

CRIMINAL JUSTICE | BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

You've decided your field of study, now it's time to decide which type of degree to choose. There are two types of bachelor's in Criminal Justice available - the BA in Criminal Justice and BS in Criminal Justice. The main difference being the Bachelor of Arts degree requires 10 credit hours of language (such as Spanish I & II), while the Bachelor of Science does not. The choice is yours!

All majors take the same 24-hour core curriculum in Criminal Justice, but then, working with your academic advisor, you can tailor the remaining 21 hours of your degree program around your specific interests and career objectives.

Program Summary

Code	Title	Hours
General Education		34
Core Curriculum		24
Directed Choices		9
Directed Electives		12
Open Electives ¹		41
Total Hours		120

¹ Open electives are the credit hours required to reach a minimum of 120 total hours and 45 upper-level hours. The number listed assumes all courses are completed at FHSU as listed. This number may vary if students transfer courses, or have individual substitutions allowed.

Students should speak with their advisor if either situation applies to determine if the number will vary, and to ensure they enroll in a minimum of 45 upper-level hours.

Students entering within 1 year of high school graduation will take UNIV 101 Freshman Seminar and may apply that hour in the open elective category.

Program Requirements

General Education

All undergraduate degrees require completion of the Kansas Systemwide General Education (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/general-education/>).

Courses identified with ^{GE} on this page may satisfy a general education requirement in addition to the identified degree requirement. Students who apply a degree requirement to satisfy a general education requirement will typically add an equal number of hours to the the university elective category. This flexibility may allow you to complete a minor or certificate within the 120 hour degree. Transfer students and students majoring in programs with approved exceptions (<https://www.fhsu.edu/general-education/documents/fhsu-gen-ed-transfer-exceptions-explainer1.pdf>) are especially encouraged to select these courses in completing General Education requirements to maximize the likelihood of completing the degree with 120 credit hours.

Code	Title	Hours
General Education		34-35

45 Hour Major

Code	Title	Hours
Criminal Justice Core		
CRJ 100	Careers in Criminal Justice (Careers In Criminal Justice)	1
CRJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 200	Criminology	3
CRJ 215	Technical & Report Writing in Criminal Justice	2
CRJ 245	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 307	Administration of Justice Systems	3
CRJ 310	Comparative Justice Systems	3
CRJ 399	Criminal Justice Research	3
CRJ 499	Capstone Seminar: Critical Issues in Criminal Justice	3

Directed Choices

Select 3 credit hours from each of the subdivisions	3
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Policing		3
CRJ 199P	Criminal Justice Elective: Policing	
CRJ 302	Digital and Cyber Crime	
CRJ 315	Security Administration	
CRJ 320	Introduction to Law Enforcement	
CRJ 325	Law Enforcement in the Community	
CRJ 355	Criminal Investigation	
CRJ 370	Terrorism	
CRJ 395	Crime Analysis	
CRJ 398P	Criminal Justice Elective: Policing	

Offenders & Victims		3
CRJ 199V	Criminal Justice Elective: Offenders & Victims	
CRJ 305	Corporate Crime and Deviance	
CRJ 327	Juvenile Justice	
CRJ 331	Criminal Law and Procedure	
CRJ 335	Civil Liability	
CRJ 341	Introduction to Corrections	
CRJ 345	Community Corrections	
CRJ 365	Women and Crime	
CRJ 367	Victim Advocacy	
CRJ 374	Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System	
CRJ 398V	Criminal Justice Elective: Offenders & Victims	

Criminology		3
CRJ 199C	Criminal Justice Elective: Criminology	
CRJ 330	Culture and Crime	
CRJ 340	Gender, Race, and Inequality in CJ	
CRJ 350	Drugs and Society	
CRJ 375	Serial Predators	
CRJ 377	Crime and Society	
CRJ 385	Victimology	
CRJ 390	Sex Crimes	
CRJ 398C	Criminal Justice Elective: Criminology	

Directed Electives	12
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Select 12 credit hours from the following:	
Any course listed in Policing and not applied to the requirement	
Any course listed in Offenders & Victims and not applied to the requirement	
Any course listed in Criminology and not applied to the requirement	
CRJ 100	Careers in Criminal Justice (Any topic besides "Careers In Criminal Justice")
CRJ 199	Criminal Justice Elective
CRJ 380	Topics in Criminal Justice
CRJ 398	Criminal Justice Elective
CRJ 399	Criminal Justice Research
CRJ 600	Internship in Criminal Justice
CRJ 670	Independent Study in Criminal Justice
Total Hours	45

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
All bachelor degrees require:		
GPA of 2.0 on FHSU courses & 2.0 on all coursework (Higher program requirements prevail over the 2.0 when set)		
A minimum of 30 hours earned from FHSU with a grade of D, C, B, or A		
Successful completion of an upper division Writing and Information Literacy course (Most majors contain a course designated)		
A minimum of 45 hours of recognized upper division credit		
A minimum of 120 hours of recognized college credit		

Degree Maps

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
SGE030 - Math Statistics Discipline Area		3
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
COMM 100	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
UNIV 101	Freshman Seminar	1
CRJ 100	Careers in Criminal Justice	1
CRJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
Open Electives		1
Hours		15
Spring		
SGE070 - Institutionally Designated Area: Personal and Professional Development		3
SGE040 - Natural Physical Science Discipline Area		4
ENG 102	English Composition II	3
CRJ 200	Criminology	3
CRJ 215	Technical & Report Writing in Criminal Justice	2
Hours		15
Second Year		
Fall		
SGE060 - Arts Humanities Discipline Area		3
SGE050 - Social Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area		3
SGE070 - Institutionally Designated Area: Critical Thinking		3
CRJ 245	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 307	Administration of Justice Systems	3
Hours		15

Spring		
SGE060 - Arts Humanities Discipline Area		3
SGE050 - Social Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area		3
CRJ 310	Comparative Justice Systems	3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15
Third Year		
Fall		
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15
Spring		
CRJ 399	Criminal Justice Research	3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15
Fourth Year		
Fall		
CRJ 499	Capstone Seminar: Critical Issues in Criminal Justice	3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15
Spring		
Directed Electives		3
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Directed Electives		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

Academic Degree Maps are term-by-term sample course plans that specify milestones, courses, and special requirements that are necessary for facilitating on-time completion. Degree Maps are *examples* and are not prescriptive. Individualized choices such as concentration options, transfer credits, optional minors, advisory programs (certificates), etc. can alter the recommended coursework. Course offerings are subject to change. Students should consult with their academic advisors for additional guidance on course planning.

To determine courses to take in the directed choices (often listed as Program Elective Course) and directed elective course blocks see the overview tab for courses. To locate approved courses in General Education areas (Undergraduate Programs) see the general education section (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/general-education/>) of the catalog.

The undergraduate course maps typically advise the most efficient route for students to complete the general education requirements. Courses that are required in the major may be listed as fulfilling relevant general education requirements. This will result in more open elective course hours in some maps than is listed on the degree overview page.