

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Associate's Degree Programs

The University of South Carolina offers the Associate in Arts degree and the Associate in Science degree at the Lancaster campus to those students who have earned 60 hours of credit and completed the following requirements:

- Learning Outcomes
- Carolina Core - All Associates
- Associate of Arts Degree Curriculum
- Associate of Science Degree Curriculum
- Other Requirements
- Second Associate's Degree

Learning Outcomes for Associate's Degree Programs

Graduates will be able to:

- Identify and analyze issues, develop logical and persuasive arguments, and communicate ideas clearly for a variety of audiences and purposes through writing.
- Apply the methods of mathematical, statistical, or analytical reasoning to critically evaluate data, solve problems, and effectively communicate findings verbally and graphically.
- Apply the principles and language of the natural sciences and associated technologies to historical and contemporary issues.
- Communicate in more than one language.
- Use the principles of historical thinking to understand past human societies.
- Use the principles of the social sciences to explore diverse cultural identities and to analyze political and environmental issues.
- Create or interpret literary, visual or performing arts.

and be able to demonstrate at least **one** of the following:

- Identify and analyze issues, develop logical and persuasive arguments, and communicate ideas clearly for a variety of audiences and purposes through speaking.
- Collect, manage and evaluate information using technology, and communicate findings.
- Examine different kinds of social and personal values, analyzing the ways in which these are manifested in communities as well as individual lives.

Carolina Core - 15 Hours

These serve as general education requirements common to all associate degrees.

- **CMW: Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Writing (6 Hours)** Must be passed with a grade of C or higher
- **SCI: Scientific Literacy (3 Hours)**
- **GHS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 Hours)**
- **GSS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (3 Hours)**

Associate of Arts Degree Curriculum - 60 Hours

1. Basic Requirements (*including 15 hours of Carolina Core stated above*) (37-38 Hours)

All course selections are from the approved Carolina Core Learning Outcomes list unless otherwise specified.

- **CMW: Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Writing (6 Hours)**
Must be passed with a grade of C or higher
- **ARP: Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving (3 Hours)**
Choose from MATH, CSCE, PHIL, STAT including MATH 111 Basic College Mathematics or MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics
- **SCI: Scientific Literacy (7-8 Hours)**
Must include at least 1 laboratory science course
- **GFL: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (0-3 Hours)**
One 3-hour language course at any level or score of "2" on placement exam
- **GHS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 Hours)**
- **GSS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (6 Hours)**
- **AIU: Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding (6 Hours)**
- **Choose one of the following three options (3 Hours minimum):**
 - **CMS: Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Speech (3 Hours)**
 - **INF: Information Literacy (3 Hours)**
 - **VSR: Values, Ethics and Social Responsibility (3 Hours)**

2. Electives for A.A. Degrees (22-23 Hours)

Electives may be any additional courses not used to fulfill the previously stated requirements. Students who intend to apply these credits toward a baccalaureate degree awarded by another campus or institution are advised to work closely with an academic advisor to choose electives that will meet preliminary requirements of the four-year major they wish to pursue. Of particular importance is completion of general education requirements. USC Columbia requires a minimum of 31 general education credit hours and a student planning to pursue a USC Columbia baccalaureate degree must complete these hours. These hours can be incorporated within the 60 hours required for an AA or AS degree when electives are carefully selected. Applying for an associate's degree does not in any manner affect eligibility to apply for a baccalaureate degree, and vice versa.

Associate of Science Degree Curriculum - 60 Hours

1. Basic Requirements (*including 15 hours of Carolina Core stated above*) (38-42 Hours)

All course selections are from the approved Carolina Core Learning Outcomes list unless otherwise specified.

- **CMW: Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Writing (6 Hours)**
Must be passed with a grade of C or higher
- **ARP: Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving (6 Hours)**
Choose from MATH, CSCE, PHIL, STAT including MATH 111 Basic College Mathematics or MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics
- **SCI: Scientific Literacy (8-12 Hours)**
Must include at least 2 laboratory science courses
- **GFL: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (0-3 Hours)**

One 3-hour language course at any level or score of "2" on placement exam

- **GHS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 Hours)**
- **GSS: Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (6 Hours)**
- **AIU: Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding (6 Hours)**
- **Choose one of the following three options (3 Hours minimum):**
 - **CMS: Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Speech (3 Hours)**
 - **INF: Information Literacy (3 Hours)**
 - **VSR: Values, Ethics and Social Responsibility (3 Hours)**

2. Electives for A.A. Degrees (18-22 Hours)

Electives may be any additional courses not used to fulfill the previously stated requirements. Students who intend to apply these credits toward a baccalaureate degree awarded by another campus or institution are advised to work closely with an academic advisor to choose electives that will meet preliminary requirements of the four-year major they wish to pursue. Of particular importance is completion of general education requirements. USC Columbia requires a minimum of 31 general education credit hours and a student planning to pursue a USC Columbia baccalaureate degree must complete these hours. These hours can be incorporated within the 60 hours required for an AA or AS degree when electives are carefully selected. Applying for an associate's degree does not in any manner affect eligibility to apply for a baccalaureate degree, and vice versa.

Other Requirements

In addition to the requirements for the A.A. and A.S. degrees stated above, the following stipulations also apply:

- Students must have an institutional GPA of 2.00 or better (does not include course grades earned by challenge examinations).
- The final 15 semester hours must be earned at USC Lancaster.
- No courses of a remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward degrees.
- Pass-Fail option on elective courses is allowed.
- No more than 15 hours of nontraditional credits, which include DANTES, CLEP, and military experience.
- No more than 3 1-hour PEDU activity courses may count toward meeting Associate's degree requirements (any track).

Second Associate's Degree

At times the University of South Carolina Lancaster confers a second associate's degree upon candidates who have completed all requirements for the second degree, provided that the additional requirements for the second degree include a minimum of 12 semester hours beyond those required for the first degree earned at USC Lancaster and a minimum of 72 semester hours total. Under this policy a student may apply for two degrees at one time or separately. In either case the student would receive two diplomas.

Baccalaureate Degree Programs

Palmetto College

Palmetto College combines the resources of the University of South Carolina system with the flexibility of course delivery formats including

on-campus, traditional classes, two-way video classes, and online classes.

Faculties from Lancaster, Salkehatchie, Sumter, and Union, as well as Extended University in Columbia, use two-way interactive video to teach students at multiple sites simultaneously as well as fully online, asynchronous instruction. These delivery mechanisms give students access to many more course options than are available face-to-face on their campuses.

- Liberal Studies, B.A.
- Organizational Leadership, B.A.

Other Associate's Degrees

In addition to the Associate in Arts and the Associate in Science degrees, USC Lancaster offers associate degrees in the following fields: business, technical nursing, and criminal justice. Students must also meet the following criteria:

1. 2.00 GPA or better (does not include course grades earned by challenge examinations);
2. final 15 semester hours must be earned at USC Lancaster;
3. grade of C or above in ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition and ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition.

Associate in Science in Business

The Associate in Science in Business degree seeks to provide educational opportunities that will prepare students for careers in business and industry as well as meet many of the preliminary requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership (BOL) through Palmetto College, or for the Integrated Information Technology Program (iTT) offered at the University of South Carolina Columbia, or for a baccalaureate program in business.

Learning Outcomes

- **Accounting and Financial Skills:** Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to perform the basic functions of business financial operations, such as interpreting basic financial statements and reconciling accounts.
- **Knowledge of Basic Legal Concepts:** Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to describe basic legal concepts and the judicial system, with emphasis on business law.
- **Management Skills:** Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to apply basic management theories to reach appropriate business decisions.
- **Effective Communication:** Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to communicate effectively for a business environment.
- **Economics and economic theory:** Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will understand and be able to apply basic macro and micro economic principles and theories in a business environment.

The associate degree business program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs.

Required Courses**I. Communication/Written Component (CMW) - 6 Hours**

Course	Title	Credits
ENGL 101	Critical Reading and Composition (must earn a grade of C or higher)	3
ENGL 102	Rhetoric and Composition (must earn a grade of C or higher)	3

Total Credit Hours 6

II. Analytical/Problem Solving Skills (ARP) - 3 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
Select one of the following:		3
MATH 122	Calculus for Business Administration and Social Sciences	
MATH 141	Calculus I	
MATH 170	Finite Mathematics	
CSCE 101	Introduction to Computer Concepts	
CSCE 102	General Applications Programming	
PHIL 114	Introduction to Formal Logic I	
STAT 110	Introduction to Statistical Reasoning	
STAT 112	Statistics and the Media	
STAT 201	Elementary Statistics	

Total Credit Hours 3

III. Scientific Literacy (SCI) - 4 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
One SCI-approved course. Must include lab.		4

Total Credit Hours 4

IV. Global Citizenship/Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (GFL) - 0-6 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
Foreign language courses (SPAN recommended) through the 110 level or a score of "2" or better on placement test.		0-6

Total Credit Hours 0-6

V. Effective, Engaged and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component (CMS) - 3 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
SPCH 140	Public Communication	3

Total Credit Hours 3

VI. Global Citizenship/Multicultural Understanding: Social Science (GSS) - 3 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
Requirements must be met by taking one Carolina Core-approved course in PSYC or SOCY		3

Total Credit Hours 3

VII. Aesthetic & Interpretive Understanding (AIU) - 3 Hours

or
Global Citizenship/Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (GHS) - 3 Hours

or
Global Citizenship/Multicultural Understanding: Social Science (GSS) - 3 Hours

or
Values, Ethics & Social Responsibility (VSR) - 3 Hours

Course	Title	Credits
Select one of the following:		3
One approved GHS course		
One approved AIU course		
POLI 201	American National Government (GSS & VSR)	
POLI 341	Contemporary United States Foreign Policy	
POLI 370	Introduction to Public Administration	

Total Credit Hours 3

VIII. Professional Area Courses - 15 Hours - Grade of "C" or better

Course	Title	Credits
ACCT 225	Introduction to Financial Accounting	3
SPT 240	Business Law	3
or ACCT 324	Survey of Commercial Law	
MGMT 371	Principles of Management	3
Select one of the following:		3
FINA 369	Personal Finance	
FINA 341	Management of Risk and Insurance	
FINA 363	Introduction to Finance	
PHIL 320	Ethics	
PHIL 324	Business Ethics	

Select one of the following: 3

ECON 221	Principles of Microeconomics ¹	
ECON 224	Introduction to Economics ¹	
FINA 301	Money and Banking	
FINA 364	Financial Institutions	

¹ Credit cannot be received for both ECON 224 Introduction to Economics and either ECON 221 Principles of Microeconomics or ECON 222 Principles of Macroeconomics.

IX. Business Major Courses - 15 Hours - Grade of "C" or Better

Course	Title	Credits
ITEC 143	Advanced Business Document Preparation	3
or ACCT 226	Introduction to Managerial Accounting	
Select one of the following:		3
ITEC 270	Records Control	
ECON 222	Principles of Macroeconomics ¹	
ECON 224	Introduction to Economics ¹	
RETL 242		3
or ENGL 463	Business Writing	
MGSC 290	Computer Information Systems in Business	3
or ITEC 264	Computer Applications in Business I	
Select one of the following:		3
MKTG 350	Principles of Marketing	
MGMT 374	Strategic Human Resource Management	

MGMT 376 Employee Engagement

Total Credit Hours**15**

- ¹ Credit cannot be received for both ECON 224 Introduction to Economics and either ECON 221 Principles of Microeconomics or ECON 222 Principles of Macroeconomics.

Electives

Sufficient credit to have earned 60 hours total. No more than three (3) hours PEDU credit may count.

Other Requirements

- 2.00 GPA (minimum) required on all work attempted at USC.
- Final 15 semester hours must be earned at USC Lancaster

Total: 60

In addition to the requirements stated above, students must also meet the following criteria for an Associate in Science in Business degree:

- 2.00 GPA or better (does not include course grades earned by challenge examinations);
- final 15 semester hours earned at USC Lancaster.

Associate Degree Nursing Program

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a cooperative program between York Technical College and the University of South Carolina Lancaster and is approved by:

Board of Nursing for South Carolina
 Synergy Business Park
 Kingstree Drive
 Suite 202
 Columbia, South Carolina 29210
 phone: (803) 896-4550
 fax: (803) 896-4525

and accredited by:

National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)
 3343 Peachtree Road, NE
 Suite 500
 Atlanta, Georgia 30326
 phone: (404) 975-5000
 fax: (404) 975-5020

The Associate Degree Nursing Program prepares men and women for the practice of registered nursing to provide direct client care across the life span. The practice of the associate degree nurse is primarily directed toward clients who have health needs and require assistance to maintain or restore their optimum state of health or support to die with dignity. The associate degree nurse is prepared to address acute and chronic health care needs and common well-defined health care problems in hospitals, long-term care facilities, and certain community health agencies.

The graduate of an associate degree nursing program functions in three basic roles within the health care delivery system: provider of care, manager of care, and member within the discipline of nursing. Graduates of the program are eligible to take the Computer Adaptive Testing of the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses. Graduates who successfully pass the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses are eligible to apply for licensure to practice as a registered nurse in any of the 50 states or U.S. territories.

There are legal limitations for state licensure in South Carolina for graduates with prior convictions and/or disciplinary action. The policy from the Board of Nursing for South Carolina will be distributed to all applicants by Student Services/Office of Admissions. The policy is also in the Nursing Student Manual, which is distributed the first day of class. Clinical facilities may require drug screens and/or background checks before allowing students to participate in clinical rotations. Students participating in clinicals may be required to have a drug screen at any time during their rotation. Students will be required to attend multiple clinical facilities throughout the curriculum. Students accepted to the program must be eligible to attend clinical at all facilities.

Learning Outcomes

- Client Assessment: Each student will demonstrate setting appropriate client care priorities based on initial and focused client assessment.
- Medication Administration: Each student will demonstrate safe medication administration related to the rights (patient, route, time, dose, medication, reason, and documentation).
- Professional Writing: Each student will demonstrate professional writing skills.
- Critical Thinking: Each student will demonstrate critical thinking strategies appropriate to the class level.
- Nursing Literacy: New graduate will be able to demonstrate foundational understanding of nursing practices and skills sufficient for passing the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

Admissions Criteria

Applicants for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program must meet the entrance requirements of the parent institution.¹ Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program requires the student to be a high-school graduate or equivalent. Students must complete one course of high-school, college-preparatory general chemistry with a minimum grade of C or complete one college chemistry course with a minimum grade of C prior to acceptance into the nursing program.

And one of the following:

- SAT scores of 480 critical reading and 540 math or ACT scores of 21 reading and 23 math. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher. SAT/ACT scores must be no more than 5 years old at the time a student seeks admission to the ADN program.
- or**
- Completion of all approved courses (below) with a GPA of 2.50 or higher.

Course	Title	Credits
BIOL 243	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3
BIOL 243L	Human Anatomy and Physiology Laboratory	1
BIOL 244	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIOL 244L	Human Anatomy and Physiology Laboratory	1
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
BIOL 250	Microbiology	3
BIOL 250L	Microbiology Laboratory	1
MATH 111	Basic College Mathematics	3
ENGL 101	Critical Reading and Composition	3
ENGL 102	Rhetoric and Composition	3

Minimum of 3 approved electives (one elective must be chosen from humanities) 9

Total Credit Hours 33

Note: Students must achieve a grade of "C" or better on the 1st or 2nd attempt of Anatomy and Physiology I, Anatomy and Physiology I Lab, Anatomy and Physiology II, Anatomy and Physiology II Lab, Microbiology and Microbiology Lab (or the equivalent courses from other institutions) to meet the admission and curriculum requirement for the ADN program. Grades of "W", "D", "F", or "WF" are considered unsuccessful attempts.

Required science courses that are more than seven years old must be repeated or the student has the option to exempt the courses through testing on content.

¹ Students are expected to graduate from the school where the initial nursing course is taken.

To enhance potential for success in the program, the faculty recommends completion of a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Program and work experience as a CNA.

Admission by Transfer

Transfer credit may be granted for courses taken in another associate or baccalaureate degree nursing program to a student meeting the following criteria:

1. The student must meet present admission criteria to the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
2. The student must submit a letter from the previous school attended stating that he/she left in good standing and is eligible for readmission.
3. The student must may be required to provide the nursing department manager chair with a detailed course syllabus showing course and unit objectives and a clinical evaluation tool indicating criteria met in the clinical component of the courses. Courses for which transfer credit is given must meet the objectives of the comparable York Technical College/University of South Carolina Lancaster courses.
4. The student must demonstrate competencies in the course to be transferred either by exam, by previous grade and documentation, or both.
5. The Nursing Evaluation Committee will review requests for transfer credit and will make a recommendation for official action to the Registrar/Admissions Officer.
6. The York Technical College/University of South Carolina Lancaster Cooperative Nursing Program is considered by the State Board of Nursing for South Carolina to be one nursing program administered jointly by York Technical College and the University of South Carolina Lancaster. Transfers will only be considered from nursing students who are currently in good standing in the nursing program at the college in which they were previously enrolled.
7. Admission by transfer is on a space-available basis.

Note: Students must achieve a grade of "C" or better on the 1st or 2nd attempt of Anatomy and Physiology I, Anatomy and Physiology I Lab, Anatomy and Physiology II, Anatomy and Physiology II Lab, Microbiology and Microbiology Lab (or the equivalent courses from other institutions) to meet the admission and curriculum requirement for the ADN program. Grades of "W", "D", "F", or "WF" are considered unsuccessful attempts.

LPN Advanced Placement

Students will be admitted based on the South Carolina Statewide Articulation Model.

Direct Transfer

A minimum of 15 semester hours of nursing credit will be awarded without educational mobility testing or validation if the applicant meets the following criteria:

- graduate from an NLNAC-accredited school of nursing
- has a current, active LPN license
- meets admission and progression requirements of York Technical College and the University of South Carolina Lancaster.

Individual Validation

Individual validation of credit awarded will be determined by the receiving institution through exemption testing if the applicant is a:

- graduate from a non-NLNAC-accredited program
- graduate from a non-credit bearing program.

A minimum of 15 semester hours of nursing credit will be awarded upon completion of validation if the applicant meets the following criteria:

- has a current, active license
- meets admission requirements of York Technical College and the University of South Carolina Lancaster.

Other Requirements

1. Must have completed health form.
2. Current healthcare provider CPR certification for children, infants and adults.
3. Proof of health insurance.
4. Proof of liability insurance (through York Technical College).
5. Criminal background check required for clinical rotation.
6. LPN's admitted to the ADN program are required to enroll in LANU L299 and complete the course with a grade of "C" or better. Candidates may take LANU L299 before the first nursing course or simultaneously with the first nursing courses taken.

Program of Study

In order to receive an Associate in Science degree in technical nursing, students must complete 70 semester hours of study.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall		
ENGL 101	Critical Reading and Composition ¹	3
BIOL 243	Human Anatomy and Physiology I ¹	3
BIOL 243L	Human Anatomy and Physiology Laboratory	1
LANU 104	Nursing Care Management I ¹	4
LANU 106	Pharmacologic Basics ¹	2
LANU 206	Clinical Skills Application ¹	2
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ENGL 102	Rhetoric and Composition ¹	3
BIOL 244	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ¹	3
BIOL 244L	Human Anatomy and Physiology Laboratory	1
LANU 159	Nurse Care Management II ¹	6

LANU 211	Care of the Childbearing Family ¹	4
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
Credit Hours		20
Summer		
LANU 209	Nursing Management III ¹	5
Credit Hours		5
Second Year		
Fall		
LANU 229	Nursing Care Management IV ¹	6
BIOL 250	Microbiology ¹	3
BIOL 250L	Microbiology Laboratory	1
MATH 111	Basic College Mathematics ¹	3
Elective (one elective must be chosen from humanities)		3
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
LANU 214	Mental Health Nursing ¹	4
LANU 219	Nursing Management and Leadership ¹	4
Elective (one elective must be chosen from humanities)		6
Credit Hours		14
Total Credit Hours		70

¹ Courses that require a minimum grade of "C".

Nursing classes include campus and clinical laboratory hours. Students are required to drive to a variety of clinical agencies to complete the clinical component of the nursing courses. Students are expected to drive to either campus for classes according to the class schedule.

A student must have a "C" or better in each nursing course to progress in the program. Required science courses that are more than seven years old must be repeated or the student has the option to exempt the courses through testing on the content. Required nursing courses more than three years old must be repeated.

Students may be assigned to a morning, afternoon, or evening clinical anywhere in the tri-county area. Clinical experience may range from four to twelve hours per clinical day.

Students must have a completed health form and criminal background check. Current CPR certification for children, infants and adults is required. Students must have proof of health insurance. Liability insurance is also required (through York Technical College).

Practical Nurse (PN) Exit option-Students successfully completing the first three semesters are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN) and for licensure as a PN.

ADN Progression-Students may apply for NCLEX-PN after three semesters and continue on in the program to complete the last two semesters. Students successfully completing all semesters are eligible to apply for licensure as a registered nurse (RN) and for NCLEX-RN.

Retention and Promotion Policy

For retention and promotion in the nursing program, the student must, in the judgment of the faculty, satisfy the requirements of health, conduct, and scholastic achievement. In addition to meeting the established criteria of the parent institutions, the student:

1. Upon admission to the nursing program students must complete courses in the sequence as outlined in the Program of Study in the University of South Carolina Lancaster Academic Bulletin;
2. Must achieve a cumulative 2.00 grade point average on all courses that count toward graduation in the program;
3. Must make a grade of "C" or better in theory in each nursing course attempted and receive a clinical evaluation of "Satisfactory";
4. A student who receives a "D", "F", "W" or "WF" in any required nursing course may repeat that course one time only. A maximum of one nursing course may be repeated. In order to repeat a nursing course, the student must follow the readmission policy for the nursing program, found in the current Nursing Student Manual. Readmission will depend on space available in the course to be repeated.
5. Must achieve a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition, ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition, MATH 111 Basic College Mathematics, and all science courses.
6. Students will be eligible for academic forgiveness five years after the last nursing course attempted and may apply for readmission to the first nursing course. Required science courses that are more than seven years old must be repeated.

Associate in Science in Criminal Justice

The criminal justice curriculum is designed to prepare students for careers in law enforcement, investigation, corrections, law enforcement management, probation and parole, the court system, jail administration, juvenile rehabilitation, insurance investigations, and community service.

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge of Justice Systems: Students will be able to identify the core components of the criminal justice system, including local, state, and federal agencies related to delinquency, law enforcement, the criminal courts system, and/or corrections.

Effective Communication: Students will be able to effectively communicate criminal justice concepts and issues.

Utilization of Technology: Students will be able to utilize technology to locate relevant information on criminal justice issues and problems.

In order to receive an Associate in Science in Criminal Justice, students must complete 60 semester hours of required courses as outlined in the criminal justice curriculum.

Required Courses

Course	Title	Credits
Arts, Business		
ENGL 101	Critical Reading and Composition ¹	3
ENGL 102	Rhetoric and Composition ¹	3
SPCH 140	Public Communication	3
Select one of the following:		3
ACCT 324	Survey of Commercial Law	
MGMT 371	Principles of Management	
Natural Science		
One lab science course from ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, ENVR, GEOG 201, GEOG 202, GEOL, MSCI, or PHYS ²		4
History and Political Science		
Two courses from HIST or POLI		6
Numerical and Analytical Reasoning		
Select one of the following options:		6-8

Option 1 - Mathematics³

Select one of the following options:

Option A:

MATH 111 Basic College Mathematics⁴

And next higher MATH

Option B:

MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics (and next higher MATH)⁵

Option C:

MATH 122 Calculus for Business Administration and Social Sciences⁵

or MATH 141 Calculus I

And next higher MATH

Option D:

MATH 122 Calculus for Business Administration and Social Sciences

or MATH 141 Calculus I

Select one of the following:

PHIL 114 Introduction to Formal Logic I

STAT 110 Introduction to Statistical Reasoning

STAT 201 Elementary Statistics

MATH 141 Calculus I

Option 2 - Computer Science, Logic, Statistics

Select one of the following:

Two CSCE courses

PHIL 114 Introduction to Formal Logic I
& 111 and Introduction to Logic II

STAT 110 Introduction to Statistical Reasoning
& 201 and Elementary Statistics

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Two courses from AFRO, ANTH, ECON, GEOG, POLI, PSYC, SOCY, or WGST 6

Foreign Language

Foreign language course through 110 or a score of 2 or better on placement test (Spanish recommended) 0-6

Criminal Justice

Five courses from CRJU or LCRJ 15

Total Credit Hours 49-57

¹ Grade of C or better.

² CHEM 107 Forensic Chemistry or BIOL 120 Human Biology recommended.

³ Depending on Math placement score.

⁴ Other than MATH 112 Trigonometry, MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics, MATH 221 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics I, MATH 222 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics II, or MATH 399 Independent Study.

⁵ Other than MATH 221 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics I, MATH 222 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics II, or MATH 399 Independent Study.

Electives

Course	Title	Credits
Courses sufficient to have earned a total of 60 hours. No more than 3 hours of PEDU will be considered for degree credit.		
Total Credit Hours		6

Total: 60

In addition to the requirements stated above, students must also meet the following criteria for an Associate in Science in Criminal Justice degree:

- 2.00 GPA or better (does not include course grades earned by challenge examinations);
- final 15 semester hours earned at USC Lancaster.

Baccalaureate Degree Programs

Many students who enter the Associate in Arts or the Associate in Science degree programs intend to apply these credits toward a baccalaureate degree awarded by another institution. These students are advised to work closely with their advisor to outline a program of study for the first two years that will meet preliminary requirements of the four-year major they wish to pursue.

These students are also strongly advised to obtain and use the bulletin for the Columbia campus when determining specific degree requirements. Preliminary course work toward the following USC baccalaureate degree programs may be completed at USC Lancaster.

Arts and Sciences

- African American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art Education
- Art History
- Art Studio
- Biological Sciences
- Cardiovascular Technology
- Chemistry
- Classics
- Comparative Literature
- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Dance
- Economics
- English
- European Studies
- Environmental Sciences
- Film and Media Studies
- Foreign Languages
- French
- German
- Italian
- Russian
- Spanish
- Geology
- Geophysics
- History

- International Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Marine Science
- Mathematics
- Media Arts
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Theatre
- Statistics
- Women's and Gender Studies

Business Administration

- Accounting
- Business Economics
- Finance
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Management
- Management Science
- Marketing
- Pre-International Business (Subject to separate admission after the freshman year.)
- Real Estate

Education

- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Middle Level Education
- Physical Education (Athletic Training)
- Physical Education (Teacher Preparation)
- (Students interested in secondary education (grades 9-12) should earn a major in the specific subject area they wish to teach and a cognate/component in education. Upon earning an undergraduate BA or BS degree, students pursue a Master of Teaching (MT) degree through which teacher certification requirements are met. Students wishing to earn secondary certification should select a subject area major under one of the colleges or schools. Students interested in K-12 programs in art education (College of Arts and Sciences), music education (School of Music), or physical education (College of Education) can earn a bachelor's degree in one of these areas and meet teacher certification requirements.)

Engineering and Computing

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Information Systems
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Science
- Mechanical Engineering

Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management

- Business and Technology Education
- Hospitality Management
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Retailing
- Sport and Entertainment Management
- Technology Support and Training Management
- Tourism Management

Journalism and Mass Communications

- Advertising
- Broadcast Journalism
- Information Science
- Journalism Print
- Public Relations
- Visual Communications

Music

- Composition
- Jazz Studies
- Education (Band, Strings, or Vocal)
- Performance (Brass, Guitar, Organ, Percussion, Piano, Strings, Voice, or Woodwinds)
- Theory

Nursing

- Nursing

Pharmacy

- Pre-Pharmacy
- (This college is the result of a merger of existing programs at the University of South Carolina and the Medical University of South Carolina. Pre-pharmacy is offered as an academic track designed to prepare students to apply for admission into the pharmacy professional program. Acceptance into the pre-pharmacy program does not guarantee later admission into the pharmacy professional program.)

Public Health

- Exercise Science
- Public Health

Social Work

- Social Work