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**GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

**Minimum Graduation Requirements**

1. 120 credit hours
2. 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
3. 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
4. Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed

while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at

UCCS

**Student Responsibilities**

Students are required to know and follow:

1. All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](file:///\\columbia\dept\Success\Advising%20Guides\197%20Advising%20Guides\catalog.uccs.edu)
2. All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course pre-requisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student’s schedule: see degree audit for list of course prerequisites within academic major.

**MAJOR INFORMATION**

Criminal Justice is a social science that attempts to identify and explain patterns of criminal behavior, as well as analyze society's ability to control crime and delinquency. It studies crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system. The Criminal Justice degree program utilizes an interdisciplinary approach to capture both the academic liberal arts emphasis and the professional and policy knowledge required to educate criminal justice professionals.

Sociology applies the methods of social science to understand how broader social forces influence our thoughts, beliefs and behavior. It provides an important background for careers in human resources, education, business, law, social work, criminal justice, politics, arts, sports, and public administration. Students may select from a broad range of courses related to contemporary issues and problems; inter-group relations, popular culture, social movements and social change, modernity and post-modernity, family patterns and relationships, sexuality, crime and deviance, environmental and social problems, globalization, and field experiences.

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| **Major Requirements** | | | |
| **Criminal Justice Major**  (28 hours)  The Criminal Justice major requires a minimum of 25 credit hours of CJ course work, 3 hours of PAD course work, and a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) CJ/PAD course work.  All CJ courses must have a grade of “C” or better.  **Sociology Major**  (34 hours)  The Sociology major requires a minimum of 34 credit hours of SOC work and a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level SOC course work.)  All SOC courses must have a grade of “C” or better.  **NOTE: SOC 3150 and 3170 should be completed prior to the senior year and must be taken at UCCS.** | **Course/Area** | **Course Title** | **Credit Hours** |
| **Criminal Justice Requirements** | | |
| CJ 1001 | Introduction to Criminal Justice | 3 |
| CJ 2041 | Crime Theory and Causes | 3 |
| CJ 3250 | Violence in Society | 3 |
| CJ 4042 | Corrections | 3 |
| CJ 4043 | Law Enforcement | 3 |
| CJ 4044 | Courts and Judicial Process | 3 |
| CJ 4121 | Ethics in Criminal Justice | 3 |
| CJ 4960 | Criminal Justice Internship | 4 |
| PAD 3268 | Contemporary Issues in Social and Public Policy | 3 |
| **Sociology Requirements** | | |
| SOC 1110 | Introduction to Sociology | 4 |
| SOC 3070 | Social Research Methods *(previously SOC 2120)* | 4 |
| SOC 3150 | Modern Sociological Theory | 3 |
| SOC 3170 | Social Statistics | 4 |
| Sociology Summit Experience | Honors Track: *Complete SOC 4980 and SOC 4990.*  **OR**  Standard Track: *Complete one SOC course with a Compass Curriculum Summit flag. Courses on the Substantive list that have a Summit flag may double count.* | 4  3 |
| Substantive Courses | *Complete three courses from the following:* SOC 3280, SOC 3290, SOC 3310, SOC 3410, SOC 4040, SOC 4080, SOC 4110, SOC 4170, SOC 4190, SOC 4200, SOC 4240, SOC 4300, SOC 4310, SOC 4380, SOC 4400, SOC 4600, SOC 4660, SOC 4960 | 9 |
| Electives | *Complete an additional 6 hours of SOC and CJ courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours. At least 3 hours must be from SOC courses* | 6 |
| Sociology Field Test | *Complete the Sociology Field Test.* | 0 |

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| **General Education and Elective Requirements** | |
| **Composition** (6 hours) | 1. ENGL 1310 2. ENGL 1410 3. PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio |
| **Reasoning Skills** (3 hours) | See the degree audit for course options. |
| **Area Requirements** (27 hours)   * + Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements   + Courses may not be taken pass/fail | 1. Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM3990. 2. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours 3. Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course   \*Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements. |
| **Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements** | One course from each list (see degree audit). *All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.* |
| **Compass Curriculum** 3 hours)   * Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements * Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Component** | **Course** |  |  | | **Gateway** | GPS 1010 |  |  | | **Explore** – Arts, Humanities and Cultures | PHIL 1120 |  |  | | **Explore** – Society, Behavior and Health | PSC 1100 |  |  | | **Explore** – Physical and Natural World | See Degree Audit |  |  | | **Navigate** | HUM 3990 |  |  | | **Summit** | 1. (SOC Capstone Course 2. CJ 4121 |  |  | | **Writing Intensive Courses (WIC)**  *Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)* | 1. SOC 3070 2. CJ 3250 |  |  | | **Inclusiveness** | PAD 3268 |  |  | | **Sustainability** | See Degree Audit |  |  | |
| **General Electives** (1-4 hours) | Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program. |

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| **Four-Year Degree Plan**  Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** | | | | | | |
| **Year One** | √ | **FALL** | *Hours* | √ | **SPRING** | *Hours* |
|  | ENGL 1310 | 3 |  | ENGL 1410 | 3 |
|  | CJ 1001 | 3 |  | SOC Elective | 3 |
|  | GPS 1010 | 3 |  | INDS 1050, INDS 2000, or MATH 1200 | 3 |
|  | PHIL 1120 | 3 |  | PSC 1100 | 3 |
|  | SOC 1110 | 4 |  | Explore – Physical & Natural World Course | 3 |
|  | **TOTAL** | 15 |  | **TOTAL** | 15 |
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| **Year Two** | √ | **FALL** | *Hours* | √ | **SPRING** | *Hours* |
|  | CJ 2041 | 3 |  | CJ 3250 | 3 |
|  | SOC Elective | 4 |  | SOC 3070 | 3 |
|  | COMM 2010, COMM 2100 or COMM 3190 | 3 |  | Humanities Elective | 3 |
|  | PSY 1000 | 3 |  | Natural Science Elective | 3 |
|  | General Elective |  |  | Social Science Elective | 3 |
|  | **TOTAL** | 15 |  | **TOTAL** | 16 |
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| **Year Three** | √ | **FALL** | *Hours* | √ | **SPRING** | *Hours* |
|  | CJ 4042 | 3 |  | CJ 4043 | 3 |
|  | PAD 3268 | 3 |  | CJ 4044 | 3 |
|  | SOC 3170 | 3 |  | SOC 3150 | 4 |
|  | SOC Substantive Course | 3 |  | SOC Substantive Course | 3 |
|  | Natural Science Elective | 2 |  | General Elective | 3 |
|  | **TOTAL** | 15 |  | **TOTAL** | 15 |
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| **Year Four** | √ | **FALL** | *Hours* | √ | **SPRING** | *Hours* |
|  | CJ 4960 | 4 |  | Summit Experience Capstone | 3-4 |
|  | SOC 4980 – Honors Track Only | 1 |  | SOC 4990 – Honors Track Only | 3 |
|  | SOC Substantive Course | 3 |  | CJ 4121 | 3 |
|  | HUM 3990 | 3 |  | Social Science Elective | 3 |
|  | Natural Science Elective (w/lab) | 4 |  | General Elective | 4 |
|  | **TOTAL** | 15 |  | **TOTAL** | 14 |