

Criminology Minor

Faculty of Arts	kpu.ca/arts
Criminology	kpu.ca/arts/criminology
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Baccalaureate Degree
Offered At	Langley Richmond Surrey
Start Date(s)	September January May
Intake Type	Open intake
Format	Full-time Part-time
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Curriculum Effective Date	01-Sep-2017
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

DESCRIPTION

The Minor in Criminology provides students with key concepts and issues in social science, criminal justice, and law. Students learn approaches to help understand crime, related social problems, and social responses to crime. The social impact of crime is given a dedicated focus within this field of study. Students will apply these skills and concepts to emerging issues in criminology theory and criminal justice policy.

A minor is subordinate to the major in that the academic minor is a university student's declared secondary field of study during their undergraduate studies. Some students prepare for their intended career with their major while pursuing personal interests with a minor. Other students may pursue a minor to prepare for further academic studies or to provide specific specialization and thus make themselves more attractive to employers. This minor may be applied towards any KPU bachelor's degree.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students pursuing a minor in Criminology must be admitted to KPU for undergraduate studies.

DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS

Students pursuing this minor must declare their intention prior to graduation. A minor may only be declared as part of a bachelor's degree.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Students must achieve a minimum grade of C in all required courses:

1000 LEVEL

The 1000 courses in criminology provide the foundation for further undergraduate study in criminology. Required 1000-level courses in psychology and sociology introduce students to key concepts and issues that reflect the multidisciplinary subject matter of criminology.

Students are required to take all of the following courses:

CRIM 1100	Introduction to Criminology	3 credits
CRIM 1101	Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	3 credits
CRIM 1107	Canadian Legal Systems	3 credits
PSYC 1100	Introduction to Psychology: Basic Processes	3 credits
SOCI 1125	Introduction to Society: Processes and Structures	3 credits

2000 LEVEL

2000-level courses build on the multidisciplinary foundations developed in the 1000 level. Students begin to synthesize material from sociology, psychology, law, and criminal justice to understand aspects of criminality and criminalization.

Students are required to take all of the following courses:

CRIM 2330	Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour	3 credits
CRIM 2331	Sociological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour	3 credits
CRIM 2341	Canadian Criminal Justice Administration	3 credits

Note: Students in the minor program are not required to complete a 2000-level statistics course as required in the major. Those specifically interested in upper-division research courses may wish to incorporate a 2000-level statistics course within the Faculty of Arts into their lower-division courses.

3000 AND 4000 LEVEL

Criminology courses at the 3000 and 4000 level build on the foundational skills and knowledge of law, social science theory and research, and criminal justice developed in the 1000 and 2000 levels. Students will apply these skills and concepts to emerging issues in criminological theory, research, and criminal justice policy. These upper-level courses will generally be accessible to students who have completed CRIM 2330, 2331, and 2341.

Students are required to complete fifteen credits at the 3000 or 4000 level. This must include at least one course from each of the three core areas.

1. Theory and Methods

CRIM 3100	Advanced Theories of Crime and Community	3 credits
CRIM 3103	Quantitative Data Analysis II	3 credits
CRIM 3104	Qualitative Research Methods	3 credits
CRIM 3111	Contemporary Sociological Criminology	3 credits
CRIM 3113	Critical Criminology	3 credits
CRIM 4112	Contemporary Psychological Criminology	3 credits

2. Criminal Justice

CRIM 3118	White-Collar and Corporate Crime	3 credits
CRIM 3213	Community Corrections	3 credits
CRIM 3249	Issues in Youth Justice	3 credits
CRIM 4201	Community Safety and Crime Prevention	3 credits
CRIM 4235	Minorities and the Criminal Justice System	3 credits
CRIM 4410	Policy and Program Evaluation	3 credits

3. Law, Advocacy, and Conflict Resolution

CRIM 3302	Procedure and Evidence	3 credits
CRIM 3305	Law and Society	3 credits
CRIM 3307	Issues in Conflict Resolution	3 credits
CRIM 3351	Philosophy of Law	3 credits
CRIM 4300	Administrative and Regulatory Law	3 credits
CRIM 4301	Community Advocacy and Human Rights	3 credits

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of the minor as part of a bachelor's degree program, transcripts will indicate a **Minor in Criminology**.