

George Mason University BS in Criminology, Law & Society
Germanna AS in Social Science
2025-2026

ADVANCE
 PART OF THE MASON VIRGINIA PROMISE



Transfer Requirements

1. Complete the associate degree with a 2.5 or higher cumulative GPA.
2. ENG 111, ENG 112, and a college-level math course must be completed with a C or higher in the first 45 credits. See the pathway to select the correct math course(s) for the intended major.
3. Transfer to Mason for the fall or spring semester immediately following the conferral of the pathway associate degree.
4. Grades of C or higher are required for transfer credit. Select programs may require a higher grade in specified courses. See the program-specific requirements noted on the pathway.
5. Students must complete their associate degree within five years of entering the program.

Associate Degree Requirements

#	Associate Degree Requirement & Course	Credits	Mason Equivalent	Mason Degree Requirement
1	SDV 100	1	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENGH —	General Elective
3	UCGS History: HIS 101, HIS 102, HIS 111, or HIS 112 (recommended)	3	HIST 101T, HIST 102T, HIS 387T, or HIST 125	Gen Ed: Global History
4	UCGS Mathematics I: MTH 154	3	MATH 106	Gen Ed: Quant Reasoning
5	ITE 152	3	IT 104	Gen Ed: Information Technology
6	ENG 112	3	ENGH 101	Gen Ed: Written Comm
7	UCGS Social & Behavioral Science I: ECO 150, ECO 201, ECO 202, GEO 210, GEO 220, PLS 135, PLS 241, PSY 200, SOC 200, SOC 268	3	Mason equivalent ¹	General Elective
8	UCGS Art, Humanities, Literature I ² : ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258, ENG 275, HUM 256, HUM 259	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	Gen Ed: Literature
9	Social & Behavioral Science Elective I: ADJ 100	3	CRIM 100	Major & Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Science
10	CST 110 or CST 110	3	COMM 100 or COMM 101	Gen Ed: Oral Comm
11	UCGS Lab Science I: BIO 101, BIO 102, BIO 106, CHM 101, CHM 111, CHM 112, ENV 121, ENV 122, GOL 105, GOL 106, PHY 201, PHY 202, PHY 241, PHY 242 <i>Students should not take both BIO 101 and BIO 106</i>	4	Mason equivalent ¹	Gen Ed: Natural Science
12	UCGS Arts & Humanities II: ART 101, ART 102, or MUS 121	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	Gen Ed: Arts
13	Social & Behavioral Science Elective II: ADJ 105, ADJ 110, ADJ 201, ADJ 211, ADJ 229, or ADJ 233	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	Major Elective
14	Transfer Elective I: Students may choose any approved Germanna transfer elective.	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	General Elective
15	Transfer Elective II: ADJ 133	3	CRIM L306	Major
16	Social & Behavioral Science Elective III: ADJ 105, ADJ 110, ADJ 201, ADJ 211, ADJ 229, ADJ 233, or ADJ 236	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	Major Elective
17	Transfer Elective III: BIO 101, BIO 102, BIO 106, CHM 101, CHM 111, CHM 112, ENV 121, ENV 122, GOL 105, GOL 106, PHY 201, PHY 202, PHY 241, PHY 242 <i>Students should not take both BIO 101 and BIO 106</i>	4	Mason equivalent ¹	Gen Ed: Natural Science
18	Transfer Elective IV: ADJ 105, ADJ 110, ADJ 201, ADJ 211, ADJ 229, or ADJ 233	3	Mason equivalent ¹	Major Elective

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19	Transfer Elective V: Students may choose any approved Germanna transfer elective excluding ADJ courses ³	3	Mason equivalent ¹	General elective
20	Transfer Elective VI: Students may choose any approved Germanna transfer elective excluding ADJ courses ³	3	Mason equivalent ¹	General elective
	Associate degree total: <i>Students must apply to graduate by the community college graduation application deadline.</i>	60		

Bachelor's Degree Requirements

#	Degree Requirement & Course	Credits	Notes
21	Gen Ed: Written Comm: ENGH 302	3	
22	CRIM 315	3	
23	CRIM 424	3	
24	Major & Gen Ed: Apex: CRIM 495	3	Writing Intensive
25	Major Electives	21	Some major electives ⁴ may need to be upper level (300/400) to reach 45 total upper-level credits.
26	Internship or Area of Specialization	15-21	See Mason advisor to plan for an internship or area of specialization. See catalog link in footnote for the list of approved options. ⁴
27	General Electives	6-12	As needed to reach 120 total credits. Some electives may need to be upper level (300/400) to reach 45 total upper-level credits.
	Total post-transfer credits:	60	
	Pathway total:	120	

Footnotes:

1. To confirm Mason equivalencies, visit: [Mason Transfer Credit Matrix](#).
2. Students are encouraged to complete a Mason Core Literature equivalent prior to their final semester at Germanna Community College to avoid the need for an ENGH 302 prerequisite waiver.
3. Students may apply a maximum of 18 credits of transferable ADJ courses from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) to their Criminology, Law, and Society, BS degree requirements. For this reason, students should not select more than 6 total ADJ courses at Germanna.
4. For major elective and approved area of specialization options, visit: [Current Criminology, Law, and Society, BS Catalog](#). Please use the [catalog archive link](#) to navigate to your specific catalog year requirements.

Additional Academic Information:

- Students who complete a VCCS transfer associate degree (AS, AA, AA&S, or AFA) will receive a waiver of the Foundation and Exploration (lower division) Mason Core general education categories. To be eligible for the waiver, the students must provide the Mason Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date. As a prerequisite for ENGH 302, ENGH 101 is not waived. Students must complete ENGH 100 or ENGH 101, or an equivalent, with a C or higher.
 - When a course fulfills a Mason Core requirement and a major or college requirement (e.g. Major & Quant), students must complete the course listed on the pathway to fulfill the major/college requirement. Courses that fulfill only Mason Core Foundation and Exploration categories are recommendations. In most pathways, ADVANCE students must complete a Quantitative Reasoning course to matriculate through ADVANCE.
 - ADVANCE students must complete the associate degree indicated on their pathway (see the Transfer Requirements listed above). Students who withdraw from ADVANCE and transfer without the associate degree or UCGS are required to complete each Mason Core general education category.
- All students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.
- For academic policies and procedures relating to the associate degree, please navigate to your specific catalog year using the Archive Catalog link: [College Catalog Archive](#)
- For academic policies and procedures relating to the bachelor's degree, please visit: [George Mason Catalog](#). Navigate to your specific catalog year requirements using the catalog archive: [George Mason Catalog Archive](#).