

Justice Studies 4-Year Advising Guide

To help you understand our JS curriculum and to successfully plan your JS experience, here is essentially what every student needs to complete in order to graduate:

- (1) All lower division coursework (please see Student Services or the CASA Student Success Center on MH 5th floor for advising on lower division GE coursework);
- (2) The two necessary "support courses" JS (10, 11, 12 or 25) and STAT 95, JS 15, or equivalent;
- (3) All required upper division JS courses (with an asterisk "*" on the Major form: JS 151, JS 114, JS 101, JS 102, JS 100W (z), JS 189, and JS 181 or JS 141);
- (4) The mandatory minimum units in each JS core competency area. Students should feel free to choose from the options available in each area, depending on their career and educational goals;
- (5) In total, each student must complete 45 total units (typically 15 3-credit courses) of upper division JS coursework. *Note: this cannot be achieved by simply completing the mandatory minimum units for each competency area, so students should make sure to count up their courses carefully;*
- (6) Each student must also complete their SJSU Studies Courses (GE areas R, S, and V) in three different academic departments. Students are encouraged to take one of these courses in JS, where that course will satisfy a GE requirement (R, S, V) and 3 units of upper division coursework in JS. Please see the SJSU Course Catalog and/or the SJSU website for a list of all SJSU Studies Courses.
- (7) Finally, all students must complete 120 total credit units in order to graduate with an undergraduate degree at SJSU.

We strongly encourage students to meet with their assigned advisor at least once a year. Be sure to review the JS Student Handbook and the other student related materials on our website.

B.S., Justice Studies Core Competencies Areas (A-F)
EFFECTIVE FALL 2013

Theories (A)				Required Units: 9 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 118*	JS 151*	Criminological Theory	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 103	JS 103	Courts & Society		
JS 104	JS 104	Penal Politics & Institutions		
JS 119	JS 153	Crime and Justice Across the Lifecourse	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 132 (s)	JS 132 (s)	Race, Gender, Inequality & the Law	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 155	JS 155	Victimology	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
	JS 157	Deviance & Justice	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
Methodologies (B)				Required Units: 6 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 105*	JS 114*	Research Methods in Justice Studies	JS Major/Minor; STAT 95 and JS 100W	
JS 107	JS 107	Justice Management & Ethics		
JS 110	JS 131	Crisis Intervention, Mediation & Restorative Justice	JS 100w Pre-Req	
JS 112	FS 161	Criminalistics		
JS 113	FS 162	Intro to Forensic Sciences		
	JS 117	Qualitative Research Methods in Justice Studies	JS 100w Pre-Req	
JS 108	JS 143	Criminal Evidence & Procedures	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req; JS 16 or equivalents no longer accepted.	
JS 020	XXXXX	Principles of Investigation (no longer offered)	JS 20 or equivalents no longer accepted.	
Critical Inquiries (C)				Required Units: 6 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 115*	JS 101*	Critical Issues & Ideas in Justice	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 109	JS 144	Criminal Law	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 120	JS 152	Juvenile Justice	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 122	JS 122	Drugs & Society	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 130	JS 130	Sexuality and Justice	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 136 (s)	JS 136 (s)	Family & Community Violence	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 150	JS 150	Gender Crime	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 188	JS 128	Punishment, Culture and Society	JS 100W Pre-Req	
Local, Transnational, Historical (D)				Required Units: 6 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 102*	JS 102*	Police & Society		
JS 116 (v)	JS 171 (v)	Human Rights & Justice	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
	JS 121	Media and Justice	JS 100W Pre-Req	
	JS 129	International Crime and Deviance	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 133	JS 123	Terrorism, Intelligence & Security		
JS 135	JS 145	White Collar Crime		
	JS 137	Collaborative Response to Family Violence	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 156	JS 156	Gangs, Criminal Syndicates & Justice	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 158	JS 158	The Prison Community	JS 100W Pre/Co-Req	
JS 187	JS 127	Immigration & Justice	JS 100W Pre-Req	
Analytical Research & Communication (E)				Required Units: 6 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 100W*(z)	JS 100W*(z)	Writing Workshop	Satisfaction of Writing Skills Test	
JS 159*	JS 189*	Senior Seminar: Contemporary Problems	Completion of JS 100W, JS 101, JS 102, JS 114 or JS 117 with a grade of "C" or better; Senior Standing	
JS 179	JS 179	Human Rights Practicum and Seminar	JS 25, JS 171, JS 100W	
Experiential Learning (F)				Required Units: 3 Units Minimum
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
	JS 140	Record Clearance Project	JS 100W Pre-Req	
	JS 141	RCP: Advanced Study & Community Involvement	JS 140 Pre-Req; May be taken to fulfill JS 181 req.	
JS 170*	JS 181*	Internship: Justice Studies	JS 100W Pre-Req	
JS 180	JS 180	Individual Studies	Approval of Department Chair	
JS 184	JS 184	Directed Reading	Approval of Department Chair	
Support Courses				Required Units: 6 Units
Old Course #	New Course #	Course Title	Notes	
JS 10*	JS 10*	Introduction to Justice Studies	Take either JS 10, JS 12, JS 25	
	JS 12	Introduction to Legal Studies		
	JS 25	Introduction to Human Rights		
STAT 95*	STAT 95*	Elementary Statistics	Take either STAT 95, JS 15, or an equivalent	
	JS 15	Introductory Statistics in Justice Studies		

* = denotes a required course (s) = SJSU Studies Area S (v) = SJSU Studies Area V (z) = Written Communication II, SJSU Studies Area Z

Degree Roadmap – 4 Year Program
Department of Justice Studies

FROSH STATUS

Fall (15 units)

JS 10 or equivalent: 3 units
 GE A1: 3 units (COMM 020, COMM 040, HUM 001A-B, 002A-B)^a
 GE C1: 3 units (ANY)
 GE D1: 3 units (MAS 030, PSYC 001, COMM 010, OCTH 010, WOMS 010)
 GE E: 3 Units (ANTH 025, HS 001, KIN 069, PHIL 012, PSYC 002Q, NUFS 009)

Spring (15 units)

GE A2: 3 units)(ANY)
 GE A3: 3 units (COMM 041, ENG 007, PHIL 057, POLS 020, HUM 001A-B, 002A-B)
 GE B1: 3 units (ANY)
 GE C2: 3 units (ANY; except POLS 003)
 GE D2: 3 units (ANY)

SOPHOMORE STATUS

Fall (16 units)

JS 12 or JS 25: 3 units
 GE B2: 3 units (ANY)
 GE B4: 3 units (MATH 008, MATH 010, PHIL 009, MATH 012)
 GE C3: 3 units (ENGL 001B)
 GE D3: 3 units (ANY)
 GE Physical Education: 1 unit

Spring (16 units)

STAT 95 or JS 15: 3 units
 GE B4: 3 units (MATH 008, MATH 010, PHIL 009, MATH 012)
 JS 25: 3 units
 POLS 003: 3 units
 American Institutions: 3 units (ANY)
 GE Physical Education: 1 unit

JUNIOR STATUS

Fall (12 units)

JS 100w*: 3 units
 JS 102*: 3 units
 JS Competency Area A: 3 units
 JS 101*: 3 units

Spring (15 units)

JS Competency Area A: 3 units
 JS 151*: 3 units
 JS Competency Area B: 3 units
 JS Competency Area C: 3 units
 SJSU Studies 1: 3 units

SENIOR STATUS

Fall (15 units)

JS 114*: 3 units
 JS 181 or JS 141*: 3 units
 JS Competency Area A: 3 units
 JS Competency Area D: 3 units
 SJSU Studies 2: 3 units

Fall (12 units)

JS Competency Area C: 3 units
 JS Competency Area D: 3 units
 JS 189*: 3 units
 SJSU Studies 3: 3 units

*Required course for JS Major

Justice Studies Undergraduate Program: Core Competencies

Theories

Theories in Justice Studies offer ways of analyzing, explaining, and critiquing our world and social institutions. Students will learn various theoretical approaches to concepts of power and justice, which lie at the heart of struggles for justice and the resistance to injustice in the modern world.

JS 103, JS 104, JS 132(s), JS 151, JS 153, JS 155, JS 157

Methodologies

Methodologies refer to the ways scholars gather and evaluate knowledge in Justice Studies. The term “methodologies” includes research methods (the procedures used in research to collect or generate data) and the philosophical assumptions on which a study is based and certain methods are chosen.

JS 107, JS 108, JS 114, JS 117, JS 131, JS 143 FS 161, FS 162

Critical Inquiries into Law, Justice & Society

Critical inquiries involve the ability to ask relevant questions that challenge authority and orthodoxy as they help students to construct and synthesize knowledge, and analyze phenomena in a multi-faceted manner. Critical inquiries as a competency area enable students to evaluate justice issues and theory not at face value, but as an intersection of competing or colluding forces that are not initially evident. Critical inquiries help students to become active agents in society as they critique our social world.

JS 101, JS 122, JS 128, JS 130, JS 136(s), JS 144, JS 150, JS 152

Local, Transnational, and Historical Analyses

Within this competency area students will learn how to contextualize justice-related issues using subjects and theories connecting local, transnational, and historical analytical frameworks. That is, students will develop the empirical, methodological, and analytical skills to understand how a justice-related practice or problem affects or has affected different communities, societies, and cultures of the modern world.

JS 102, JS 121, JS 123, JS 127, JS 129, JS 137, JS 145, JS 156, JS 158, JS 171(v)

Analytical Research and Writing

Within this competency area students will develop the skills to conduct and evaluate scholarly research and writing, including the identification of scholarly and non-scholarly sources. As they assess the strengths and limitations of research, students will engage in erudite and persuasive writing and presentation for a professional or academic audience. Students will learn to support arguments with relevant sources, and to cite them according to applicable professional standards in the humanities, social sciences, or sciences.

JS 189, JS 179 and JS 100W*(z)*

Experiential Learning

Justice Studies promotes scholarly and applied understandings about the interaction between theory, scholarship and human experience. The Department encourages experiential learning that draws from and seeks to serve local communities around the Bay Area and beyond.

JS 140, JS 141, JS 180, JS 181, JS 184