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Bachelor of Arts in Criminology

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B.A. (Criminology) Program

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Treaty Acknowledgment

The University of Alberta acknowledges that we are located on Treaty 6 territory, and respects the histories, languages, and cultures of First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our vibrant community. Map of Treaty 6 Territory, from

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Statement of Solidarity

The University of Alberta Department of Sociology stands in solidarity with anti-racist protests and movements for change in Canada, the U.S., and globally. We stand with Black Lives Matter and with black, Indigenous, and people of colour (BIPOC) students, staff, instructors, and faculty members.

The department is part of an institution, a province, and a country whose history and present is marked by systemic racism, colonial injustice, and white privilege.

The department will work to address systemic racism, recognizing that we will sometimes fail but will always be accountable to BIPOC communities.

The department will develop and foster research, teaching, mentoring, and community relationships that engage with knowledges and experiences of structural racial and colonial inequalities.

The department will take active steps to learn about, name, and address where our own practices marginalize or exclude the knowledge and experiences of BIPOC individuals and communities.

The department recognizes that anti-racist work requires our collective and ongoing commitment and action and is prepared to engage in this process of change, including by contributing to University-wide efforts around equity, diversity, and inclusivity.

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity in the Department of Sociology

The Department of Sociology University of Alberta is committed to creating an equitable, diverse and inclusive community, where all department members are expected to respect the dignity of the human person regardless of race, ethnicity, sex, gender identity, LGBTQ2S+ status, age, sexual orientation, family status, socioeconomic status, mental or physical disability, faith, and other characteristics. We are committed to actively fighting racism,



sexism, classism, ageism, ableism, homophobia, transphobia, and the other institutions that support discriminatory structures of power.

We affirm our commitment to evaluate, recognize, and reward the labour of faculty, staff, and students in a collegial and supportive way within an explicitly anti-discrimination environment. Our department is also committed to incorporating EDI principles and practices in our syllabi and classroom management. This means that we consider various forms of knowledge and knowledge producers and maintain an atmosphere where the intellectual curiosity and potential of all our students can be nurtured for the improvement of society.

Equity, Racial Justice, and Indigenous Initiatives in the Faculty of Arts

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at the University of Alberta



Message from the Director

Welcome to the B.A. Criminology Program!

On behalf of our program and staff, I would like to welcome you to the fascinating and exciting discipline of Criminology! In our program, students are provided the opportunity to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the complexities that influence deviant and criminal



behaviours, including societal reactions to these behaviours. They are invited to critically explore the theoretical underpinnings of the discipline and the criminal justice system. Our program is part of the Department of Sociology, so our students have the benefit of working with Criminology faculty as well as Sociologists with a variety of other research interests, many of which overlap with Criminology. Students also develop an interdisciplinary "second area," which includes courses in Anthropology, Native Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Human Ecology, and Philosophy, to name a few.

We offer our students the option of participating in the Course-Based Stream or the Field Placement Stream, both of which have their own strengths and advantages and both of which set students up nicely for careers in the fields of Criminology and Criminal Justice. You will read more about these two exciting streams later in this handbook.

In this handbook, you will also find a good deal of useful information that will help you navigate through the next few years of your degree. There is a brief introduction of our Faculty and staff, their research interests, and their respective roles within the program. We all work together and share the goal of working toward a positive and enjoyable experience for our students, and importantly, working to provide them with the academic and practical and research training that will facilitate the beginnings of outstanding careers in the criminal justice system and related fields. We hope you will find this manual useful, but recognize that it cannot be everything to everyone. If you have any questions about our program, course selections, the Course-Based Stream or the Field Placement Stream or field placement opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact our Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator – Wendy Aujla, or me.

The B.A. Criminology program is an outstanding program that is committed to providing students with excellent academic training and practical and research experience. Students take a diversity of courses that provide exposure to many current issues. Our emphasis on community-based experience and learning is one of the unique aspects of the program. We hope you enjoy your time with us in the B.A. Criminology program.

Best wishes for an exciting and productive year! Jana Grekul, PhD (she/her) Director B.A. Criminology Program Associate Professor, Sociology



About the Criminology Program

Initiated in 1982, the Bachelor of Arts in Criminology Program was developed in response to a growing demand for University-trained criminal justice system professionals. The program graduates students who have strong academic backgrounds combined with active field experience from a variety of criminal justice settings.

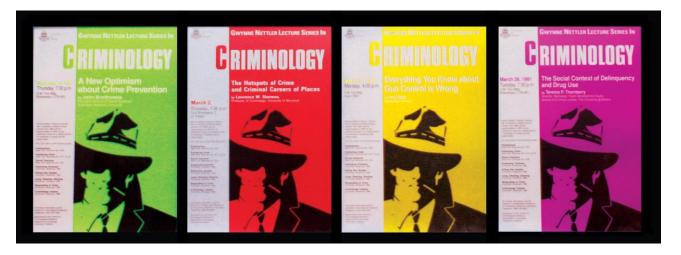
Criminology can be studied within the BA degree program, offered by the Faculty of Arts, and in the Department of Sociology. The B.A. Criminology program is in year four of our expansion process. We have grown from a quota program of 45 students to a program of 200 students. Out of this total of students in the BA Criminology program, up to fifty students are in the Field Placement Stream. The program provides students with a critical and theoretical examination of the causes of crime, criminality, and the variety of social responses to it, with sociology as the principal subject of concentration. Additional courses selected from the departments of Anthropology, Economics, Educational Psychology, History, Native Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, and Psychology, creates a multi-discipline secondary subject mix that complements the student's overall interest in Criminology.

There are two "streams" in the new BA Criminology Program: the Course-Based Stream and the Field Placement Stream. Students generally are admitted to the Course-Based Stream when they apply to the Criminology program and are successful in gaining admission. Students may wish to continue their studies in the Course-Based Stream or they can apply to the Field Placement Stream through the Department of Sociology (see Appendix A on how to apply).

Students in the Course-Based Stream take two additional criminology based courses and two additional courses from the second subject mix, compared to Field Placement students (see program requirements in the University Calendar). Students in the Course-Based Stream will have opportunities (e.g., Certificate in Applied Social Science Research) to develop research-based skills and potentially apply them in the community setting. Research projects through courses and faculty mentorship can provide hands-on learning. Students in the Course-Based Stream will also have the opportunity for experiential learning through Community Service-Learning (CSL) courses and certificates in Arts (e.g., Certificate in Community Engagement and Service-Learning). Additionally, work-integrated and experiential learning opportunities may include paid work experience through Arts Work **Experience** (AWE) which is available to students in the Course-Based Stream and Field Placement Stream. Students are encouraged to attend information sessions offered by CSL and AWE to learn more about these unique opportunities, qualifications, the application process, deadlines, and how to fulfill the requirements while completing their undergraduate studies in the Criminology program.



Students in the Field Placement Stream have the opportunity to apply their classroom knowledge in a work environment through two field placements with criminal justice system agencies. In the final two years of the program, students must complete two field placements involving supervised work experience in a relevant criminal justice setting. The field placement component of the degree requires students to work two days a week for ten weeks with a criminal justice system or related agency. In addition to gaining work experience students are expected to produce a major research paper based on the practicum experience, working closely with a criminology professor, who provides guidance and support during the process. The placements stress practical applications of criminological theory and complement the academic component of the Criminology program. The field placements are designed to benefit both the student and the host agency. Students are exposed to new people, information and gain valuable first-hand experience within the criminal justice system, while the host agency is able to teach students, help them become contributing members to the criminal justice system, and prepare them for employment in the field. These placements often result in employment opportunities for students in the Criminology program.



Event Posters for the Gwynne Nettler Lecture Series in Criminology - Criminology Program



Criminology Faculty Members

Sandra Bucerius (she/her), Ph.D.

(Frankfurt)

Research Interests:

Risk to radicalization
Immigration and crime
Social exclusion and marginalization
Neighbourhood restructuring
Youth gangs/groups
Ethnography and qualitative methods

Alison Dunwoody (she/her), Ph.D.

(UNB)

Research Interests:

Gender and Sexuality Studies Health, Medicine & Aging Work And Economy Crime & Deviance

Jana Grekul (she/her), Ph.D. (Alberta)

Research Interests:

Punishment
Street and prison gangs
Gender and crime
Women's reintegration post-incarceration
Pedagogy

Marta-Marika Urbanik (she/her), Ph.D.

(Alberta)

Research Interests:

Gangs
Violence
Neighbourhood development
Urban ethnography

Kevin Haggerty (he/him), Ph.D. (UBC)

Research Interests:

Society's responses to crime Power and politics of quantification Theories of risk and governance Sociology of science / technology Surveillance Serial Killers

Bryan Hogeveen (he/him), Ph.D. (Toronto)

Research Interests:

Crime and criminality Violence

Youth

Social theory

Law

Marginalized populations

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Research Interests:

Terrorism studies Resource conflicts Use of force by police Ethics and research in conflict zones



Student Advising Information

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Please email to setup an appointment. All correspondence must come from your University of Alberta email account and include your student number.





Undergraduate Student Services (USS) Office

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Website: https://www.ualberta.ca/arts/student-services/index.html

Email: arts.undergrad@ualberta.ca

All correspondence must come from your University of Alberta email account and

include your student number.

Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM with 10:00 AM opening on Wednesdays

Tips for Success in the Criminology Program

- Maintain the minimum GPA required and meet the academic standing according
 to the requirements of your program as outlined in the <u>University of Alberta</u>
 <u>Calendar</u> To access the Calendar; please visit the link
 http://calendar.ualberta.ca
- Review the guide to academic requirements, which outlines how to review your
 <u>Academic Advisement Report</u> in 'real-time' as you continue to change your
 registration in bear tracks. Generate the Academic Advisement Report in Bear
 Tracks every semester and year to ensure you fulfill the BA Criminology
 program degree requirements. You may also track the progress of your degree
 by using your unofficial transcript (academic record of your studies) found on



Bear Tracks. Remember to cross-reference your coursework recorded against the requirements of your degree in the <u>University Calendar</u> of the year of your admission. If you notice any issues with your report or inconsistencies, please notify the <u>Undergraduate Student Services Office</u> at <u>arts.undergrad@ualberta.ca</u> and cc <u>criminology@ualberta.ca</u>

- Get engaged participate in events organized by the program and the Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA) at cusa@ualberta.ca
- If you encounter difficulties (academic, personal, professional), let the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator know as soon as possible.



Scholarships

The Dr. Charles Allard Memorial Scholarship in Criminology

Field of Study: Criminology

Value: \$500.00

Number: 1

Conditions: Awarded annually to a student graduating from the B.A. (Criminology) Program with the highest grade point average over the final two years of the program. The student must carry 30 units of course weight in each of those academic years. Scholarship money will be divided equally among recipients in the event of a tie.

Please note this award criteria is subject to change, to shift the focus to leadership in community safety through exceptional volunteerism in the criminal justice system and related area.

Donor: Crime Stoppers, Edmonton Association

Apply: Nomination from the Director, Criminology Program

The Captain Edward M. (Ted) Kates Memorial Scholarship in Criminology

Field of Study: Criminology

Value: \$2500.00

Number: 1

Conditions: Awarded annually to a student in the B.A. (Criminology) Program who has attained the highest grade point average in the third year of study while carrying 30 units of course weight in that year. Scholarship money will be divided among recipients in the event of a tie.

Donor: Margaret and Maxwell Kates in memory of their son Captain Edward M. (Ted) Kates.

Apply: https://www.ualberta.ca/sociology/undergraduate-programs/awards-and-funding/index.html

The Office of the Registrar has <u>Undergraduate Academic Scholarships and Undergraduate</u> <u>Leadership Awards</u> open to all students. Faculty of Arts has Leadership and other awards available on the <u>Student Services section</u> of the website.



Important University Dates for the Academic Year

Major dates and deadlines for the academic year can be found in the <u>University of Alberta Calendar (https://calendar.ualberta.ca)</u>.

Degree Requirements

Students choosing to study Criminology within the BA degree program are required to complete sociology courses offered through the Department of Sociology. Students can choose from the courses offered in the Department of Sociology (principal subject of concentration), other departments (secondary subject mix or elective courses), and faculties (electives) to produce their own unique path of study, based on what interests them. Those who wish to further explore and engage in the criminal justice system have the option of applying for the Field Placement Stream during their second year of post-secondary studies.

The B.A. Criminology program is a 120 credit program, with Sociology as the principal subject of concentration. In the principal subject of Sociology, a minimum of 30 units (36 units for Field Placement Stream Students) of course weight at the senior level are required, and a maximum of 48 units of course weight at the senior level are permitted. The "second subject," composed of the multi-disciplinary combination mentioned above, requires a minimum of 21 units (15 units for Field Placement Stream students) of course weight with a maximum of 36 units of course weight permitted. The second subject of concentration is composed of a combination of approved courses from the Departments and Faculties of Anthropology; Economics; Educational Psychology; History, Classics, and Religion; Interdisciplinary Studies; Human Ecology; Marketing; Business Economics, and Law; Native Studies; Philosophy; Political Science; Psychology; Strategic Management Organization; Women's and Gender Studies, and more.

The courses/credits to finish with 120 credits are made up of:

- 1. **BA Criminology program requirements** depending on what stream you are in!
 - Course-Based Stream *33 SOC principal subject courses when including SOC 100 and *21 secondary subject mix courses for a total of *54.
 - b. Field Placement Stream *39 (includes SOC 100) SOC principal subject courses and *15 secondary subject mix courses for a total of *54.
- 2. **BA basic requirements** are made up of your introductory *3 English course, your two *6 Non-Arts courses, and your two courses in the same language *6 LOE (unless waived) = *15



3. **Option courses** - watch the maximums. These courses are applicable to your degree, but they are not applied to your required courses. You could take additional SOC option courses, as many Arts/Science courses, or Non-Arts/Non-Science courses - up to *18 although NOT required. You could also take up to *15 from the secondary subject courses (In the Course-Based Stream the minimum is *21 and Max *36 in the Field Placement Stream the minimum is *15, and maximum is *36.) **No more than *15 from any second subject department is allowed. The list can vary from year to year due to course availability.**

Students are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the residence requirements and the overall Faculty of Arts degree requirements. Students must also satisfy the following:

- 1. **Junior course limit** students cannot apply more than *48 of junior (100-level) courses to their program.
- 2. **Faculty of Arts courses residency –** Students must complete at least *63 taught by the Faculty of Arts, or designated as Arts courses by the Faculty of Arts
- 3. **Courses taken at the UofA –** Students must complete at least *60 of courses at the UofA.
- 4. **BA Criminology Program** Students must complete at least *30 while registered in the BA (Criminology) degree program. A minimum of half the required SOC courses must be completed with courses offered by the Faculty of Arts at the University of Alberta.

While all general Faculty of Arts programs require a major, minors are optional. It is important to note that there is no major or minor in the BA Criminology program. Students cannot have a minor in Criminology.

The course requirements and the minimum/maximum number of courses permitted will vary depending on the stream of the program. Please note that the Field Placement Stream is available for already admitted criminology students. If you are considering applying to the Field Placement Stream, it is recommended that you consult the University of Alberta Calendar concerning course requirements. Students in the Course-Based Stream do not complete placements like the field placement students but are required to take additional criminology courses in lieu of the placement courses (SOC 399 and SOC 499). This is important to be aware of if you intend to apply for the competitive Field Placement Stream. If you took additional Sociology courses or other courses in the Course-Based Stream, it is possible they *might not* count towards the Field Placement Stream and would be considered "extra" to your degree. This is important in regards to additional Sociology courses you may take in your program. For example, the Course-Based Stream allows students to take a maximum of six additional Sociology courses (**18 credits*), whereas the Field Placement Stream



allows for only four additional Sociology courses (★12 credits). Students are responsible for reviewing your <u>Academic Advisement Report</u> in Bear Tracks and fulfilling the degree requirements when registering for courses.

Refer to the <u>academic advisement tool</u> on Bear Tracks to track the progress of degree completion as it is updated regularly. The tool tracks degree program lists all basic requirements, and requirements (e.g., in the program), and tracks information in real-time. In order to graduate with a BA in Criminology, you must **complete** a total of *120 credits.

The course listings to be included in the program for the Course-Based and Field Placement Stream students can be found on the <u>University of Alberta Calendar</u> (https://calendar.ualberta.ca/) As you move forward in the program, it is important that you consult the <u>university calendar</u> for program requirements of your admission year (e.g., 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022; 2022-2023). The Calendar is the official reference for academic programs. If any other handout or our website information conflicts with the Calendar, the Calendar will be taken as correct.



Degree Maps

Course-Based Stream

Students admitted to the BA Criminology Program in the Department of Sociology are in the Course-Based Stream, which provides them with opportunities to develop research-based skills and potentially apply them in the community setting. In this stream of the program, there are multiple pathways for students planning their degree. Some of the sample degree trajectories for course-based students planning their courses include an Indigenous studies, research and graduate studies, law school preparation, criminal justice system (policing, prisons, and corrections), and an experiential learning focus.

The degree map (see Appendix B) for the Course-Based Stream allows you to track your steps as you pursue your interests and career goals by incorporating courses, embedded certificates, and experiential learning options (e.g., Arts Work Experience (AWE) co-op program or community service-learning courses) into the BA Criminology degree. The course-based pathway flysheet (see Appendix B) has more information on sample degree trajectories.

Field Placement Stream

The Field Placement Stream offers students two dynamic field placements with a variety of criminal justice agencies and the opportunity to apply their classroom knowledge in a variety of criminal justice settings. Often these field placements lead to employment in the criminal justice system upon graduation. Students must complete a minimum of 160 hours over the course of a semester (Fall or Winter term only) when registered in the field placement (seminar) courses (SOC 399 or SOC 499). The field placement courses are taken in the third (SOC 399) and fourth (SOC 499) years of the program and correspond to 6 credits for a total of 12 credits

The degree map (see Appendix C) for the Field Placement Stream allow you to track your steps as you pursue your interests and career goals by incorporating courses, embedded certificates, and experiential learning options into the BA Criminology degree. The Field Placement Partner list (see Appendix D) has *some* of the agencies where previous Criminology students have worked during their field placements. For more information on possible field placements, please see the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator.



Experiential Learning Opportunities

The Criminology program is committed to experiential learning, beyond the classroom, and active learning for all criminology students regardless of whether they are part of the field placement option. Students in both streams of the Criminology program are encouraged to participate in work-integrated learning (WIL) which is a model of experiential learning where student's academic studies are integrated in a workplace/practice setting. WIL activities can vary and may include: 1. applied research projects with community organizations or Criminology faculty members where students engage in research activities, 2, field placements that provide students a short term hands-on practical experience with criminal justice agencies and related areas, 3. co-ops where students alternate between academic terms and paid work terms in a workplace setting with an employer, and 4. community service-learning where classroom learning is applied to real social issues in the community. These activities allow students to integrate classroom learning in a workplace or practice setting which can enrich the academic experience as they develop new skills to prepare them for future careers. Watch for information about experiential learning opportunities in the Faculty of Arts.

The <u>Arts Work Experience (AWE)</u> co-op program is open to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Arts. Criminology students have incorporated AWE into the Criminology program and have found that it provided them with a hands-on opportunity and usually in or related to the field of criminology. The co-op offers career-related paid work experience for undergraduate students while integrating academic and workplace learning. Attend an information session to learn about program options and eligibility, <u>AWE alumni student experiences</u>, and potential employers involved in the internship. Questions? artsworkexperience@ualberta.ca

Students may also wish to take a <u>Community Service-Learning (CSL)</u> course. <u>CSL</u> challenges students to engage with their learning by exploring the relationships between theory and practice. Some of the sociology courses have a CSL component where students gain valuable experience with a community partner, for example, SOC 327 Criminal Justice Administration in Canada. CSL is also integrated into a broad range of courses in areas such as Business, Native Studies, Political Science, Women's and Gender Studies, and many others. In the secondary subject mix course offerings, you will find a few CSL designated courses that you may wish to incorporate in your program. For more information on whether CSL fits your interests and program of study visit the <u>Student Info section</u> of the CSL website.



Certificates

The Faculty of Arts offers students certificate programs which can be completed in conjunction with a degree program and are granted at the time of graduation. Certificates in Arts provide students with unique opportunities to enhance their undergraduate program and explore a special area of interest. Certificate programs allow for interdisciplinary exploration of a field of study and different methods of learning. Certificates also give students a head start entering the workforce as proof of their further studies and training in specific skill sets. For a list of the certificates offered please visit the Certificates section on the Faculty of Arts website.

Study Abroad

Students have the opportunity to extend their learning far beyond the classroom with universities worldwide, as well as a satellite campus in Italy. Depending on course offerings students may have the opportunity to study abroad while taking a Sociology course with a topic in Criminology. These courses are taught at the campus in Cortona, Italy, and the courses show on the UofA transcript. Depending on the course that is offered, it may or may not apply to the Criminology program requirements. However, the courses would still apply as SOC option courses. If you are thinking about taking a course abroad, you are responsible for checking whether it applies to the Criminology program. You should check out the Study Abroad courses each year because sometimes courses are offered that relate directly to Criminology.

Course Registration

You will register for your courses and build your schedule on <u>Bear Tracks</u>. You can browse different course descriptions and see what might fit in your schedule. You should build your schedule for the Fall and Winter term. Classes are offered on MWF during 50-minute time slots or on TR for 80-minute time slots. Additionally, evening classes are 3 hours and labs are 3 hours. Use the "Schedule Builder" in Bear Tracks to create a plan and register for courses. The Office of the Registrar has resources about <u>class schedules</u> and <u>course registration</u>.

We understand that course registration and Bear Tracks can be confusing so please check out the Faculty of Arts website, tutorial page, as there are several <u>video tutorials</u>. Watch the video tutorials specifically on course registration, an overview of the BA, how to use the <u>academic requirements tool</u> and course registration through bear tracks. The specific registration and academic requirements playlist is titled: <u>Course Registration Playlist</u>. Also, the Faculty of Arts has <u>BA tip sheets</u> for undergraduate students that are available on their website. The resources can assist you with course selection and building a timetable for your program.

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Please consult the <u>U of A Calendar</u> for information concerning course requirements in the BA Criminology program. You should complete the BA common requirements and take courses towards the <u>Criminology program requirements</u>. Students are responsible for tailoring courses that meet the program requirements and their own interests.

It is recommended that students check ahead to see what 200-, 300-, and 400-level courses most interest you to build in appropriate prerequisite courses into your program. **Please note** that junior refers to 100, senior refers to a 200 level or higher course at the U of A. Some courses fill up quickly, but you can still put them on your **watch list**. If a spot opens up you will receive a notification and can log in to register for the course on Bear Tracks.

Changes to your registration can be made until the **registration deadline** (the last day to add or drop term courses) as per the <u>academic schedule</u> for the term you are registered in.

Please see the program advisor for courses that require departmental level approval. Please also note that you must have the appropriate prerequisites before registering for any course on Bear Tracks.

What courses should you take as a first-year post-secondary student?

In your first year, you should register for the following courses to meet the basic requirements for the BA Criminology program, which are the same as those for the BA common requirements:

- *3 English 1XX Choose any junior 100-level English course;
- *6 Language Other than English (if applicable)* courses;
- *6 Non-Arts** course

*see Faculty of arts regulations on LOE (2 courses in the *same language* that is **not** *English.* If you have a language at the 30 level, equivalent, higher or two language courses (same language) at the post-secondary level you will not need to complete two language courses.

**You will need *6 in Non-Arts courses to complete your degree. Any courses not offered by the Faculty of Arts, Native Studies or INT D Arts courses. For example, courses offered in the department of Human Ecology meet the Non-Arts course requirement. Additionally, a number of psychology courses which are considered science courses in the BA program meet this requirement. For more information, see the <u>list</u> that distinguishes between Arts Psychology and Science Psychology courses.



You should also include the following courses in your first year of post-secondary studies:

- *3 Sociology 100 Introductory Sociology
- *3 Psychology 104 Basic Psychological Process
- *3 Psychology 105 Individual and Social Behavior
- *9 electives It is also a good idea to choose electives based on your areas of interest and courses that you feel you can do well in.

You may wish to enroll in an NS course to fulfill the mandatory Native Studies *3 credits that are required.

Sample first-year course load (\bigstar 30) in Criminology:

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Fall Term	Winter Term
★3 1XX Junior-level English	★3 NS 1XX or 2XX course
	(mandatory NS requirement in program)
★3 PSYCH 104	★3 PSYCH 105
(Science Psychology course which meets	(Arts Psychology Course does not meet
the Non-Arts course requirement)	the Non-Arts course requirement)
★3 Non-Arts Course	★3 LOE or ★3 Elective
★3 LOE or ★3 Elective	★3 Elective
★3 SOC 100	★3 Elective
CREDITS *15	CREDITS *15

In your second year, you should take the SOC 200 level courses (e.g., SOC 210, SOC 225, SOC 224 etc.)

Course Load Requirements and Timelines

We no longer require students to attain a full course load (5 courses per term) of 30 credits per academic year. You may choose to take 5 courses per term in your first year or less so that you can concentrate on doing well with a reduced course load. We do encourage you to register full-time (3 single-term courses or equivalent) for both terms. Students who take 10 courses per academic year (5 courses per term) can graduate at the end of year 4. Students can also take spring and summer courses. If you are planning to take a course overload for the term you must notify the BA Criminology Program Advisor and submit a course overload application to the Faculty of Arts.



Withdrawing from a Course

When you withdraw from a course, you are declaring that you are unable to complete a course and effectively dropping that course from your schedule. When you withdraw from a course, you will receive a W on your transcript. A grade of W **does not** count in your GPA and is a better alternative to a D or F. You should withdraw only after all other options to salvage the course have been assessed, and you are confident this is your best option. Please refer to the Academic Schedule of the Calendar for specific withdrawal deadlines. Check the UofA academic calendar for deadlines if you are having a problem with a course, and the add/drop deadline has passed.

You may withdraw from classes online through Bear Tracks. This new electronic process allows students to withdraw simply and efficiently online, receiving confirmation of class withdrawal on the spot. Withdrawal deadlines still apply (check the <u>UofA Calendar</u>).

Until the Withdrawal Deadline in a term, you may withdraw from courses by logging into your Bear Tracks account and then selecting My Academics - Enroll - Add/Drop/Swap from the left-hand navigation and click on the "Drop" tab. Select the course from which you would like to withdraw. Please note that withdrawal dates apply, and only courses you are eligible to withdraw from will be available to select. Submit your withdrawal request. Some withdrawals will be processed immediately, while others may require faculty review. Continue to attend classes until you have confirmation in Bear Tracks that your withdrawal has been processed. For more information on withdrawing from a course, please visit the Office of the Registrar website: https://www.ualberta.ca/registrar/registration-and-courses/withdrawals

Taking courses at another Institution

Students planning to take courses at another post-secondary institution are responsible for taking university transferable equivalent courses. If you plan to attend another institution in Alberta, consult the <u>Alberta Transfer Guide</u>. You must also complete an <u>application for Letter of Permission</u> through the Faculty of Arts. If you are taking courses at an institution in another province or country, and have questions on course equivalents, you should email the Undergraduate Student Services (USS) office at <u>arts.undergrad@ualberta.ca</u> or contact them at 780-492-4295.



Transfer Credit

Do you have transfer credit? If you have transfer credit that is equivalent to a course's prerequisite, you'll need to be manually enrolled in the course you want by the Criminology Program Advisor. For example, there is a senior-level SOC course you want to take, and it has SOC 100 as a pre-requisite. If you have credit for SOC 100 as SOCXX, AUSOC 101 (Augustana), or SOCIE 100 (Campus Saint-Jean), you need to see the BA Criminology Program Advisor, with your unofficial transcript to demonstrate you have the required course and to be manually enrolled in the course you want. It is best to contact the BA Criminology Program Advisor closer to the opening day of registration. If the course is full, the BA Criminology Program Advisor cannot enroll you in it.

Student Services and Accommodations

A number of services can be accessed, through the Office of the Dean of Students, for academic and personal success. Students registered with the academic success centre who will be using academic accommodations in the classroom are required to provide a "Letter of Accommodation" to the instructor as soon as possible. Field placement students that require accommodations should meet with the BA Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator to learn about the process to inform community partners and the required documentation for SOC 399 and SOC 499. Students are encouraged to make an appointment with accessibility resources to discuss any required accommodations.

Library Resources

1. We have a library for that!

We have ten libraries covering all fields of study. Feel free to visit and use any of these libraries, no matter what you are studying.

2. Your ONEcard is your library card

How long can you borrow books? What are your borrowing privileges? Find out here. Your ONEcard can also be used to borrow materials from Edmonton Public Library by registering for the free L-PASS program.

3. Search our collections online

The University of Alberta Libraries is Canada's second largest research library, with a print and electronic collection exceeding 4.4 million titles. Use your ONEcard to borrow books and your CCID and password to access scholarly ejournals, ebooks, and online databases to help you succeed with academic research projects. You can also borrow laptops and other electronic devices. <u>Browse our guides</u> for information by subject, or start your search at <u>www.library.ualberta.ca</u>.

4. We have space for you

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We have great spaces and technology for you to get your work done, including: *Designated common, quiet and silent areas, which have everything from individual carrels and comfortable soft seating to silent, technology free zones and large quiet reading rooms as well as study rooms that are bookable online. * Late night study hours in Cameron, Rutherford, and Augustana Libraries. Our spaces are open to everyone!

5. Ask us for help!

Feel free to come to any of our libraries to get research assistance at our service desks. Our staff can help you find what you need and teach you to use our resources. Can't make it in person? Chat, text, email, or call us. We have librarian experts for every field of study, including Sociology - Criminology (Doris Wagner, doris.wagner@ualberta.ca). If you need in-depth assistance for a major project make an appointment with a librarian. Questions? Ask us!

Mental Health Resources

Peer Support Centre

2-707 SUB, Tel: 780.492.4268, Email: psc@su.ualberta.ca

PSC is a free, confidential, and non-judgmental place to talk. Their trained volunteers offer peer support, crisis management, information and resources. Drop-in, call or book an appointment online.

Interfaith Chaplains' Association

3-02 Students' Union Building 169 HUB (lower level of HUB)

Tel: 780.492.0339,

Email: interfaithchaplains@ualberta.ca

The chaplains provide spiritual guidance, care and support to any student, staff, or faculty members, whether or not they identify with a particular faith.

First Peoples' House

2-400 SUB, Tel: 780.492.5677, Email: fph@ualberta.ca

The First Peoples' House provides an environment of empowerment for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit (FNMI) learners to achieve personal and academic growth. Physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual resources and support are offered to students.

Multi-faith Prayer and Meditation Space

172 HUB Mall, Email: interfaithchaplains@ualberta.ca

The Multi-Faith Prayer and Meditation Space has been provided by the U of A as an inclusive space for the campus community, with sensitivity to the specific requirements of the diverse faith groups on campus. Although primarily for prayer and meditation, this space is available for conference and dialogue meetings, mentorship of

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student religious leaders, and spiritually-based engagements that specifically express an interfaith perspective.

The Landing

0-68A Lower Level SUB, Tel: 780.492.4949, Email: thelanding@su.ualberta.ca
The Landing offers drop-in hours, peer mentorship, support, resources, and referrals for students working through issues around gender and sexual identity and related stressors.

Counselling & Clinical Services

2-600 SUB, Tel: 780.492.5205

CCS offers free, confidential psychological counselling and psychiatric services for a wide range of mental health concerns. Call or walk in to book a 30-40 minute consultation.

Sexual Assault Centre

2-705 SUB, Tel: 780.492.9771, Email: <u>uasac@ualberta.ca</u>

SAC provides drop-in crisis intervention support as well as psychological treatment to survivors of sexual violence.

ACCESS Open Minds

2-300 SUB, Tel: 780.492.1619, Email: wellness@ualberta.ca

ACCESS can help students navigate multiple services for concerns relating to mental health, addictions, finances, housing, family, transitions and more.



More Useful Links

Academic Support

Academic Integrity

Awards and Scholarships

Centre for Writers

Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Student Services

Financial Support

Forms and Information for Students

Grading System Explained

Guide to Academic Requirements

Health and Wellness

Housing and Transportation

Indigenous Student Resources

International Student Resources

Professional and Career Development

Registration and Courses

Safety and Security

Student Records, Courses, and Exams

Student Union

Tip Sheets and Video Tutorials

Office of the Registrar

Student Service Centre

<u>The Student Service Centre</u> provides services from the Office of the Registrar to all University of Alberta Students. Services are provided online, by phone, and in person. For more information see: https://www.ualberta.ca/services/student-service-centre/index.html

Phone: 780.492.3113 or Toll-Free: 1.855.492.3113

In-Person Service Hours (MST): Phone & Live Chat Service Hours (MST):

Monday - Friday: 8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Monday - Friday: 8:15 am - 4:00pm

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00p.m.



Get Involved

There are a number of student groups on campus for you to get involved with while studying in the BA Criminology program. The Department of Sociology has two undergraduate student associations that you might want to be involved with.

Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA)

CUSA is a student group founded in 2019 that works alongside the growing Criminology program to mentor and encourage Criminology students in their endeavours. Through a variety of events, CUSA hopes to inspire all Criminology undergrads as well as others on campus with a passion for social justice to learn about the criminal justice field and how to make a difference. The mission for the Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA) is to strengthen relations within the Criminology program and to support Criminology students throughout their time at the University of Alberta in the Department of Sociology. This association provides various events that are student-led and fosters peer growth through studies, mentoring, and networking. CUSA collaborates with the esteemed Criminology program to provide students with excellent academic training and practical experiences that are relevant to their career.

*Membership in CUSA is possible for all current undergraduate students registered in the Criminology program or any students in the Sociology department who have an interest in the criminal justice sector. In order to join, one must be a current student in the Criminology program or in the Sociology department and express an interest to the current Executive Members.

For more information on this group or to be a member* please contact cusa@ualberta.ca

You can also stay updated on CUSA events by following them on Instagram @cusa.ualberta

Interested in the CUSA Mentorship Program?

The CUSA Mentor/Mentee Program was created to provide undergraduate students in the Criminology Program with an opportunity to meet others in the program and to learn from their experiences. This is an opportunity to also practice mentorship and demonstrate leadership skills! The time commitment is not onerous. If you are interested in becoming a mentor or mentee contact cusa@ualberta.ca for more information on how to get involved!

Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA)

<u>SUSA</u> exists to promote the Sociology & Criminology communities and to foster enthusiasm and awareness through events, academic endeavors, volunteer and CSL connections, student mentorship, social interaction and more. To be a member, you do *Criminology Student Handbook updated 2023-2024*



not need to major or minor in Sociology or Criminology, you just need to have enrolled in or taken a Sociology course (or be university alumni), have an interest in the discipline and in fostering enthusiasm about Sociology or Criminology. To join, email susauofa@ualberta.ca

Interested in the SUSA Mentorship Program?

The Sociology Undergraduate-Graduate Mentoring Program was created to provide undergraduate students with an opportunity to meet graduate students and learn from their experience, as well as provide graduate students with opportunities to practice mentorship.

General Information

Assignment Drop Box

There is an assignment drop box in the Department of Sociology, just outside our general office in 5-21 Tory. Staff will date stamp assignments each day by 4:00pm. Please make sure to include your name, student ID#, course # and instructor's name on your assignment cover.

Application for Graduation

To request for a <u>vertification of completion of degree requirements</u> you may complete the Faculty of Arts form after applying for convocation through Bear Tracks. Watch for the deadline for Spring or Fall Convocation in the Arts Undergrad Student Services Newsletter sent to your ualberta email address.

You are required to apply for graduation even if you don't plan to attend your convocation ceremony. Apply for graduation online by following these <u>steps</u> through Bear Tracks under the Academics Tab.

Application opening dates and deadlines:

Apply for Spring Convocation between October 1 and February 1. Apply for Fall Convocation between March 15 and September 1.

In order to receive credit for **embedded Certificates** students must apply online through the Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Student Services - Forms for Students webpage and select the "Declaration or Change of Certificate(s)" form. An application can be made at any time, but no later than the deadline to apply for convocation (check Bear Tracks). All non-credit opportunities must be approved prior to this deadline to confirm that students are eligible to receive the Certificate.



Academic Standing and Appeals Procedure

The Faculty of Arts academic assessment may indicate that you are not eligible to continue in the program if your GPA is below the minimum required in the program. The minimum GPA requirement (2.7) can be found in the <u>University of Alberta</u> <u>Calendar</u> BA Criminology program requirements section.

You may receive an academic assessment letter from the Faculty of Arts and **must** contact the Program Advisor and Director of the BA Criminology Program to discuss your academic standing.

You may appeal to continue in your current program or apply for admission and readmission as per the University of Alberta Calendar – Academic Standing guidelines and Faculty of Arts Academic Appeals Procedures (see:

https://www.ualberta.ca/arts/student-services/undergraduate-student-services/appeals-procedure.html).

In order to have a successful appeal, you must meet with the Director of the BA Criminology program to discuss the reasons for your academic difficulties and outline a realistic plan for improvement. It is your responsibility to contact the Undergraduate Student Services Office for any questions about your "Required to Withdraw" letter.

Voluntary Withdrawal from the BA Criminology Program

If you plan to withdraw from the program, please make an appointment with the BA Criminology Program Advisor. The Program Advisor will be able to guide you through the process and next steps (e.g., transferring to another degree program) to ensure your withdrawal is processed correctly. Students are responsible for the submission of withdrawal forms to Student Connect (where applicable), and adherence to submission deadlines (if applicable).

Careers in Criminology

The University of Alberta's B.A. Criminology program examines the various aspects of crime through an interdisciplinary approach. The program is designed to assist students in obtaining an in-depth understanding of the causes of crime, criminality, and the social responses to it. Students gain theoretical and practical knowledge of the Canadian criminal justice system and develop an understanding of the underlying sociological principles guiding the present state of the criminal justice system.

The Criminology program provides the graduate with a wide range of challenging career opportunities. The program's emphasis on bridging theory and practice places the graduate in a very beneficial position should they apply for employment within the criminal justice system. The Field Placement Stream of the program provides students



with practical experience, which prospective employers view as an important qualification when considering candidates for employment.

Careers in Criminology include:

Advocate Police Officer
Case Worker Policy Researcher
Court Administrator or Worker Records Clerk
Correctional Officer Researcher

Community Justice Coordinator Restorative Justice
Crisis Counselor Security and Surveillance

Criminal Intelligence Analyst Sherriff

Indigenous Liaison OfficerStatistical Research AnalystNot-for-ProfitSocial Policy DeveloperParole OfficerVictim Services AdvocateProbation OfficerYouth Justice Worker

Some of these careers may require further education. For more details on these and other career options, contact the Criminology program advisor and field placement coordinator or a Criminology faculty member, to discuss the vast amount of opportunities available to Criminology graduates.

The Career Centre offers a Speaker Series event to help undergraduates expand their employment opportunities. Some years the Career Centre connects with the BA Criminology Program to offer Careers in Criminology event by inviting professionals to share their career journey. The Careers in Criminology Speaker Series help prepare undergraduates in our program for a variety of professions. Criminology students have an opportunity to hear from a panel of speakers, all graduates from the BA Criminology program, on what they have done with their career post-graduation. Speakers offer practical tips and advice for students thinking about transitioning to the workplace.



Further Studies in Criminology

In addition to the career options mentioned above, an undergraduate degree in Criminology offers students the option of pursuing an M.A. and Ph.D. in the field of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Graduates with an M.A. or Ph.D. in Criminology or Criminal Justice may find senior-level careers in municipal, provincial, and federal government criminal justice agencies, or pursue a teaching career at the university or college level. Whatever path the graduate decides to follow, an advanced degree in Criminology or Criminal Justice opens up many possibilities for the student to pursue.

The Department of Sociology at the University of Alberta offers numerous M.A. and Ph.D. programs, including an M.A. Course-Based Program in Sociology (Criminal Justice), for those students interested in pursuing careers in one of the components of the Canadian criminal justice system. For more information on the M.A. and Ph.D. programs offered through the Department of Sociology, please visit https://www.ualberta.ca/graduate-programs/sociology.html

Have questions related to your Criminology Program?

Contact the BA Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator Wendy Aujla, Tel: 780-492-0473 or email: criminology@ualberta.ca to setup an inperson or virtual appointment.



Appendix A - Applying for Field Placement Stream

If you are considering applying you should attend an information session on the application process for the Field Placement Stream. The information session is organized by the Criminology Program and normally takes place in **early October**.

Who Can Apply?

To be eligible for the Field Placement Stream, students must meet the following conditions:

- Be admitted to the BA Criminology program (Course-based stream);
- Have at least ★15 transferable university credits (equivalent to 5 courses);
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on the most recent ★15 transferable university credits as of the end of the Fall term

Make an appointment with the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator, after attending the information session.

**Please note students who have completed no more than ★87 credits may continue to apply annually to compete for available Field Placement Stream spots in the following academic year. Students admitted directly from high school are encouraged to apply in their second year of the BA Criminology program (Course-Based Steam). If you are uncertain about whether you can apply, please make an appointment with the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator to discuss eligibility for the Field Placement Stream.

Application Process

Submit the following **electronically** to the Department of Sociology, BA Criminology Advisor, at criminology@ualberta.ca by **October 30th**

- 1. A resume: To be tailored to your suitability to the program and to working in the criminal justice system. Highlight relevant work/volunteer experience. If your work/volunteer experience is not directly related to the criminal justice system, highlight the valuable experience (e.g., leadership, organizational skills, working with youth, etc.) The strongest applicants show an interest in criminology and the criminal justice system and community by demonstrating work and/or volunteer experience related to the field.
- 2. Cover Letter/Statement of Career Objectives (1-2 pages): The written statement of career objectives, indicating areas of interest can be similar to a cover letter. Highlight your motivations for applying to the program; suggest what your career objectives may be and how the BA Criminology program can help you attain these goals. Describe your suitability for the program and working in the criminal justice system. Tell us why you want to be a BA Criminology student!



Emailing Your Application Materials

Use your ualberta email account to send your resume and written statement of career objectives as an attachment to an email message

Email Subject Line: Your Name - Application for Field Placement Stream

Body of email: Provide your first name, last name and student ID number

Attachments to email: First save your resume and letter of career objectives as a PDF document. Then use the following formatting for the (PDF) attachment file names.

Resume: FirstName_LastName_Resume (e.g., Jane_Doe_Resume)

Cover Letter /Statement: FirstName_LastName_Statement (e.g., Jane_Doe_Statement)

Before you send the email please check that all the attachments are uploaded.

Application Review Process Timeline

- 1. **Oct 30**th Application Deadline (late applications will not be considered)
- 2. **Jan Feb:** The Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator will contact each eligible Field Placement Stream applicant to arrange an interview.
- 3. **March:** Applications will be adjudicated by March 1st annually, for placements to start in the following academic year. Decision letters will be emailed out by the end of March.

If you have questions about the Field Placement Stream application process, please email the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator, Wendy Aujla, at criminology@ualberta.ca



Appendix B - Course-Based Degree Map and Pathways

CRIMINOLOGY

There are two streams in the BA Criminology program: Course-Based and Field Placement. This degree map and the pathway flysheet provide a general overview to assist a course-based student in thinking about academic and career pathways. To graduate, you must complete a total of *120 with a minimum of *63

COURSE-BASED DEGREE MAP

The course-based stream makes it easy for students to create their own pathway. The unique pathways provide students with opportunities to develop various skills and potentially apply them in the community setting. Students can pursue their personal interests and career goals by incorporating courses, embedded certificates, and experiential learning **options** into their degree! See the pathway flysheet for more information on the course-based stream degree trajectories!



1ST YEAR (0-27* credits)



(30-57* credits)



3RD YEAR (60-87* credits)

*3 SOC 377.

Social Science Research.

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(90* + credits) Take any two of the *6 SOC 400- level criminology

SOC 402; 403; 418; 420; 421; 423; 424; 425; 427; 429 430; 456.

related courses that are offered from the list -

Take 2 second subject mix courses from the list that you can choose from.

Make sure you have all the required courses and your optional embedded certificate(s). Apply for graduation and declare any embedded certificates.

REQUIRED COURSES

In the first year, you should complete the *15 Basic Requirements. *3 English 100-level, *6 Language Other than English (if applicable), *6 Non-Arts or *9 Electives or the mandatory native studies course *3 NS 110 or NS 111 or NS 201.

Students are also strongly advised to include *3 SOC 100. *3 PSYCO 104. *3 PSYCO 105.

Any one *3 of the following SOC 224; SOC 226; SOC 260.

The principle subject is Sociology. Start taking a few

of the senior-level (200) required Sociology courses

that must be included in the program. *3 SOC 210;

If you are interested in graduate studies, you should also take *3 SOC 212.

If you are interested in graduate studies take *3 SOC 335.

Make sure to take at least 2 secondary subject mix courses

from the list. The list composes of a multidisciplinary

combination of courses that you can choose from.

In third year you should take *3 SOC 315; *3 SOC 327;

ANY 3 of the principal subject Sociology courses:

*3 SOC 321; *3 SOC 323; *3 SOC 325; *3 SOC 370;

Consider studying abroad in Cortona, Italy by taking a 400 level criminology related course, if offered.

Think about other research and volunteer opportunities in Criminology, the Criminal Justice System and Socio-legal issues through the Centre for Criminology Research.

WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING (WIL)/ EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Attend an information session to learn more about the Arts Work Experience (AWE) opportunities and how to plan for this in your degree. If you are planning to do AWE please inform the Criminology program advisor.

Consider taking a Community Service-Learning (CSL) course.

Consider applying to do a career related, paid work experience internship offered through AWE

Consider embedded certificates in Community Engagement and Servicelearning or the interdisciplinary Certificate in Applied Social Science Research.

Consider applying to the Field Placement Stream.

Take a Community Service-Learning (CSL) course or start thinking about studying abroad.

If you are thinking about graduate studies or a future

career in research consider the Certificate in Applied

Consider applying to the Field Placement Stream or a paid internship through AWE.

Evaluate information in multiple forms – oral, written.

(e.g. crime statistics, media reports) found in various

Assess the adequacy and interpretation of data

Interrogate forms of power, inequality, and social change and their intersection.

Utilize an interdisciplinary framework to understand deviance, crime, and social context.

Assess social practices, programs, and policies

Develop research skills relevant to both academic and community workplace environments.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

*Identify key theoretical perspectives as they relate to explaining, understanding, and responding to deviance and crime in the Canadian context.

Understand the interdisciplinary character of criminology.

Question assumptions about social phenomena

Critically situate individual experience within broader social contexts and relationships.

Understand the ways in which power contributes to marginalization and the implications of these processes for criminal justice system practices.

Design and carry out basic research to answer specific sociological questions.

Make reasoned, well-supported, and coherent arguments about social phenomena.

> Apply for Executive positions with the Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA).

Seek other community-based research related opportunities that connect with careers of interest in the Criminal Justice System.

EXTRA-

Join a student group on campus like the Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA) or Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA).

Follow the Criminology social media pages (Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn) to learn about opportunities on or off campus.

Get involved with SUSA or CUSA events.

Volunteer on or off campus with community organizations like SafeWalk, University of Alberta Protective Services (UAPS), Elizabeth Fry Society (EFRY) and Youth Restorative Action Project (YRAP). See the Student Union Volunteer Registry

Apply for the Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP).

Consider the Volunteer Alberta Program connecting nonprofit organizations and students together.

Consider an internship, or summer position posting through campus BRIDGE

Seek other opportunities at Career Fairs and Employer Information Sessions on campus.

appointment and career coaching.

Start focusing on employment interests or tailoring applications for Grad School.

Book an appointment at the Career Centre to have your resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile reviewed.



*3; SOC 225.

PLAN AHEAD 4TH YEAR OR FINAL YEAR

- •Take the prerequisites you need with course offerings (e.g., secondary-subject mix) to stay on track!
- Follow the academic calendar for the year that you were admitted into the program. A list of course requirements and offerings can be found in the Academic Calendar at: https://calendar.ualberta.ca/
- Degree requirements are revised regularly so check the academic requirements (AR) tool and follow the course registration process through beartracks.
- •Book a one-on-one session with an advisor to make sure you are on track.

Add an embedded

CERTIFICATE to your degree

The Faculty of Arts offers students certificate programs which can be completed in conjunction with their degrees and are granted at the time of graduation.

- Applied Social Science Research
- Community Engagement and Service-Learning
- Ethics
- Globalization and Governance
- International Learning
- Peace and Post-Conflict Studies

Apply for Awards

- University-wide awards
- Faculty of Arts awards
- Department of Sociology and Criminology program specific awards

This is a sample recommendation only for course-based students planning their Criminology degree.

CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

CAREER

PLANNING

Start planning your pathway to a career in the

criminal justice system and related areas.

Access the Career Centre services and resources on campus to explore career options and develop skills employers are looking for with graduates.

Explore your skills and interests with the Alberta careers, learning and employment information.

Visit the Careers section of the Sociology department website

Explore the <u>alis</u> website for more information to be successful upon graduation!

Visit the Career Centre to schedule an advising

*These are just a selection of learning outcomes for the Criminology program. Visit the program website for the complete list

CRIMINOLOGY COURSE-BASED STREAM DEGREE PATHWAYS



To graduate you must complete a total of*120 with a minimum of*63 in Arts

Course offerings may vary and you should consult the UofA Academic Calendar.

Sample degree trajectories for students planning their degree

We have organized five pathways to assist course-based students in identifying areas of interest in Criminology.

There is more than one right path to a Criminology Degree! You may think of other pathways like leadership and policy. You could also integrated Learning (WIL) opportunities like Arts Work Experience (AWE) co-ops or embedded certificates into any of these pathways!

Indigenous Studies Focus

In the first year, you should complete the *15 Basic Requirements. You may wish to take:

NS 152 Introductory Cree: NS 252 Intermediate Cree: or NS 352 Advanced Cree to meet the Language Other than English (if applicable) requirement.

The mandatory native studies course:

NS 110 (Historical Perspectives in Indigenous Studies) or NS 111 (Contemporary Perspectives in Indigenous Studies) or NS 201 (Indigenous Canada: Looking Forward/Looking Back - Online)

Senior Level Sociology Courses:

SOC 224 (Sociology of Deviance and Conformity) SOC 260 (Inequality and Social Stratification)

SOC 321 (Youth, Crime and Society)

SOC 370 (Racism and Decolonization) SOC 377 (Sociology of Youth)

SOC 402 (Topics in Sociology: Indigenous – Settler Relations)

SOC 420 (Topics in Criminal Justice: Prisons)

SOC 424 (Gangs and Violence)

SOC 429 (Sociology of Law)

SOC 430 (Women and Crime)

Second Subject Mix:

CSL 100 (An Introduction to Community Engagement)

CSL 200 (Theory and Practice in Community Service-Learning)

HECOL 313 (Family Dynamics)

HECOL 315 (Interviewing and Counseling)

HECOL 412 (Family Challenges)

HIST 368 (History of Indigenous Peoples and Kanata until

HIST 369 (History of Indigenous Peoples and Kanata after

INT D 394 (Introduction to Criminal Law)

NS 240 (Introduction to Indigenous Legal Issues) NS 320 (Indigenous Politics and Diplomacy)

NS 340 (Indigenous Legal Systems)

NS 442 (Colonialism and the Criminal Justice System)

POL S 327 (Indigenous Politics in Canada)

WGS 102 (Gender and Social Justice)

WGS 420 (Law and Feminism in Canada)

WGS 431 (Feminism and Sexual Assault)

Attend an information session to learn more about workintegrated learning (WIL) opportunities such as co-ops like the Arts Work Experience (AWE) with possible Indigenous opportunities and how to plan for this in your degree. If you are planning to do AWE please inform the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator.

Consider taking a **Community Service-Learning** (CSL) course and the embedded certificate in Community Engagement and Service-learning.

Volunteer with First Peoples' House on campus.

Research & Graduate Studies Focus

The principle subject is Sociology. Take the senior-level (200/300) required Sociology courses that must be included in the program:

SOC 210 (Introduction to Social Statistics)

SOC 315 (Introduction to Social Methodology)

SOC 327 (Criminal Justice Administration in Canada) (CSL)

If you are interested in graduate studies you should also take:

SOC 212 (Classical Social Theory) and SOC 335 (Themes in Contemporary Social Theory)

Senior Level Sociology Courses:

SOC 418 (Qualitative Methods in Social Research) SOC 456 (Data Analysis and Research)

Second Subject Mix:

Applied Statistics)

ANTHR 301 (Introduction to Ethnographic Methods)

HECOL 100 (Intro to Principles and Practice in Human Ecology)

HECOL 301 (Program Planning and Evaluation)

PSYCH 282 (Behavior Modification)

PSYCH 325 (Applied Research in Developmental Psychology)

Consider work-integrated learning (WIL) opportunities such as a career related, paid work term (e.g., in government research, planning, and policy) experience internship offered through Arts Work Experience (AWE) program.

If you are thinking about graduate studies or a future career in research consider the Certificate in Applied Social Science

The applied social science certificate requires the following: One Introductory Statistics Course such as: SOC 210 (Introduction to Social Statistics) or STAT 151 (Introduction to

One Introductory Overview Course in Social Science Methodology such as: SOC 315 Introduction to Social Methodology); PSYCH 212 Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology); NS 390 (Research Methods in Indigenous Studies); or WGS 302 (Feminist Research and Methodologies)

One Advanced Methods of Statistics Courses such as: ANTHR 301 (Introduction to Ethnographic Methods); ANTHR 424 (Visual Anthropology); ECON 399 (Introductory Econometrics); HECOL 465 (Research Methods for Material Culture and Design Studies); NS 490 (Community-Based Research); POL S 411 (Quantitative Political Analysis); PSYCH 325 (Applied Research in Developmental Psychology): SOC 418 (Qualitative Methods in Social Research); SOC 456 (Data Analysis and Research); or STAT 252 (Introduction to Applied Statistics II).

Participation in SOC 415 (Applied Research Internship) OR completion of a capstone social science research project involving either a research internship or research-based honors thesis/individual study with a faculty member.

Law School Focus (Preparation)

Senior Level Sociology Courses:

SOC 224 (Sociology of Deviance and Conformity)

SOC 260 (Inequality and Social Stratification)

SOC 321 (Youth, Crime and Society)

SOC 323 (Sociology of Policing)

SOC 325 (Topics in Criminology: Race, Racism, and Crime)

SOC 327 (Criminal Justice Administration in Canada) (CSL)

SOC 370 (Racism and Decolonization)

SOC 377 (Sociology of Youth)

SOC 421 (Sociology of Punishment)

SOC 423 (Crime and Public Policy)

SOC 424 (Gangs and Violence)

SOC 425 (Sociology of Terrorism) SOC 427 (Immigration, Ethnicity, and Crime)

SOC 429 (Sociology of Law)

SOC 430 (Women and Crime)

Special Topics Course taught by a Professor of Law and

SOC 402 (Criminal Accusation and Criminalization)

Second Subject Mix:

ANTHR 494 (Forensic Anthropology)

B LAW 301 (Legal Foundations of the Canadian Economy)

HECOL 210 (Intimate Relationships)

HECOL 313 (Family Dynamics)

HECOL 315 (Interviewing and Counseling)

HECOL 412 (Family Challenges)

HIST 368 (History of Indigenous Peoples and Kanata until

1870) HIST 369 (History of Indigenous Peoples and Kanata after

1870)

INT D 394 (Introduction to Criminal Law) NS 240 (Introduction to Indigenous Legal Issues)

NS 340 (Indigenous Legal Issues)

NS 442 (Colonialism and the Criminal Justice System)

PHIL 368 (Topics in Social Justice)

POL S 327 (Indigenous Politics in Canada)

POL S 328 (Managing Modern Government)

POL S 390 (Law and Politics)

PSYCH 282 (Behavior Modification)

PSYCH 333 (Personality Theory) WGS 102 (Gender and Social Justice)

WGS 360 (Race, Class, and Gender)

WGS 420 (Law and Feminism in Canada)

WGS 431 (Feminism and Sexual Assault)

Take the SOC 327 (Criminal Justice Administration in Canada) CommunityService-Learning (CSL) course.

Consider studying abroad in Cortona, Italy by taking a 400 level criminology related course, if offered.

Think about other research and volunteer opportunities in Criminology, the Criminal Justice System and Socio-legal issues through the Centre for Criminological Research.

Take an LSAT test preparation course.

Criminal Justice System Focus (Policing, Prisons, and Corrections)

The mandatory native studies course:

NS 110 (Historical Perspectives in Indigenous Studies) or NS 111 (Contemporary Perspectives in Indigenous Studies) or NS 201 (Indigenous Canada: Looking Forward/Looking Back - Online)

Senior Level Sociology Courses:

SOC 224 (Sociology of Deviance and Conformity)

SOC 226 (Surveillance Studies)

SOC 321 (Youth, Crime and Society)

SOC 323 (Sociology of Policing)

SOC 325 (Topics in Criminology: Race, Racism, and Crime)

SOC 327 (Criminal Justice Administration in Canada) (CSL)

SOC 370 (Racism and Decolonization)

SOC 377 (Sociology of Youth)

SOC 402 (Topics in Sociology: Indigenous – Settler Relations)

SOC 420 (Topics in Criminal Justice: Sociology of Prisons)

SOC 421 (Sociology of Punishment)

SOC 423 (Crime and Public Policy)

SOC 424 (Gangs and Violence) SOC 425 (Sociology of Terrorism)

SOC 427 (Immigration, Ethnicity, and Crime)

SOC 429 (Sociology of Law) SOC 430 (Women and Crime)

Second Subject Mix: ANTHR 494 (Forensic Anthropology)

B LAW 301 (Legal Foundations of the Canadian Economy)

HECOL 210 (Intimate Relationships)

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WGS 360 (Race, Class, and Gender) WGS 420 (Law and Feminism in Canada)

WGS 431 (Feminism and Sexual Assault)

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Participate in the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) Run with Recruiters (RWR) Program to prepare for a career in policing.

Experiential Learning Focus

Senior Level Sociology Courses:

SOC 327 (Criminal Justice Administration in Canada) (CSL)

SOC 418 (Qualitative Methods in Social Research)

SOC 421 (Sociology of Punishment)

SOC 423 (Crime and Public Policy)

SOC 430 (Women and Crime) SOC 456 (Data Analysis and Research)

Second Subject Mix:

CSL 100 (An Introduction to Community Engagement)

CSL 200 (Theory and Practice in Community Service-Learning) HECOL 301 (Program Planning and Evaluation)

PSYCH 325 (Applied Research in Developmental Psychology)

WGS 102 (Gender and Social Justice) WGS 360 (Race, Class, and Gender)

Attend an information session to learn more about workintegrated learning (WIL) such as the Arts Work Experience (AWE) co-op opportunities and how to plan for this in your degree. If you are planning to do AWE please inform the Criminology Program Advisor and Field Placement Coordinator.

Consider embedded certificate opportunities that can be completed in conjunction with your degree such as a Certificate in Applied Social Science Research, Community Engagement and Service-Learning, Globalization and

Consider studying abroad in Cortona, Italy by taking a 400 level criminology related course, if offered.

Think about other research and volunteer opportunities in Criminology, the Criminal Justice System and Socio-legal issues through the Centre for Criminological Research.

Consider taking a **Community Service-Learning** (CSL) course offered in a wide range of disciplines such as Business, Fine Arts, Cultural Studies, Native Studies, Political Science. Sociology, Women's and Gender Studies, and many others.

Also consider the CSL Pathways Program, CSL Internship, Non Profit Board Student Internship Program, or the embedded certificate in Community Engagement and Service-learning.

Apply for the Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP) to gain meaningful work experience in the criminal justice system and related areas.



Appendix C - Field Placement Degree Map

CRIMINOLOGY

There are two streams in the BA Criminology program: Course-Based and Field Placement. This degree map and the field placement list provide an overview to assist a field placement student in thinking about academic and career pathways. To graduate, you must complete a total of*120 with a minimum of*63 in Arts

> **1ST YEAR** (0-27* credits)



In the first year, you should complete the *15 Basic Requirements. *3 English 100-level, *6 Language Other than English (if applicable), *6 Non-Arts or *9 Electives or the mandatory native studies course *3 NS 110 or NS 111 or NS 201.

Students are also strongly advised to include *3 SOC 100. *3 PSYCO 104. *3 PSYCO 105.

FIELD PLACEMENT STREAM DEGREE MAP

The field placement stream provides students the opportunity to apply their classroom knowledge in a variety of criminal justice settings. Students can pursue their personal interests and career goals by taking two required, field placement (SOC 399 and SOC 499) courses in their degree! See the field placement list for possible opportunities, to receive practical experience, in the criminal justice system!



*3. SOC 225.

also take *3 SOC 212.



3RD YEAR (60-87* credits)

325;*3 SOC 370; *3 SOC 377.



4TH YEAR OR FINAL YEAR (90* + credits)

Take *6 SOC 499 Field Placement. Any two of the *6 SOC 400- level criminology related courses that are offered from the list - SOC 402: 403: 418: 420: 421: 423; 424; 425; 427; 429; 430; 456.

Take 1 second subject mix course from the list that you can choose from.

Make sure you have all the required courses and your optional embedded certificate(s). Apply for graduation and declare any embedded certificates.

COURSES

WORK-

INTEGRATED

EXPERIENTIAL

LEARNING

LEARNING (WIL)/

OPPORTUNITIES

REQUIRED

Attend an information session to learn more about the Arts Work Experience (AWE) opportunities and how to plan for this in your degree. If you are planning to do AWE please inform the Criminology program advisor.

Consider taking a Community Service-Learning (CSL)

Consider applying to do a career related, paid work experience internship offered through AWE.

The principle subject is Sociology. Start taking a few

of the senior-level (200) required Sociology courses

Any one *3 of the following SOC 224; SOC 226; SOC 260.

If you are interested in graduate studies you should

that must be included in the program. *3 SOC 210;

Consider embedded certificates in Community Engagement and Service-learning or the interdisciplinary Certificate in Applied Social Science Research.

If you are thinking about graduate studies or a future career in research consider the Certificate in Applied Social Science Research.

Take a Community Service-Learning (CSL) course or start thinking about studying abroad.

In third year you should take *3 SOC 315; *3 SOC 327; *6

SOC 399 Field Placement; ANY 1 of the principal subject

Make sure to take at least 1 secondary subject mix course

If you are interested in graduate studies take *3 SOC 335.

from the list. The list composes of a multidisciplinary

combination of courses that you can choose from.

Sociology courses: *3 SOC 321; *3 SOC 323; *3 SOC

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

*Identify key theoretical perspectives as they relate to explaining, understanding, and responding to deviance and crime in the Canadian context

Understand the interdisciplinary character of criminology.

Question assumptions about social phenomena

Critically situate individual experience within broader social contexts and relationships.

Understand the ways in which power contributes to marginalization and the implications of these processes for criminal justice system practices.

Design and carry out basic research to answer specific sociological questions.

Evaluate information in multiple forms – oral, written, visual, digital. Make reasoned, well-supported, and coherent arguments about social phenomena.

Apply criminological knowledge through experiential learning, interacting and engaging with diverse populations.

Understand the complexities of engaging with marginalized populations and criminal justice personnel. Interrogate forms of power, inequality, and social change and their intersection. Utilize an interdisciplinary framework to understand deviance, crime, and social context.

Give and receive feedback constructively and respectfully. Understand and practice professionalism appropriate to various settings. Build academic and community networks through experiential learning and field placement opportunities.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Join a student group on campus like the Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA) or <u>Criminology Undergraduate</u> Student Association

Follow the Criminology social media pages (Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn) to learn about opportunities on or off campus.

Get involved with SUSA or CUSA events.

Volunteer on or off campus with community organizations like SafeWalk, University of Alberta Protective Services (UAPS), Elizabeth Fry Society (EFRY), and Youth Restorative Action Project (YRAP) See the Student Union Volunteer Registry

Apply for the Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP).

Consider the Volunteer Alberta Program connecting nonprofit organizations and students together.

Apply for Executive positions with the Criminology Undergraduate Student Association (CUSA).

Seek other community-based research related opportunities that connect with careers of interest in the Criminal Justice System.

CAREER **PLANNING** Start planning your pathway to a career in the criminal iustice system and related areas.

Access the <u>Career Centre</u> services and resources on campus to explore career options and develop skills employers are looking for with graduates.

Explore your skills and interests with the Alberta careers, learning and employment information.

Visit the Careers section of the Sociology department website

Explore the <u>alis</u> website for more information to be successful upon graduation!

Consider an internship, or summer position posting through campus BRIDGE.

Seek other opportunities at Career Fairs and Employer Information Sessions on campus.

Visit the Career Centre to schedule an advising appointment and career coaching.

Start focusing on employment interests or tailoring applications for Grad School

Book an appointment at the <u>Career Centre</u> to have your resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile reviewed.

PLAN AHEAD

- •Take the prerequisites you need with course offerings (e.g., secondary-subject mix) to stay on track!
- •Follow the academic calendar for the year that you were admitted into the program. A list of course requirements and offerings can be found in the Academic Calendar at: https://calendar.ualberta.ca/
- Degree requirements are revised regularly so check the <u>academic</u> requirements (AR) tool and follow the course registration process through beartracks.
- •Book a one-on-one session with an advisor to make sure you are on track.

Add an embedded

CERTIFICATE to your degree

The Faculty of Arts offers students certificate programs which can be completed in conjunction with their degrees and are granted at the time of graduation.

- Applied Social Science Research
- •Community Engagement and Service-Learning
- Ethics
- Globalization and Governance
- •International Learning
- Peace and Post-Conflict Studies

Apply for Awards

- University-wide awards
- Faculty of Arts awards
- Department of Sociology and Criminology program specific awards

This is a sample recommendation only for field placement students planning their Criminology degree.

*These are just a selection of learning outcomes for the Criminology program. Visit the program website for the complete list



Appendix D - List of Field Placement Partners

This list is subject to change due to the availability of community partners willing to host Criminology field placement students each academic year.

Alberta Justice – Ministry responsible for policy for Alberta corrections and other service areas which include various other departments that work with adult, youth, Indigenous, and community programs as well as specialized policing

Catholic Social Services – Supervision of residents in community residential facilities that house and provide programming to Federal offenders on conditional release in the community

Chimo Youth Retreat Centre - Support and services for youth ages 14-24

Coalition for Justice and Human Rights (C4JHR) – Social justice advocacy that involves working on release plans for offenders, interviewing them, referring them to programs, and supporting them as needed

Court Assistance Program (CAP) – CAP and the Papaschase Band provide justice initiatives (e.g., advocacy, education, and resources) and court support to urban Indigenous people and non-Indigenous people regardless or nationality and gender

Court Administration Program (Provincial) – Provincial court clerk responsible for all administrative matters particular to the court process

Court of King's Bench (Criminal Office) – Administrative processes for bail, bail forfeitures, summary conviction appeals, jury selection and trial

Crime Analyst – Collection and analysis of criminal intelligence in the Edmonton area; liaison between police agencies

Criminal Intelligence Service Alberta (CISA) – Supports law enforcement community to detect, prevent, disrupt and suppress serious and organized crime in Alberta

Crown Prosecution Office – Prosecution of federal and provincial cases

Defence Lawyer's Office – Provide legal representation of accused individuals facing criminal charges

Edmonton John Howard Society – Family violence prevention centre services to support clients in collaboration with community agencies and to assist them in navigating the court processes related to domestic violence

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Edmonton Institution for Women (EIFW) – Federal prison for women

Edmonton Maximum Security Institution – Federal maximum security prison for men

Edmonton Police Service (EPS) – Law enforcement activities in Edmonton and crime analysts producing reports and advising policing tactics (e.g., research and innovation or other specialized units such as the Domestic Offender Crimes Section (DOCS))

Edmonton Youth Attendance Centre (EYAC) – Enhances supervision and support of young offenders serving community sentences.

Edmonton Young Offender Centre & Adult Female Annex (EYOCAFA) – Custodial facility for youth. This facility also houses remanded female offenders, pending court/trial

Elizabeth Fry Society (EFRY) – Advocacy for women in conflict with the law

Federal Crown Prosecutor's Office – Prosecution of federal statutes

Federal Parole Office – Supervision of offenders on parole and statutory release

Fort Saskatchewan Correction Centre (FSCC) – Adult correctional and remand centre for inmates servicing sentences of up to 2 years and awaiting trial

Institute For The Advancement of Aboriginal Women (IAAW) – Advocates for Indigenous women in society and raises awareness about the challenges and obstacles they face

John Howard Society of Alberta – Advocacy and programming for offenders, with a focus on social justice issues

Lives in Transition (LIT) and Project SEVFIN – Assisting women recovering from domestic violence relationships and clients who have been sexually exploited to move them towards self-sufficiency through the attainment of education and employment

Multicultural Health Brokers Cooperative (MCHB) – Assisting Edmonton newcomers/immigrant communities through various programs (e.g., child and family intervention program)

Native Counseling Services of Alberta (NCSA) – Advocacy and programming for Indigenous clients



Provincial Probation Office – Supervision of adult and youth offenders in the community

Restorative Justice Organizations – Restorative justice measures to repair harm and reduce recidivism **(Youth Restorative Action Project – YRAP)**

Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) – Law enforcement activities at various "K" Division detachments and criminal analysis section to provide analytical support to frontline investigators at the federal and provincial levels

Saffron Sexual Assault Centre - Supports the healing and empowerment of those who have been affected by sexual violence as well as providing proactive education to surrounding communities

Stan Daniels' Healing Centre – Indigenous half way house and custodial facility

University of Alberta Protective Services (UAPS) – Law enforcement on campus

Youth Restorative Action Project (YRAP) – Providing restorative practices for youth by youth under the age of 25