

CRIMINOLOGY (CRIM)

CRIM 1303 Introduction to Criminology

3 credit hours

Students are introduced to contemporary issues, problems and themes pertinent to the field of Criminology in Canada.

CRIM 2110 Exploring Criminology

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: CRIM 1303

Students are introduced to tools and concepts underpinning criminological research. Students explore case studies to connect criminological theory and research.

CRIM 2304 Canadian Criminal Justice System

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: CRIM 1303

Students examine the process of the criminal justice system in Canada. The roles, powers, and discretion of the police, the courts, and the correctional system are explored.

CRIM 3011 Criminological Theory

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students are introduced to the major themes of contemporary criminological theory including the influence of class, gender, race, media and politics in the definition, explanation, and regulation of crime and criminal behaviour.

Note: Students may not receive credit for CRIM 3011 if they have already received credit for CRIM 2301.

CRIM 3100 Qualitative Research Methods

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students are introduced to sociological and criminological research that uses qualitative methods. Students examine qualitative methodology, research strategies, designs and methods of qualitative data collection and analysis, including the contributions of feminist scholarship. Students explore different ways of interpreting qualitative data. Approaches covered in this class may include grounded theory, participatory action research, historical and textual methods, and participant-observation/ethnography, among others.

Note: Students may not receive credit for CRIM 3100 if they have already received credit for SOCI 3100.

CRIM 3102 Quantitative Research Methods

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students are introduced to quantitative methodology, research strategies, designs, methods of quantitative data collection and statistical analysis. Students interpret and critique statistical data, which is a major source of information for sociologists and criminologists.

Note: Students may not receive credit for CRIM 3102 if they have already received credit for CRIM 2302 or SOCI 2365 or SOCI 3102.

CRIM 3205 Restorative Justice Theory

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Restorative justice defines crime as a violation of social or interpersonal relationships, rather than a violation of an official rule or regulation. Students examine how restorative justice offers a wholesale shift in thinking about wrongdoing challenging the common belief that justice is best achieved through punishment and retribution.

CRIM 3505 Prisons & Punishment

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students analyze efforts to respond to individuals who have been convicted of criminal offences. Topics covered include: the objectives of punishment, alternatives to confinement, correctional institutions and administrations, the inmate prison experience, release and re-entry, and the effectiveness of prisons and punishment.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3505 if they have already taken SOCI 3505.

CRIM 3507 Policing in Society

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

In this course students will explore issues related to the policing of modern societies. Topics will include the exercise of police powers and discretion, police misconduct, and policing in a multicultural society.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3507 if they have already taken SOCI 3507.

CRIM 3509 Victims and Criminal Justice

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

In criminal justice systems, the role of the victim has expanded considerably. It is not clear if these developments have resulted in better treatment of victims or more justice in broader ways. To explore these issues students will learn about the historic roots of "victimology", and critical theoretical perspectives on the social construction of victims and their needs and rights.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3509 if they have already taken SOCI 3509.

CRIM 3510 Criminal Law

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

This course is designed to familiarize students with Canadian criminal law. The course will focus on topics such as the history, nature and functions of criminal law, its elements and role in a democratic society, exemptions from criminal responsibility, its principles and procedures, and its administration and enforcement.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3510 if they have already taken SOCI 3510.

CRIM 3511 Youth Crime and Moral Panics

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

This course takes a historical/comparative approach to the study of youth crime in Canada. It examines changing definitions and perceptions of youth crime, contemporary crime patterns, correlates and their explanations. The course emphasizes a critical approach to understanding youth crime statistics and their changes over the last 100 years. The overall objective of the course is to develop in students a critical appreciation of moral panics about youth crime.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3511 if they have already taken SOCI 3511.

CRIM 3519 Critical Terrorism Studies

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

This course is a comprehensive examination of how terrorism movements have comparatively developed. This includes an analysis of methods, typical motivations, and outcomes. Academic studies on terrorism and counter-terrorism are contrasted with responses to terrorism.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3519 if they have already taken SOCI 3519.

CRIM 3520 Understanding Mass Murder

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students explore mass murder in detail with the goal to examine the causes, the characteristics, and consequences of mass murder. Students examine the definition(s), the four types of mass murder (i.e. the school shooter; the family annihilator, the workplace shooter; and the random mass murder), theories associated with multiple homicides, along with the history, psychology and pathology of the crimes and the individuals who commit such acts. Students explore why modern day America produces more of these acts of violence than any other country in the world.

CRIM 3526 Organized Crime

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

This course provides an introduction to the subject of organized crime and its control in North America. The course applies sociological, criminological, and economic theory to understand the rise and proliferation of criminal organizations and organized crime activities. It also explores dominant organized crime genres, activities, and recent trends. The course also explores strategies and laws to combat organized crime.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3526 if they have already taken SOCI 3526.

CRIM 3546 Crime and the Media

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: SOCI 1210 or CRIM 1303 (formerly CRIM 2303)

This course focuses on the depiction of crime in various media of mass communication. Areas of study include corporate crime, violent crime, gangs, organized crime and terrorism. This course also examines how gender, race and class are related to the way crime is depicted in the

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CRIM 3610 Practicum in Social Development

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor

Students explore factors that put children and youth at risk of future criminal and anti-social behavior. Students gain practical experience by tutoring youths from a high risk environment. In-class and online lectures provide a theoretical framework and training.

Note: Student may not receive credit for CRIM 3610 if they have already taken SOCI 3610.

CRIM 3800 Special Topics in Criminology

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor**CRIM 3826 Special Topics in Criminology**

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major or Minor**CRIM 4303 Canadian Penal Policy, Practices, and Research**

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Through critical socio-legal inquiry, this course examines the effects of progressive and oppressive practices characterizing the administration of contemporary Canadian prisons. Progressive initiatives may include prisoners' rights, the rule of law, the Gladue decision, and harm reduction initiatives. Repressive control strategies may include risk management discourse and treatment regimes, Dangerous Offender designations, Aboriginal and gender-specific programs, involuntary transfers, and solitary confinement.

CRIM 4327 Seminar in Crime and Media

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: SOC 1210 or CRIM 1303

Students examine the way that crime, criminality, justice, and resistance are constituted in and through mediated discourses in mediums such as film and television.

CRIM 4404 Critical Criminology

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Critical criminology challenges the dominant paradigms of crime-control, adopting instead a social justice approach to crime. Students will explore central themes of critical criminology including power; the social construction of crime; governance and regulation; the politicization of crime control; and, the significance of gender, race and class.

CRIM 4420 Genocide

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Genocide as a sociological and criminological phenomenon prevalent through history is examined. Different types of genocide are identified, as well as the many challenges in responding to it.

CRIM 4425 Hate Crimes

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Students are introduced to the field of crime prevention. Students plan and implement a crime prevention project, and develop a crime prevention plan. Students use multiple pedagogical methods, including lectures, service learning, and on an online (e-learning) platform.

CRIM 4429 Criminalization of Mental Illness

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Students examine how social structures and processes shape the understanding and management of mental illnesses, thereby contributing to an overrepresentation of people with mental illness in the criminal justice system. Students explore the overlap between mental illness and crime, and the intersecting functions of mental health and criminal justice institutions.

CRIM 4525 Crime Prevention: Theory and Practice

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Students are introduced to the field of crime prevention. Students plan and implement a crime prevention project, and develop a crime prevention plan. Students use multiple pedagogical methods, including lectures, service learning, and on an online (e-learning) platform.

CRIM 4600 Honours Thesis Research Preparation

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: enrolment in honours program

This course is restricted to students who have been accepted into the honours program. Its purpose is to aid students in the preparation of their honours thesis in individual work with a supervisor. Students will present their thesis orally to faculty and classmates at end of term.

CRIM 4601 Honours Thesis Writing

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Successful completion of CRIM 4600

Students will work closely with their supervisor to complete their thesis. Students present their thesis orally to faculty and classmates at end of term.

CRIM 4610 Comm Practicum Development

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Declaration of Criminology Major and CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

Students will tutor youth from a socially disadvantaged neighborhood and research and prepare a development plan for that community. A theoretical framework and training for this field work is provided. Students use multiple pedagogical methods, including lectures, service learning, and an online (e-learning) platform.

CRIM 4800 Special Topics in Criminology

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: CRIM 3100 (or SOCI 3100), CRIM 3102 (or SOCI 3102 or PSYC 2350) and CRIM 3011 (or SOCI 3011)

These seminar courses are designed to provide seminars pertaining to particular interests of faculty and students in Criminology.

CRIM 4826 Special Topics in Criminology

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: CRIM/SOCI 3010, SOCI/CRIM 3100, SOCI/CRIM 3102 and either SOCI 3012 or CRIM 3011

These seminar courses are designed to provide seminars pertaining to particular interests of faculty and students in Criminology.

CRIM 4880 Directed Readings

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Permission of Criminology Chair

These courses provide opportunities to study a particular subject in detail. They will normally require a considerable amount of independent, thorough, supervised study.