

# CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CRIM)

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## CRIM 101 Survey of Criminal Justice

**Description:** The justice process and the criminal justice system in general. Concepts of crime, deviance and justice, and general theories of crime causality. Individual rights in a democratic society and the legal definitions of various crimes. Law enforcement, judicial, juvenile justice and corrections subsystems explored and a number of reform proposals presented.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**Prerequisite for:** CRIM 203; CRIM 211; CRIM 221; CRIM 251; CRIM 301; CRIM 331; CRIM 335; CRIM 337; CRIM 338; CRIM 339; CRIM 351; CRIM 403; CRIM 406; CRIM 413; CRIM 421; CRIM 450; CRIM 455; CRIM 475; CRIM 476; CRIM 477; CRIM 478

**ACE:** ACE 6 Social Science

## CRIM 203 Police and Society

**Prerequisites:** CRIM 101.

**Description:** The role of the police in American society. Origins of policing, the nature of police organizations and police work, and patterns of relations between the police and the public.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 211 The Criminal Court System

**Prerequisites:** CRIM 101.

**Description:** Analysis of the structure and function of the criminal court system in the United States, including the roles of prosecutor, defender, judge, jury, and court administrator. Issues confronting the system considered from historical, philosophical, sociological, and psychological perspectives. Ideals of the system compared with actual functioning and court reform proposals.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 221 Survey of Corrections

**Prerequisites:** CRIM 101.

**Description:** History and evolution of the corrections process. Covers all aspects of institutional and community-based corrections.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 251 Research Methods

**Prerequisites:** CRIM 101.

**Notes:** CRIM 251 and SOCI 205 cannot both be applied toward the degree.

**Description:** Introduction to the principles, methods and techniques of empirical social research.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 300 Applied Statistics and Data Processing in the Public Sector

**Prerequisites:** MATH 101 or 1320 (UNO) or instructor permission

**Notes:** Credit toward the degree may be earned in only one of: CRIM 300 or ECON 215 or EDPS 459 or SOCI 206 or STAT 218.

**Description:** Basic statistics of public sector research and public administration decision making. Data processing techniques as they relate to statistical analysis and on understanding the proper application of statistics.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**Prerequisite for:** BLAW 371H; FINA 361H; SCMA 250; SCMA 331; SCMA 350; SCMA 350H; STAT 318

**ACE:** ACE 3 Math/Stat/Reasoning

## CRIM 301 Philosophy of Criminal Justice

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or Crim 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Philosophical examination of justice and its administration. Provides the student with a richer understanding of the conceptual foundations of justice.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 331 Criminal Law

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** The means by which society attempts to use criminal law to prevent harm to society. Acts which are declared criminal and the punishment prescribed for committing those acts. Philosophies and rationales that have shaped current day substantive criminal law. English Common Law and the historic evolution of substantive criminal law from its early origins.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

## CRIM 335 Criminology

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** General survey of the nature of causes of crime and efforts of the criminal justice system to predict, prevent, modify, and correct this behavior.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 337 Juvenile Delinquency**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing.

**Notes:** CRIM 337 and SOCI 311 cannot both be applied toward the degree.

**Description:** How delinquents and juveniles in need of supervision are handled within the juvenile justice system. The nature and extent of delinquent behavior status offenses, child abuse and neglect; theories of delinquency and their implications for intervention; cultural and social factors related to delinquency; as well as the philosophy by and functioning of the juvenile justice system.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 338 Race, Ethnicity and Criminal Justice**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Survey of minority groups and criminal justice in the United States. Racial minorities as victims of crime, as offenders, as defendants, and as criminal justice professionals.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**ACE:** ACE 9 Global/Diversity

**CRIM 339 Women, Crime and Justice**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Women's experiences as victims of crime, as offenders, as defendants, and as criminal justice professionals.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 351 Criminal Procedure**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Legal aspects of the investigation and arrest processes as well as the rules governing the admissibility of evidence in court.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 397 Internship in Criminal Justice**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major or CRCJ minor, 75 credit hours completed, GPA of 2.5 and instructor permission.

**Notes:** May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours.

**Description:** Job-related experience in a criminal justice agency and permission to enroll must be received from the student's adviser each semester.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 6

**Format:** FLD

**ACE:** ACE 10 Integrated Product

**CRIM 403 Organization and Administration**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Contemporary concepts, principles, and theories of organization and administration as they relate to criminal justice agencies. Historical development and modern practices of public policy.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 406 Criminal Justice Ethics**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Examines ethical issues that arise in the three major areas of criminal justice: police, courts, and corrections. General philosophical theories of ethics as well as Codes of Ethics that operate to control the institutional and personal behavior of police, courts and correctional systems.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 413 Sociology of Deviant Behavior**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing.

**Notes:** CRIM 413 and SOCI 474 cannot both be applied toward the degree.

**Description:** Investigates the etiology of many forms of norm-violating conduct. Rule-breaking behavior as defined by the criminal statutes.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 421 Institutional Corrections**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** In-depth analysis of the history and operation of prisons and jails in the United States and other countries. Management and operation of prisons and jails from the perspective of both employees and incarcerated persons.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 435 Community-Based Corrections**

**Crosslisted with:** CRIM 835

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** For advanced students with a special interest in the correctional process as applied in a community setting. Innovative community-based strategies for dealing with the offender as well as on the processes of probation and parole.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 450 Drugs and Crime**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Socially constructed nature of drugs and drug policy, focusing on the variety of ways drugs and crime are connected and the socio-historical context of contemporary US drug policy.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 451 Violence**

**Crosslisted with:** CRIM 851

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing.

**Description:** This course is a survey of the nature and extent of violence. The focus is on patterns of violence across social groups, the causes and correlates of violence and violent behavior, and programs/policies geared toward violence prevention and reduction. Also of interest is the relationship between theory and violence research.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 455 Gangs and Gang Control**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Focuses on American youth street gangs. Topics include history of gangs, gang and gang member characteristics, gang life and strategies of gang control. Link between youth street gangs, prison gangs and other deviant collectivities will be explored.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 471 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems: England**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor and instructor permission

**Notes:** Study abroad required.

**Description:** Specialized course which provides a comparison of the criminal justice systems of the United States and the United Kingdom. Allows for an exploration of how the American system developed from the British system and why social and cultural factors influenced the differences/similarities in their development.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 475 International Criminology and Criminal Justice**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Analyzes the dynamics of criminality and the social response to criminality across countries. Differences in crime and justice between developed and developing countries and between socialist and capitalist nations.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 476 Terrorism**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or instructor permission

**Description:** Development of an understanding of terrorism as a political crime. Examines social, political, and psychological aspects of this behavior.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 477 Organized Crime**

**Prerequisites:** CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing

**Description:** Traces the origins and historical development of the activities that have come to be known as "organized crime." These crimes are some of the most dangerous to American society and range from the commonly known offenses of gambling, racketeering, and narcotics trafficking to the more subtle and sophisticated, less understood but equally serious, crimes of extortion, commercial bribery, and political corruption.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 478 White Collar Crime**

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor; CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing;

**Description:** Illegal acts committed by nonphysical means and by concealment or guile, to obtain money or property, to avoid the payment or loss of money or property, or to obtain business or personal advantage.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 480 Special Problems in Criminal Justice**

**Crosslisted with:** CRIM 880

**Prerequisites:** Upper Division CRCJ major; CRCJ minor or CRIM 101 and junior/senior standing; or permission.

**Description:** Analysis of contemporary special problems in the broad spectrum of criminal justice.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 18

**Format:** LEC

**CRIM 495 Independent Studies**

**Prerequisites:** Admission into upper division criminal justice program, 24 hours of criminal justice credit, and permission

**Description:** Faculty-guided research in an area of mutual interest to the student and the instructor. Students are responsible for selecting the area of inquiry prior to contacting the instructor.

**Credit Hours:** 1-3

**Min credits per semester:** 1

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 9

**Format:** IND

**CRIM 496 Issues in Crime and Justice**

**Prerequisites:** Upper-division CRIM major or minor

**Description:** Capstone course will focus on contemporary issues of crime and justice. Justice process and the general operations of the criminal justice system. Concepts of crime and deviance, individual rights, and discrimination in a democratic society will be reviewed and critiqued against the backdrop of contemporary issues. Law enforcement, judicial, juvenile justice, and corrections subsystems. Number of reform proposals presented and considered.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Format:** LEC

**ACE:** ACE 10 Integrated Product

**CRIM 497H Senior Honors Project/Thesis**

**Description:** Independent research project supervised by department/school faculty.

**Credit Hours:** 3-6

**Min credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 6

**Max credits per degree:** 6

**Format:** IND

**CRIM 499 Senior Assessment**

**Description:** Part of the department's Student Outcomes Assessment effort. Designed to monitor the department's performance and to identify changes needed.

**Credit Hours:** 0

**Max credits per semester:**

**Max credits per degree:**

**Format:** IND