Undergraduate Criminology Courses

CRM 110: Introduction to the Criminal Justice System (3 Credits)
Introduction to the structure and operation of the criminal justice system in the United States: Attention will be focused on the individual and institutional levels. Topics include entrance into the criminal justice system, differential treatment of offenders, and the enforcement, judicial and penal subsystems.

CRM 220: Ideology and Violence (3 Credits)
Examination of the causes and consequences of politically motivated violent crime: Study Area III

CRM 230: Law Enforcement and Society (3 Credits)
Formerly CRM 133: Prereq: CRM 110. Comprehensive examination of the function of law enforcement in society. Emphasis is placed on such areas as police operations, discretion, police community relations, due process, use of deadly force, and police corruption and deviance. Study Area III

CRM 231: Criminal Procedure and the Courts (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 110. Organization and function of American courts, trial procedures, pre- and post-trial motions; legal procedures regarding arrest, interrogation, search and seizure; constitutional protections for the accused.

CRM 238: Corrections (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 110. Overview of corrections in America to include sentencing, probation, classification, incarceration, community corrections, and parole. Critical analysis of goals of sentencing, correctional organization and management, alternatives to incarceration, and theories of behavioral change.

CRM 240: Gender, Crime, and Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Examines how gender is related to crime and criminal justice, with a particular focus on the experience for females. Topics to be covered include patterns of victimization and offending by gender and women in the criminal justice system as offenders and workers. Theories to explain differences in victimization and offending by gender will be explored. Irregular.

CRM 245: Diversity and Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Impact of race, ethnicity, and/or gender on the commission of criminal offenses, the likelihood of criminal victimization, and the treatment of criminal offenders: Also examined is the impact of race, ethnicity, and/or gender on those working in the criminal justice system. Study Area III
CRM 260: Criminology (3 Credits)
Formerly CRM 300: Prereq: CRM 110. Historical and contemporary overview of the nature of crime and causes of criminal behavior: Examination of the relationship between criminological theory and criminal justice policy and practice.

CRM 322: Research Methods in Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Overview of the methods of inquiry used in criminal justice research: principles of research design, knowledge of research strategies, conducting literature reviews, writing and presenting research ideas, and reading empirical reports.

CRM 330: Domestic Violence (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Theory, research, and current policy on domestic violence; patterns and trends, multi-disciplined theoretical explanations, historic and contemporary criminal justice response to domestic violence are critically analyzed.

CRM 332: Criminal Law (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. This is a survey course on criminal law in the United States. Topics to be discussed are the sources of criminal law, limitations of criminal laws, the elements of criminal law, criminal law and the Constitution, criminal defenses, and criminal offenses. Irregular

CRM 360: Victimology (3 Credits)
Formerly CRM 325: Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Current theory and research regarding the victims of crime. Topics include victim vulnerability and culpability, restitution, mediation, treatment, and compensation. Irregular

CRM 361: Principles & Ethics in Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Formerly CRM 301: Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Examination of selected principles of law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Overview of ethical dilemmas relevant to criminal justice.

CRM 362: Crime and Capitalism (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Critical examination of capitalism in crimes against humanity; white collar, corporate, transnational, and government crime, and the creation of a criminal underclass. Irregular

CRM 363: Constitutional Law and the Criminal Justice System (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260. Examines the various areas the Constitution affects. Topics include the concept of federalism, the incorporation clause, interstate commerce and the federal criminal code, limitations on civil liberties, and prisoners rights. Irregular
CRM 366: Extreme Offending (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260.* Explores perpetrators whose crimes fall outside the realm of traditional patterns of offending. Topics include serial murder, cult murder/suicide, major corporate malfeasance, and terrorism. Students will analyze perpetrators through available scholarship and source material. Person and environmental factors that conceptually link different types of perpetrators will be explored.

CRM 367: Criminal Justice Prevention and Policy (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260.* Provide students with a broad analysis of both historic and contemporary crime control strategies implemented by the police, courts, legislators, and the correctional system. Irregular

CRM 368: Defendant Assessment in the Legal System (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 230, CRM 231, CRM 238, CRM 260.* Examines the various ways defendants are assessed and evaluated within the legal system (e.g., competence to stand trial, the insanity defense, juror evaluation, etc.). Irregular

CRM 401: Hate Crimes (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 322.* Provides a historical and contemporary overview of hate crimes, hate speech, hate acts, and hate crimes legislation. Focus on case studies involving crimes against protected classes such as race, gender, religion, ethnicity, disability, and sexual orientation. Irregular

CRM 403: Juvenile Offending: Origins and Interventions (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 322.* Introduce students to the theory and research-based causes of juvenile offending and evidence-based intervention. Irregular

CRIM 411: Community Corrections (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 322.* Examination of the use of community corrections in the United States; Topics will include pre-trial and post-sentencing programs such as bail administration, diversion programs, probation, parole, and alternatives to corrections. Irregular.

CRM 412: Crime Prevention (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 322.* Explores the theoretical basis and application of crime prevention techniques with a particular focus on environmental criminology and situational crime prevention. Ideological foundations of various crime prevention efforts are examined through case studies and limited field work. Strong emphasis is placed on comparing and contrasting the situational/environmental crime prevention approach with traditional perspectives of crime. Strengths, weaknesses, practicality and policy difficulties of the situational/environmental approach are also examined. Irregular.

CRM 420: Current Issues in Criminal Justice Policy (3 Credits)
*Prereq: CRM 322.* Major issues and ethical considerations related to criminal justice policy and practices. Topics may include gun control mandatory sentencing, death penalty, drug legalization and privatization. Irregular.
CRM 433: Independent Study in Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. Readings and research in selected areas of criminal justice students must present a written study proposal to the instructor directing the research prior to registering for the course. May be repeated for a maximum of 3 credits. On Demand.

CRM 435: Supervised Field Studies in Criminal Justice (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. Senior status and permission of the Internship Coordinator. Internship placement in a criminal justice setting under faculty direction and supervision. Corresponding class meetings and assignments are also required. Student must arrange for placement by contacting the internship director a semester in advance. Fall, Spring, Summer.

CRM 450: Drugs and Society (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. For graduate students, admission to the M.S. Criminal Justice Program and in good standing; or permission of the department chair. Selected social issues relating to illegal drug use, including international and national drug trafficking, money laundering, drug enforcement drug-related crimes, prevention strategies, and legalization. Irregular.

CRM 460: Sexual Predators (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. Traces sexually aggressive behavior from its etiology to its manifestation in offending to its impact on the victim to criminal justice system responses to the offender. Topics include profiles of various sex crimes, community supervision of sex offenders, and registration and community notification laws. Irregular.

CRM 475: Controlling Anger and Aggression (3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. For graduate students admission to the M.S. Criminal Justice program and good standing or permission of the department chair. Multi-disciplinary overview of theory and research on anger and aggression: Topics include the emotion of anger, theories of aggression/ and intervention strategies.

CRM 478: Current Topics in Criminal Justice (1 to 3 Credits)
Prereq: CRM 322. Analysis and evaluation of special topics in the general field of criminology and criminal justice. May be repeated with different topics for a maximum of 6 credits.
Majors are also required to take the following courses in their general education:

**PHIL 144: Moral Issues** (3 Credits)

*C- or higher*

Critical examination (both practical and theoretical) of issues arising in the private and public conduct of one's life: Typical issues for examination are abortion, violence, capital punishment and conflicts between personal values and professional duties.

**STAT 104 or 200 or 215** *Prerequisite: MATH 101 (C- or higher) or Placement Exam.*