

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, B.S. (UNIVERSITY COLLEGE)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Beaver, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre

Suggested Academic Plan

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Criminal Justice, B.S. at Beaver Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100*	3	CRIMJ 12*	3
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3	CAS 100A [‡]	3
General Education Course	3	General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	General Education Course	3
General Education Quantification (GQ) [‡]	3	General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
PSU 8 (if recommended or required)	0-1	Elective	3
15-16		16.5	

Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 220*	3	CRIMJ 210*	3
SOC 119N*	4	CRIMJ 230*	3
General Education Course	3	STAT 200 ^{*††}	4
General Education Course	3	ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (A/D preferred) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3	General Education Course	3
16		16	

Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441*	3	CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3	Skills Enhancement Course*	3
PHIL 103 ^{*†}	3	Skills Enhancement Course*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3	General Education Course	3
Elective	3	Elective	3

General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5	
16.5		15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits	Spring
CRIMJ 250W*	3	CRIMJ 450W*
CRIMJ 290*	2	CRIMJ 495*
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3	Elective
Skills Enhancement Course*	3	Elective
Elective	3	
14		12

Total Credits 121-122

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Criminal Justice, B.S. at DuBois Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100*	3 CRIMJ 12*	3
ENGL 15 or 30H‡	3 CAS 100‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GQ)‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
PSU 8 (FYS)	1	
	16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210*	3 CRIMJ 230*	3
General Education Course	3 SOC 119N*	4
STAT 200*‡	4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D‡	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ 220*	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441*	3 CRIMJ 400 Level	3
CRIMJ 400 Level	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
CRIMJ 465*	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 250W*	3 CRIMJ 450W*	3
CRIMJ 290*	2 CRIMJ 495*	3
CRIMJ 400 Level	3 Elective	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 General Education Course	3
	14	15

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University Requirements and General Education Notes:

Criminal Justice, B.S. at Fayette Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100*	3 CAS 100A‡	3
ENGL 15 or 30H‡	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
General Education Quantification (GQ)‡	3 CRIMJ 12**†	3
PSU 8	1	
	16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210*	3 CRIMJ 230*	3
CRIMJ 220*	3 ENGL 202A‡	3
SOC 119N**†	4 General Education Course	3
STAT 200**††	4 CRIMJ 250W*	3
CRIMJ 250W*	3 General Education Course	3
	17	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441*	3 CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
CRIMJ 465**†	3 General Education Course	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 290*	2 CRIMJ 450W*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 CRIMJ 495*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Elective	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	14	15

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University Requirements and General Education Notes:

Criminal Justice, B.S. at Greater Allegheny Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSU 8	1 CRIMJ 12*	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 (GWS) [‡]	3 BA 243 or PHIL 103*	3
CRIMJ 100*	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 CAS 100, CAS 100A, CAS 100B, or CAS 100C [‡]	3
General Education Course	3	
	16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210*	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 SOC 119N ^{*†}	4
General Education Course	3 STAT 200 ^{*††}	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	CRIMJ 220*	3
	12	17

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 290*	3 CRIMJ 250W*	3
CRIMJ 451 (or other 400-level CRIMJ course)*	3 CRIMJ 230*	3
CRIMJ 413 (or other 400-level CRIMJ course)*	3 Elective	3
Major Supporting Course*	3 Major Supporting Course*	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 453 (or other 400-level CRIMJ course)*	3 CRIMJ 441*	3
Major Supporting Course*	3 CRIMJ 495*	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ 424W (or other 400-level CRIMJ course)*	3
CRIMJ 450W*	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

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Program Notes:

- Additional CRIMJ 400-level courses: Select at least 9 credits at the 400-level.
- Major Supporting Courses: Select 12 credits, in consultation with adviser. Recommended options include psychology courses (e.g., abnormal, forensic), BBH courses (e.g., Drugs, Behavior and Health), ECON 104 or ECON 102, HDFS courses (e.g., courses on developmental or family problems), or IST or SRA security courses.

Criminal Justice, B.S. at hazleton Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 12 ^{*†}	3 CRIMJ 100 [*]	3
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 CAS 100A [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Quantification (GQ) [‡]	3 Elective	3
PSU 8	1	
	16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210 [*]	3 CRIMJ 230 [*]	3
CRIMJ 220 [*]	3 CRIMJ 250W [*]	3
SOC 119N ^{*†}	4 ENGL 202A [‡]	3
STAT 200 ^{*††}	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	17	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441 [*]	3 CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3 Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3
PHIL 103 ^{*†}	3 General Education Course	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 290 [*]	2 CRIMJ 450W [*]	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3 CRIMJ 495 [*]	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 Elective	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	14	15

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 CAS 100A [‡]	3
CRIMJ 100*	3 CRIMJ/SOC 12 [†]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Quantification (GQ) [‡]	3
First Year Seminar	3 General Education Course	3
	15	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210	3 ENGL 202A or 202B [‡]	3
CRIMJ 230	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 CRIMJ 220*	3
Elective	3 STAT 200 (GQ) [‡]	4
	15	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PHIL 103 [†]	3 CRIMJ 441	3
SOC 119N [†]	4 Elective	3
CRIMJ 250W ^{**†}	3 400 Level CRIMJ Selection*	3
CRIMJ 290*	3 Skills Enhancement Selection*	3
Skills Enhancement Selection	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	Elective	3
	16	16.5

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 495*	3-6 CRIMJ 450W ^{**†}	3
400 Level CRIMJ Selection*	3 400 Level CRIMJ Selection*	3
Skills Enhancement Selection*	3 Skills Enhancement Selection	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
	13.5-16.5	15

Total Credits 122-125

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Criminal Justice, B.S. at New Kensington Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100*	3 CRIMJ/SOC 12*	3
ENGL 15 or 30H‡	3 CAS 100A‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Quantification (GQ)‡	3 General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
PSU 8	1 Elective	3
	16	16.5

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 220*	3 CRIMJ 210*	3
SOC 119N*	4 CRIMJ 230*	3
General Education Course	3 STAT 200*††	4
General Education Course	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (A/D Preferred)‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441*	3 CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
PHIL 103*†	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5	
	16.5	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 250W*	3 CRIMJ 450W*	3
CRIMJ 290*	2 CRIMJ 495*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 Elective	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
	14	12

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Criminal Justice, B.S. at Schuylkill Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100 ^{*†}	3 CRIMJ 12 ^{*†}	3
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 CAS 100 [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education (Quantification) [‡]	3 Elective	3
PSU 8	2 General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	17	16.5

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210 [*]	3 CRIMJ 230 [*]	3
CRIMJ 220 [*]	3 ENGL 202A [‡]	3
SOC 119N [*]	4 STAT 200 ^{*††}	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 250W [*]	3 CRIMJ 441 [*]	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3 CRIMJ 465 [*]	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3
General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
Elective	3	
	16.5	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 290 [*]	2 CRIMJ 450W [*]	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level [*]	3 CRIMJ 495 [*]	3
Skills Enhancement Course [*]	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
	14	12

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 100*	3 CRIMJ 12**†	3
ENGL 15 or 30H‡	3 CAS 100A‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Quantification (GQ)‡	3 General Education Health & Wellness (GHW)	3
PSU 8 (if recommended or required)	0-1	
	15-16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 220*	3 CRIMJ 210*	3
SOC 119N**†	4 CRIMJ 230*	3
General Education Course	3 STAT 200**††	4
General Education Course	3 ENGL 202A‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 441*	3 PHIL 103**†	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Skills Enhancement Course*	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 General Education Course	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 250W*	3 CRIMJ 450W*	3
CRIMJ 290*	2 CRIMJ 495*	3
CRIMJ - 400 Level*	3 Elective	3
Skills Enhancement Course*	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	14	15

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Criminal Justice, B.S. at Wilkes-Barre Campus

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First Year

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CRIMJ 100*	3 CAS 100A‡	3
ENGL 15 or 30H‡	3 SOC 12†	3
Elective	3 SOC 119N†	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
PSU 8	1	
	16	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 210*	3 CRIMJ 230*	3
CRIMJ 220*	3 STAT 200*††	4
General Education Course	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D‡	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	15	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 290*	2 CRIMJ 441W*	3
CRIMJ 250W*	3 Skills Enhancement Course	3
CRIMJ 465*	3 Skills Enhancement Course	3
CRIMJ 400 Level*	3 Elective	3
CRIMJ 400 Level*	3 Elective	3
General Education Course	3	
	17	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CRIMJ 400 Level*	3 CRIMJ 450W*†	3
Skills Enhancement Course	3 CRIMJ 495*	3
Elective	3 Skills Enhancement Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
	15	12

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