Duluth Campus

Criminology B.A.

Justice Culture Social Change

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2022
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 42
- Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Criminology is the study of crime and criminal behavior. The criminology program focuses on crime as a social phenomenon and the causes of criminal behavior. The major provides an overview of institutions, issues and causes of crime, and social control; it also offers a strong foundation in liberal arts, a basic knowledge of behavioral sciences, and a strong professional growth potential for those pursuing a career in criminology or the criminal justice system. Many criminology majors enter law, law enforcement, corrections, and other social service careers or graduate school.

Honors requirements: The department honors program recognizes majors who demonstrate outstanding academic performance, provides special educational opportunities for such students, and encourages the development of specialty areas within the major. Honors students participate in independent research, working closely with a faculty member. Qualified majors apply to the honors program before the end of the second week of the first semester of their senior year.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the Office of Admissions website.

General Requirements

The Board of Regents, on recommendation of the faculty, grants degrees from the University of Minnesota. Requirements for an undergraduate degree from University of Minnesota Duluth include the following:

1. Students must meet all course and credit requirements of the departments and colleges or schools in which they are enrolled including an advanced writing course. Students seeking two degrees must fulfill the requirements of both degrees. However, two degrees cannot be awarded for the same major.
2. Students must complete all requirements of the Liberal Education Program.
3. Students must complete a minimum of 120 semester credits.
4. At least 30 of the last 60 degree credits earned immediately before graduation must be awarded by UMD.
5. Students must complete at least half of their courses at the 3xxx-level and higher at UMD. Study-abroad credits earned through courses taught by UM faculty and at institutions with which UMD has international exchange programs may be used to fulfill this requirement.
6. If a minor is required, students must take at least three upper division credits in their minor field from UMD.
7. The minimum cumulative UM GPA required for graduation will be 2.00 and will include only University of Minnesota coursework. A minimum UM GPA of 2.00 is required in each UMD undergraduate major and minor. No academic unit may impose higher grade point standards to graduate.
8. Diploma, transcripts, and certification will be withheld until all financial obligations to the University have been met.

Program Requirements

1. A second field of study (minor, major, degree) is required for this major.
2. Global experience is a UMD goal for all students and international study is encouraged. Talk with an academic or faculty advisor to explore academic options for fulfilling your degree requirements through study abroad.

Learning in Community (1 cr)

The Learning in Community requirement will be waived for transfer students with at least 30 credits taken post high school and for UMD students who started in a UMD program where this was not required. First-year students who have completed 30 PSEO credits

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may request a waiver to the students primary college.
UST 1000 - Learning in Community (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
or EHS 1000 - Into the World [GLOBAL PER] (3.0 cr)
or ES 1000 - Global Cultural Perspectives on Environmental Sustainability [GLOBAL PER] (3.0 cr)
or LING 1000 - Language and Culture in the U.S. What does it Mean to Speak American [CDIVERSITY] (3.0 cr)
or PSY 1100 - Living Your Best Life: Applying Positive Psychology [CDIVERSITY] (3.0 cr)

Advanced Writing (3 cr)
WRIT 3140 or 3160 are recommended.
WRIT 31xx - Adv Writing (3 cr)

Lower Division Core (12 cr)
A grade of C or better is required in each course.
CRIM 1301 - Introduction to Criminology [LE CAT8, SOC SCI] (4.0 cr)
CRIM 2311 - Criminological Theory (4.0 cr)
SOC 2155 - Introduction to Research Methods and Analysis (4.0 cr)

Upper Division Core (11 cr)
After successfully completing SOC 4587, a student must wait at least one semester before registering for SOC 4597. Students intern in a setting related to their career interests. Take SOC 4597 for at least 6 credits. (Students also majoring in psychology may request to substitute PSY 3020 for SOC 3155. See the department head for approval.)
SOC 3155 - Quantitative Research Methods and Analysis (4.0 cr)
SOC 4587 - Internship Preparation (1.0 cr)
SOC 4597 - Internship (6.0 - 8.0 cr)

Inequality Course (3 cr)
Students take at least one course listed below to fulfill this requirement. If both CRIM inequality courses are taken, one course will apply as elective credit toward the major.
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•CRIM 4323 - Women and Justice (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4340 - Racial Inequality and Criminalization [RACE JUST] (3.0 cr)
•SOC 3330 - The U.S. Civil Rights Movement [SOC SCI, CDIVERSITY] (3.0 cr)
•SOC 3945 - Social Stratification (3.0 cr)
•SOC 4947 - Sociology of Gender (3.0 cr)
•SOC 4949 - Race and Ethnic Relations [RACE JUST] (3.0 cr)

Criminology Electives (9 cr)
Take 3 or more course(s) from the following:
•CRIM 3322 - Law and Society (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3324 - Sociology of Criminal Law (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3328 - Delinquency and Juvenile Justice (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3336 - Crime and the Media (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3338 - Sociology of Gangs (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3340 - Crime Prevention (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3344 - Law Enforcement and Society (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3350 - Psychopathology and Crime (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3361 - Correctional Continuum (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3369 - Correctional Assessment and Intervention (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3375 - Restorative Justice (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3380 - Death Penalty (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3395 - Special Topics: (Various Titles to be Assigned) (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4305 - Mentally Ill Offenders in the Criminal Justice System (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4350 - Corporate and Government Crime (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4382 - Victimology (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4384 - Child Abuse and Child Protection in Minnesota (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4930 - Understanding Violence (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3355 - Criminal Forensic Psychology (3.0 cr)
or PSY 5155 - Forensic Psychology (3.0 cr)
•CRIM 3xxx-4xxx
•**Optional Experience**
Take 0 - 6 credit(s) from the following:
•CRIM 4391 - Independent Study in Criminology (1.0 - 3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4399 - Honors Project Criminology (1.0 - 3.0 cr)
•CRIM 4910 - Teaching Assistantship in Criminology (1.0 - 3.0 cr)

Additional Required Elective (3 cr)

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Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•ANTH 3xxx-4xxx
or CRIM 3xxx-4xxx

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