CRIMINOLOGY, B.S.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: University Park

Degree Requirements
For the Bachelor of Science degree in Criminology, a minimum of 121 credits is required:

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4 of these 45 credits are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes 4 credits of General Education GQ courses.

Per Senate Policy 83-80.5, the college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of coursework in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. For more information, check the Recommended Academic Plan for your intended program.

General Education
Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)
- Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
- Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

Knowledge Domains
- Arts (GA): 6 credits
- Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 6 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 6 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 9 credits

Integrative Studies (may also complete a Knowledge Domain requirement)
- Inter-Domain or Approved Linked Courses: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements
First Year Engagement
All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement
6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements
- United States Cultures: 3 credits
- International Cultures: 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum
3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits
A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work
Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition
The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major
A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the major. To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn at least a C grade in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44).

Common Requirements for the Major (All Options)

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<td>Criminology Theory and Evidence</td>
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<td>STAT 200</td>
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CMSC 100 Computer Fundamentals and Applications
CMSC 101 Introduction to Programming

Select one of the following: 3
- SOC 1 Introductory Sociology
- SOC 3 Introductory Social Psychology
- SOC 5 Social Problems

Select 6 credits in race, ethnicity, and gender from the following: 6
- AFAM 100N Black Freedom Struggles
- AFAM 101N African American Women
- AFAM/SOC/WMNST 103 Racism and Sexism
- AMST/WMNST 104 Women and the American Experience
- AMST 105 American Popular Culture and Folklore
- AMST 432 Ethnicity and the American Experience
- ANTH 146 Indigenous North America
- CAS 271N Intercultural Communication
- CAS 422 Contemporary African American Communication
- CAS 455 Gender Roles in Communication
- CAS 471 Intercultural Communication Theory and Research
- CMLIT 101 Race, Gender, and Identity in World Literature
- CRIM 451 Race, Crime, and Justice
- CRIMJ/WMNST 453 Women and the Criminal Justice System
- ENGL 135 Alternative Voices in American Literature
- ENGL 139 African American Literature
- ENGL 462 Reading Black, Reading Feminist
- HIST 154 History of Welfare and Poverty in the United States
- LER/WMNST 136 Race, Gender, and Employment
- PHIL 9 Race, Racism, and Diversity
- PSYCH 432 Multicultural Psychology in America
- SOC 119N Race, Ethnicity and Culture
- SOC 409 Racial and Ethnic Inequality in America
- SOC 419 Race and Public Policy
- SOC 429 Social Stratification
- WMNST 1 Introduction to Women’s Studies

Select 6 credits from the core courses of the following: 6
- CRIM 430 American Correctional System
- CRIM/CRIMJ 432 Crime and the American Court System
- CRIM 435 Policing in America
- CRIM/CRIMJ 451 Race, Crime, and Justice
- CRIM/CRIMJ/WMNST 453 Women and the Criminal Justice System
- CRIM/CRIMJ/SOC 467 Law and Society
- CRIM 490 Crime Policy

Select 6 credits from non-core CRIM/CRIMJ courses at the 400 level (including no more than 3 credits of LA 495, CRIM 494, or CRIM 499) 6

Requirements for the Option

Business/Public Administration Option (21 credits)

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Select 15 credits with at least 3 credits each from groups A, B, C, and D: 15

Group A
- ECON 302 Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis
- BA 301 Finance

Group B
- BA 303 Marketing
- BA 304 Management and Organization
- PSYCH 281 Introduction to Industrial-Organizational Psychology
- PSYCH 482 Selection and Assessment in Organizations
- PSYCH 484 Work Attitudes and Motivation
- PSYCH 485 Leadership in Work Settings

Group C
- BLAW 243 Legal Environment of Business
- LER 401
- LER 434 Advanced Collective Bargaining and Contract Administration
- LER 435
- LER 437
- SOC 455 Work and Occupations

Group D
- CAS 404 Conflict Resolution and Negotiation
- CAS 450W Group Communication Theory and Research
- CAS 452 Organizational Communication Theory and Research
- CAS 471 Intercultural Communication Theory and Research
- CAS 483 Communication and Information Technology II
- ENGL 418 Advanced Technical Writing and Editing
- ENGL 419 Advanced Business Writing
- ENGL 421 Advanced Expository Writing
- GER 408 Advanced German Business Communications
- HIST 458Y History of Work in America
- LER 400-level course(s)
- PLSC 412 International Political Economy
- PLSC 417
- PLSC 419 The Bureaucratic State
- PLSC 444 Government and the Economy
- PLSC 490 Policy Making and Evaluation
- PSYCH 482 Selection and Assessment in Organizations
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### Computing and Statistics Option (21 credits)

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Select 16 credits from the following:

- CAS 483: Communication and Information Technology II
- CMPSC 203: Introduction to Spreadsheets and Databases
- MATH 110: Techniques of Calculus I
- MATH 111: and Techniques of Calculus II
- or MATH 141: Calculus With Analytic Geometry I
- & MATH 141: Calculus with Analytic Geometry II
- MIS 204: Introduction to Management Information Systems
- STAT 460: Intermediate Applied Statistics
- STAT 462: Applied Regression Analysis
- STAT 464: Applied Nonparametric Statistics

### Legal Studies Option (21 credits)

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Select one of the following:

- CAS 213: Persuasive Speaking
- CAS 215: Argumentation
- CAS 250: Small Group Communication
- CAS 321: Rhetoric and Law

Select 12 credits from the following:

- BLAW 243: Legal Environment of Business
- COMM 403: Law of Mass Communications
- CRIM 432: Crime and the American Court System
- or CRIM/SOC 467: Law and Society
- CRIM 469: Seminar in the Law
- LST 370: Research Methods for Law and Government Information Resources
- PHIL 105: Philosophy of Law
- PHIL 108: Social and Political Philosophy
- PHIL 408W: Seminar in Social and Political Philosophy
- PLSC 403: The Legislative Process
- PLSC 431: Ancient, Medieval, and Renaissance Political Theories
- PLSC 432: Modern and Contemporary Political Theories
- PLSC 471: American Constitutional Law
- PLSC 472: The American Legal Process

### Social Science Research Option (22-23 credits)

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Select 8-9 credits from the following:

- MATH 110: Techniques of Calculus I
- & MATH 111: and Techniques of Calculus II
- or MATH 141: Calculus With Analytic Geometry I
- & MATH 141: Calculus with Analytic Geometry II
- STAT 460: Intermediate Applied Statistics
- STAT 462: Applied Regression Analysis
- STAT 464: Applied Nonparametric Statistics

Select 9 credits from the following:

- HDFS 401: Project Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation in the Human Services
- PLSC 490: Policy Making and Evaluation
- Any 400-level STAT course

**NOTE:** Internships will be counted as elective credits (CRIM 395).

**NOTE:** The following themes should be incorporated into all CRIM classes, as appropriate: ethical issues, ethnicity and gender issues, and theory.