



CRIMINOLOGY

Students majoring in Criminology study the causes of crime and victimization, the behavior of criminals, and the criminal justice system. Criminology strives to understand the nature of crime, as well as the theoretical underpinnings that guide how people are controlled, punished, and rehabilitated. Students have the opportunity to tailor their degree aspirations by choosing between three concentrations (Fraud & Financial Crimes, Justice Studies or Victimology), and through the selection of minors including: victim studies, psychology, sociology, and forensic science.

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95.2%
CAREER OUTCOMES RATE

95.2% of Behavioral Sciences graduates were successfully employed, enrolled in graduate studies, or volunteering within six months of graduation. The knowledge rate for this survey was 91.7%.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

The majority of our students opt to complete either a co-op or Service Learning experience in the field of criminology or criminal justice. Recent co-op opportunities have included Hamilton County Pre-Trial Services, Cincinnati Police Department, U.S. Marshals, Federal Probation, Hamilton County Job and Family Services, and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.



CRIMINOLOGY CLUB



The Criminology Club offers students the opportunity to engage with each other socially as well as learning in an informal setting. The Criminology Club sponsors various events on campus each year as well as field trips to places such as the FBI Field Office, the Lebanon Correctional Facility, and the Hamilton County Coroner's Office.

CAREERS IN CRIMINOLOGY

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CRIMINOLOGY MAJOR, JUSTICE STUDIES CONCENTRATION - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

FIRST YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FIRST YEAR- SEMESTER #2		UNIVERSITY CORE	
CRM 103 Found of Crim Justice	3	CRM 105 Elements of Inquiry	3	COMMON GOOD	
SOC 103 Our Social World	3	CRM 221 Criminal Law & Procedure	3	CORE 115 Common Ground	Code COR
COM 100/ENG 101	3	MTH 174* Statistics	3	Justice & the Common Good	Code JCG
CORE 115 Common Ground	3	PSY 103 Intro to Psychology	3	Ethics	Code CE
Core requirement	3	COM 100/ENG 101	3	Experiential Learning	Code EXP
				Core Capstone	Code CCP
SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #1		SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #2		HUMANITIES	
CRM 217 Cops, Bobbies & Thief-Takers	3	CRM 295 Corrections	3	Speech (COM 100)	Code C
CRM 220 Courts in America	3	CRM elective	3	Writing (ENG 101)	Code C
CRM 293 Juvenile Delinquency	3	CRM elective	3	Literature (ENG)	Code CL
CED 220^ Found. of Profession.	1	Core requirement	3	Art or Music	Code CAM
Core requirement	3	Core requirement	3	History	Code CH
Core requirement	3			Religious Studies	Code CR
				Philosophy	Code CP
THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #1		THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #2		SCIENCES	
CRM 361 Professionalism & Decision-making in Crim Justice	3	CRM 300 Critical Issues in Criminology	3	Biology/Chemistry/Physics + Lab	Code CN
CRM 230 Crime Prevention	3	CRM 370 Criminological Theory	3	Mathematics	Code CMA
CRM 218 Victimology	3	CRM 372 Comparative Crim Justice/Criminology	3	SOC 103 Our Social World	Code CS
Core science requirement	4	CRM elective	3	Choose one discipline:	
Core requirement	3	Core requirement	3	ECO 212 Microeconomics	Code CEP
				PSY 103 Psychology	Code CEP
FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #2		NOTES	
CRM 375/SOC 375 Crim Research	3	CRM 400 Senior Thesis	3	120 credit hours minimum needed to graduate	
CRM elective	3	Core Capstone	3	*Students must have an appropriate math placement	
Core requirement	3	Elective	3	One "Core Requirement" will need to be the experiential education requirement.	
Elective	3	Elective	3	Experiential Education can be 0-3 hours. Contact the Career Center for options. If taken for less than 3, additional hours will be needed to reach the minimum to graduate.	
Elective	3	Elective	3	^CED 220 required for cooperative education option for Experiential Education.	
CRM Justice Studies Electives: CRM 240 Crime & Media CRM 204 Bullies & Bullets: Victimization in Schools CRM 292 Forensic Psych CRM 207 Animals & Crim Justice CRM 208 Serial Murder CRM 210 Drugs and Crime CRM 397 Social Deviance CRM 223 Guns, Crime & Amer. Society CRM 225 Sex Crimes CRM 235 Crimes of Technology CRM 306 White Collar Crime CRM 307 Fraud Examination CRM 407 Law & Society				**Curriculum Guide does not replace advising by a faculty member within the Criminology program**	

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CRIMINOLOGY MAJOR, FRAUD AND FINANCIAL CRIME INVESTIGATION CONCENTRATION - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

FIRST YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FIRST YEAR- SEMESTER #2		UNIVERSITY CORE	
CRM 103 Found. of Crim Justice	3	CRM 105 Elements of Inquiry	3	COMMON GOOD	
SOC 103 Our Social World	3	CRM 221 Criminal Law & Proced.	3	CORE 115 Common Ground	Code COR
COM 100/ENG 101	3	MTH 174* Statistics^^	3	Justice & the Common Good	Code JCG
CORE 115 Common Ground	3	PSY 103 Intro to Psychology	3	Ethics	Code CE
Core requirement	3	COM 100/ ENG 101	3	Experiential Learning	Code EXP
				Core Capstone	Code CCP
SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #1		SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #2		HUMANITIES	
ACC 213 Prin. of Accounting- Financial	3	CRM 295 Corrections	3	Speech (COM 100)	Code C
CRM 217 Cops, Bobbies & Thief-Takers	3	Behavior elective	3	Writing (ENG 101)	Code C
CRM 220 Courts in America	3	Business elective	3	Literature (ENG)	Code CL
CRM 230 Crime Prevention	3	Core requirement	3	Art or Music	Code CAM
Core requirement	3	Core requirement	3	History	Code CH
		CED 220^ Found. of Profession.	1	Religious Studies	Code CR
				Philosophy	Code CP
THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #1		THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #2		SCIENCES	
Behavior elective	3	CRM 306 White Collar Crime	3	Biology/Chemistry/Physics + Lab	Code CN
Business elective	3	CRM 370 Criminological Theory	3	Mathematics	Code CMA
Business elective	3	Behavior elective	3	SOC 103 Our Social World	Code CS
Core science requirement	4	Core requirement	3	Choose one discipline:	
Core requirement	3	Core requirement	3	ECO 212 Microeconomics	Code CEP
				PSY 103 Psychology	Code CEP
FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #2		NOTES	
CRM 375/SOC 375 Criminology Research	3	CRM 400 Senior Thesis	3	120 credit hours minimum needed to graduate.	
CRM 307 Fraud Examination	3	Core Capstone	3	One "Core Requirement" will need to be the experiential education requirement. Experiential Education can be 0-3 hours. Contact the Career Center for options. If taken for less than 3, additional hours will be needed to reach the minimum to graduate.	
Core requirement	3	Elective	3		
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<i>Behavior Electives - 9 hours</i> CRM 218 Victimology CRM 235 Crimes of Technology CRM 292 Forensic Psychology CRM 300 Critical Issues in Criminology PSY 208 Social Psychology PSY 309 Social Influence PSY 385 Personality Theories		<i>Business Electives - 9 hours</i> ACC 214 Principles of Accounting II Managerial ACC 403 Auditing BUS 210 Business Law I BUS 240 Research Methods for Business Decision Making ECO 201 Economic Issues^^ ECO 211 Principles of Macroeconomics^^# ECO 212 Principles of Microeconomics^^# FIN 300 Corporate Finance^^ MGL 300 Management/Org Behavior^^# MKT 300 Principles of Marketing^^#		^CED 220 required for cooperative education option for Experiential Education. **Curriculum Guide does not replace advising by a faculty member within the Criminology program** ^^Courses needed for 4+1 MBA program: ACC 213, FIN 300, MTH 174 Choose one course: MGL 300 or MKT 300 Choose one course: ECO 211 or ECO 212 or ECO 201 #Courses needed for Business minor: FIN 300, MGL 300, MKT 300 Choose one course: ECO 211 or ECO 212	

CRIMINOLOGY MAJOR, VICTIMOLOGY CONCENTRATION - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

FIRST YEAR-SEMESTER #1	FIRST YEAR- SEMESTER #2	UNIVERSITY CORE
CRM 103 Found. of Crim Justice 3	CRM 105 Elements of Inquiry 3	COMMON GOOD
SOC 103 Our Social World 3	MTH 174* Statistics 3	CORE 115 Common Ground Code COR
CORE 115 Common Ground 3	CRM 221 Criminal Law & Proced. 3	Justice & the Common Good Code JCG
COM 100/ENG 101 3	PSY 103 Intro to Psychology 3	Ethics Code CE
Core requirement 3	COM 100/ ENG 101 3	Experiential Learning Code EXP
		Core Capstone Code CCP
SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #1	SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #2	HUMANITIES
CRM 217 Cops, Bobbies & Thief-Takers 3	CRM 225 Sex Crimes 3	Speech (COM 100) Code C
CRM 218 Victimology 3	CRM 295 Corrections 3	Writing (ENG 101) Code C
CRM 220 Courts in America 3	Core science requirement 4	Literature (ENG) Code CL
CED 220^ Found. of Profession. 1	Core requirement 3	Art or Music Code CAM
SWK 220 Intro to Social Work		History Code CH
OR Core requirement 3		Religious Studies Code CR
Core requirement 3		Philosophy Code CP
THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #1	THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #2	SCIENCES
CRM 230 Crime Prevention 3	CRM 330 Victim Treatment 3	Biology/Chemistry/Physics + Lab Code CN
PSY 212 Domestic Violence 3	CRM 370 Criminological Theory 3	Mathematics Code CMA
CRM elective 3	CRM elective 3	SOC 103 Our Social World Code CS
SWK 220 Intro to Social Work	CRM elective 3	
Or Core requirement 3	Core requirement 3	Choose one discipline:
Elective 3		ECO 212 Microeconomics Code CEP
		PSY 103 Psychology Code CEP
FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #1	FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #2	NOTES
CRM 375 Criminology Research 3	CRM 400 Senior Thesis 3	120 credit hours minimum needed to graduate
CRM elective 3	Core Capstone 3	*Students must have an appropriate math placement
Core requirement 3	Elective 3	
Core requirement 3	Elective 3	One "Core Requirement" will need to be the experiential education requirement.
Elective 3	Elective 3	Experiential Education can be 0-3 hours. Contact the Career Center for options. If taken for less than 3, additional hours will be needed to reach the minimum to graduate.
		^CED 220 required for cooperative education option for Experiential Education.
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CRM Victimology Electives: CRM 204 Bullies & Bullets: Victimization in Schools CRM 215 Cults & Their Victims CRM 335 Victimization in the Digital World PSY 225 Human Sexuality PSY 340 Abnormal Psychology PSY 390 Counseling Theories SOC 202 Race, Class & Gender SOC 222 Health & Crime SWK 223 Social Policies and Issues SWK 233 Ethics and Social Welfare SWK 317 Interdisciplinary Approach to Diversity and Social Justice SWK 327 Interviewing and Assessment SWK 360 Case Management in the Helping Professions		

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