



Criminal Justice Minor

Student must complete a minimum of 18 hours, including 9 hours in upper-division (33XX-43XX) coursework.

Lower Division Coursework- 9 hours

1301 **Introduction to Criminal Justice**

Development and philosophy of criminal justice in a democratic society; introduction to agencies involved in the administration of criminal justice.

1306 **Court Systems and Practices**

Focuses on the role of the courts in the administration of criminal justice, with special attention to the legal processing of criminal defendants. Topics include the structure of the American courts, due process, right to counsel, pre-trial release, plea bargaining, trial proceedings, and sentencing.

1310 **Criminal Law**

History and philosophy of modern criminal law, including the structure, definition, and application of statute and leading case law; the elements of crimes and penalties.

Upper Division Coursework- 9 hours

3300 **Applied Research Methods in Criminal Justice** (Previous Name: Critical Analysis & Response Formulation)

An overview of the process of effective assessment in the development, application, and administration of criminal justice policy. *Prerequisite:* CRIJ 1301 with a grade of "C" or better.

3313 **Criminology**

This course surveys historical perspectives on crime, contemporary criminological theory, penological theory, current trends in crime, and critical thought on current criminal justice practices and procedures. Particular emphasis is given to the development and application of theory in regard to different types of crimes, "crime waves", and appropriate penal policy. *Prerequisite:* CRIJ 1301 with a grade of "C" or better. Crosslisted with SOCI 3348.

33XX-43XX **Criminal Justice Elective:** _____