

Certificate in Criminal Justice (CertCJ – 60 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2025.
- (b) This Certificate was first offered in 2017.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Ture | Executive Dean of Law or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these Regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

- (a) To qualify for the Certificate in Criminal Justice a student must be credited with 60 points towards the qualification comprising:
 - i. All course(s) in Schedule C to these regulations; and
 - ii. A maximum of 15 points from Schedule E: Group 1 to these regulations; and
 - iii. A maximum of 45 points from Schedule E: Group 2 to these regulations.

4. Admission to the qualification

A student for the Certificate in Criminal Justice must, before enrolling for the Certificate, satisfy the admission requirements of the University.

5. Subjects

There are no majors, minors, or endorsements for this qualification.

6. Time limits

The time limit for this qualification is 48 months.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations, with the following stipulation:

- (a) Up to 15 points from courses from another Aotearoa New Zealand University may be credited to the Certificate, provided that the credit satisfies the other regulations of this Certificate.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with no additional stipulations.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

Honours, Distinction, and Merit are not awarded for this qualification.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

- (a) A student who has not yet graduated with the Certificate in Criminal Justice and who wishes to transfer to the Bachelor of Criminal Justice may apply to the Amo Matua, Ture | Executive Dean of Law or delegate to be admitted to the Bachelor of Criminal Justice and to have courses passed credited to that qualification.
- (b) A student who has graduated with the Certificate in Criminal Justice may apply to the Amo Matua, Ture | Executive Dean of Law or delegate to be admitted to the Bachelor of Criminal Justice and have their Certificate in Criminal Justice subsumed in accordance with the General Regulations to the University.
- (c) There are no exit qualifications for this Certificate.

Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Certificate of Criminal Justice

For full course information, go to courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
CRJU101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	15	X9	UC Online	R: LAWS150 EQ: LAWS150
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			X3	UC Online	

Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Certificate of Criminal Justice

Group 1

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
MAOR108	Te Patu a Maui : The Treaty of Waitangi - facing and overcoming colonisation	15	SU2	Distance Learning	R: CULT114, MAOR113 (prior to 2006) EQ: CULT114
			X1	UC Online	
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
			X3	UC Online	
MAOR120	He takere waka nui	15	NO		
MAOR165	Tuakiri : Culture and Identity	15	S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	

Group 2

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
CRJU120	Special Topic: Understanding Human Behaviour in Criminal Justice	15	X2	UC Online	P: Subject to the approval of the Head of Department.
			X4	UC Online	
CRJU150	Legal Method in the Criminal Justice Context	15	S1	Campus	R: LAWS101
CRJU160	Legal Issues in the New Zealand Criminal Justice System	15	S2	Campus	
CRJU201	Crime and Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V of the BA. R: SOCI218 EQ: SOCI218
			S1	Distance Learning	
CRJU202	Criminal Law for Criminal Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: Either CRJU150 or LAWS150 R: LAWS202
CRJU210	Special Topic	15	NO		P: CRJU101 or LAWS150
CRJU211	Forensic Science for Criminal Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: 60 points at 100-level. R: CHEM111, CHEM114, BIOL112, BIOL111, BIOL113

CRJU222	Whakataka Nga Here: Colonisation and the Criminal Justice System	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V of the BA. R: SOCI222
CRJU301	Sentencing Theory and Practice	15	S1	Campus	P: CRJU202 or LAWS202. R: LAWS337; LAWS366 RP: CRJU201/SOCI218; CRJU307/LAWS365 EQ: LAWS366
CRJU302	Prisons and Corrections	30	S2	Campus	P: (1) Any 30 points at 200-level in SOCI or ANTH, or (2) Any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA, or (3) i. CRJU201 and either ii. CRJU202 or LAWS202 R: SOCI358 EQ: SOCI358
			S2	Distance Learning	
CRJU304	Research Project in Criminal Justice	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ.
CRJU307	Issues in Policing and Prosecution	15	NO		P: CRJU202 or LAWS202. R: LAWS337, LAWS365 RP: CRJU201/SOCI218 EQ: LAWS365
CRJU308	The Principles of Evidence	15	S2	Campus	P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS316, LAWS307
CRJU311	Transnational Criminal Law	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS315 EQ: LAWS315
CRJU312	Contemporary Issues in Criminal Law and Procedure	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS380 EQ: LAWS380
CRJU314	Serious Financial Crime	15	S1	Campus	P: (1) CRJU 202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LLAW314 EQ: LLAW314
HIST295	Crime, Criminology and Policing in Modern Europe since 1750	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in HIST or CLAS120, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA, or 60 points at 100-level from Schedules C or E of the BCJ. R: HIST395
HIST395	Crime, Criminology and Policing in Modern Europe since 1750	30	S1	Campus	P: Any 30 points at 200-level from HIST, or CRJU201 and either CRJU202 or LAWS202, or any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: HIST295
HSRV103	Violence in Society	15	S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
HSRV104	Youth Realities	15	S1	Campus	R: SOWK104 EQ: SOWK104
			S1	Distance Learning	

HSRV201	Communication in the Human Services	15	S1	Campus	P: 30 points HSRV at 100-level; or 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V to the BA, BSW Hons, BCJ, BHlthSc, or BYCL. R: SOWK201
			S1	Distance Learning	
HSRV203	Policy Debates in the Social Services	15	NO		P: HSRV103 and HSRV104; or, 15 points at 100-level in HSRV and 30 points at 100-level from either Schedule C to the BSW, Schedule V to the BA, or Schedules C or E to the BCJ; or 60 points at 100-level from the BA, BSW or BCJ. R: SOWK203 EQ: SOWK203
HSRV210	Gender, Crime and Social Theory	15	S2	Campus	P: 30 points at 100-level in HSRV; OR 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V to the BA, BSW Hons, BCJ or BHlthSc or BYCL. R: HSRV303, HSRV310
			S2	Distance Learning	
HSRV311	Qualitative Research Methods	30	S1	Campus	P: 30 points at 200-level in HSRV; OR, 60 points at 200-level from Schedule V to the BA, BSW Hons, BCJ or BHlthSc or BYCL. R: HSRV302
			S1	Distance Learning	
LAWS378	Genetics, Neuroscience and the Criminal Law	15	NO		P: (1) LAWS202, or (2) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ and Amo Matua, Ture Executive Dean of Law approval. C: LAWS203-LAWS206 R: CRJU313
LING225	Language, Evidence, and Justice	15	S1	Distance Learning	P: Any 15 points at any level from any subject.
			S1	Campus	
MAOR219	Te Tiriti: The Treaty of Waitangi	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level from CULT, HIST, HSRV, MAOR, POLS, SOCI, SOWK, or TREQ, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: POLS218, POLS258, HIST268, SOCI209, HSRV207, CULT219 EQ: POLS218, POLS258, HIST268, SOCI209, HSRV207, CULT219
PHIL139	Ethics, Politics and Justice	15	X2	UC Online	
			S2	Distance Learning	
			S2	Campus	
			X4	UC Online	
PHIL240	Bioethics: Life, Death, and Medicine	15	S1	Distance Learning	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in PHIL, HSRV, HLTH, LAWS, or POLS, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA or the BSc. R: PHIL324, POLS225
			S1	Campus	
PHIL324	Bioethics: Life, Death, and Medicine	15	S1	Distance Learning	P: Any 30 points at 200-level in PHIL, LAWS, HLTH, or any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: PHIL240, POLS225 RP: PHIL139 or PHIL236
			S1	Campus	
PSYC105	Introductory Psychology - Brain, Behaviour and Cognition	15	SU2	Distance Learning	R: PSYC103, PSYC104
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			X2	UC Online	

PSYC106	Introductory Psychology - Social, Personality and Developmental	15	SU1	Distance Learning	R: PSYC103, PSYC104
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
			X4	UC Online	
PSYC206	Introductory Research Methods and Statistics	15	SU2	Distance Learning	P: At least 15 points in 100-level Psychology and at least 45 points overall
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC208	Cognition	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106, or with the approval of the Head of School, a pass in a professional year of Engineering, or in approved courses in Computer Science, Linguistics, or Philosophy
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC211	Personality	15	S2	Distance Learning	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106
			S2	Campus	
PSYC216	Psychology and Law	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC330	Forensic Psychology	15	SU1	Distance Learning	P: PSYC206 or 60 points at 200-level from Schedules C or E of the BCJ.
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC336	Industrial and Organisational Psychology	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC206. RP: PSYC211, 15 further points from PSYC200
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC379	Introduction to Psychopathology	15	S1	Campus	P: PSYC206 R: PSYC335
			S1	Distance Learning	
SOCI293	The History of Gangs in New Zealand	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA.