



College of Lake County Transfer Guide Bachelor of Arts in Justice Studies

Available at:
NEIU Main Campus (Chicago, IL)

Justice Studies Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Justice Studies prepares students for human and social service work, research or advocacy positions, law school or graduate school. Criminal justice practitioners who wish to develop a comprehensive understanding of social justice and social policy will find the program well-suited to their needs. The Justice Studies department also offers minors in Social Justice and Criminology. These minor programs are optional and could be taken as a complement to any major at Northeastern Illinois University.

Contact Information

Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Center: Students who have questions about the program prior to admission may contact the Northeastern Transfer Center by calling (773) 442-4076 or by emailing TransferSteps@neiu.edu.

For specific information about the Justice Studies major and minors, students can also contact the Chair of the Justice Studies department at (773) 442-4790.

Admission Requirements

- Students must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher for all college or university course work attempted. Students must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
- Required documents are: application for admission, \$30 nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from all colleges and universities.
- Additional Admission and application materials, including the option to apply online, can be found at www.neiu.edu/Transfer.
- Application deadlines are as follows:

		<i>International Applicants</i>
Fall	July 15	June 1
Spring	November 1	October 1
Summer I	April 1	March 1
Summer II	May 1	April 1

Transfer Policies

- Students with an AA degree from an Illinois Community College and/or completion of the IAI will have fulfilled Northeastern Illinois University's general education requirements.
- A maximum of 64 semester hours may be transferred to Northeastern from a community college. In cases where both a community college and university were attended, a maximum of 90 semester hours are accepted, with a maximum of 64 semester hours allowed at the community college level.
- Additional information about transferring and transfer policies are available at www.neiu.edu/Transfer.

Northeastern Illinois University Degree Requirements

- 1.) **General Education:** 36 credit hours (see requirements below)
- 2.) **English 101 or equivalent (grade of “C” or higher):** At CLC, ENG 121 – English Composition I
- 3.) **Total Credits and Credit Levels:** A minimum of 120 semester hours must be earned by every undergraduate student to be eligible to graduate from Northeastern. **Students must complete a minimum of 40 semester hours at the 300 level to meet the Upper Division Requirement.**
- 4.) **Major Program:** Undergraduate students must declare and complete a major. Students must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all courses counted toward the major. No “P” grades will count toward a major.
- 5.) **Residency:** Must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours at Northeastern.
- 6.) **GPA:** Students must have a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA (overall “C” average). Some academic programs and departments have other specific grade requirements.
- 7.) **Improving Human Relations:** The Improving Human Relations requirement may be met through the General Education program. Courses are available in both the Humanities and Social / Behavioral Sciences categories. You may choose a course that meets the Improving Human Relations requirement **and** Humanities or Social / Behavioral Sciences.
- 8.) **WIP (Writing Intensive Program):** Students must successfully complete a writing intensive course within their discipline. **This course must be completed at Northeastern.** Students completing the Bachelors of Arts in Justice Studies fulfill this requirement by taking JUST 202 – WIP: Justice and Inequality.
- 9.) **University Core Curriculum (UCC):** Students must complete three Engaged Learning Experience (ELE) courses. ELE courses are either Boundary Crossing (ELE-X) or Discipline Specific (ELE-DS) and are chosen in consultation with the student’s advisor. At least one course must be at the 300 level and one course must be an ELE-X course as part of meeting the requirement.

General Education Requirements

Four options are available to students who plan to complete their General Education requirements at CLC.

- **Associate of Arts:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Arts degree will have met Northeastern Illinois University’s General Education requirements. For information regarding completing an Associate of Arts at CLC, including assistance with course selection, please visit the Counseling, Admissions, and Transfer Center at CLC. More information is available at their website (www.clcillinois.edu/depts/cou/) or by calling (847) 543-2060.
- **Associate of Science:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Science degree granted August 2016 or earlier will have met Northeastern Illinois University’s General Education requirements. Students who transfer with an approved ICCB Model Associate’s degree granted December 2016 or later may need to take one additional Humanities course and one additional Social and Behavioral Sciences course to meet Northeastern’s General Education requirements. For information regarding completing an Associate of Science at CLC, including assistance with course selection, please visit the Counseling, Admissions, and Transfer Center at CLC. More information is available at their website (www.clcillinois.edu/depts/cou/) or by calling (847) 543-2060.

- **Completion of the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI):** Students who transfer after completing the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) will have met their General Education requirements. For information regarding the Illinois Articulation Initiative, including courses at CLC that fulfill General Education requirements, please visit the iTransfer web site at www.itransfer.org.
- **Transfer Course Lists for CLC:** Students may choose to meet their General Education requirements by selecting courses from Northeastern’s Transfer Course Equivalency Guides, available at: www.neiu.edu/Transfer. **When choosing this option, please use the following Northeastern Illinois University General Education guide:**

Northeastern Illinois University General Education Program		
The General Education Program requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of courses distributed among 5 areas.		
Northeastern Illinois University Requirement	Credits	College of Lake County Equivalent (if any)
Math / Quantitative Reasoning 1 course	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This requirement can be met by taking MTH 118 or higher at CLC with a grade of “C” or better.
Social / Behavioral Sciences 3 courses	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at the College of Lake County. No more than two courses from the same department may be used.
Natural Sciences 3 courses	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at the College of Lake County. No more than two courses from the same department may be used. One course must be a lab course.
Fine Arts 2 courses	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at the College of Lake County. No more than one course from the same department may be used.
Humanities 3 courses	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at the College of Lake County. No more than two courses from the same department may be used. No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.

*Please visit www.neiu.edu/Transfer and click on the Transfer Course Equivalency link to view the list of courses.

Justice Studies Major Requirements

Northeastern Illinois University Justice Studies Major: 39 credits		
Northeastern Illinois University Course	Credits	College of Lake County Equivalent (If any)
JUST 101 – Introduction to Social Justice	3	<i>No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.</i>
JUST 202 – WIP: Justice and Inequality (This course must be completed at Northeastern)	3	
JUST 241 – Skill for Inquiry I	3	
JUST 301 – Theories of Justice and Social Change	3	

Electives (six additional courses in Justice Studies) <i>The electives in Justice Studies must be selected in consultation with a faculty advisor and should be chosen in an area of concentration related to the student's academic and career interests.</i>	18	<i>Northeastern will accept up to 9 credits of course work taken at other colleges that will count for elective credit in the major. CLC classes that could count toward the major are:</i> CRJ 121 – Introduction to Criminal Justice (<i>Equivalent to JUST 201 at Northeastern</i>) CRJ 221 – Criminal Law CRJ 222 – Criminal Procedural Law (<i>Equivalent to JUST 334 at Northeastern</i>) CRJ 223 – Ethics in Criminal Justice CRJ 248 – Psych of the Criminal Mind
JUST 345 – Practicum	3	<i>No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.</i>
JUST 350 – Field Work Seminar	6	
Justice Studies Major Policies		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer courses must be approved by the department before being applied to the major or minors. • For transfer students, a maximum of 3 elective courses can be applied to the major (9 credit hours). All other classes for the major must be taken at Northeastern. 		

Criminology and Social Justice Minors

Northeastern Illinois University Minor in Criminology: 18 credits		
Northeastern Illinois University Course	Credits	College of Lake County Equivalent (If any)
JUST 201 – Introduction to Social Justice	3	CRJ 121 – Introduction to Criminal Justice
JUST 202 – Justice and Inequality	3	<i>No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.</i>
JUST 241 – Skills for Inquiry I	3	
JUST 312 – Theories of Criminal Behavior	3	
Two electives in Justice Studies	6	<i>Northeastern recommends that one of the following courses be taken at CLC:</i> CRJ 221 – Criminal Law CRJ 222 – Criminal Procedural Law (<i>Equivalent to JUST 334 at Northeastern</i>) CRJ 223 – Ethics in Criminal Justice CRJ 248 – Psych of the Criminal Mind

Northeastern Illinois University Minor in Social Justice: 18 credits		
Northeastern Illinois University Course	Credits	College of Lake County Equivalent (If any)
JUST 101 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	<i>No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.</i>
JUST 202 – Justice and Inequality	3	
JUST 241 – Skills for Inquiry I	3	
JUST 301 – Theories of Justice and Social Change	3	

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Tuition, Financial Aid and Scholarships

Northeastern Illinois University is committed to providing an affordable education. That's why our tuition and fees are among the most affordable of the Illinois Public Universities. We offer a **tuition guarantee program** that guarantees incoming students the same tuition rate for four years.

For information about financing your education at NEIU, including Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities, please see our website: www.neiu.edu/financial-aid/. You may also contact our Financial Aid Office directly at (773) 442-5016 or email Financial-Aid@neiu.edu. If you are completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Northeastern's Federal School code is **001693**.

Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships for TRANSFER students:

Provost Merit Scholarship

Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 will be awarded to prospective transfers who meet the following criteria and who apply early for admission. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis:

- Admitted entering transfer students with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science, or at least 60 earned credit hours.
- Must have at least a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.50.
- Must be an Illinois resident.
- Must be enrolled full time at Northeastern.

Deans Merit Scholarship

Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to prospective transfers who meet the following criteria and who apply early for admission. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis:

- Admitted entering transfer students with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science, or at least 60 earned credit hours.
- Must have at least a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.0.
- Must be an Illinois resident.
- Must be enrolled full time at Northeastern.

Until all of the scholarships are awarded, students who meet these qualifications will automatically be considered for the Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships at the time of applying for admission to Northeastern Illinois University. Completing an additional application is not necessary. The Office of Scholarships may be reached at (773) 442-4606 or scholarships@neiu.edu.