Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the University's Four-Year Graduation Plan. Courses in the major are those required to complete the major; they may be offered by departments other than the major department.

Sequencing of coursework is important in meeting the four-year plan.

- Before the fifth semester begins: two introductory courses and a statistics course.
- Before the seventh semester begins: both theory and methods courses, three additional introductory courses, two electives, and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.
- Before the eighth semester begins: a capstone course and two additional electives.
- During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, including SOC:4909 Graduation Portfolio; all remaining GE CLAS Core courses; and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

Criminology, Law and Justice, B.A.

Course | Title | Hours
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Any Semester | GE CLAS Core: Sustainability $^a$ | 0

First Year Fall

Major: introductory criminology course $^b$ | 3
ENGL:1200 | The Interpretation of Literature | 3 - 4
or RHET:1030 | Rhetoric
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level $^c$ | 4 - 5
Proficiency or elective course
CSI:1600 | Success at Iowa | 2
Elective course $^d$ | 3

Hours 15-17

Spring

Major: introductory criminology course | 3
ENGL:1200 | The Interpretation of Literature | 3 - 4
or RHET:1030 | Rhetoric
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion $^e$ | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level $^c$ | 4 - 5
Proficiency or elective course
Elective course $^d$ | 2

Hours 15-17

Second Year Fall

SOC:2130 | Sociological Theory | 3
Major: criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab $^e$ | 4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level $^c$ | 4 - 5
Proficiency or elective course
Elective course $^d$ | 2

Hours 16-17

Spring

Major: introductory statistics course - STAT:1020 Elementary Statistics and Inference recommended $^b$ | 3
Major: criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level $^e$ | 4 - 5
Proficiency or elective course
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 1 - 3

Hours 14-17

Third Year Fall

CRIM:2470 | Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice | 3
Major: advanced criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives $^e$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3

Hours 15

Spring

Major: capstone course | 3
Major: advanced criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts $^e$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3

Hours 15

Fourth Year Fall

Major: advanced criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab $^e$ | 3
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture $^e$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3

Hours 15

Spring

SOC:4909 | Graduation Portfolio | 0
Major: upper-level sociology elective/track course | 3
Major: advanced criminology, law and justice elective (prefix CRIM) | 3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues $^e$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Elective course $^d$ | 3
Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

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a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.
b Fulfills a major requirement and may fulfill a GE requirement.
c Students who have completed four years of a single language in high school have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course.
d Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
e GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
f Advanced courses are numbered 3000 or above. Two of the four advanced electives must be taken after (and not concurrent with) the completion of SOC:2130, an approved introductory statistics course, and CRIM:2470.
g Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Graduation Services.