

### 2015-2016 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. Graduates secure positions in law enforcement, probation, parole and corrections. Many also use this degree as the starting point in their pursuit of a law degree. Finally, the degree will assist students in their upward mobility in their area of employment.

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

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

- 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.

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Signature of Registrar

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#### **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.
- Essential Learning Capstone should be completed between 45 and 75 hours.
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**ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS** (31 semester hours): See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Course No	Γitle	Sem.hrs	Grade Term/Trns
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"C" or better hours.)	H 110 <b>or higher</b> (3 semest, must be completed by the	time the stude	
Humanities	(3 semester hours)		
Social and B	sehavioral Sciences (6 sen	nester hours)	
PSYC 150	General Psychology	3	
SOCO 260 OR	General Sociology	3	
SOCO 264	Social Problems	3	
Natural Scie	ences (7 semester hours, on	e course must	include a lab)
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Course No	Γitle	Sem.hrs	Grade Term/Trns
Fine Arts (3	semester hours)		
WELLNESS	S REQUIREMENT (2 semeste	er hours)	
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ESSL 290		) 2	
ESSL 200	(see English & math pre-reqs Essential Speech (co-requisite		
FOUNDATI	ION COURSES (26 semester h	iours – mi	ust receive a grade
of "C" or bet	ter in all courses)	iours in	ust receive a grade
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CRMJ 201	Introduction to Criminal Justi	ice 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	
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	hours - must receive a grade of		
	d elective courses)		
	s (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 & Delinquen		
CRMJ 370 CRMJ 420	Criminology Criminal Law	3	
CRMJ 420 CRMJ 490	Capstone: Comparative CJ	3	
CRMJ 387	Crime & Inequality	3	
or	Crinic & inequality	3	
SOCO 316	Social Inequalities	3	
Restricted (	Criminal Justice Electives (18	Semester	Hours) See list on
page 3	Timmai Justice Electives (10)	<u>Jeniester</u>	Hours) See list on
page 5			
	<b>Electives</b> (12 semester hours f		
	Criminal Justice, Political Scien	ce, Psycho	ology, Public
Administration	on, and/or Sociology)		

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**History** (3 semester hours)

### **Criminal Justice Restricted Electives (18 credits)**

CRMJ 210 Emergency Dispatch (4)

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.

<u>Selective Admissions</u>: Completion of 7 credits of Criminal Justice courses to include CRMJ 110, 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 CRMJ 110 and CRMJ 201 prior to enrolling in any additional program specific courses. Foundation courses CRMJ 110, 201, 310, 320, and 328 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.

### **POLICIES:**

- 1. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
- 2. 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. 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. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature. Finally, the Department Head will submit the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
- 4. 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.
- 5. NOTE: During your senior year, you will be required to take a capstone exit assessment/project (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test).

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## 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
Essential Learning	History	3	<b>Essential Learning</b>	Humanities	3
Essential Learning	Science with a Lab	4	Essential Learning	Mathematics	3
CRMJ 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	Essential Learning	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3
<b>Essential Learning</b>	Science	3	KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
CRMJ 110	Orientation to Criminal Justice	<u>1</u>	KINA Activities (2 o	courses)	<u>2</u>
		17			15

# SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester		<b>Hours</b>	Spring Semester		Hours
Essential Learning	Fine Arts	3	ESSL 200	Essential Speech (co-requisite)	1
Foundation Course	(Foreign Language)	3	ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone	3
<b>Essential Learning</b>	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3	Foundation Course	(Foreign Language)	3
CRMJ 310	Police Process	3	CRMJ 302	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRMJ 320	Corrections	<u>3</u>	CRMJ 328	The American Court System	3
		15	STAT 215	Statistics for the	
				Social/Behavioral Sciences	<u>4</u>
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## JUNIOR YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		Hours	<b>Spring Semest</b>	ter	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	<b>Spring Semeste</b>	er	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	3	Unrestricted Ele	ective	<u>3</u>
Criminal Justice Elective		3			12
Criminal Justice	Elective	3			
Unrestricted Elective		<u>3</u>			
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