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*University of Missouri-St. Louis*

# Criminology & Criminal Justice

## **Why UM-SL?**

Why study criminology and criminal justice at UM-St. Louis? Among the many reasons (small classes, rich and relevant curriculum, internship opportunities, strong preparation for a variety of fields), perhaps the most important is the quality of the faculty. The department's faculty are not only dedicated teachers but highly accomplished research scholars. Here you will learn from professors who are on the frontiers of knowledge in the field. You will have the opportunity to "look over their shoulder" as your faculty pursue new research ideas, evaluate criminal justice interventions, and help develop innovative new programs. If you are interested in learning about the very latest research findings in criminology and criminal justice, from some of the top scholars in the field, then UM-St. Louis is the place for you.

## **Career Outlook**

The orientation of the criminology and criminal justice faculty and of the degree program prepare the graduate to work professionally for local, state, and federal agencies concerned with maintaining public safety by the prevention, apprehension, and rehabilitation of offenders. The B.S. in criminology and criminal justice is also advantageous for careers with various social agencies, especially those connected with the juvenile court system, probation and parole and local police. Many students use the B.S. in criminology and criminal justice as preparation for law school. The B.S. in Criminology and Criminal Justice also provides excellent preparation for graduate school in a variety of fields.

The interdisciplinary curricula unify a body of knowledge from criminology, social science, law, public administration and corrections, giving a unique preparation and providing the student with an understanding of the assumptions, values, and processes of the system of justice. An internship program is offered for college credit. The liaison, supervision, and experience with public agencies which form an integral part of this program help the student arrive at a career decision.

## **Undergraduate Studies**

### **Degrees and Areas of Concentration**

The Department offers courses leading to the bachelor of science, master of arts, and Ph.D. degrees in criminology and criminal justice.

### **Faculty**

Criminology and criminal justice faculty represent several academic disciplines. By integrating practice with theory, faculty are able to present a comprehensive picture of crime and the justice system. An emphasis on understanding the theoretical foundations which underlie human behavior and the institutions of justice characterizes the departmental orientation. Faculty research and publications also reflect this concern with an understanding of both the underlying theoretical foundations and their application. This nexus of theory and application is found most directly in the Department's emphasis on understanding policy in criminology and criminal justice. All components of crime and justice are represented in the curriculum including criminal behavior, delinquency, crime prevention, arrest, prosecution, defense, court processing, probation, prison, and parole. A special feature of the program is the cadre of local professionals who supplement the regular faculty. Merging theory with practice is a daily routine for supplemental faculty members. Full-time faculty members provide course work that forms the sound basis of a liberal arts education.

### **Internships**

Majors are encouraged to participate in Criminology and Criminal Justice 3280 during their junior or senior year. The internship affords students the opportunity to gain experience in a criminal justice agency under the joint supervision of agency personnel and criminology and criminal justice faculty.

### **Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice**

The minor gives formal recognition to those students from other major areas who find that criminology and criminal justice courses fit their academic or professional needs and/or interests.

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## ***General Education Requirements***

Majors must satisfy the University and College general education requirements. Foreign language proficiency is not required, although students are encouraged to take foreign language courses. Majors may not take the following courses on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis: Criminology and Criminal Justice courses; Sociology 2220, Quantitative Techniques in Sociology; or Sociology 2230, Research Methods. Additionally, substitutions which have been approved by departmental advisers for these courses may not be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.

After fulfilling the general education and specific major degree requirements, students are to take the remaining hours required to complete the B.S. degree from courses which the appropriate department has evaluated as being of university-level quality from one or more of the following areas or their university-quality equivalents at other institutions: anthropology/archaeology, art (appreciation, history, studio), biology, chemistry, communication, criminology and criminal justice, economics, English, foreign languages/literatures, history, mathematics/computer science, music (appreciation, history, performance), philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, social work, sociology, business, education, engineering, and interdisciplinary. The Criminology and Criminal Justice Department may require students to pass a placement test in order to enroll in the next level course, provided this or an equivalent test is administered to all students seeking to enroll in that course.

## ***Degree Requirements***

### **Bachelor of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice**

Students may register for 3000-5000-level courses only after completing Eng 3100 (Advanced Expository Writing).

Students may register for 3000-5000-level courses only after obtaining a signature from the adviser in criminology and criminal justice. All prerequisites must be satisfied prior to enrolling in a course.

CCJ majors may not take course numbers 1100, 2260, or 3345 offered through UM-Independent Studies to fulfill degree requirements in the major.

Bachelor of science in criminology and criminal justice candidates must complete the core curriculum listed below:

#### **Core Curriculum**

The following courses in Criminology and Criminal Justice are required:

1100, Introduction to Criminology and Criminal Justice

1110, Theories of Crime  
1120, Criminal Law  
1130, Criminal Justice Policy  
2210, Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice  
2220, Statistical Analysis in Criminology and Criminal Justice  
4390, Seminar in Criminology and Criminal Justice

**One** of the following courses in Criminology and Criminal Justice:

3305, Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice  
3325, Violence Against Women  
4325, Gender, Crime and Justice  
4340, Race, Crime, and Justice

**Two courses from the following four:**

2230, Crime Prevention  
2240, Policing  
2260, Corrections  
2270, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency

**Two additional courses at the 3000-, 4000-, or 5000-level:**

3043, History of Crime and Justice  
3305, Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice  
3310, Computers in Criminal Justice  
3320, The Death Penalty  
3325, Violence Against Women  
3330, White Collar Crime  
3345, Rights of the Offender  
4300, Communities and Crime  
4320, Forms of Criminal Behavior  
4325, Gender, Crime and Justice  
4335, Probation and Parole  
4340, Race, Crime, and Justice  
4350, Victimology  
4380, Special Topics in Criminology and Criminal Justice  
4487, Philosophy of Law  
5515, Ethics in Criminology and Criminal Justice

#### **Elective Courses**

1150, Violence in America  
1990, The City  
2180, Alcohol, Drugs and Society  
2227, Urban Law: Poverty and the Justice System  
2251, Youth Gangs  
2265, Capital Punishment  
3280, Internship in Criminology and Criminal Justice  
3290, Special Readings

#### **Requirements for the Minor**

The minor has been designed to ground students in the basics of criminology and criminal justice.

**All minor candidates must take:**

1100, Introduction to Criminology and Criminal Justice

**The candidates must then select from two of the following three courses:**

1110, Theories of Crime  
1120, Criminal Law  
1130, Criminal Justice Policy

Candidates must then complete 6 hours of criminology and criminal justice course work at the 2000-level or above.

Candidates must also have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in the minor. None of the courses may be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory (s/u) basis.

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