

Criminology, Law, and Justice, BA

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.

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| Course | Title | Hours |
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| Academic Career | | |
| Any Semester | | |
| GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a | | |
| Hours | | 0 |
| First Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| Major: introductory criminology, law, and justice course ^{b, c} | | 3 |
| ENGL:1200 or RHET:1030 | Interpreting Literature or Rhetoric: Writing and Communication | 3 - 4 |
| GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course ^d | | 4 - 5 |
| CSI:1600 | Success at Iowa | 1 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |
| Hours | | 14-16 |
| Spring | | |
| Major: introductory criminology, law, and justice course ^{b, c} | | 3 |
| RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200 | Rhetoric: Writing and Communication or Interpreting Literature | 3 - 4 |
| GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^f | | 4 |

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| GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course ^d | 4 - 5 |
| Elective course ^e | 2 |
| Hours | 16-18 |

Second Year

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| Fall | | |
| SOC:2130 | Sociological Theory | 3 |
| Major: quantitative course (STAT:1020 Elementary Statistics and Inference recommended) ^{c, g} | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Understanding Cultural Perspectives ^{f, h} | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency or elective course ^d | | 4 - 5 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |
| Hours | | 16-17 |

Spring

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| CRIM:2470 or SOC:2170 | Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice or Research Methods | 3 |
| Major: criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 2000-4999) ⁱ | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences ^{f, j} | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course ^d | | 4 - 5 |
| Elective course ^e | | 1 - 3 |
| Hours | | 14-17 |

Third Year

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| Fall | | |
| Major: criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 2000-4999) ⁱ | | 3 |
| Major: advanced criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 3000-4901 or 4998) | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^f | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^{f, k} | | 3 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

Spring

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| CRIM:4400 or SOC:4910 or CRIM:4800 | Internship in Criminal Justice and Corrections or Capstone Course in Sociology and Criminology or Research Practicum in Criminology | 3 |
| Major: advanced criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 3000-4901 or 4998) | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^f | | 3 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

Fourth Year

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| Fall | | |
| Major: advanced criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 3000-4901 or 4998) | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab ^f | | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: Values and Society ^f | | 3 |
| Elective course ^e | | 3 |

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| Elective course ^e | 3 |
| Hours | 15 |
| Spring | |
| SOC:4909 Graduation Portfolio | 0 |
| Major: advanced criminology, law, and justice elective (prefix CRIM, numbered 3000-4901 or 4998) | 3 |
| Major: upper-level sociology requirement course ^l | 3 |
| GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues ^f | 3 |
| Elective course ^e | 3 |
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| Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall) ^m | |
| Hours | 15 |
| Total Hours | 120-128 |

- 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 or Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Society.
- b Take two courses from CRIM:1410, CRIM:1447, SOC:1010, SOC:1030. Note: CRIM:1410 and SOC:1010 satisfy the GE CLAS Core Social Sciences requirement and SOC:1030 satisfies the GE CLAS Core Understanding Cultural Perspectives requirement.
- c Fulfills a major requirement and may fulfill a GE requirement.
- d Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
- e 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.
- f 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.
- g See the General Catalog for list of approved courses.
- h Students who have previously completed SOC:1030 have already satisfied the GE CLAS Core Understanding Cultural Perspectives requirement.
- i Students complete 18 s.h. of elective coursework in criminology, law, and justice (prefix CRIM) numbered 2000-4999. Four of the required electives must be advanced, chosen from criminology, law, and justice courses numbered 3000-4901 or CRIM:4998. Two of the four advanced electives must be taken after (and not concurrent with) the completion of SOC:2130, CRIM:2470 or SOC:2170, and an approved quantitative course.
- j Students who have previously completed CRIM:1410 or SOC:1010 have already satisfied the GE CLAS Core Social Sciences requirement.

- k Students who have previously completed STAT:1020 or STAT:1030 or STAT:2010 have already satisfied the GE CLAS Core Quantitative or Formal Reasoning requirement.
- l Students complete one sociology course (prefix SOC) numbered 2000-4899, excluding SOC:2160, SOC:2170, SOC:3170, and SOC:4800.
- m Please see Academic Calendar, on 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 Degree Services.