Justice Studies

Programs

- Criminal Justice, B.S. (Victimology Emphasis) major
- Peace and Justice Studies cert

Criminal Justice, B.S. major
Victimology Emphasis

For questions regarding the Criminal Justice B.S. major Victimology emphasis please email the Sociology and Communications Studies Department or call (218) 755.3758.

Required Credits: 48
Required GPA: 2.25

I REQUIRED COURSES

Complete the following courses:

- CRJS 1120 Criminal Justice and Society (3 credits)
- CRJS 3201 Research Methods and Statistics for Criminal Justice (3 credits)
- CRJS 3305 Judicial Process (3 credits)
- CRJS 3315 Criminology and Delinquency (3 credits)
- CRJS 3358 Criminal Law (3 credits)

Complete 3 semester credits from the following course:

- CRJS 4920 Directed Group Study (3 credits)

II EMPHASIS SPECIFIC COURSES

Complete the following courses:

- JUST 3307 Victimological Theory and Practice (3 credits)
- JUST 3377 Forensic Victimology (3 credits)
- JUST 3407 Global Perspectives in Victimology (3 credits)
- JUST 4477 Restorative Justice (3 credits)

Required External Electives

Complete 9 semester credits:

- INST 4900 Social Justice (3 credits)
- PSY 2217 Psychopathology and Wellness (4 credits)
- PSY 3332 Multicultural Counseling Skills (4 credits)
- PSY 3367 Social Psychology (4 credits)
- SOC 1104 Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)
- SOC 2230 Race and Ethnic Relations (3 credits)
- SOC 2240 Sociology of Gender - Current Topics (3 credits)
- SOC 3210 Social Movements - How to Change the World (3 credits)
- SOC 3300 Family and Society (3 credits)

Required Electives

Complete 9 semester credits:

- BIOL 3400 Fish & Wildlife Law and Administration (3 credits)
- CHEM 2210 Forensic Science (3 credits)
- CHEM 2270 Forensic Science Laboratory (1 credit)

- CRJS 2221 Comparative Justice (3 credits)
- CRJS 2225 Criminal Justice and Juveniles (3 credits)
- CRJS 3304 Police Process (3 credits)
- CRJS 3306 Corrections and Penology (3 credits)
- CRJS 3310 Introduction to Emergency Management (3 credits)
- CRJS 3319 Topics In Criminal Justice (1-2 credits)
- CRJS 3344 Criminal Justice and Domestic Violence (3 credits)
- CRJS 3355 Drugs and Criminal Justice (3 credits)
- CRJS 3356 Introduction to Homeland Security (3 credits)
- CRJS 3359 Criminal Investigation (3 credits)
- CRJS 3360 Criminal Procedure and Evidence (3 credits)
- CRJS 3380 Community Corrections (3 credits)
- CRJS 4103 Criminal Justice Diversity and Ethics (3 credits)
- CRJS 4480 Police and Community Relations (3 credits)
- CRJS 4487 Principles of Criminal Justice Supervision (3 credits)
- CRJS 4970 Internship (6-12 credits)
- ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits)
- GWS 3850 Sex, Gender and Power: Theories and Practice (3 credits)
- INST 1107 Introduction to Turtle Island (3 credits)
- INST 4000 Nation Building and Leadership (3 credits)
- INST 4418 Federal Indian Law (3 credits)
- INST 4900 Social Justice (3 credits)
- PSY 2217 Psychopathology and Wellness (4 credits)
- PSY 3332 Multicultural Counseling Skills (4 credits)
- SOC 2230 Race and Ethnic Relations (3 credits)
- SOC 3010 Sociological Theory (3 credits)

Program Learning Outcomes | Criminal Justice, B.S.

1. Apply the fundamental content areas of the criminal justice discipline and the administration of justice through the study and application of research and analytical methods of law enforcement, corrections, tribal justice, and victimology/victim services.

2. Ensure that students develop the skills necessary to serve in modern society. The skills include (1) the ability to find ethical solutions to complex problems, (2) the ability to integrate information technology, (3) understanding, appreciation, and sensitivity when working in a culturally diverse workforce and serving a culturally diverse community, (3) understanding, appreciation, and sensitivity when working in a culturally diverse workforce and serving a culturally diverse community.

3. Communicate effectively orally and in writing within the criminal justice discipline.

4. Students will critically apply core criminology and criminal justice principles to situations related to crime, criminal justice, and related areas of practice.

5. Apply interpersonal and leadership skills to work both independently and cooperatively as a member of a team.

6. Students will develop and apply a personal understanding of diversity and the way it impacts work in criminology and criminal justice.
Peace and Justice Studies cert

NOTE: PENDING APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Peace & Justice Studies Certificate examines injustice and conflict in society through an interdisciplinary lens and prepares students to work towards a more just and peaceful society. We critically analyze the root causes of injustice and conflict through coursework oriented in disciplines like sociology, victimology, anthropology and gender studies and prepare students to engage in community-based work informed through such theoretical knowledge. Taking micro-meso-macro level approaches we analyze social issues like race, gender, social class, human rights, poverty, conflict resolution and crime and apply this analysis to creating opportunities for social change. Students who complete this certificate will learn to analyze how social change has occurred historically and be prepared to engage in community-based work oriented in the practices of restorative justice.

Required Credits: 18
Required GPA: 2.25

I REQUIRED COURSES

Complete the following courses:

- JUST 1000 Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies (3 credits)
- JUST 4477 Restorative Justice (3 credits)

II ELECTIVE COURSES

Choose any 4 of the following courses:

- ANTH 3400 Anthropology of Current World Issues - Religion and Nationalism (3 credits)
- COMM 3500 Communication and Conflict (3 credits)
- JUST 3407 Global Perspectives in Victimology (3 credits)
- SOC 2230 Race and Ethnic Relations (3 credits)
- SOC 2240 Sociology of Gender - Current Topics (3 credits)
- SOC 3210 Social Movements - How to Change the World (3 credits)
- SOC 3310 Community Organizing for Social Change (3 credits)
- SOC 3925 People of the Environment: Sociology Perspective (3 credits)

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate knowledge of concepts like peace, justice, conflict, non-violence, human rights and human development frameworks.
2. Apply framework of restorative justice practices to critically assess alternative conceptualizations of a just society.
3. Analyze historical and contemporary social change using empirical evidence and scientific methods.
4. Analyze social inequalities through micro-meso-macro level perspectives of social factors like race, gender, sexuality, social class etc.
5. Apply knowledge of theories of justice to community-based work via field visits, research projects and service learning.

Justice Studies Courses

JUST 1000 Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies (3 credits)
This course broadly introduces students to peace, conflict, and justice studies. What is peace? What is justice? Is conflict inevitable? The course contextualizes violent versus non-violent action, victimization, structural conflict, and conflict transformation from the local to global levels. It explores the potential to effect public policy, social change, and solutions that may impact marginalized communities. Also examined are human rights, ethics, and civic responsibility. [Core Curriculum Goal Area 9]

JUST 3307 Victimological Theory and Practice (3 credits)
This course focuses on victimological theories and the philosophic study of victims and victimity. Short- and long-term impacts of victimization, as well as victim-centered practices and services, are explored. Additional topics may include advocacy movements for the recognition and enhancement of victims' rights in the United States, including increased involvement and influence throughout the judicial processing of a criminal case. Prerequisites: (CRJS 1120 and Junior status) or consent of instructor. [Core Curriculum Goal Area(s) 5 & 7]

JUST 3377 Forensic Victimology (3 credits)
This course focuses on the forensic and scientific study of victims, emphasizing the response of police, medical professionals, and social agencies during the investigative and judicial processes. Accentuates methods used to collect, preserve, and analyze evidence relative to victims and victimizations. Examines controversial yet critical considerations in an objective investigative process, such as victim precipitation, victim characteristics and profiles, lifestyle and situational exposures, false allegations, and false confessions. Prerequisites: (CRJS 1120 and Junior status) or consent of instructor.

JUST 3407 Global Perspectives in Victimology (3 credits)
This course examines the diverse and complex nature of victim-related concerns in global and/or comparative context. It explores the variable nature of the definition, involvement, treatment, and/or restoration of victims across governmental, social, and cultural confines. Theoretical developments and emerging practices in victimology from a global perspective are described. Ethnocentric perceptions are probed, and critical thinking regarding victims' roles and needs within justice systems is promoted. [Core Curriculum Goal Area(s) 8]

JUST 4477 Restorative Justice (3 credits)
This course explores core principles and implementation of restorative justice programs, including a review of benefits and potential challenges of such an approach. Examines how the approach encourages effective problem solving and conflict resolution, with the potential for reconciliation and healing of all stakeholders. It examines the unique roles, needs, and desired restorations of victims, offenders, and the community. Prerequisites: (CRJS 1120, CRJS 3307 and Junior status) or consent of instructor.

All-University Courses

The course numbers listed below, not always included in the semester class schedule, may be registered for by consent of the advisor, instructor, or department chair, or may be assigned by the department when warranted. Individual registration requires previous arrangement by the student and the completion of any required form or planning outline as well as any prerequisites.

1910, 2910, 3910, 4910 DIRECTED INDEPENDENT STUDY
1920, 2920, 3920, 4920 DIRECTED GROUP STUDY
1930, 2930, 3930, 4930 EXPERIMENTAL COURSE
1940, 2940, 3940, 4940 IN-SERVICE COURSE
1950, 2950, 3950, 4950 WORKSHOP, INSTITUTE, TOUR
1960, 2960, 3960, 4960 SPECIAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION
1970, 2970, 3970, 4970 INTERNSHIP
1980, 2980, 3980, 4980 RESEARCH
1990, 2990, 3990, 4990 THESIS