

CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Requirements

General Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Core Curriculum		42
Required Support Courses		3
Major (Required) Courses		42
Minor		18
Electives		15
Total Credits		120

- 36 upper-division credit hours required for degree
- 30 upper-division hours and 25% of total semester hours required for this degree must be completed at A&M-SA to satisfy residency requirement

All students must complete the University's Core Curriculum (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/core-curriculum/>) and the specific requirements of the major. In some cases, a course that is required for a major may also be counted towards the Core Curriculum.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Curriculum ¹		
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
MATH 1314	College Algebra	3
	or MATH 1342 Introductory Statistics	
Life & Physical Science		3
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Lang/Phil/Culture		3
Creative Arts		3
American History		3
American History		3
Government/Political Science		3
Government/Political Science		3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3
	or SOCI 1301 Principles of Sociology	
SPCH 1315	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
	or SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication	
Component Area Option Course from Approved List		3
Subtotal:		42
Required Support Courses		
UNIV 1301	First Year Seminar	3
Subtotal:		3
Major (Required) Courses ²		
CRIM 1301	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
CRIM 2330	Theories of Crime Causation	3

CRIM 3350	Crime & Justice Policy	3
CRIM 3380	Statistics for Criminology	3
CRIM 3388	Courts & Criminal Procedure	3
CRIM 3385	Criminal Law	3
CRIM 4335	Corrections	3
	or CRIM 3345 Police in Society	
CRIM 4350	Seminar in Criminology ³	3
	or CRIM 4360 Criminology Internship	
CRIM 4370	Research Methods in Crim	3
CRIM ADV Elective		3
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Subtotal:		42
Minor ⁴		
A minimum of 6 upper-division credit hours required. Actual number of hours depends on the minor selected		18
Subtotals:		18
Electives		
As needed to complete 120 credit hours required		15
Total Credits		120

- 1 Other courses may satisfy core curriculum requirements. Courses listed under the core curriculum above are also specific degree requirements, and are recommended in the core to expedite degree completion.
- 2 2.0 overall GPA for major
- 3 Course should be taken during the semester the student intends to graduate.
- 4 2.0 overall GPA

Plan of Study

This suggested plan of study is intended to be used as a guide in conjunction with official degree requirements outlined in the catalog. While this plan demonstrates a course of study that covers eight semesters, each student's academic path is unique and your timeline may look different. Students should regularly consult with academic advisors as they plan their course schedules as course offerings may vary.

First Year

First Semester	Credits	
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
HIST 1301	US History to 1865	3
Life & Physical Science		3
MATH 1314	College Algebra	3
	or MATH 1342 or Introductory Statistics	
UNIV 1301	First Year Seminar	3
Credits		15

Second Semester

ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
HIST 1302	US History from 1865	3
Life & Physical Science ³		3
CRIM 1301	Intro to Criminal Justice	3

SOCI 1301 or PSYC 2301	Principles of Sociology or General Psychology	3
Credits		15
Second Year		
First Semester		
CRIM 2330	Theories of Crime Causation	3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
Language/Philosophy/Culture		3
Component Option		3
SPCH 1315 or SPCH 1318	Fundamentals of Public Speaking ¹ or Interpersonal Communication	3
Credits		15
Second Semester		
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3
CRIM 3350	Crime & Justice Policy	3
CRIM 3388	Courts & Criminal Procedure	3
Creative Arts		3
Elective		3
Credits		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
CRIM 3385	Criminal Law	3
CRIM Advance Elective		3
CRIM Advance Elective		3
Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Credits		15
Second Semester		
CRIM 3380	Statistics for Criminology ²	3
CRIM Advance Elective		3
CRIM Advance Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Credits		15
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
CRIM 4335 or CRIM 3345	Corrections or Police in Society	3
CRIM 4370	Research Methods in Crim	3
CRIM Advance Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Elective		3
Credits		15
Second Semester		
CRIM 4350 or CRIM 4360	Seminar in Criminology ² or Criminology Internship	3
Minor/Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Minor/Elective		3
Elective		3
Credits		15
Total Credits		120

¹ Department accepts SPCH 1311 Fundamentals of Public Speaking or SPCH 1321 Interpersonal Communication requirement for transfer credit

² Courses are not typically offered during summer sessions.

³ Lab is not required.