



2014-2015 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET

Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Criminal Justice

About This Major . . .

The Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice is designed to provide students interested in careers in the justice system with the knowledge, communication and critical thinking skills necessary for success in their field.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html.

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning.

- 1. Describe how the United States' Criminal Justice System functions and the purpose of its various methods of social control, differentiating between the juvenile and adult systems.
2. Discuss the history, theory, and practice of each segment of the Criminal Justice System: police, courts, and corrections.
3. Use knowledge of the nature and causes of crimes, typologies, and theories of offenders and victims in critiquing current crime prevention policies.
4. Practice quantitative and qualitative methods of conducting ethical criminal justice research, including the use of statistics.
5. Analyze ethical and contemporary issues surrounding the practice of criminal justice in a diverse society.
6. Demonstrate proficient communication and writing skills that are formal and professional in nature.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT ID # \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_
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I, (Signature)\_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I have read and understand the policies listed on the last page of this program sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

Signature of Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Head \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

Signature of Registrar \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

**Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.**

**Degree Requirements:**

- 120 semester hours total (Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher.)
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken at the 300-400 course levels within the major at CMU).
- 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- A student must follow the CMU graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and Department Head.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the catalog for additional graduation information.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (31 semester hours)**

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course No Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

ENGL 111 English Composition	3	_____	_____
ENGL 112 English Composition	3	_____	_____

**Math:** MATH 110 or higher (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

MATH 1 _____	_____	_____	_____
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**Humanities** (3 semester hours)

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**Social and Behavioral Sciences** (6 semester hours)

PSYC 150 General Psychology	3	_____	_____
SOCO 260 General Sociology	3	_____	_____
or			
SOCO 264 Social Problems	3	_____	_____

**Natural Sciences** (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

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**History** (3 semester hours)

HIST _____	_____	_____	_____
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**Fine Arts** (3 semester hours)

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**OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS (6 semester hours)**

**Kinesiology** (3 semester hours)

KINE 100 Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 1 _____	1	_____	_____
KINA 1 _____	1	_____	_____

**Applied Studies** (3 semester hours)

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**FOUNDATION COURSES** (26 semester hours – must receive a grade of "C" or better in all courses)

Two **consecutive** classes in the **same** foreign language. FLAS 114 & 115 will **NOT** fulfill this requirement.

FLA _____	_____	_____	_____
FLA _____	_____	_____	_____

CRMJ 110 Orientation to CJ Inquiry	1	_____	_____
CRMJ 201 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	_____	_____
STAT 215 Statistics for So and Beh. Sci	4	_____	_____
CRMJ 302 Ethics in Criminal Justice	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 310 The Police Process	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 320 Corrections	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 328 The American Court System	3	_____	_____

**B.A. CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

(45 semester hours – must receive a grade of "C" or better in all core and restricted elective courses)

**Core Classes** (27 semester hours)

CRMJ 301 Criminal Procedure	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 315 Research Methods in CJ	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 485 Research Methods II	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 311 Victimology	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 325 Juvenile Justice & Delinquency	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 370 Criminology	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 420 Criminal Law	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 490 Capstone: Comparative CJ	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 387 Crime & Inequality	3	_____	_____
or			
SOCO 316 Social Inequalities	3	_____	_____

**Restricted Criminal Justice Electives** (18 Semester Hours) See list on page 3

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**Unrestricted Electives** (12 semester hours from any of the following disciplines: Criminal Justice, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration, and/or Sociology)

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**Criminal Justice Electives (18 credits)**

CRMJ 330 Domestic Violence (3)  
CRMJ 335 Community Policing  
CRMJ 340 Community Corrections (3)  
CRMJ 360 Crime & Deviance (3)  
CRMJ 375 Women & Crime (3)  
CRMJ 395 Independent Study (1-3)  
CRMJ 396 Topics\* (1-3)  
CRMJ 405 Civil Liability for Law Enforcement and Corrections (3)  
CRMJ 425 Trial, Evidence, and Legal Advocacy (3)  
CRMJ 465 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice (3) \*  
CRMJ 499 Internship (1-15) \*\*  
PSYC 320 Social Psychology (3)  
PSYC 410 Drugs and Human Behavior (3)  
PSYC 425 Forensic Psychology (3)  
SOCO 325 Racial & Ethnic Relations (3)  
SOCO 400 Classical Social Theory (3)

**Other elective options will be considered on a case-by-case basis.**

\* May be taken more than one time if the course has a different topic.

\*\* May only count as 1 to 3 credits toward the 15 requisite credits.

**Selective Admissions:** Completion of 7 credits of Criminal Justice courses to include CRMJ 101, CRMJ 201, and one other Criminal Justice foundation course, MATH 110 (or higher), ENG 111, and STAT 215 – all with a “C” or better. GPA within these subjects must be at least 2.5. Overall cumulative GPA after 45 credit hours (approximately 3 semesters) must be at least 2.5. Transfer students will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

\*Note: Students must earn a “C” or better in both CRMJ 101 and CRMJ 201 prior to enrolling in any additional program specific courses. All foundational courses must be completed with a “C” or better before enrolling in any other upper-division Criminal Justice courses. Please see the Criminal Justice Student Handbook for more information.

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Colorado Mesa website for course availability.

### FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 111 English Composition	3	ENGL 112 English Composition	3
General Education History	3	General Education Humanities	3
General Education Applied Studies	3	General Education Mathematics	3
General Education Social/Behavioral Sciences	3	CRMJ 201 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
General Education Science	3	KINE 100 Health and Wellness	1
CRMJ 110 Orientation to Criminal Justice	<u>1</u>	KINA Activities (2 courses)	<u>2</u>
	16		15

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
General Education Fine Arts	3	General Education Science with a Lab	4
Foundation Course (Foreign Language)	3	Foundation Course (Foreign Language)	3
General Education Social/Behavioral Sciences	3	CRMJ 302 Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRMJ 310 Police Process	3	CRMJ 328 The American Court System	3
CRMJ 320 Corrections	<u>3</u>	STAT 215 Statistics for the Social/Behavioral Sciences	<u>4</u>
	15		17

### JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
CRMJ 315 Research Methods in Criminal Justice	3	CRMJ 485 Research Methods II	3
CRMJ 301 Criminal Procedure	3	CRMJ 325 Juvenile Delinquency	3
CRMJ 311 Victimology	3	CRMJ 370 Criminology	3
Criminal Justice Elective	3	Criminal Justice Elective	3
Unrestricted Elective	<u>3</u>	Unrestricted Elective	<u>3</u>
	15		15

### SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
CRMJ 420 Criminal Law	3	CRMJ 490 Capstone: Comparative CJ	3
CRMJ 387 Crime & Inequality	3	Criminal Justice Elective	3
or		Criminal Justice Elective	3
SOCO 316 Social Inequalities		Unrestricted Elective	<u>3</u>
Criminal Justice Elective	3		12
Criminal Justice Elective	3		
Unrestricted Elective	<u>3</u>		
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**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.**
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you will be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).