Crime, Law, and Psychology, Minor

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

The Crime, Law, and Psychology (CLP) minor is a multidisciplinary minor that offers a broad overview of the causes of crime, an understanding of the criminal justice system, and an awareness of how public policy influences criminal law. Classes will provide in-depth understanding of both sociological and psychological causes of criminal behavior, the psychological analysis of crime, the legal process, and policy-making. Students will have flexibility in choosing classes in three domains: Criminology, Psychology, and Political Science. This minor is designed for students with interest in learning about criminal behavior, the causes of criminal behavior, criminal investigation, and the legal system. PSYCH 100 is a prerequisite for all other PSYCH courses. PLSC 1 and PLSC 14 are prerequisites for some of the PLSC courses in the minor.

What is Crime, Law, and Psychology?

Intrigued by the criminal mind? The minor in Crime, Law, and Psychology explores sociological and psychological causes of criminal behavior. Interested in how the law works? The minor also allows you to study the legal process of adjudicating criminal cases and the political process that creates policies to prevent, control, and prosecute crime.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are fascinated by the causes of criminal behavior and by the effect of crime on society.
- You want a solid understanding of how the criminal-justice system works, and how society treats those processed by the system.
- You envision yourself working in law enforcement, corrections, or social work.