

CRIMINOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The criminology and sociology department at Capital University offers majors and minors in both fields of study. Grounded in the scientific study of society and crime, students explore the social, cultural, gendered, ethnic, and racial aspects of diversity, dimensions of analytical and critical thinking, and ethical approaches to community engagement and knowledge formation. The program emphasizes research, professional pursuits, theoretical, methodological, and statistical literacy, and the expression of knowledge through oral and written communication. Our curriculum provides students with essential foundations to engage in a range of careers and graduate study.

CAREERS AND PLACEMENT

Students who seek to advance beyond the baccalaureate degree continue on to graduate study in fields such as criminology, sociology, law, public policy, education, counseling, and social work. Our graduates hold positions in a number of non-profit social organizations and government agencies. Some of our recent graduates are in positions with the following employers: City of Columbus Attorney's Office, City of Columbus Police Department (and others across the United States), Franklin County Probation Office, Alvis House, St. Vincent Family Services, Ohio Job and Family Services, Equitas Health, and various private law practices.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Students have the opportunity to participate in internships and community-engaged learning for the duration of one or two semesters. Students can further enrich their educational journey through internship and study abroad experiences in coordination with faculty, the International Education Office, and the Washington Center in Washington, D.C.

AS A GRADUATE, YOU WILL BE PREPARED TO:

- Identify, describe, and analyze the significance and complexity of the diversity of society
- Assess the role of theory in shaping sociological and criminological knowledge
- Demonstrate, examine, and critically analyze how social and structural factors influence human behaviors and the development of social existence
- Communicate sociological and/or criminological ideas clearly and coherently in a variety of formats and to diverse audiences
- Apply critical thinking skills to social phenomena
- Illustrate the importance of civic and ethical engagement and how applying the sociological perspective can reduce social problems in communities, society, and the world
- Recognize and ethically apply basic social science research methods, including research design, data analysis, and interpretation

WHAT ARE OUR GRADS DOING NOW?

- Lawyer
- Law Enforcement
- Victims' Advocacy
- Parole Officer
- Paralegal
- Probation Officer

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Four-Year Sample Schedule of a Sociology Major*

First Year Fall

15 credit hours
 SOC 120 Intro to Sociology - 4
 ENGL 111 Academic
 Composition - 4
 UC 100 First Year Seminar - 3
 SOSCI 210 Social Science Stats - 4

Second Year Fall

15 credit hours
 SPAN 110 - 4
 UC 270 Cultural Pluralism - 3
 SOC 330 Deviance - 4
 Elective - 4

Third Year Fall

16 credit hours
 SOC 360 Social
 Problems - 4
 SOC 301 Career
 Planning - 1
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4
 UC 370 Global Systems - 3

Fourth Year Fall

15 credit hours
 SOC 430 Social Change - 4
 Soc/Crim 499 Capstone - 4
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 3

First Year Spring

16 credit hours
 UC 120 Oral Communication - 3
 UC 170 Ethics - 3
 SOSCI 220 Social Science
 Research Methods - 4
 Non-Lab Science - 3
 ART 210 Fine Arts - 3

Second Year Spring

16 credit hours
 SPAN 111 - 4
 SOC 200 Social Ethics - 1
 UC 220 Religion - 3
 Lab Science - 4
 Elective - 4

Third Year Spring

16 credit hours
 SOC 310 Sociology of
 Sex & Gender - 4
 SOC 390 Social
 Stratification - 4
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4

Fourth Year Spring

15 credit hours
 SOC 410 Sociological
 Theory - 4
 UC 320 Humanities - 3
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4

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 ENGL 111 Academic
 Composition - 4
 UC 100 First Year Seminar - 3
 SOSCI 210 Social Science Stats - 4

Second Year Fall

15 credit hours
 SPAN 110 - 4
 UC 270 Cultural Pluralism - 3
 SOC 330 Deviance - 4
 CRIM 230 Principles of
 Criminology - 4

Third Year Fall

16 credit hours
 CRIM 340 Criminal
 Justice System - 4
 SOC 301 Career
 Planning - 1
 Elective - 4
 UC 370 Global Systems - 3
 SOC 320 Sociology of
 Law - 4

Fourth Year Fall

15 credit hours
 CRIM 350 Juvenile
 Justice - 4
 SOC/CRIM 499
 Capstone - 4
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 3

First Year Spring

16 credit hours
 UC 120 Oral Communication - 3
 UC 170 Ethics - 3
 SOSCI 220 Social Science
 Research Methods - 4
 Non-Lab Science - 3
 ART 210 Fine Arts - 3

Second Year Spring

16 credit hours
 SPAN 111 - 4
 UC 220 Religion - 3
 SOC 200 Social Ethics - 1
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4

Third Year Spring

16 credit hours
 CRIM 380 Victimology - 4
 Lab Science - 4
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4

Fourth Year Spring

15 credit hours
 CRIM 420 White Collar
 Crime - 4
 UC 320 Humanities - 3
 Elective - 4
 Elective - 4

*Total of 124 credit hours needed to graduate

All courses subject to availability and advisor approval. All undergraduates must demonstrate that Signature Learning goals have been met.



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