CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR (B.S.)

https://cps.unh.edu/online/program/bs/criminal-justice

Description

This program is designed to prepare individuals for entry or advancement in the following fields related to Criminal Justice: law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, administration, domestic violence prevention, mental health, and other community-based programs that exist for victims, offenders, and their families.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 120 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 30 credits must be taken at UNH

Minimum Cumulative GPA: 2.0 is required for conferral*

Core Curriculum Required: General Education Program

Major, Option and Elective Requirements as indicated.

*GPA: Major and any state certification GPA requirements may be higher and are indicated in program details.

A minimum grade of C- is required in all Major coursework. Some programs may have higher grade requirements for Major coursework as noted in the Major requirements section below. Students are allowed a maximum of two course overlaps. Overlaps can be used between Major, Minor, and General Education requirements with only 8 credits overlapped between the Major and Minor. Please note that Option requirements are considered part of the Major. Students must complete 16 upper-level credits in majors within the College of Professional Studies, Online.

General Education Program Requirements

A minimum grade of D- is required in all General Education coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of two course overlaps. Overlaps can be used between Major, Minor and General Education requirements with only 8 credits overlapped between the Major and Minor.

All General Education requirements, including CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking and IDIS 601 Interdisciplinary Seminar, must be taken prior to the capstone.

Writing Program Requirements

All bachelor’s degree candidates are required to complete four writing intensive courses as part of the University Writing Program Requirements as follows:

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Writing intensive courses are identified with the label "Writing Intensive Course" in the "Attributes" section of the course description and/or a W following the course number.

Major Requirements

Prior to capstone enrollment, students are expected to complete the majority of their required major courses along with CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking and IDIS 601 Interdisciplinary Seminar. Students should consult with their advisor regarding specific major courses that may be completed with their capstone. Academic Advisor approval is required for registration to be processed.

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Select one of the following:

- BEHS 445 Homeland Security and Emergency Management
- or BEHS 675 Terrorism: Domestic and International
- or Cmpl 525 Foundations of Cybersecurity
- or CRIM 425 Juvenile Justice
- or DAT 510 Introduction to Data Analytics
- or HMSC 424 Human Services and the Helping Process
- or HRM 580 Change Management
- or HRM 635 Managing Conflict
- or MGMT 608 Fostering Inclusion and Diversity in the Workplace
- or POL 490 American Government and Politics
- or PSY 530 Social Psychology
- or PSY 602 Theories of Personality
- or PSY 603 Crisis Intervention
- or PSY 646 Psychology of Occupational Stress
- or PSY 654 Counseling Theories
- or PSY 685 Principles of Psychopathology
- or SOCI 601 Society and the Individual
- or SOCI 675 Child Abuse and Neglect
- or SGCC 445 Race & Diversity in the U.S.
- or SGCC 680 Stress and the Family
- or SGCC 710 Social Stratification and Inequality

Advanced Courses

- CRIM 680 Corrections, Probation and Parole
- or CRIM 707 Constitutional Law
- or CRIM 725 Ethical Decision Making in the Criminal Justice System

Select one of the following:

Upper Level Criminal Justice Elective

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BEHS 675 Terrorism: Domestic and International  
or HRM 635 Managing Conflict  
or MGMT 608 Fostering Inclusion and Diversity in the Workplace  
or PSY 602 Theories of Personality  
or PSY 603 Crisis Intervention  
or PSY 646 Psychology of Occupational Stress  
or PSY 654 Counseling Theories  
or PSY 685 Principles of Psychopathology  
or SOCI 601 Society and the Individual  
or SOCI 675 Child Abuse and Neglect  
or SOSC 680 Stress and the Family  
or SOSC 710 Social Stratification and Inequality

Integrative Capstone
CRIM 785 Integrative Capstone: Internship in Criminal Justice  
or CRIM 797 Integrative Capstone: Project in Criminal Justice

Total Credits 52

Electives
Open electives are courses students will need to take in addition to their general education and major requirements in order to satisfy the remaining credit totals for their programs. Open electives are defined as any credit course offered by the College not already included in the student’s general education, major, option or minor. Students will need 120 credits total to graduate with a bachelor’s degree from the Online Division of the College of Professional Studies.

Degree Plan
This degree plan is a sample and does not reflect the impact of transfer credit or current course offerings. UNH CPS Online undergraduate students should develop individual academic plans with their academic advisor during their first year at UNH.

Sample Course Sequence

First Year
Fall
CRIM 410 Introduction to Criminology 4  
CRIM 555 The Criminal Justice System 4  
ENG 420 The Writing Process 4  
General Education Course 4

Credits 16

Spring
COM 460 Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics 4  
CRIT 501 Introduction to Critical Inquiry 4  
MTH 402 Math for Our World 4  
or MTH 504 or Statistics 4  
or MTH 510 or Pre-Calculus 4  
POL 554 Law and Society 4

Credits 16

Second Year
Fall
COM 480 Visual Communication 4  
CRIM 600 Crime Prevention and Control 4  
MTH 504 Statistics 4  
General Education Course 4

Credits 16

Spring
CRIM 645 Crime Victim Rights and Remedies 4  
CRIM 680 Corrections, Probation and Parole 4  
Criminal Justice Elective 4  
Elective 4

Credits 16

Third Year
Fall
CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking 4  
IDIS 560 Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences 4  
Upper Level Criminal Justice Elective 4  
Elective 4

Credits 16

Fourth Year
Fall
CRIM 725 Ethical Decision Making in the Criminal Justice System 4  
IDIS 601 Interdisciplinary Seminar 4  
Elective 4  
Elective 4

Credits 16

Spring
CRIM 707 Constitutional Law 4  
General Education Course 4  
Elective 4  
Elective 4

Credits 16

Total Credits 120

Student Learning Outcomes

• Possess a broad and interdisciplinary understanding of the psychosocial, cultural, ethical, and political dimensions of criminal justice in contemporary society.
• Demonstrate an ability to understand and apply ethical thinking and behavior as it relates to their work environment.
• Use research methodology and interpret information as it applies to criminal justice.
• Demonstrate a working knowledge of criminology, criminal justice, law enforcement, corrections, probation/parole, US and NH constitutional law, and advocacy.