Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice program focuses on the issues of law, crime, law enforcement, corrections, and the criminal justice system. The program’s primary purpose is to prepare students to assume entry level positions in various criminal justice occupations and to eventually assume administrative responsibilities, to conduct research in the field, or to pursue advanced degrees.

An accelerated bachelors to masters program is available for exceptionally well qualified students. Please see the requirements for this program at the end of the courses requirements section.

Program Requirements

In addition to the university’s general requirements, students seeking the B.A. in Criminal Justice must meet the requirements listed below. A minimum GPA of 2.25 is required for admission into the major. CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System should be taken as the first course in the major. STA 2023 Elements of Statistics is recommended for all majors.

Criminal Justice Major

General Education

In addition to the General Education requirements listed on this page, students must satisfy all additional University requirements, including the Gordon Rule, multicultural, and foreign language requirements. With appropriate planning and coordination with an academic advisor, students may satisfy some of the general University requirements through the General Education curriculum. For a complete listing of general degree requirements, refer to the 'University Requirements' section of this catalog.

General Education Curriculum:

Communication

ENC 1101  English Composition I  3
ENC 1102  English Composition II  3

Mathematics

Choose one course from Group A and one additional course from either Group A or Group B  6

Group A

MAC 1105  College Algebra
MAC 1105C  College Algebra with Lab
MAC 2311  Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
MGF 1106  Mathematics for Liberal Arts I
MGF 1107  Mathematics for Liberal Arts II
STA 2023  Elements of Statistics

Group B

MAC 1114  Trigonometry
MAC 1140  Precalculus Algebra
MAC 1147  Precalculus with Trigonometry
MAC 2233  Calculus with Business Applications
MAC 2312  Analytic Geometry and Calculus II

Social Sciences

Choose one course from Group A and one additional course from either Group A or Group B  6

Group A

AMH 2020  United States since 1877
ANT 2000  Introduction to Anthropology
ECO 2013  Principles of Economics Macro
POS 2041  American Politics
PSY 2012  General Psychology
SYG 2000  Introduction to Sociology

Group B

AMH 2010  United States to 1877
ANT 2100  Introduction to Archaeology
ANT 2400  Current Cultural Issues
CCJ 2002  Survey of Crime and Justice
COM 2023  Death and Communication
CPO 2002  Comparative Politics
DEP 2004  Human Development Across the Lifespan
EUH 1000  Western Perspectives I
EUH 1001  Western Perspectives II
FIN 2104  Personal Financial Planning
GEA 2000  Nations and Regions of the World
GEB 1011  Introduction to Business
HIS 2050  Explore! History
IDH 1041  Honors Core 2
INR 2002  International Politics
MMC 2000  Principles of Mass Communication
PLA 2013  Survey of American Law
SOW 2192  Understanding Relationships in the 21st Century
SPM 2010  Sport in Global Society
SYG 2010  Current Social Problems

Humanities

Choose one course from Group A and one additional course from either Group A or Group B  6

Group A

ARH 1000  Art Appreciation
LIT 2000  Introduction to Literature
MUL 2010  Music Appreciation
PHI 2010  Introduction to Philosophy
THE 2000  Theatre Appreciation

Group B

AML 2010  American Literature I
AML 2020  American Literature II
AML 2072  Sex, Money, and Power in American Literature
ARH 2050  Western Survey I: Prehistory to the Medieval Period
ARH 2051  Western Survey II: Renaissance to Contemporary
ART 1015C  Exploring Artistic Vision
ART 2821  The Self, Creativity, Your Career and Visual Culture
CRW 2001  Introduction to Creative Writing
ENL 2010  History of English Literature I
ENL 2020  History of English Literature II
IDH 1040  Honors Core 1
LIT 2030  Introduction to Poetry
MUH 2930  The Music Experience: Special Topics
PHI 2103  Critical Thinking
PHI 2603  Ethics in Contemporary Society
REL 1300  World Religions
SPC 2608  Basic Communication Skills
THE 2300  Survey of Dramatic Literature

Natural Sciences
Choose one course from Group A and one additional course from either Group A or Group B.

**Group A**
- AST 1002  Descriptive Astronomy
- BSC 1005  General Biology for Non-Majors
- BSC 1085  Anatomy and Physiology I
- BSC 2010  Biology I
- CHM 1020  Concepts in Chemistry
- CHM 2045  General Chemistry I
- ESC 2000  Introduction to Earth Science
- EVR 2001  Introduction to Environmental Science
- PHY 2048  Calculus-Based Physics I
- PHY 2048C  University Physics I - Studio
- PHY 2053  Algebra-Based Physics I

**Group B**
- ANT 2511  Biological Anthropology
- BOT 2010  General Botany
- BSC 1050  Fundamentals of Ecology
- BSC 2011  Biology II
- BSC 2311  Introduction to Oceanography and Marine Biology
- CHM 1032  Fundamentals of General Chemistry
- CHM 2046  General Chemistry II
- CIS 2530  Introduction to Cybersecurity
- GLY 2010  Physical Geology
- MCB 1000  Fundamentals of Microbiology
- PHC 2082  Informatics and Your Health
- PHY 2049  Calculus-Based Physics II
- PHY 2054  Algebra-Based Physics II

* May be taken with or without lab.
** Algebra-Based Physics is usually recommended for non-science majors, while Calculus-Based Physics is recommended for science majors.
*** Although students receive 5 semester hours credit for PHY 2048C, an additional 3 semester science course will be needed to meet General Education requirements.

General Education Electives
Choose an additional course from two of the three areas of Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences.

Multicultural Requirement
Multicultural Courses
An important component of a liberal education is the study of cultures other than one's own. As such, multiculturalism encompasses the appreciation of the values, expressions, and modes of organization of diverse cultural communities. To further such study, the University of West Florida requires all students pursuing a bachelor's degree to complete at least one course that explores one or more of the dimensions of another culture (language, religion, socio-economic structures, etc.). Students are exempt from this requirement if they have completed an A.A. degree, the general education program at a Florida public institution, or a baccalaureate degree.

The requirement is satisfied by the successful completion of a multicultural course designated on the following list. Several of the selections are General Education courses, and students may enroll in these to meet both the General Education and the multicultural requirements.

**Passed by UWF Faculty Senate on 11/08/2002**

This list is continually updated and students are encouraged to check with their advisors for alternative options.

- AML 2010  American Literature I 3
- AML 2020  American Literature II 3
- AML 3604  African American Literature 3
- AML 3624  Black Women Writers 3
- AML 4015  Topics in Nineteenth-Century American Literature 3
- ANT 2000  Introduction to Anthropology 3
- ANT 2301  Human Sexuality and Culture 3
- ANT 3212  Peoples and Cultures of the World 3
- ANT 3312  North American Indians 3
- ANT 3363  Japanese Culture 3
- ANT 3403  Cultural Ecology 3
- ANT 4006  Anthropology of Human Rights 3
- ANT 4191  Ritual Use of Human Remains 3
- ARH 1000  Art Appreciation 3
- ARH 2050  Western Survey I: Prehistory to the Medieval Period 3
- ARH 2051  Western Survey II: Renaissance to Contemporary 3
- ARH 3590  Non-Western Art 3
- ARH 3606  Native American Art 3
- ARH 4302  Late Renaissance Art in Italy 3
- ARH 4305  Early Italian Renaissance Art 3
- ARH 4412  The Age of Revolution to Romanticism in Europe: 1750-1850 3
- ARH 4450  Modern Art: 1850-1980 3
- ARH 4470  Contemporary Art 3
- ARH 4563  Art of Japan 3
- ARH 4892  Inscribed Bodies: Concepts of Tattoo and Body Art in World History 3
- CCJ 3678  Race, Gender, Ethnicity, and Crime 3
- COM 3014  Gender Communication 3
- COM 3461  Intercultural Communication 3
- CPO 2002  Comparative Politics 3
Civic Literacy Requirement

1. Baccalaureate degree-seeking students initially entering a state university fall semester 2018 and thereafter must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation:
   a. Successfully passing either POSX041 American Government or AMHX020 Introductory Survey Since 1877. Each of the courses must include the following competencies:
      i. Understanding of the basic principles and practices of American democracy and how they are applied in our republican form of government;
      ii. An understanding of the United States Constitution and its application;
      iii. Knowledge of the founding documents and how they have shaped the nature and functions of our institutions of self-government; and
      iv. An understanding of landmark Supreme Court cases, landmark legislation and landmark executive actions and their impact on law and society.

2. Achieving the standard score on one of the following assessments:

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*BOG 8.006

Common Prerequisite

State mandated common prerequisites must be completed prior to graduation, but are not required for admission to the program. See the Common Prerequisite Manual for course substitutions from Florida colleges and universities.

Lower Division Electives

Students must complete sufficient 1000/2000 level electives to satisfy at least 60 sh in the lower division. Current UWF students may use elective courses at any level (1000-4000) to meet this elective requirement.

Total Hours 24

Criminal Justice Major

Criminal Justice Core:

- CCJ 3014 Criminology *
- CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System *
- CCJ 4700 Research Design in Criminal Justice *
- CJC 4010 Corrections *
- CJE 4110 Policing *
- CJL 3510 Courts *

Choose one:

- CCJ 4939 Criminal Justice Seminar *
- CCJ 4940 Criminal Justice Internship *
Criminal Justice Major: 21 semester hours of criminal justice (CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJL, CJJ, DSC) 3000/4000 level elective course work beyond the Core Requirements are required.

Students can satisfy up to 6 hours of this requirement with service learning, internship, and/or directed study courses (combination of these shall not exceed 6 hours; criminal justice internship taken as part of core requirements shall not count in this category). *

Total Hours 42

* 21 semester hours of justice studies 3000/4000 level elective course work beyond the Core Requirements are required. Students can satisfy up to 6 hours of this requirement with service learning, internship, and/or directed study courses (combination of these shall not exceed 6 hours).

+ Courses included in the major GPA

**Major-Related Electives**

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** Upper Division Electives **

Student must complete sufficient 3000/4000 level electives to meet UWF's requirement of 48 semester hours in the upper division or complete all departmental requirements at the 3000/4000 level, whichever is greater.

Total Hours 6

The upper-division courses (3000-4000 level) with the following prefixes will be used in calculating the major grade point average: CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJL, CJJ, DSC.

**Accelerated Bachelors(B.A.)/Masters (M.S.) in Criminal Justice Option**

Minimum Requirements for admission include:
- Overall undergraduate GPA of 3.25 or better
- Completion of 75 undergraduate credit hours
- Undergraduate Major GPA of 3.5 or better
- Completion of all Bachelor of Arts Criminal Justice major core requirements
- A grade of B (3.0) or higher in all BACJ major core classes
- One letter of recommendation from a Criminal Justice or Legal Studies faculty member

Process: A prospective student who meets the minimum requirements for admission for the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program must schedule a meeting with his/her undergraduate advisor and graduate advisor to discuss and develop a degree plan for his/her Accelerated BA/MSCJ program. The student must then submit an Accelerated BA/MSCJ program application and letter of recommendation to the graduate advisor.

Eligibility and Restrictions: Students must have completed 75 undergraduate credit hours, including credits earned from advanced placement, prior to applying to the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program. Transfer students must have completed a minimum of two semesters and at least 24 credit hours at the University of West Florida prior to application to the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program. Eligible students can apply for the program at any time, and if they are accepted they can start in the following semester. Admission into the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program does not guarantee admission into the MSCJ program upon completion of the BACJ. Students must still submit an Express Admission application for the MSCJ program. Students who are a part of the BA/MSCJ program cannot be provisionally or conditionally admitted into the MSCJ program.

Program Requirements: Upon admission into the MSCJ, the 12 graduate credit hours completed as an undergraduate student will count for 12 of the 24 hours in Criminal Justice coursework for the MSCJ. Students in the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program must earn a grade of B (3.0/4.0) or better in each of the graduate level courses that are being applied to both degrees. Courses completed with a grade of B- or below cannot be applied to the MSCJ degree. Students accepted into the MSCJ program must complete all MSCJ requirements within 18 months of completing the BACJ degree. If the MSCJ program requirements are not completed within 18 months, the student is no longer eligible to apply the graduate credit hours toward both degrees (i.e., the student can only apply the graduate credit hours toward completion of the BACJ degree or toward a future master’s degree) and is automatically terminated from the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program.

If a student in the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program completes the BACJ degree requirements with an overall GPA of less than 3.25/4.0, he/she is no longer eligible to apply the graduate credit hours toward both degrees (i.e., the student can only apply the credit hours towards completion of the BACJ degree or toward a future master’s degree) and is automatically terminated from the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program.

A student who becomes ineligible to continue participating in or withdraws from the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program cannot apply any graduate credit hours toward both degrees (i.e., the student can only apply the credit hours towards completion of the BA degree or toward a future master’s degree).

Students who are enrolled in the Accelerated BA/MSCJ program are eligible for graduate assistantship positions only after completing the BACJ degree.

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System should be taken as the first course in any Criminal Justice minor. Courses must be completed at UWF with a grade of “C” or higher. Requirements may not be met with directed studies courses.

**Criminal Justice**

The Criminal Justice Minor provides an overview of the criminal justice system. Criminal Justice majors may not earn this minor.

- CCJ 3014 Criminology 3
- CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System 3
- CJC 4010 Corrections 3
- CJE 4110 Policing 3
- CJL 3510 Courts 3

Total Hours 15

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System should be taken as the first course in any Criminal Justice minor. Courses must be completed at UWF with a grade of “C” or higher. Requirements may not be met with directed studies courses.
**Forensic Studies**

The Forensic Studies Minor supplements course work in majors related to criminal justice. It prepares students for careers in investigation as well as graduate study. Criminal Justice majors may not earn this minor.

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Total Hours 15

**Juvenile Justice**

This is an interdisciplinary minor for students seeking job opportunities in juvenile justice. The minor introduces students to the juvenile justice system, explores issues related to juvenile delinquency, examines alternative programs available for treating delinquency, and teaches students case management skills. The minor is especially compatible with those in social science disciplines and social science-related professional fields. Criminal Justice majors may not earn this minor.

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