

DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Overview

The Department of Criminology and Political Science includes a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Criminology and Criminal Justice, a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (B.A.A.S.) in Criminology and Criminal Justice, and a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Political Science. The three programs prepare students for ethical leadership in the political arena and public service, providing a powerful understanding of domestic and international politics along with criminal justice theory and practice. Our immersive learning opportunities provide students with valuable firsthand experience and perspective to lead the way as agents of change.

Programs

- Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/rotc/>)
- Criminology and Criminal Justice Concentration, Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/criminology-criminal-justice-concentration-baas/>)
- Criminology and Criminal Justice, Bachelor of Science (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/criminology-criminal-justice-bs/>)
- Criminology and Criminal Justice, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/criminology-criminal-justice-minor/>)
- Legal Studies, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/legal-studies-minor/>)
- Mexican American, Latinx, and Borderlands Studies, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/mexican-american-latinx-borderlands-studies-minor/>)
- Military Science, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/military-science-minor/>)
- Political Science, Bachelor of Arts (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/political-science-ba/>)
- Political Science, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminology-political-science/political-science-minor/>)

Courses

Criminology

Code	Title	Credits
CRIM 1301	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
CRIM 2311	Community Resources in Corrections	3
CRIM 2314	Criminal Investigations	3
CRIM 2330	Theories of Crime Causation	3
CRIM 3302	Social Deviance	3
CRIM 3315	Drugs and Crime	3
CRIM 3322	Juvenile Delinquency	3

CRIM 3330	Comm Perspective in Crime	3
CRIM 3341	Comparative Sys of Justice	3
CRIM 3345	Police in Society	3
CRIM 3350	Crime & Justice Policy	3
CRIM 3355	Criminal Justice Organizations	3
CRIM 3357	Border Security Issues	3
CRIM 3358	Intro to Intelligence Analysis	3
CRIM 3370	Research Methods in Crim	3
CRIM 3385	Criminal Law	3
CRIM 3388	Courts & Criminal Procedure	3
CRIM 4184	Directed Research in Crim	1
CRIM 4284	Directed Research in Crim	2
CRIM 4320	Law and Society	3
CRIM 4335	Corrections	3
CRIM 4340	Topics in Criminology	3
CRIM 4341	Org and White Collar Crime	3
CRIM 4342	White Collar Crime	3
CRIM 4343	Organized Crime	3
CRIM 4345	Victimology	3
CRIM 4346	Gangs and Gang Behavior	3
CRIM 4348	Violence	3
CRIM 4349	Mental Illness and Violence	3
CRIM 4350	Seminar in Criminology	3
CRIM 4360	Criminology Internship	3
CRIM 4380	Statistics for Criminology	3
CRIM 4384	Directed Research in Crim	3

Government

Code	Title	Credits
GOVT 1301	Intro to Political Science	3
GOVT 2304	Intro to Political Science	3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3

Political Science

Code	Title	Credits
POLS 3302	Research and Analy in Pol Sci	3
POLS 3303	American Political Thought	3
POLS 3304	Legal Reasoning and Argument	3
POLS 3305	Punk Music and the Self	3
POLS 3306	The Politics of Truth	3
POLS 3310	American Political Institution	3
POLS 3311	Congress	3
POLS 3312	The Executive	3
POLS 3313	The Judiciary	3
POLS 3315	Water Laws, Rules and Policy	3
POLS 3321	Pol Theory Ancient & Medieval	3
POLS 3322	Polit Theory Early Mdrn &Mdrn	3
POLS 3323	Conflict and Genocide	3
POLS 3324	Politics of the European Union	3
POLS 3325	The Politics of Counterinsurge	3
POLS 3341	International Relations	3

POLS 3351	Comparative Politics	3
POLS 4302	Adv Res Mtds: Rgrssn & Analys	3
POLS 4311	Voting Behavr and Pub Opinion	3
POLS 4312	Interst Group and Pol Parties	3
POLS 4314	State and Local Govt and Admin	3
POLS 4315	Urban Politics	3
POLS 4316	American Political Behavior	3
POLS 4317	Nuclr Prolf/ US Non Prolf Pol	3
POLS 4320	Terrorism & Political Violence	3
POLS 4325	Technology & Politics	3
POLS 4331	Constitutional Law	3
POLS 4332	Constitutional Law II	3
POLS 4333	American Judicial Process	3
POLS 4342	International Organization	3
POLS 4343	International Law	3
POLS 4354	Govt & Politics of Latin Ameri	3
POLS 4355	Govt and Politics of Mexico	3
POLS 4361	Public Administration	3
POLS 4363	Policy and Policy Making in US	3
POLS 4364	Women and Politics	3
POLS 4366	Mass Media & Politics	3
POLS 4370	Spec Studies in Polit Sci	3
POLS 4371	Political Science Internship	3