

## Criminal Justice Major Advising Guide 2023-2024

School of  
Public Affairs

Bachelor of Science in Applied Arts and Sciences

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### PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

<u>IMPACTION CRITERIA:</u>	EQUIVALENT		UNITS
	Semester	Grade	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete a minimum of 45 semester units (60 for transfer students)</li> <li>Minimum 2.8 GPA cumulative</li> <li>Four required prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of "C"</li> </ul>			
Political Science 102			3
Sociology 101			3
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Statistics Requirement: Chose one from the following: ECON 201, POL S 201, or PSY 280, SOC 201, STAT 119 or 250			3

GRADUATION WRITING ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS (GWAR): <i>See GWAR advising guide or Catalog for options</i>	COMPLETED(Y/N) GRADE	
Upper Division Writing Course:		3

**Criminal Justice Major does not have a language requirement or an International Experience/Study abroad Requirement**

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

UPPER DIVISION CORE CLASSES: 7 courses including the practicum	SEMESTER	GRADE	UNITS
<b>Criminal Justice 300</b> – <i>Crime law &amp; Justice</i> – (Prerequisite to all upper division CJ courses; can take with non-specific electives)			3
<b>Criminal Justice 301</b> – <i>Law in Society</i>			3
<b>Criminal Justice 302</b> – <i>Crime and Behavior</i>			3
<b>Criminal Justice 303</b> – <i>Crim Just &amp; Social Control</i>			3
<b>Criminal Justice 304 OR AFRAS 380</b>			3
<b>Criminal Justice 540 (Taken once reached 90 units)</b> – <i>Planning &amp; Eval in CJ</i>			3
UPPER DIVISION PRACTICUM: (Prerequisites: reached 90 units) Choose 1 from the following:	SEMESTER	GRADE	UNITS
<b>CJ 431</b> – <i>Field Study in Local Corrections</i>			
<b>CJ 497</b> – <i>Investigation and Report</i>			
<b>CJ 498</b> – <i>Internship in Criminal Justice</i>			
<b>CJ 543</b> – <i>Community Resources in Criminal Justice</i>			
<b>CJ 550</b> – <i>Study Abroad: Criminal Justice-</i>			
<b>ISCOR 450-</b> <i>Study Abroad</i>			
<b>Practicum:</b>			3
Chose two PA Elective (6 units total) Ranging from 300-599	SEMESTER	GRADE	UNITS TOTAL 6
<b>PA specific elective #1:</b>			3
<b>PA specific elective #2:</b>			3

UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES: 9 units (3 courses) of CJ or Related Area electives (Note: a minimum of 6 units (2 courses) must be CJ)	SEMESTER	GRADE	UNITS 12 TOTAL
<b>CJ specific elective:</b>			3
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<b>Elective (CJ Specific or Non CJ specific elective):</b>			3

**UPPER DIVISION CRIMINAL JUSTICE ELECTIVES:**

**NOTE:**

- **All CJ specific electives require CJ 300**
- you can use additional practicum courses as CJ Specific requirements.
- Courses marked with an asterisk (\*) can double-count as Explorations of Human Experience courses. These are identified as follows:  
**\*(A) Natural Sciences \*(B) Social Behavioral Sciences.**

<b>CJ SPECIFIC ELECTIVES:</b>	<b>NON CJ SPECIFIC COURSES</b>
<p><i>Law in Society</i>  <b>CJ 320.</b> Criminal Law  <b>CJ 333.</b> The Judiciary  <b>CJ 420.</b> Constitutional Issues in CJ  <b>CJ 520.</b> Prosecutorial Function</p> <p><i>Crime and Behavior</i>  <b>CJ 321.</b> Juvenile Justice (or SOC 444)  <i>If using CJ 321 course will count as CJ specific elective. If using Soc 444 course will count as non-CJ specific elective.</i></p> <p><b>CJ 570.</b> Organized Crime: Domestic and Intl. Perspective  <b>CJ 571.</b> Drugs: Domestic and Intl. Perspective  <b>CJ 572.</b> Dark Networks, Crime and Security  <b>CJ 596.</b> Special Topics</p> <p><i>Criminal Justice System</i>  <b>CJ 305.</b> Professions and Ethics  <b>CJ 310.</b> Law Enforcement  <b>CJ 330.</b> Corrections  <b>CJ 496.</b> Special Topics in CJ  <b>CJ 499.</b> Special Study in CJ            CJ 531. Probation and Parole  <b>CJ 510.</b> Contemporary Issues in CJ  <b>CJ 531.</b> Probation and Parole</p>	<p><b>POLS 338.</b> The Legislative Process  <b>POLS 346.</b> Law and the Political System  <b>POLS 347A.</b> American Constitutional Law  <b>POLS 347B.</b> American Constitutional Law  <b>POLS 348.</b> The Supreme Court and Contemporary Issues <b>ISCOR 421.</b> Alternate Dispute Resolution  <b>PHIL 510.</b> Philosophy of Law  <b>POLS 541.</b> Special Problems in Public Law (pre-req: POLS 346, 347, or 348)  <b>WMNST 370.</b> Women, Law and Policy <b>*(B)</b></p> <p><b>POLS 322.</b> Politics and Conflict  <b>POLS 370.</b> Political Violence  <b>PSY 340 or SOC 410.</b> Social Psychology <b>*(B)</b> (pre-req: PSY 101/SOC 101) <b>PSY 350.</b> Abnormal Psychology (pre-req: PSY 101)  <b>PSY 365.</b> Drugs and Behavior  <b>SOC 412.</b> Social Constructions of Reality  <b>SOC 442.</b> Homicide in America  <b>SOC 443.</b> Crime and Society  <b>SOC 444.</b> Juvenile Delinquency (or CJ 321)  <b>SOC 445.</b> Sociology of Deviance  <b>WMNST 572.</b> Women and Violence</p> <p><b>ANTH 360.</b> From the Grave: Modern Forensic Anthropology <b>*(A)</b> <b>AFRAS 380.</b> Blacks in the American Justice System <b>*(B)</b>  <b>CHEM 300.</b> Forensic Science <b>*(A)</b> (pre-req: CHEM 100 or GE completion)  <b>POLS 479.</b> National Security Policy  <b>PSY 321.</b> Organizational Psychology (pre-req: PSY 319)  <b>SOC 430</b> Social Organization</p>

THIS FORM IS JUST A GUIDELINE AND DOES NOT SUPPLANT THE GENERAL CATALOG  
**YOUR GENERAL CATALOG PROVIDES DETAILED ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS**  
**IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO BE AWARE OF YOUR ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS**

Please refer to major catalog for the most up to date information