

History/Social Sciences

Majors in Criminal Justice, History, Geography, Political Science, and Sociology often pursue further studies at the graduate level in their respective disciplines. Traditionally, these studies lead to careers in teaching and research. In addition, because of their training in reading, writing, and critical thinking, history and social science graduates often pursue legal careers.

The student majoring in the department of History/Social Sciences may elect one of four Degrees: History, Geography, Political Science, or Sociology/Social Work. The student majoring in any of these areas must complete a core curriculum and elect a concentration in one of four options listed above. Required courses specified in those tracks are designed to provide a broad general knowledge in that field. Additional course work in political science or sociology may be selected for greater specialization. The Political Science major must choose a minimum of 15 hours from courses numbered 300 and above. Those courses will be chosen from the primary and suggested courses in the respective concentration. The student should be aware that the Department of History/Social Sciences may retain all work written or created as a course requirement.

History/Social Science Core Curriculum:

- History 105-106,
- American history (3 hours),
- Psychology 216,
- Sociology 285,
- Philosophy (3 hours),
- At least an additional 12 hours of social sciences outside the area of concentration.
- Economics (3 hours),
- Political Science: Primary courses - 101, 151.
- A minimum of 9 hours from American Politics - 190, 201, 211, 256, 306, 307, 315, 316, 317, 399, 411, 427, 434; and a minimum of 9 hours from International Politics and Theory - 203, 204, 403, 424, 425, 427, 442, 460.
- Suggested additional courses - 190, 211, 256, 316, 317, 411, 427.
- Sociology: Primary courses - 105, 142, 465. Suggested additional courses are 250, 255, 256, 301, 302, 317, 375, 420, 460, 495, 499.

Bachelor of Criminal Justice Degree (B.C.J.)

The Bachelor of Criminal Justice degree program prepares individuals for professional careers in law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, juvenile justice administration, and private sector security.

Degree Requirements

1. Completion of the University's general degree requirements and the requirements of the Criminal Justice Curriculum.
2. A minimum of 2.0 grade point average in the Criminal Justice core in addition to the minimum 2.0 grade point average required in the University's general education program.
3. Completion of a minimum of 9 hours in residence in courses above 300 in the subject of concentration; the student transferring from other colleges must take at least 12 hours in the major subject, with a minimum of 9 of these hours in courses numbered 300 or above.
4. Completion of assessment procedures of the department.
5. Completion of Communications 135 and English 115 with grades of C or better. A maximum of 12 hours of Military Science may be used for degree credit in the Bachelor of Criminal Justice Program.
6. Completion of forty-five (45) hours in 300/400 level courses.

BACHELOR OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE			
Total Hours: 129			
<i>FRESHMAN YEAR</i>	<i>Sem. Hrs.</i>	<i>SOPHOMORE YEAR</i>	<i>Sem. Hrs.</i>
English 105, 115	6	English (200-level literature)	6
Communications 135	3	Science (two-term sequence)	6
Mathematics 121	3	Mathematics above 121	3
Criminal Justice 107	3	Criminal Justice 214	3
Computer Science 111	3	Criminal Justice 216	3
Psychology 152	3	Political Science 211	3
Political Science 151	3	United States History (145 or 146)	3
Sociology 105	3	Foreign Language	3
United States History (145 or 146)	3	Approved elective	<u>3</u>
Foreign Language	<u>3</u>		33
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<i>JUNIOR YEAR</i>	<i>Sem. Hrs.</i>	<i>SENIOR YEAR</i>	<i>Sem. Hrs.</i>
Criminal Justice 330	3	Psychology 300/400 level	3
Criminal Justice 331	3	Criminal Justice 430	3
Criminal Justice 353	3	Criminal Justice 300/400 level	6
Criminal Justice Electives	6	Fine Arts elective	3
Sociology 320 and 322	6	Political Science 411	3
Science (non-sequential area)	3	Approved electives	9
Approved electives	3	Approved electives 300/400 level	<u>3</u>
Criminal Justice 300 level	<u>6</u>		30
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Minor in Criminal Justice: Students choosing to minor in Criminal Justice must have 21 hours consisting of CJ 107, 6 hours of CJ electives, and 12 hours of CJ electives at 300+.