C-” in all CJLS designated courses.

You should see your Academic Advisor or Program Coordinator if you:

- Choose to take courses in a different configuration than shown above.
- Drop or fail a course.
- Want to take a course in the spring semester or from another institution.