College:
Social Sciences and Professional Studies

Degree and Programs Offered:
Bachelor of Arts
Major - Criminal Justice
Minor - Criminal Justice

Student Organizations/Clubs:
Criminal Justice Association

Career Possibilities:
The criminal justice major is designed to provide a broad-based liberal arts education for undergraduates interested in careers in criminal justice. Increasingly, criminal justice agencies require bachelor's degrees for entry-level and management positions. Possible career opportunities include federal, state, and local law enforcement, probation and parole officers, youth counselors, private investigators, criminal investigators, correctional officers, intelligence analysts, legal assistants, family violence counselors, victim-witness advocates and counselors, statistical research analysts, court administrators, customs officers, and border patrol agents.

Department Overview
The criminal justice major is an interdisciplinary field with emphasis on the social sciences. Criminal justice examines the scientific study of the structure and function of law enforcement, the courts and corrections. In other words, criminal justice examines decision-making processes, operations and other justice-related issues.

Program Level Outcomes
Our students can use their knowledge in Criminal Justice to:

1. Improve the Justice System - by communicating the results of criminal justice concepts and criminological theories to articulate methods and strategies to improve our justice system.
2. Advance the Scientific Basis - exercise reasoned judgment to advance the scientific basis of criminal justice practices, policies and procedures by identifying and evaluating research needs and priorities of our justice agencies.
3. Promote Ethical Principles and Practices - demonstrate social and personal responsibility by evaluating evidence, acting ethically, and reflecting the values that are the underpinnings of criminal justice as an academic discipline.

Preparation for Graduate School
The criminal justice major provides preparation for professional and graduate studies in law, criminology, criminal justice, sociology, public administration, and other related fields.

Requirements for Admission to the Criminal Justice Major
In order to declare a major in criminal justice, the student must have 1) CRMJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice (or equivalent transfer course) with a grade of C or better, and 2) an overall GPA of at least 2.25.

Requirements for the Criminal Justice Major (42 Credits)
This 42-credit major includes a core of 27 credits of criminal justice courses and 15 credits of upper-level electives. At least 15 credits of upper-level courses in the major must be completed at UW-Parkside. An internship is strongly recommended.

Complete with a C or better (C-minus is not acceptable) all courses toward the criminal justice major. Courses are selected in consultation with your academic adviser.

A. Required Core Courses (27 credits)
- CRMJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice ...............3 cr
- CRMJ 200 Criminal Justice Research Methods............3 cr
- CRMJ 233 Criminology........................................3 cr
- CRMJ 234 Juvenile Delinquency/Juvenile Justice ......3 cr
- CRMJ 235 Police and Society.................................3 cr
- CRMJ 316 Criminal Procedure ................................3 cr
- CRMJ 363 Corrections ..........................................3 cr
- CRMJ 365 Race, Crime, Law (DV) ..........................3 cr
- CRMJ 380 Criminal Law ........................................3 cr

B. Upper-Level Electives (15 credits)
Suggested 300-level electives relevant to possible career tracks:

Law Enforcement
- CRMJ 305 Family Violence ....................................3 cr
- CRMJ 327 Communities, Crime and Place ............3 cr
- CRMJ 335 Liability Issues in Criminal Justice .........3 cr
- CRMJ 344 Organized Crime ..................................3 cr
- CRMJ 345 White Collar Crime ..............................3 cr
- CRMJ 355 Forensic Evidence .................................3 cr
The minor in criminal justice consists of a minimum of 24-26 credits, distributed as follows:

### Core Courses Required (12 credits)

**A. Required Course:**

- CRMJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice ..........3 cr

**Select 9 credits from the following Core Courses:**

- CRMJ 233 Criminology ......................................3 cr
- CRMJ 235 Police and Society ..................................3 cr
- CRMJ 316 Criminal Procedure ................................3 cr
- CRMJ 365 Race, Crime, Law (DV) ........................3 cr
- CRMJ 390 Criminal Law ......................................3 cr

**B. Research Methods/Statistics (3-5 credits)**

- CRMJ 200 Criminal Justice Research Methods ........3 cr

or equivalent methods/statistics course approved by the criminal justice adviser.

**C. Upper-Level Electives (Select 9 credits)**

Suggested 300-level electives relevant to possible career tracks:

- CRMJ 367 Latinos(as) and the Law ..........................3 cr
- CRMJ 368 Victimology ..........................................3 cr
- CRMJ 371 The Criminal Mind ..................................3 cr
- CRMJ 372 Violence ..............................................3 cr
- CRMJ 387 Terrorism and Security ............................3 cr
- CRMJ 388 Comparative and International Criminal Justice Systems ..........................3 cr
- CRMJ 389 The Criminal Justice Profession ................3 cr
- POLS 310 Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties ............3 cr
- SOCA 310 Forensic Anthropology ............................3 cr

### Courts/Law

- CRMJ 335 Liability Issues in Criminal Justice ..........3 cr
- CRMJ 359 Law and Society ....................................3 cr
- CRMJ 365 Women, Crime, Criminal Justice .............3 cr
- CRMJ 372 Violence ..............................................3 cr
- PHIL 320 Value Theory: Punishment ........................3 cr
- PHIL 328 Ethics in the Criminal Justice System ........3 cr

### Corrections

- CRMJ 305 Family Violence ....................................3 cr
- CRMJ 325 Restorative Justice .................................3 cr
- CRMJ 335 Liability Issues in Criminal Justice ..........3 cr
- CRMJ 366 Women, Crime and Criminal Justice ..........3 cr
- CRMJ 371 The Criminal Mind ..................................3 cr
- CRMJ 372 Violence ..............................................3 cr
- PHIL 320 Value Theory: Punishment ........................3 cr
- PHIL 328 Ethics in the Criminal Justice System ........3 cr

### Juvenile Justice

- CRMJ 305 Family Violence ....................................3 cr
- CRMJ 366 Women, Crime and Criminal Justice ..........3 cr
- CRMJ 372 Violence ..............................................3 cr
- CRMJ 391 The Criminal Justice Profession ...............3 cr
- PHIL 328 Ethics in the Criminal Justice System ........3 cr

### Criminal Justice/Social Justice

- CRMJ 352 Law and Social Change ............................3 cr
- CRMJ 353 Criminal Justice/Social Justice .................3 cr
- CRMJ 359 Law and Society ....................................3 cr
- CRMJ 374 Crime & Human Rights ............................3 cr
- CRMJ 385 Media, Crime and Criminal Justice ............3 cr
- CRMJ 388 Comparative and International Criminal Justice Systems ..........................3 cr
- CRMJ 391 The Criminal Justice Profession ...............3 cr
- POLS 316 Diversity Law: African Americans (DV) .......3 cr
- CRMJ 492 Criminal Justice Research Seminar ............3 cr
- CRMJ 494 Criminal Justice Internship* ........................3-6 cr

* Only 3 credits of CRMJ 494 will count toward criminal justice upper-division elective credits

### Requirements for the Criminal Justice Minor (24-26 Credits)

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### Courses in Criminal Justice (CRMJ)

**101 Introduction to Criminal Justice**

Prereq: None. Freq: Fall, Spring, Summer.

An introduction to the study of agencies and processes involved in the criminal justice system: law enforcement, the courts, corrections, and juvenile justice. An analysis of the roles and problems within criminal justice agencies in a democratic society.

**200 Criminal Justice Research Methods**

Prereq: CRMJ 101. Freq: Fall, Spring.

Methods, philosophy and sources of criminal justice research.

**233 Criminology**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.

Critique of approaches to prevention and correction. Cross-listed with SOCA 233.

**234 Juvenile Delinquency/Juvenile Justice**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.

Conceptions of juvenile delinquency; the offender in the juvenile justice system; the philosophy, structure and function of juvenile courts; the philosophy, development, and organization of diversion, detention and treatment of the juvenile offender. Cross-listed with SOCA 234.

**235 Police and Society**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.

A study of the various levels, roles, and functions of law enforcement in America. The nature and responsibilities of law enforcement are discussed and evaluated, including police accountability and civil liability. Examines the racial, ethnic and gender issues in law enforcement. Cross-listed with SOCA 235.

**290 Special Topics in Criminal Justice**

Prereq: Consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

Selected topics in criminal justice will be examined. General elective only, not upper-level elective.

**305 Family Violence**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

An examination of the criminal justice response to family violence, which includes child abuse, spousal abuse, elder abuse, date rape, and others. The prevalence and extent of family violence as well as strategies for treatment and prevention will be explored.

**316 Criminal Procedure**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.

This course provides a selective analysis of the constitutional amendments most relevant to criminal justice process. Designed to complement criminal law and criminal court process, it offers a comprehensive explanation of the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, and 14th amendments; more commonly known as the criminal justice amendments.

**325 Restorative Justice**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Yearly.

This course examines the basic principles of restorative justice and its variants, such as transformative justice, peacemaking criminology, and community justice systems. Restorative justice is contrasted with the dominant retributive/punitive model of justice. The position of the victim, offender, and the community within the context of restorative justice is also explored and examined.

**327 Communities, Crime and Place**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

Examines the theoretical and applied relationship between communities, crime and place. Includes discussions of criminal justice, geographic and sociological theories linking crime to location. Reviews crime mapping.

**335 Liability Issues in Criminal Justice**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

Liability issues in criminal justice focuses on the constitutional and statutory rules governing liability for governmental actions resulting in harm to citizens under civil rights laws.

**344 Organized Crime**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

This course examines the development of organized crime in America and internationally, including the history, development, ethical links, and impact on society and the economy. International cooperation in addressing the problem of organized crime will be covered.

**345 White Collar Crime**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

This course covers a variety of issues in white collar and corporate crime including the kinds of offenses officially defined in the law as white collar crime. Criminological theories about white collar crime, including controversies over how it is defined, are reviewed.

**352 Law and Social Change**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Yearly.

This course will provide a broad theoretical background against which to explore policies in the system of law, in definition and enforcement of the law, and to follow those policies as they have been and are presently affected by social change. Cross-listed with SOCA 352.

**353 Criminal Justice/Social Justice**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

The relationship between criminal justice and social justice will be examined.

**355 Forensic Evidence**

Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.

This course covers a variety of issues in forensic investigation including the types of scientific evidence frequently encountered in the criminal courts. Particular emphasis on scientific evidence in criminal investigations and a few selected cases involving introduction of scientific evidence, are reviewed.

**359 Law and Society**

Prereq: CRMJ 101, SOCA 100 or 101. Freq: Occasionally.

Selected legal rules, principles, and institutions treated from a sociological perspective. Influence of culture and social organization on law; role of law in social change; social aspects of the administration of justice; and social knowledge and law. Cross-listed with SOCA 359.

**361 Correctional Intervention**

Prereq: CRMJ 101, or consent of instructor. Freq: Yearly.

This course will review the history of correctional treatment in the United States, from doing penance in the earliest forms of prison to modern day rehabilitative techniques. It will include a discussion of...
both conservative and liberal form of correctional intervention and is intended to give students an understanding of the interventions that are used to reduce criminal behavior in the field of corrections.

362 Community Corrections .................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
An overview of major components of community-based methods of correctional supervision with an emphasis on probation and parole. Community supervision will be examined from historical, philosophical, social and legal perspectives.

363 Corrections ................................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor.

364 Capital Punishment ....................................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
An examination of historic and current trends in capital punishment. Considers the literature and philosophical basis of capital punishment, and other issues (e.g., the costs, future trends). Provides an indepth examination of capital punishment from a criminal justice policy perspective.

365 Race, Crime, Law ......................................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or SOCA 100 or 101, junior standing.
Freq: Fall, Spring.
Explores the intersections of race, crime and law in terms of the historical context, the present-day situation and future directions. From law enforcement to courts and corrections, this course focuses on the multiple perspectives from offender to victim to criminal justice practitioner. Cross-listed with SOCA 365.

366 Women, Crime and Criminal Justice ............................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
An examination of the causes and consequences of crime victimization. The history and recent re-emergence of the study of the victim, the types and circumstances of criminal victimization. The course addresses victims’ rights and the victims’ rights movement. Cross-listed with SOCA 368.

367 Latinos(as) and the Law .................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or POLS 100; or consent of instructor.
Freq: Occasionally.
Introduces and examines experiences Latinos(as) encounter with and within the U.S. criminal justice system, as well as related international and transnational issues. A range of theoretical frameworks will be utilized, including socio-ecological, political, and psychological. Cross-listed with ISTD 367/POLS 367.

368 Victimology ................................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101, or SOCA 100 or 101 or consent of instructor.
Freq: Occasionally.
An examination of the causes and consequences of crime victimization. The history and recent re-emergence of the study of the victim, the types and circumstances of criminal victimization. The course addresses victims’ rights and the victims’ rights movement. Cross-listed with SOCA 368.

371 The Criminal Mind ....................................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
Criminal behavior will be examined in relation to learning factors, psychopathy, juvenile delinquency, mental disorders, violence and homicide, sexual offenses, economic crimes, drugs and alcohol and the correctional system.

372 Violence ................................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
This course introduces students to the study of violence and offers a historically grounded, multidisciplinary approach that integrates perspectives from the social sciences, humanities and the natural and physical sciences, in order to provide a comparative framework within which to understand violence.

374 Crime & Human Rights ................................................ 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
Focuses on the interrelationship between crime and human rights. Discusses the Bill of Rights especially the freedom of expression, fundamental fairness and equality. Examines the American criminal justice system via the works of prominent writers, researchers and activists.

375 Criminal Court Process ............................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
An analysis of the criminal court process from the formal charging of criminal cases through sentencing. An examination of the manner in which cases move through the criminal court system.

380 Criminal Law ........................................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.
An analysis of substantive criminal law. Included are elements of crime; crimes against person, property and public morality; complicity; and inchoate crime.

385 Myths, Media and Criminal Justice .............................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
An examination of the causes and consequences of crime victimization. The history and recent re-emergence of the study of the victim, the types and circumstances of criminal victimization. The course addresses victims’ rights and the victims’ rights movement. Cross-listed with SOCA 368.

387 Terrorism and Security .................................................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
This course examines critically the theory and methods of comparative criminal justice. A survey of the procedures and processes employed by other countries to identify, adjudicate and respond to crime and deviant behaviors.

391 The Criminal Justice Profession .................................... 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 or consent of instructor. Freq: Occasionally.
This course examines the development of the criminal justice profession – the historical changes, present-day issues and future directions. In addition, this course focuses on various issues such as professional socialization ranging from the macro-occupational structure of the profession to the micro-processes of becoming a criminal justice professional, traditional and nontraditional career paths within criminal justice, promotions, and professional advancement.

400 Special Topics in Criminal Justice .............................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 and junior standing, or consent of instructor.
Freq: Fall, Spring.
Selected topics in criminal justice are offered and the content varies from semester to semester.

492 Criminal Justice Research Seminar .............................. 3 cr
Prereq: CRMJ 101 and junior standing. Consent of instructor.
Freq: Occasionally.
A selected criminal justice research project at the advanced level will be offered to students under faculty supervision. Hands-on community research will be conducted as a class project. Research project will vary from semester to semester. May be repeated for credit with different projects.

499 Independent Study ....................................................... 1-4 cr
Prereq: Criminal justice major; junior standing, and consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring.
Independent work on specific problems in criminal justice under faculty supervision. Eligible areas of study include topics that are not explored sufficiently in the existing curriculum.