

CRIMINOLOGY, B.A.

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Mission

The Criminology program will: provide a deeply contextualized understanding of crime, law, justice and punishment; facilitate the development of critical competencies including, critical reading, writing, and analysis within the study of criminology; enable the focused study of how crime and the law shape the worlds in which we live; and afford opportunities for experiential learning via student research and professional experiences.

Major Description

Criminology focuses on the study of crimes, criminals, crime victims, theories explaining illegal and deviant behavior, the social reaction to crime and criminals, the effectiveness of anti-crime policies and the broader political terrain of social control. Criminology programs are interdisciplinary, but ordinarily borrow much from sociology as well as other social sciences and humanities disciplines. Criminology programs are thus grounded in the liberal arts, and provide a rigorous engagement with crime and the institutions that are created to contend with it. The professional profile of instructors in criminology is generally an academic background and a terminal degree in criminology or a related field.

Transfer Credit

See Undergraduate Admissions (<https://catalog.une.edu/undergraduate/admissions/>) for more information.

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Financial Information

Tuition and fees for subsequent years may vary. Other expenses include books and housing. For more tuition and fee information, please consult this catalog's Financial Information (<https://catalog.une.edu/undergraduate/financial-information-undergraduate-programs/>) section.

Curricular Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Nor'easter Core Requirements		
Nor'easter Core Requirements (https://catalog.une.edu/undergraduate/core-curriculum/)		40
Program Required Courses		
CRL 205	The Criminal Justice System	3
CRL 345	Critical Criminology	3
PSC 125	Understanding Law:An Introd	3
or PSC 210	Constitutional Law	
SOC 170	Deviance and Crime	3
SOC 268	Practice of Social Science Research	3
SOC 270	Classical Social Theory	3

or SOC 280	Contemporary Social Theory	
SOC 300	Sociology Internship	3-15
or PSY 300	Psychology Internship I	
SOC 311	Theories of Race and Racism	3
SOC 370	Applied Field Method in Sociology	3
SOC 493	Capstone: Internship	3-16
or SOC 494	Capstone Experience: Thesis	
Four Program Specific Electives		12
Open Elective Courses (Students complete open elective credits as necessary to meet the University's 120-credit minimum for graduation. The total number of elective credits required will depend on the student's completed program, core, and other degree requirements.)		38
Total Hours		120-145

Program Specific Electives

Code	Title	Hours
ANT 312	Human Trafficking	3
CRL 206	Juvenile Justice (Justice)	3
CRL 210	Forensic Eyewitness Interviews	3
HIS 266	History of Drugs in the Americas	3
PSC 241	The Role of Human Rights in World Politics	3
PSC 275	Human Traditions II: Liberty and its Limits	3
PSC 277	Human Traditions II: Law & Politics	3
PSC 278	Human Traditions II: Empire, Genocide, and Politics	3
PSC 330	Theories & Politics of War	3
PSY 205	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 236	Mental Health & Society	3
PSY 370	Drugs, Society, and Behavior	3
SOC 333	Sociology of Law (Sociology of Law)	3
SOC 421	A Just Society?	3

Please note: While some courses can fulfill both core and program requirements, the credits earned do not count twice towards the minimum total required credits for the degree.

Academic and Technical Standards

A grade point average of 2.00 is necessary to be approved to add a major in Criminology. A minimum grade of C- must be achieved in all courses used toward program requirements in Criminology. See Undergraduate Academic Policy (<https://catalog.une.edu/undergraduate/academic-policy-regulations/>) also.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of the Bachelor of Arts with a major in Criminology program students will be able to:

- Distinguish the differing agencies associated with the social control of criminal, regulatory, and international law violations.
- Summarize and differentiate the major theories of crime and criminalization.
- Recognize, theoretically and empirically, structural inequalities and their relation to crime and social control.
- Use criminological methods, or investigative techniques, to assess patterns of crime, criminalization, and victimization.