JUSTICE STUDIES DUAL MAJOR

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Description

The justice studies dual major is an interdisciplinary area that blends topics from humanities departments (e.g., philosophy), social science departments (e.g., psychology, sociology, women's and gender studies), departments that include both humanities and social science faculty (history, political science), and professionally oriented departments (education, family studies, social work). Topics studied include courts, family violence, rights, substance abuse, juvenile justice, school law, children as witnesses, hate crimes and community policing. Students will be required to choose a first major before they will be able to declare justice studies as a second major. The goal is to produce graduates who have a higher level of knowledge about law and justice in American society and in the world so that they will mature into more knowledgeable and effective citizens. The justice studies dual major is intended for students who are looking for careers in the justice system or who seek graduate training in law or social sciences and humanities related to the law.

Students are strongly encouraged to contact the Justice Studies Office and to declare the dual major as soon as they develop an interest in majoring. Once a student has been accepted to the JS dual major, they will be assigned an advisor.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 128 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 32 credits must be taken at UNH

Minimum GPA: 2.0 required for conferral*

Core Curriculum Required: Discovery & Writing Program Requirements

Foreign Language Requirement: Yes, if primary major is a Bachelor of Arts

Declared Primary Major

All Major, Option and Elective Requirements as indicated.
Major GPA requirements as indicated.

Justice Studies Dual Major Requirements

The dual major in justice studies requires students to take a minimum of eight courses (32 credits), each completed with a grade of a C- or better. Students are required to have a grade-point average of a 2.5 or better before they can be accepted into the program. The dual major cannot be declared until after a first major has been declared. Students can count no more than two courses for both the first major and dual major, and students are not allowed to take more than two courses from any one department (except for JUST). An unlimited number of dual major courses can be used to satisfy Discovery requirements.

The required minimum overall GPA in major coursework is 2.5.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
JUST 401	Introduction to Justice Studies	4
JUST 501	Research Methods	4
JUST 601	Internship (seniors only)	4
JUST 701	Senior Seminar (writing-intensive course) [1]	4
Select one of the following:		4
POLT 507	Politics of Crime and Justice	
POLT 508	Supreme Court and the Constitution	
SOC 515	Introductory Criminology	
Elective Courses		
Select three elective courses from the justice studies approved course list		12
Total Credits		**32**

[1] This course fulfills the program capstone requirement.

Elective Courses

This list is approved and published yearly by the Justice Studies Executive Committee.

Code	Title	Credits
Elective Courses		
ACC 747	Business Law	4
ANTH 550	Introduction to Forensic Anthropology	4
ANTH 697	Special Topics (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4
BIOL 420	Introduction to Forensic Sciences	4
CMN 637	Controversy and Reasoning in Law	4
EDUC #767	Students, Teachers, and the Law	4
HDFS 776	Children, Adolescents and the Law	4
HDFS 794	Families and the Law	4
HIST 440A	Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Struggle for Racial Justice	4
HIST 440D	Honors/Citizens and Persons	4
HIST 498	Explorations of Historical Perspectives (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4
HIST 509	Law in American Life	4
HIST 609	Special Topics in American Legal History (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4
HIST 797	Colloquium (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4
HLS 410	Introduction to Homeland Security	4
HLS 415	Fundamentals of Corporate Security	4
HLS 580	Environmental and Human Security	4
HLS 760	Strategic Planning and Decision Making	4
HMGT #625	Hospitality and Employment Law (only HMGT majors allowed)	4
HUMA 444E	What is a Criminal?	4
HUMA 525	Humanities and the Law	4
HUMA 550	Budapest Spring Semester: Special Studies in Comparative Ideas	4
HUMA 551	Budapest Spring Semester: Field Studies in Art and Culture	6
JUST 405	Technology, Crime, and Society: A Forensic Exploration of High-Tech and Digital Crime	4
JUST 410	Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention (SHARPP) Peer Advocacy	4
JUST 520	Girls Gone Bad: Delinquent Girls in Cultural Context	4
JUST 550 & JUST 551	Mock Trial and Mock Trial (must take 2 semesters to count as a JS elective)	4
JUST 591	Forensic Psychology	4
JUST 595	Special Topics (no more than two courses) [2]	4
JUST 650 & JUST 651	Special Studies in Comparative Justice Systems and Field Studies in the Hungarian Justice System	10
JUST 795	Reading and Research (variable credit/permission required)	1-4
LLC 540	Film History (Terrorism(s) A Humanistic and Cinematic Outlook)	4
LAW 460	Sports Law & Current Controversies	4
PHIL 420	Introduction to Philosophy of Law and Justice	4
PHIL 436	Social and Political Philosophy	4
PHIL 660	Law, Medicine, and Ethics	4
PHIL 701	Topics in Value Theory	4
POLT 440A	Honors/Global Justice (Global Justice)	4
POLT 444B	Cruel and Unusual in a Federal System	4
POLT 507	Politics of Crime and Justice	4

POLT 508	Supreme Court and the Constitution	4
POLT 513	Civil Rights and Liberties	4
POLT #520	Politics, Justice, and Morality	4
POLT 548	Drug Wars	4
POLT 568	International Security	4
POLT #765	Security Intelligence Study	4
PSYC 755	Psychology and Law	4
PSYC 756	Psychology of Crime and Justice	4
POLT 798B	Seminar in American Politics	4
PSYC 791W	Special Topics (Psychology of Delinquency)	4
RMP 772	Law and Public Policy in Leisure Services (must have junior/senior status)	4
SOC #440A	Honors/Drug Addiction in American Society	4
SOC 515	Introductory Criminology	4
SOC 450	Contemporary Social Problems (only when taught by Professor Abbott)	4
SOC 525	Juvenile Crime and Delinquency	4
SOC 535	Homicide	4
SOC 620	Drugs and Society	4
SOC #656	Terrorism	4
or POLT #570	Counterterrorism: Nation states' responses to terrorist activity	
SOC 697	Special Topics (Social Psychology of Justice)	4
SOC #715	Criminological Theory	4
SOC #720	Sociology of Drug Use	4
SW 525	Social Welfare Policy: History of Social and Economic Justice	4
SW 705	Child and Adolescent Risks and Resiliency: Program, Policy and Practice	4

[2] Bill of Rights and Law & Society are allowed to count as the JS SOC/POLT requirement.

Candidates for a degree must satisfy all of the University Discovery Program requirements in addition to satisfying the requirements of each individual major program. Bachelor of arts candidates must also satisfy the foreign language proficiency requirement.

Students who are interested in a dual major in justice studies will need to officially declare in Webcat (my.unh.edu). Program offices are located in Hamilton Smith Hall and are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Molly Dorsey at (603) 862-0703, e-mail marion.girard.dorsey@unh.edu; or Deb Briand at (603) 862-1716, e-mail deborah.briand@unh.edu.

Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate knowledge of fundamental theoretical approaches and key disciplinary concepts of Justice Studies.
- Demonstrate understanding of justice studies methods of research design, data gathering, and analysis.
- Exhibit critical thinking skills in evaluating justice studies research, including the background assumptions, appropriateness of methods used and the strength of explanatory evidence.
- Communicate justice studies knowledge in appropriate oral, written and graphic forms.
- Experience justice studies either in the real world through an internship or in a research lab through a research internship.