

Criminal Justice

The purpose of a criminal justice major within a liberal arts university is to develop in students the knowledge, values and ethical consciousness that are essential to becoming responsible leaders in criminal justice and related human services vocations.

The major offers broad foundational courses drawing upon sociology, political science, psychology, management, public policy, criminology and law. The departmental curriculum integrates the relevant multidisciplinary theory to provide a foundation for understanding contemporary criminal justice theory and practice. Through a combination of course work, internships and special research projects, graduates are prepared to enter a wide variety of vocations including public law enforcement and corrections agencies or to pursue graduate study in law, judicial administration, and other professions.

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

42 credits minimum, 24 upper division. Criminal justice majors are required to complete an internship in a criminal justice agency or related area in their junior or senior year. (graded P/NC only)

CRIM 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
CRIM 276	Criminal and Procedural Law	4
CRIM 335	Criminology	4
CRIM 412	Methods of Research and Statistics	4
CRIM 460	Senior Seminar: Criminal Justice Philosophy and Practice	4
CRIM 492	Internship	2-4
Select five of the following:		20
CRIM 320	Critical Issues in Policing	
CRIM 330	Contemporary Corrections	
CRIM 340	Violence & Victimization	
CRIM 341	Criminal Psychology	
CRIM 350	Juvenile Delinquency	
CRIM 370	Deviance in U.S. Society	
CRIM 404	Constitutional Law in Criminal Justice	
CRIM 410	Substance Abuse	
CRIM 430	Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Crime	
CRIM 440	Terrorism	
CRIM 482	Selected Topics	
CRIM 490	Independent Study	
Total Hours		42-44