



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding “critical courses” for this particular Program of Study.

| Critical | Course Subject and Title | Credit Hours | Min. Grade ¹ | Major GPA ² | Code | Prerequisites | Notes |
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| Semester One (15-17 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW | | |
| | Carolina Core ARP Requirement | 3-4 | | | CC-ARP | | |
| | Foreign language ³ or other Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3-4 | | | CC-GFL | | |
| | CRJU 101 The American Criminal Justice System | 3 | C | | CC-GSS | | |
| | UNIV 101 The Student in the University or Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3 | | | PR/CC | | |
| Semester Two (15-17 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW CC-INF | C or better in ENGL 101 | |
| | Carolina Core ARP Requirement | 3-4 | | | CC-ARP | | |
| | Foreign language ³ or other Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3 | | | CC-GFL | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3-4 | | | CC | | |
| | CRJU 311 Policing or CRJU 312 Corrections or CRJU 313 Criminal Courts or CRJU 314 Criminal Law or CRJU 351 Juvenile Delinquency (<i>Cross-listed: SOCY 350</i>) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | CRJU 202 Research Methods in Criminology & Criminal Justice | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | CRJU 311 Policing or CRJU 312 Corrections or CRJU 313 Criminal Courts or CRJU 314 Criminal Law or CRJU 351 Juvenile Delinquency (<i>Cross-listed: SOCY 350</i>) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | Foreign language ³ or Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3 | | | CR/CC | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3-4 | | | CC | | |
| | History ⁵ | 3 | | | CR | | |
| Semester Four (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | CRJU 341 Sociology of Crime (<i>Cross-listed: SOCY 353</i>) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | CRJU 311 Policing or CRJU 312 Corrections or CRJU 313 Criminal Courts or CRJU 314 Criminal Law or CRJU 351 Juvenile Delinquency (<i>Cross-listed: SOCY 350</i>) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | Cognate or Minor Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | Social Science | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Humanities or Fine Arts | 3 | | | CR | | |
| Semester Five (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | CRJU 203 Criminal Procedure | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | CRJU Elective ⁷ (300-level or above) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | Humanities or Fine Arts | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Cognate or Minor Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3 | | | CC | | |
| Semester Six (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | CRJU Elective ⁷ (300-level or above) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | CRJU Elective ⁷ (300-level or above) | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | Cognate or Minor Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | Humanities or Fine Arts | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | | | CC/PR | | |
| Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | CRJU 430 Communities and Crime or CRJU 554 Women and Crime (<i>Cross-listed: WGST 554</i>) or CRJU 563 Race, Crime, and Criminal Justice or CRJU 591 Selected Topics in Criminal Justice | 3 | C | | MR/CC-INT | CRJU 341 (CRJU 430 only) | |
| | Cognate or Minor Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | | | CC/PR | | |
| | Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| | Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | | | PR | | |

Semester Eight (13-15 Credit Hours)

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| CRJU 430 Communities and Crime or CRJU 554 Women and Crime or CRJU 563 Race, Crime, and Criminal Justice or CRJU 591 Selected Topics in Criminal Justice (<i>choose 1</i>) | 3 | C | | MR/CC-INT | CRJU 341 (<i>CRJU 430 only</i>) | |
| Minor Course ⁶ or Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | C (<i>minor</i>) | | PR | | |
| Minor Course ⁶ or Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | C (<i>minor</i>) | | PR | | |
| Approved Elective ⁸ | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| Approved Elective ⁸ (<i>only if needed to meet hours to graduate</i>) | 1-3 | | | PR | | |

Graduation Requirements Summary

| Minimum Total Hours | Minimum Major Requirements Hours | College & Program Requirements Hours | Carolina Core Hours | Minimum Institutional GPA |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 120 | 33 | 43-55 | 32-44 | 2.000 |

- Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.000 cumulative GPA.
- Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
- Students in the College of Arts and Sciences are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the 122 course through course credit or the corresponding foreign language placement score.
- The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
- The College of Arts and Sciences requires one U.S. History and one non-U.S. History course, both of which must be chosen from the approved Carolina Core GHS courses. Whichever is not fulfilled through the Carolina Core GHS requirement must be fulfilled through this college requirement.
- The cognate is intended to support the course work in the major. The cognate must consist of twelve hours of courses at the advanced level, outside of, but related to the major. In place of a cognate, a student may choose a minor consisting of at least 18 credit hours of courses concentrated in one area that follow a structured sequence. A second major eliminates the minor/cognate requirement.
- Courses must be approved by the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Office of Academic Programs.
- No courses of a remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences. The College of Arts and Sciences allows the use of the Pass-Fail option on elective courses. Further clarification on inapplicable courses can be obtained from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Program Notes:

- Courses identified as “critical” must be completed in the student’s first 60 semester hours of work in order for these courses to be credited toward graduation.
- The program encourages Graduation with Leadership Distinction (GLD) and internships. Students wishing to pursue internships for credit should consult the [Department website](#) for prerequisites and contact the Internship Coordinator.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

University Requirements: Bachelor’s degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes: | |
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| CC Carolina Core | CC-INF Carolina Core – Information Literacy |
| CC-AIU Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding | CC-INT Carolina Core – Integrative Course |
| CC-ARP Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving | CC-SCI Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy |
| CC-CMS Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component | CC-VSR Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility |
| CC-CMW Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component | CR College Requirement |
| CC-GFL Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language | MR Major Requirement |
| CC-GHS Carolina Core – Historical Thinking | PR Program Requirement |
| CC-GSS Carolina Core – Social Sciences | |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.