OAKLAND UNIVERSITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

The criminal justice major at OU is an interdisciplinary program grounded in the theoretical, methodological and applied policy traditions of criminology and criminal justice, as well as those related disciplines that have contributed to its core knowledge; including sociology, political science, public administration, law, philosophy and psychology. The OU criminal justice major has three defining features: a required interdisciplinary component, a required internship and a required capstone course.



REQUIRED INTERDISCIPLINARY COMPONENT

The purpose of the interdisciplinary electives is to ensure students' exposure to a broad spectrum of disciplinary knowledge. This interdisciplinary training is especially important for criminal justice majors given the complexity of both crime causation and crime-control policies.

REQUIRED INTERNSHIP

Students will be required to complete an internship once they have reached senior academic standing. Internships will be coordinated by an administrative professional and will include a classroom component supervised by a full- or part-time faculty member. Requirements for the academic component of internships will be standardized to ensure uniformity in students' classroom experiences.

REQUIRED CAPSTONE COURSE

Criminal justice majors will be required to complete a capstone course when they have reached senior academic standing. This course offers seniors the opportunity to systematically marshal knowledge gained from their coursework and internship experience in order to link theory, research and practice to address a complex criminal justice issue. Students will complete a semester-long independent research project about a criminal justice policy of their choosing.

Criminal justice majors may focus their coursework around specific research and career interests by selecting an area of specialization — homeland security or information security/assurance.

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GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (48 Credits)

Required Courses (16 credits)

CRJ 1100 Introduction to Criminal Justice

CRJ 2100 Criminological Theory

SOC 2010 Introduction to Methods of Social Research

SOC 2020 Social Statistics with Computer Applications

Required Core Courses (select two) (8 credits)

CRJ 3223 Delinquency and Juvenile Justice System

CRJ 3224 Corrections and Rehabilitative Institutions

CRJ 3227 Police and Society

CRJ 3229 Criminal Law and the Courts

Criminal Justice Elective Courses (select two from each category) (16 credits)

Criminal Justice Electives

Interdisciplinary Electives

Required Internship Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4950 Criminal Justice Internship

Required Capstone Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4970 Capstone

HOMELAND SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

(59-60 Credits)

Required Courses (16 credits)

CRJ 1100 Introduction to Criminal Justice

CRJ 2100 Criminological Theory

SOC 2010 Introduction to Methods of Social Research

SOC 2020 Social Statistics with Computer Applications

Required Core Courses (8 credits)

CRJ 3227 Police and Society

CRJ 3229 Criminal Law and the Courts

Criminal Justice Elective Courses (select four) (16 credits)

CRJ 3300 Alcohol, Drugs and Society

CRJ 3320 Criminology and Public Policy

CRJ 3332 Race/Ethnicity, Crime and Justice

CRJ 3340 White Collar Crime

CRJ 3341 Cybercrime

CRJ 3342 Surveillance Society

CRJ 3346 Profiling and Threat Assessment

CRJ 3347 Neighborhood, Schools and Crime

CRJ 3348 Terrorism and Homeland Security

CRJ 3349 Applied Intelligence

CRJ 3350 Intro to Security

CRJ 3351 Geography of Crime

CRJ 3360 Crime and the Life Course

CRJ 3365 Critical Incident Analysis

CRJ 3905 Special Topics (pending program advisor approval)

Interdisciplinary Elective Courses (select three)

(11-12 credits)

AN/SOC 3610 Race and Ethnic Relations

HST 3295 Religion, Politics and American Culture

HST 3405 Nationalism in Modern Europe

HST 3510 Modern Middle East

HST 3540 Arab-Israeli Conflict

HST 3550 Modern Iran and Iraq

MIS 4900 ST Information Privacy

PHL 3610 Philosophy of International Relations

PHL 3620 Global Justice

PS 3040 International Politics: Theory and Practice

PS 3115 The Judicial Process

PS 3250 Law and Politics

PS 3255 Constitutional Law

PS 3260 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

PS 3415 Politics of the Middle East and North Africa

PS 3430 Political Systems of Asia

PS 3780 International Terrorism: Causes, Consequences and Responses

Required Internship Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4950 Criminal Justice Internship

Required Capstone Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4970 Capstone

INFORMATION SECURITY/ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS (60-62 Credits)

Required Courses (16 credits)

CRJ 1100 Introduction to Criminal Justice

CRJ 2100 Criminological Theory

SOC 2010 Introduction to Methods of Social Research

SOC 2020 Social Statistics with Computer Applications

Required Core Courses (8 credits)

CRJ 3227 Police and Society

CRJ 3229 Criminal Law and the Courts

Required Information Security Management Courses

(18 credits)

MIS 3010 Survey of Management Information Systems

MIS 3050 Information Technology Foundations

MIS 4130 Networks

MIS 4140 Information Security Lab

MIS 4180 Information Systems Risk Analysis

and Security Control Development

MIS 4800 Information Security Project

Criminal Justice Elective Courses (select two) (8 credits)

CRJ 3320 Criminology and Public Policy

CRJ 3430 White-Collar Crime

CRJ 3341 Cybercrime

CRJ 3342 The Surveillance Society

CRJ 3346 Profiling and Threat Assessment

CRJ 3348 Terrorism and Homeland Security

CRJ 3365 Critical Incident Analysis

CRJ 3905 Special Topics: Criminal Justice Elective

(Pending program advisor approval)

Interdisciplinary Elective Courses (select one)

(3-4 credits)

MIS 4700 Information Systems Security

MIS 4750 Mobile Security and Secure

Application Development

MIS 4900 ST Information Privacy

PS 3250 Law and Politics

PS 3255 Constitutional Law

PS 3260 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

PS 3780 International Terrorism: Causes, Consequences and Responses

PHL 3620 Global Justice

Required Internship Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4950 Criminal Justice Internship

Required Capstone Course (4 credits)

CRJ 4970 Capstone

Students who pursue the information security/assurance specialization will receive a minor in information security management from the School of Business Administration.

OU criminal justice majors are required to earn a minimum
2.5 GPA in each criminal justice course in order to successfully complete the degree.