

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Department of Sociology
Bachelor of Science in Sociology
Major: Criminology

For students graduating in calendar year 2020

This checksheet specifies the requirements for a major in criminology.

Number of Credits for a Bachelor of Science Degree: 120 credits.

77 credits must be completed beyond what is required for a major in criminology.

Number of Credits for a Criminology Major: 43 credits.

The 43 credits consist of 22 credits of sociology core degree courses and 21 credits of additional courses for a criminology major.

Number of Credits of Free Electives: 41 credits.

Number of Credits for the Curriculum for Liberal Education: 36 credits.

All students with a criminology major are required to complete the Curriculum for Liberal Education.

Double Majors in the Department of Sociology: The Department of Sociology offers a major in sociology, with and without options, and a major in criminology. Students are permitted to obtain both majors. Courses in the sociology core degree can meet the requirements of both majors, but none of the other required or elective courses taken for either major can count toward the other.

Minimum GPA: A minimum 2.0 in-major GPA and 2.0 overall GPA.

All courses with a SOC prefix, CRIM prefix, or cross-listed with SOC and/or CRIM are included in the calculation of the in-major GPA.

Grade Requirement: Courses taken as part of the sociology core degree and criminology major must be taken for a letter grade of A-F.

Requirements for Satisfactory Progress: Students must have completed Introductory Sociology (SOC 1004), Sociological Theory (SOC 3104), Social Research Methods (SOC 3204), and an additional 6 credits of required or elective courses for the criminology major prior to attempting 72 credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, and credit by examination).

Upon having attempted 60 credits, students must have an in-major GPA of 2.0 and an in-major GPA of 2.0 thereafter to be considered as making satisfactory progress toward the degree.

If satisfactory progress is not made, procedures will be followed as required by the Academic Eligibility Policy.

Prerequisites: Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog & Academic Policies for prerequisites.

Advising: Regular contact with the academic advisor for criminology is not required but strongly encouraged. Call (540) 231-8971 to schedule an appointment. The Department of Sociology office is located at 560 McBryde Hall.

CRIMINOLOGY MAJOR

Sociology Core Degree Required Courses: 22 credits

In accordance with State Council of Education guidelines, courses used to fulfill the SCHEV approved degree core may not also be used to meet Curriculum for Liberal Education or major requirements.

Sociology: 16 credits. Take in the order listed

_____ SOC 1004	Introductory Sociology (3) (including First Year Experience)
_____ SOC 3104*	Sociological Theory (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 3204	Social Research Methods (4) (Pre: SOC 1004). Recommend taking before STAT 3604.
_____ SOC 3004	Social Inequality (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 4194	Senior Seminar (3) (Pre: SOC 3104 and SOC 3204)

Statistics: 3 credits

_____ STAT 3604	Statistics for the Social Sciences (3) (Pre: MATH 1014 or higher level Math)
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Africana Studies, American Indian Studies, Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, and Women's and Gender Studies Electives: 3 credits

Select one of the following:

_____ AFST 1714	Introduction to African American Studies (3)
_____ AINS 1104	Introduction to American Indian Studies (3)
_____ PSVP 2044 (SOC 2044)	Peace and Violence (3)
_____ WGS 1824	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3)

*Recommend taking two of the following courses prior to registering for SOC 3104, Sociological Theory: SOC 2004, Social Problems, SOC 2014, Dating Marriage Divorce, SOC 2024, Minority Group Relations, SOC 2034, Diversity and Community Engagement, and/or SOC 2304, Individual in Society.

Criminology Required Courses: 9 credits. Select from the following.

_____ CRIM 3414 (SOC 3414)	Criminology (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ CRIM 3434	Systems of Justice (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
_____ CRIM 4424 (SOC 4424)	Juvenile Delinquency (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
_____ SOC 4404	Sociology of Law (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)

Electives: 12 credits. Select from the following list. A course not used as a criminology required course can be used to fulfill this requirement. A maximum of 3 credits of CRIM 4754, CRIM 4974, and CRIM 4994 can be used to fulfill this requirement.

_____ CRIM 3434	Systems of Justice (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
_____ CRIM 3474	Women and Crime (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
_____ CRIM 4424 (SOC 4424)	Juvenile Delinquency (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
_____ CRIM 4434 (SOC 4434) **	Advanced Issues in Criminology (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414)
	Topic: _____
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_____ CRIM 4754	Internship (3)
_____ CRIM 4974	Independent Study (3), in related area with approval of the department chair.
_____ CRIM 4994	Undergraduate Research (3), in related area with approval of department chair
_____ PSVP 2044 (SOC 2044)	Peace and Violence (3)
_____ PSVP 4444 (SOC 4444)	Schools, Violence, and Justice (3) (Pre: CRIM 3414 or SOC 3414)
_____ SOC 4404	Sociology of Law (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 4414	Drugs and Society (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)

** May take CRIM 4434 (SOC 4434) twice; topics must be different.

Curriculum for Liberal Education and Foreign Language

Curriculum for Liberal Education: 36 credits.

All students must fulfill the requirements of the Curriculum for Liberal Education. Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog & Academic Policies for prerequisites

Area 1: Writing and Discourse

6 credits from the sequence ENGL 1105/1106.

_____ ENGL 1105 (3)

_____ ENGL 1106 (3)

Area 2: Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values

6 credits selected from Area 2 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses. Courses listed in Areas 2 and 6 may not count for both areas.

_____ (3)

_____ (3)

Area 3: Society and Human Behavior

6 credits selected from Area 3 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses.

_____ (3)

_____ (3)

Area 4: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery

6 credits of lecture selected from Area 4 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses.

_____ (3)

_____ (3)

Area 5: Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning

6 credits selected from Area 5 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses.

_____ Math 1014 or other higher Math (3)

_____ (3)

Area 6: Creativity and Aesthetic Experience

3 credits selected from Area 6 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses. Courses listed in Areas 2 and 6 may not count for both areas.

_____ (3)

Area 7: Critical Issues in a Global Context

3 credits selected from Area 7 Curriculum for Liberal Education courses. A course taken to satisfy another area of the Curriculum for Liberal Education that also is included as an Area 7 course will satisfy the Area 7 requirement simultaneously.

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Foreign Language Requirement:

Students who completed 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school have completed this requirement. Students who did not complete 3 years of a foreign, classical, or sign language in high school must complete one of the following:

- 2 years of a foreign, classical, or sign language in high school plus FL 1106 or the equivalent in college. These 3 hours count towards the 120 required for graduation.
- Complete FL 1105-1106 or the equivalent in college. These 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation.
- Complete either SPAN 1114, GER 1114, RUS 1114, or ITAL 1114. The 4 hours do not count towards the 120 required for graduation.