Criminology and Criminal Justice Course List*

CRM 105. Introduction to Criminal Justice (3) Study of criminal law and the criminal justice system in the U.S. Emphasis on structure and function of police, courts and corrections. (University Studies – Understanding Human Institutions and Behaviors)


CRM 250. Crime in the Cape Fear (3) (PLS 250) Topics relating to crime and punishment in the American legal system as viewed through the lens of the Cape Fear region. Explore a number of solutions to crime in the Cape Fear Region, many of which are unique to the area. Also serves as an introduction to the community and its fabric in the Cape Fear Region.

CRM 255. (SOC 255) Criminology (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 or SOC 105. The scientific study of the nature, extent, correlates and etiology of crime, with an emphasis on sociological theories of crime. Topics include crimes against persons and property, public order crimes and both informal and formal reactions to crime.

CRM 256. (SOC 256) Criminology: Writing Intensive (SOC 256) (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 or SOC 105. May not be taken for credit if student has already completed SOC 255 or CRM 255. The scientific study of the nature, extent, correlates, and etiology of crime, with an emphasis on sociological theories of crime. Topics include crimes against persons and property, public order crimes, and both informal and formal reactions to crime. This course will require students to submit formal written work as well as informal writing assignments. Partially satisfies University Studies II: Approaches and Perspectives/Understanding Human Institutions and Behaviors. Partially satisfies University Studies IV: Building Competencies/Writing Intensive.

CRM 300. (SOC 300) Methods of Social Research (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 or SOC 105; Pre- or corequisite: MAT 111 or higher with a grade of "C-" or better. Introduction to logic and methods of sociological research. Topics include connections between theory and research, problem formulation and research design, conceptualization and measurement, sampling modes of observation and analysis, ethical issues, and the political context of research.

CRM 301. (SOC 301) Sociological Data Analysis and Interpretation (3) Prerequisites: CRM 300 or SOC 300, and MAT 111 or higher. Instruction in computer-assisted univariate and bivariate analysis and interpretation of social science data.

CRM 307. Police in Society (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Analysis of role and behavior of police in the U.S. Special attention to social environment and political climate affecting the police.

CRM 310. White Collar Crime (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Study of crimes of the powerful and the privileged. Topics include: corporate crime; environmental crime; antitrust violations; political bribery; corruption; tax evasion; fraud; embezzlement; conflict of interest.

CRM 315. Victimology (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Role of victims in crime and criminal justice system. Special focus on sexual battery, battered women and child abuse.
CRM 320. Criminal Courts (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Analysis of structure and function of U.S. criminal courts. Examines relationships among the courthouse work-group (police, prosecutor, defense attorney, judge) and the role of witnesses, victims, defendants and jurors.

CRM 330. Corrections (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Study of societal patterns of punishment, alternatives to incarceration, consequences of imprisonment and correctional strategies of rehabilitation and deterrence.

CRM 370. Minorities, Crime and Criminal Justice Policy (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 3 additional hours in criminal justice. Study of minorities in crime and criminal justice system. Special focus on the role of racism and sexism in theories of crime and in administration of justice.

CRM 375. Drugs and Crime (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 or consent of instructor. Examination of the impact of drug use upon families, communities and the criminal justice system. Special attention given to how drug laws have criminalized vast numbers of people within our society.

CRM 376. (SOC 376) Juvenile Delinquency (3) Prerequisite: SOC 105. The analysis and description of the problem of juvenile delinquency as it exists in a changing contemporary society.

CRM 380. Criminal Law (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 and 3 additional hours in criminal justice. Basic concepts of statutory and common law. Topics include definition of crime, elements of major crimes, criminal responsibility, defenses to criminal charges, inchoate and group criminality, and limitations of the criminal law. Special focus on North Carolina law.

CRM 381. Criminal Procedure (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 and 3 additional hours in criminal justice. Basic concepts of procedural law. Topics include the nationalization of the Bill of Rights, searchers, seizures, probable cause, warrants, arrest, self-incrimination, right to counsel, and double jeopardy.

CRM 385. Law of Evidence (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 6 additional hours in criminal justice. Rules of evidence for both criminal and civil cases, with emphasis on Federal Rules of Evidence and North Carolina code. Topics include relevance, hearsay and witness impeachment.

CRM 390. Media, Crime, and Justice (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105. Examination of the relationship between mass media, crime, and criminal justice with special emphasis on how media images affect crime and justice attitudes, ideology, and policy. Includes examination of entertainment and news media in both electronic and print forms.

CRM 395. Topical Seminar (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105; Sophomore standing and above. Discussion of selected topics in criminology and criminal justice. May be repeated once under a different subtitle/topic.

CRM 405. Criminal Justice Administration (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 6 additional hours in criminal justice. Concentration on management techniques and supervisory roles for various administrative segments of the criminal justice system.

CRM 410. World Criminal Justice Systems (3) Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 6 additional hours in
criminal justice. Comparative study of criminal justice systems throughout the world. Attention to historical, structural, political, legal and philosophical similarities and differences.

**CRM 420. Collective Violence (3)** Prerequisite: Nine hours in criminal justice and SOC 105. Analysis of group violence and its control. Topics include: theory and strategy of mass violence, terrorism, genocide, riots and revolutions, and contemporary forms.

**CRM 425. Trials of the Century (3)** Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 6 additional hours in criminal justice. Analysis of famous criminal trials in the United States. Important cultural, social and legal issues of celebrated cases are addressed. Most cases covered are from the 20th Century.

**CRM 450. Criminal Justice Theory (3)** Prerequisite: CRM 105 plus 6 additional hours in criminal justice. Theories of justice and crime control. Covers philosophy and principles of the U.S. system of justice.

**CRM 460. Crime and Public Policy (3)** Prerequisites: CRM 105 and 6 additional hours in criminal justice. Study of crime policies in the justice system with emphasis on theoretical and empirical merits of various crime reduction strategies. Qualitative and quantitative methods used to evaluate crime control policies.

**CRM 490. Criminal Justice Practicum (3)** Prerequisite: Senior standing in criminal justice. Field placement in various criminal justice agencies. Integrates practical experience with classroom knowledge. Practicum students required to participate in ONE-hour weekly seminar (CRML 490).

**CRML 490. Criminal Justice Laboratory (1)** Corequisite: CRM 490. Classroom discussion of selected topics related to criminal justice practicum.

**CRM 491. Directed Individual Study (1-3)** Prerequisite: Overall GPA of at least 2.00, junior or senior standing, and consent of instructor, department chair and dean. Involves investigation under faculty supervision beyond what is offered in existing courses. For further information, consult the Directed Individual Studies section in this catalogue.

**CRM 495. Senior Seminar (3)** Prerequisite: CRM 255 (SOC 255), CRM 300 (SOC 300), CRM 301 (SOC 301) and senior standing. A topical seminar for students to apply the theories and methods they have learned as a major. Fulfills oral competency requirement. The seminar is the capstone course for majors.

**CRM 496. (SOC 496) (3-6)** Prerequisites: CRM 300 (SOC 300), CRM 301 (SOC 301), SOC 360, and CRM 391 (SOC 391); junior or senior standing; instructor consent. This course is the second in a two-semester sequence. Students carry out the research proposed and approved in CRM/SOC 391. Students cannot take the public sociology/criminology practicum in addition to the criminal justice practicum (CRM 490), the senior seminar (CRM 495) or the Honor’s Thesis course (CRM 499/SOC 499). Partially satisfies University Studies IV: Building Competencies/Writing Intensive. Satisfies University Studies V: Explorations Beyond the Classroom. Satisfies the CAS oral competency requirement. Satisfies University Studies VI: Common Requirements/Critical Reasoning.

**CRM 499. Honors Work in Criminal Justice (2-3)** Prerequisite: Eligibility for honors program and senior standing. Independent work for honors students.
*Course list is extracted from the university's academic catalog.