

**2020-2021 CRIMINAL JUSTICE
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
HANDBOOK**



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Department of Criminal Justice Undergraduate Student Handbook

Welcome to the Department of Criminal Justice. The Department is one of sixteen in the *Thomas Harriot College of Arts & Sciences* and offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in criminal justice. The Department offers students at ECU the opportunity to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, a Double Major in Criminal Justice (BS) and Chemistry (BA), along with minors in *Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Legal Process*, and *Forensic Science*. The degree programs provide students with the critical thinking skills necessary to become the next generation of criminal justice leaders.

The Department is composed of a talented collection of teaching and research faculty with award-winning scholars and practitioners with expertise in areas such as law enforcement, forensic science, homeland security, criminology, juvenile delinquency, law, corrections, organized crime, transnational crime, terrorism, and more. The faculty is dedicated to teaching, research, and providing services to local, regional, national, and international communities. In the end, the Department is committed to providing students with a quality educational experience.

The Department offers criminal justice majors an updated undergraduate curriculum that meets market demands. Moreover, it provides students with extraordinary learning and leadership opportunities such as participation in *Alpha Phi Sigma*, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, student organizations, field experiences, international study abroad, annual job/career fair, and faculty-student research programs. Students can interface with peers, dynamic faculty, and the university community while studying in a vibrant criminal justice department where we are committed to student success. We believe that this holistic approach to educating students inevitably leads to their success when they exit the program.

Upon graduation, our students pursue careers in local, state, and federal criminal justice agencies across the United States, and abroad. Some students continue their education in graduate or law school. Students often seek employment in areas such as corrections, probation, parole, juvenile justice, law enforcement, court operations, and other public service-related fields. One unique component of the program is that students are required to complete a field experience which places them in contact with an agency of justice. The experience allows students to combine classroom instructions with the application of criminal justice in action. This experiential approach to learning places students in a unique position compared with their counterparts who may not have a similar educational experience. Students can pursue an internship anywhere in the country. Some popular choices include state highway patrol, law offices, crime scene investigation units, county sheriff's offices, criminal court, victim advocacy, and others.

The Department of Criminal Justice extends to our students a warm welcome to the program.

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Research interests: Judgment and decision making, law enforcement policy and practice, evaluation of criminal justice policies and programs, police accountability systems, criminal justice worker stress and wellness, recruitment and retention, domestic violence, and sexual assault

Teaching interests: Law enforcement, criminal justice administration, research methods, gender-based violence, accountability and ethics, courts, criminal law, criminal procedure

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Teaching interests: Community corrections, criminology, legal aspects of corrections, legal aspects of criminal justice, research methods, victimology

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Teaching interests: Homeland security, global terrorism, transnational crime, comparative criminal justice, law enforcement, criminal justice administration

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Teaching interests: Mass murder, crime and criminality, research methods, statistics, juvenile justice

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Teaching interests: Race, gender, and special population groups, diversity issues, crime and criminality, research methods, statistics, media and crime

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Teaching interests: Criminal justice administration and management, issues and problems in criminal justice

Contacting Faculty

Faculty will post pertinent information in their syllabi and office door regarding how they can be contacted for student consultation. They will provide information such as office hours, email addresses, or a time when arrangements can be made for virtual meetings.

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MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Department Mission Statement

The mission of the Department of Criminal Justice is to advance the scientific understanding of crime, criminality, and the criminal justice system by:

- A. Sustaining high quality instructional courses in our undergraduate and graduate programs.
- B. Producing research that contributes to theoretical understandings of and applied work in the criminal justice system.
- C. Providing professional expertise via service at the local, state, national, and international levels.

Department Goals

- Foster the development of critical thinking and writing skills that will enable students to become successful criminal justice professionals and or pursue advanced education.
- Provide students with an educational experience that includes the introduction to and mastery of topics related to law enforcement, courts, corrections, and the juvenile justice system; knowledge of the history of crime and criminal justice; and an understanding of the etiology and social response to crime in modern society.
- Provide students with an appreciation of human diversity, moral and ethical judgement, and the imperative of human values in the preservation of a free society.

Department Objectives

- Maximize student success, foster learning and discovery, serve the public, and lead in regional transformation.
- Improve the students understanding of research methods and statistics so they can conduct and evaluate social science research.
- Provide student with an ability to understand and evaluate criminal justice policies.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE HONOR CODE

The criminal justice honor code mirrors the school's academic integrity policy which is binding on every East Carolina University student. Academic honor is the responsibility of the students and faculty at East Carolina University. A violation of the code may result in disciplinary action taken against the student. Academically violating the ECU Honor Code consists of the following:

- (1) Cheating: Unauthorized aid or assistance or the giving or receiving of unfair advantage on any form of academic work.
- (2) Plagiarism: Copying the language, structure, ideas, and/or thoughts of another and adopting same as one's own original work (Example: Cutting and pasting any internet passage into a paper or exam)
- (3) Falsification/fabrication: Statement of any untruth, either spoken or written, regarding any circumstances relative to academic work.
- (4) Attempts: Attempting any act that, if completed, would constitute an academic integrity violation as defined herein.
- (5) Multiple submission: The submission of substantial portions of the same academic work for credit more than once without authorization from the faculty member who receives the later submission.

STUDENT PLANNING GUIDE

Requirements for Graduation

Criminal justice majors must satisfy the following Department and University requirements for graduation:

- The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice requires a minimum of 120 semester hours
- The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (Forensic Science Minor) and Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry Double Major requires 143 semester hours
- Completion of all general education courses and major requirements
- Criminal Justice students **must** complete the field experience (internship)
 - **The field experience must be completed during the last semester of enrollment in the program.**
 - **The field experience is an integral component of the Criminal Justice degree program.**
 - **Under special circumstances students are allowed to opt out of the field experience but only with permission from the Department Chair. Students should work with their assigned advisor to submit this request.**
- Criminal justice majors are expected to maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 throughout the program
- Criminal justice majors are expected to maintain a grade point average of at least 2.0 in the major

Grade Appeal Policy

The goal of this grade appeal policy is to establish a clear, fair process by which undergraduate students can contest a course grade that they believe has been awarded in a manner inconsistent with university policies or that has resulted from calculation errors on the part of the instructor. Recognizing, however, that the evaluation of student performance is based upon the professional judgment of instructors, and notwithstanding the exceptions noted at the end of this policy, appeals will not be considered unless based upon one or more of the following factors:

1. An error was made in grade computation.
2. Standards different from those established in written department, school, college, or university policies, if specific policies exist, were used in assigning the grade.
3. The instructor departed substantially from his or her previously articulated, written standards, without notifying students, in determining the grade.

Only the final course grade may be appealed. The grade assigned by the instructor is assumed to be correct and the student appealing the grade must justify the need for a change of the grade assigned. <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/registrar/gradeappeal.cfm>

Course Repeat Policy

If a Criminal Justice major earns less than a C grade in a required core course, the student will have to repeat the course until a C grade is achieved. However, criminal justice electives will not have to be repeated if a student fails to earn a C.

Required Criminal Justice Core Courses

JUST 1000: Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
JUST 2004: Crime and Criminality	3
JUST 2009: Correctional Systems	3
JUST 2012: Police and Society	3
JUST WI Course	3
JUST 3200: The Juvenile Justice System	3
JUST 3500: Principles of Criminal Law	3
JUST 3700: Race, Gender, Special Population	3
JUST 3800: Research Methods	3
JUST 3900: Introductory Statistics for CJ	3
JUST 4500: Issues and Problems in CJ	3
JUST 4990: Field Education and Seminar	3
JUST Electives (3000 or higher)	9
<i>Major Hours Required</i>	51
General Electives and/or Minor Required	29
<u>General Education Required</u>	<u>40</u>
GRAND TOTAL:	120

Transfer Credits

The department and ECU have bilateral agreements with certain community colleges, as well as 4-year colleges and universities, that specify which courses can transfer into the department as criminal justice core courses, criminal justice electives, general education, or general electives. New students should work with their advisors to have courses taken before admission to ECU evaluated for potential transfer credit. Current Criminal Justice majors should contact their advisor before enrolling and attempting to transfer courses taken at other colleges.

Summer Courses

The department traditionally offers several elective courses during the two summer sessions each year. Courses may be offered in both online and face-to-face formats, and courses offered each summer are based on instructor availability, resources, and student demand. Core courses are not typically offered in the summer with the exception of JUST4990: *Field Education and Seminar* and JUST 4500: *Issues and Problems in Criminal Justice*.

ENHANCING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Some students may be interested in enhancing their knowledge about criminal justice that goes beyond the BS degree. For those students, the department offers an opportunity for a Criminal Justice (minor in forensic science) and Chemistry double major. The Department also offers minors in criminal justice, criminal law and judicial process, and forensic science. Those students who are inclined towards attending law school may be attracted to the criminal law and judicial process minor, while students who like forensics and crime scene investigations may be drawn to study forensic science.

The BS in Criminal Justice (Forensic Science Minor) and BA in Chemistry-Double Major

This is an appropriate double major for students considering a career in a forensic lab (state, federal, or private) or an advanced degree in related forensic sciences field. The double major plan provides students with a strong foundation in both criminal justice and chemistry with additional topics from biology and anthropology designed to supplement the skills required in a forensic laboratory setting. The BA in Chemistry normally requires 4 semesters of foreign language, but this requirement is waived for students earning a BS in another field and a second major in Chemistry.

Sample 4-Year Plan for the Criminal Justice (Forensic Science) and Chemistry Double Major

FRESHMAN YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
BIOL 1050,1051 or BIOL 1100, 1101	3,1	CHEM 1150, 1151	3,1
MATH 1065	3	MATH 2121	3
ENGL 1100	3	JUST 2004	3
JUST 1000	3	ANTH 2015, 2016	3, 1
Social Science*	3	KINE 1000	1
	16		15
SOPHOMORE YEAR			
CHEM 1160, 1161	3,1	CHEM 2750, 2753	3,1
MATH 2122	3	PHYS 1250,1251	3,1
JUST 2009	3	JUST 3007	3
JUST 2012	3	ENGL 2201 or Social Science*	3
ENGL 2201 or Social Science*	3	Humanities**	3
	16		17
JUNIOR YEAR			
CHEM 2760, 2763	3,1	CHEM 3250,3251	3,2
PHYS 1260, 1261	3,1	BIOL 2130	4
JUST 3020	3	JUST 3022	3
ANTH 3026 (Fall)	3	JUST 3800	3
Social Science*	3	HLTH 1000	2
	17		17

SENIOR YEAR

CHEM 3450, 3451	3,1	CHEM 3850,3851	4,1
JUST 3023	3	JUST 3500	3
JUST 3200	3	JUST 3700	3
JUST 3900	3	JUST WI***	3
Fine Arts**	<u>3</u>	Humanities or Fine Arts**	<u>3</u>
	16		17

SUMMER

JUST 4500	3
JUST 4990	<u>9</u>
	12

Minors Offered in the Criminal Justice Program

Criminal Justice (CJ) Minor

Students majoring in Criminal Justice may not minor in Criminal Justice. The 21-credit hour minor in Criminal Justice offers students a glimpse into the academic discipline. It may provide students with knowledge about the justice system to balance their major. For example, psychology majors and social work majors would benefit greatly since they both address people who engage in deviant and sometimes criminal behavior. Students that may be curious and wish to learn more about the criminal justice system may find a minor in Criminal Justice appealing.

To be admitted to the Criminal Justice minor, students must complete JUST 1000 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher and have a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students must maintain an overall 2.0 GPA throughout the program and earn a C (2.0) or higher in all JUST courses. Criminal justice minors must complete JUST 2004 with a C (2.0) or higher before enrolling in courses above JUST 2999.

Criminal Law and Judicial Process (CLLP) Minor

The 21-credit hour Criminal Law and Legal Process minor focuses on criminal law, criminal procedure, the judiciary and court process, and critical reasoning. The minor is a natural complement to the criminal justice major, particularly for those students preparing for law school, but would also benefit students in related fields such as history, philosophy, political science, and sociology.

To be admitted to the program, students must complete JUST 1000 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher and have a minimum GPA of 2.5. All JUST courses taken as part of the minor must be completed with a grade of C (2.0) or higher. Students are expected to maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 throughout the program. Only 6 s.h. of JUST courses used for the minor may count towards the criminal justice major.

Forensic Science Minor

The 24-26 credit hour minor in Forensic Science focuses on criminal investigation and crime scene applications. Students work with crime scene scenarios in the field and in the lab to learn the methods for examining criminal evidence such as fingerprints, blood stains, hairs/fibers, firearms/ballistics, tool marks, footprint/tire impressions, and much more. Our crime scene lab is equipped with many of the investigative tools used in modern law enforcement. The minor is a natural complement to the criminal justice major but would also benefit students in related fields such as anthropology, political science, psychology, and sociology.

To be admitted to the minor in Forensic Science, students must complete JUST 1000 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher and have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher. Students are expected to maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 throughout the program and earn a C (2.0) or higher in all JUST courses.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS

Alpha Phi Sigma

Alpha Phi Sigma (APS) is the nationally recognized honor society for students in the field of criminal justice (www.alphaphisigma.org). The society recognizes academic excellence by undergraduate and graduate students of criminal justice as well as students in the juris doctorate field. The goals of *Alpha Phi Sigma* are to honor and promote academic excellence, community service, educational leadership, and unity.

Membership Requirements for Undergraduate Students:

- Declared a major, minor, or equivalent in the criminal justice or related field
- Have completed three full time semesters or its equivalent
- Attain a minimum GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale in their cumulative and criminal justice classes
- Rank in the top 35% of their class
- Complete a minimum of four courses in the criminal justice field

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Criminal Justice Student Organization

The *Criminal Justice Student Organization* (CJSO) is open to all prospective and current criminal justice majors and minors (criminal justice, forensic science, and criminal law and legal process). Members participate in community and campus activities including sponsoring criminal justice-related events and volunteering in neighborhoods to enhance public safety and wellness. Meetings are held regularly and provide members with opportunities to meet and network with local criminal justice practitioners.

Membership Requirements for Undergraduate Students:

- To join the CJSO, students must pay a membership fee of \$25.00 per academic year. A CJSO t-shirt is provided upon payment.

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Mock Trial Association

The *Mock Trial Association* (MTA) is a student organization for any ECU student interested in learning about the law and legal professions. This group is designed to be a resource for students interested in pursuing law school or other legal occupations. The association strives to create law-related learning experiences, provide networking opportunities, and promote professional development. The MTA holds monthly meetings, hosts special events, and engages in off-campus learning activities. These activities include attending court

proceedings, touring law schools, hosting guest speakers, and participating in mock trial activities.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJORS

European Study Abroad

Each year, ECU sponsors a two-weeks study abroad program (held in the summer) that offers students an opportunity to visit a country in Europe.

Annual Criminal Justice Career Fair

Each year, the *Department of Criminal Justice* host an on-campus recruitment effort that invites numerous federal, state, and local criminal justice organizations including law enforcement, corrections, juvenile justice, courts, and social services to discuss criminal justice careers and employment opportunities.

Faculty-Student Research

We offer students the opportunity to participate in active criminal justice research projects supervised by departmental faculty members.

Guest Speakers and Field Trips

Throughout the academic year, prominent criminal justice professionals visit campus to speak in classes or hold informational sessions on a variety of topics to include job opportunities and critical issues in the criminal justice field. There are also faculty-led field trip opportunities to law enforcement agencies, jails, prisons, and juvenile rehabilitation facilities.

Foreign Study Abroad Programs

Each year, the *Department of Criminal Justice and the Global Affairs Office* sponsors a semester long study abroad partnership with international universities that offer transferrable English language courses to ECU students in countries such as Australis, Canada, Ireland, The Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and others.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNIES

Criminal Justice majors are involved in a variety of community and service-learning activities through student organizations and field experiences. Students are also able to help communities by partnering with criminal justice agencies, food banks, domestic violence shelters, and offender reentry programs, among others.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Each academic year, the Department of Criminal Justice offers student scholarships on a competitive basis. While the amounts often vary, however, on average they range from \$500-\$1,000+. Applications are submitted and managed by the ECUAWARDS program and are contingent on availability of funding. Current scholarship opportunities include:

The John F. Minges III Scholarship

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice with demonstrated academic ability and documented demonstration of financial need; preference given to a student who wishes to pursue a career in law enforcement

The Practical Solutions for Public Safety Scholarship

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice; preference given to a student who wishes to pursue a career in corrections.

The David B. and Willa H. Stevens Criminal Justice Scholarship

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice and demonstrated academic ability

The Department of Criminal Justice Scholarship Pool

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and documented demonstration of financial need

The Nancy W. Darden Scholarship in Criminal Justice

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice with a minimum GPA of 3.0

The Thomas D. Cafferty Scholarship

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice

The Roger Sharpe Scholarship

Basic criteria: Student majoring in Criminal Justice

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are there professional academic advisors to assist with degree planning and course registration?

Yes, ECU has two full-time professional criminal justice academic advisors who assist criminal justice majors and minors with degree planning, course selection, and course registration. Moreover, they are partners in the academic success of students and provide guidance and counseling to help them achieve their goals.

What are the most popular careers sought by ECU criminal justice majors? The three most popular careers that students seek are law enforcement, law school and attorney positions, and probation and parole. Beyond these, criminal justice jobs are found across a broad spectrum in the administration of justice in local, state, and federal agencies and include forensic science, juvenile justice, private security, corrections, law and courts, intelligence, and others.

Are there internship opportunities for ECU criminal justice majors?

Yes, a semester-long internship is required for Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice major. Students enroll in a 9-credit hour course in the last semester of their senior year, and it consists of a full-time field placement in an agency/organization coupled with an online companion course (JUST 4500). The course is offered fall, spring, summer.

Student Resources

Center for Counseling and Student Development - 252.328.6661

<http://www.ecu.edu/counselingcenter/>

Dean of Students Office - 252-328-9297

<https://deanofstudents.ecu.edu/>

Joyner Library - 252-328-4176

<http://library.ecu.edu/>

Pirate Academic Success Center - 252.737.3009 or tutoring@ecu.edu.

<http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/aa/pirateacademicsuccesscenter/>

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<http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/writing/uwc/>

DESCRIPTIONS OF COURSES

JUST 1000: Introduction to Criminal Justice (Law enforcement, courts, and correctional systems)

Prerequisite to JUST 2000 level

JUST 2004: Crime and Criminality (Examination of crime causation and crime policies)

Prerequisite to JUST 3000 or higher level

JUST 2009: Correctional Systems (US correctional system, including the history, development, and operations of correctional facilities, and the various types and purposes of criminal punishment)

JUST 2012: Police and Society (Historical and contemporary role and function of law enforcement organizations in the US including the influence of political, economic, and social conditions)

JUST 3003: Drugs and Crime (Crime and criminality in relation to substance use and abuse)

JUST 3006: Security Systems (Private security, loss prevention, and asset protection in relation to the public administration of justice)

JUST 3007: Criminal Investigations (Fundamentals of criminal investigation including the gathering of investigative information from victims and witnesses, the search and recording of crime scenes, and the principles of collecting and preserving physical evidence)

JUST 3020: Introduction to Forensic Science (Scope of the forensic sciences, both traditional and nontraditional)

JUST 3022: Crime Scene Investigation (Aspects of conducting legal and thorough crime scene investigations and their significance to criminal investigations)

Prerequisite/Co-requisite: JUST 3020

Forensic Science Minors ONLY

JUST 3023: Forensic Impressions and Markings (Aspects of the collection, documentation, and analysis of nontraditional forensic evidence such as fingerprints, shoe and tire impressions, and ballistics)

Prerequisite: JUST 3022

Forensic Science Minors ONLY

JUST 3101: Conflict Management (Conflict assessment and intervention in criminal justice settings)

JUST 3102: Interviewing in Criminal Justice (Interviewing processes and methods in the administration of justice)

JUST 3112: Advanced Seminar in Law Enforcement (In-depth examination of the role of police in American society, with a focus on ethics and accountability)

JUST 3150: Introduction to Crime Analysis (Introduction to the types, processes, and purposes of crime analysis)

JUST 3200: The Juvenile Justice System (Juvenile court, juvenile delinquency, and delinquency prevention)

JUST 3400: Introduction to Victimology (Role of victims in crime and criminal justice)

JUST 3500: Principles of Criminal Law (Nature, sources, and types of criminal law, as well as specific criminal offenses, liability, and defenses)

JUST 3501: Criminal Procedure (Rules and procedures governing criminal justice process from arrest through sentencing, including concepts of due process and rights given to prisoners)

Prerequisite: ENGL 2201(WI)

JUST 3502: Legal Aspects of Corrections (Laws that govern and influence the correctional system, including judicial process, constitutional law, prison law, legal liabilities of public officials, and the rights of inmates)

Prerequisite: ENGL 2201(WI)

JUST 3503: Courts and Judicial Process (History, structure, and functions of the U.S. Court system. Detailed examination of the roles, responsibilities, and discretionary authority of court actors, and of court processes including pretrial, trial, and post-trial procedures including plea bargaining and appellate procedures)

JUST 3525: Media and Crime (Portrayal of crime and the criminal justice system in the media)

JUST 3605: White-Collar Crime (Nature and extent of white-collar crime, focusing on harmful and criminal acts by individuals and corporations)

JUST 3620: Homeland Security (Examination of homeland security in the United States, including apparatus, preparedness, and role of criminal justice)

JUST 3700: Race, Gender, and Special Populations in the Criminal Justice System (Issues and problems related to diverse communities within the criminal justice system)

JUST 3800: Research Methods in Criminal Justice (Data collection and the techniques used in the process of criminal justice research)

JUST 3900: Introductory Statistics for Criminal Justice (Descriptive and inferential statistical techniques for criminal justice research)

Prerequisite: JUST 3800

JUST 4004: Criminal Justice History (Development of major aspects in criminal justice, including past practices in other societies, and selected crimes and individuals that have significantly impacted American society and the modern criminal justice system)

JUST 4005: Organized Crime (Comparison of organized criminal behavior around the world, including structural aspects, activities conducted, and criminal justice responses)

JUST 4006: Community Corrections (Recent developments, purposes, and effectiveness of community-based corrections programs, such as probation, parole, house arrest, electronic monitoring, and others)

JUST 4150: Introduction to Crime Mapping (Use of geographic information systems to analyze and map crime and other public safety data)

JUST 4250: Applied Crime Analysis (Introduction to computer software packages used to analyze quantitative data in criminal justice)

JUST 4300: Criminal Justice Administration and Management (Management principles, supervision, and leadership as applied to criminal justice organizations)

Prerequisite: ENGL 2201(WI)

JUST 4401-4403: Independent Study (Selected readings, research, or studies related to criminal justice)

JUST 4450: Accountability and Ethics in Criminal Justice (Critical examination of the diverse ethical issues encountered in the American system of criminal justice)

JUST 4500: Issues and Problems in Criminal Justice (In-depth examination of policy issues and ethical dilemmas confronting the different sectors of the criminal justice system (police, courts, and corrections))

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JUST 4600: Special Topics in Criminal Justice (Selected topics and current developments)

JUST 4602: Gender-Based Violence (Critical examination of the crimes of, and criminal justice response to, domestic violence and sexual assault)

JUST 4605: Hate Crime (Causes, laws, and victimization/offending in hate crime)

JUST 4615: Terrorism and Criminal Justice (Study of the history and characteristics of terrorism and criminal justice responses to terrorism)

JUST 4620: Transnational and Global Crime (Study of transnational and global crime and crime prevention mechanisms)

JUST 4625: Crime and Health (Critical examination of the link between the criminal justice and public health systems in response to violence)

JUST 4990: Field Education and Seminar (Supervised experiential learning experience integrating previous course work with daily work activity in a criminal justice agency)
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