

Criminology

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B.S. in Criminology

Options:

- Corrections
- Law Enforcement
- Victimology

M.S. in Criminology

Minor in Criminology

Victim Services Certificate

Criminal Justice

Counseling Specialist Certificate of Advanced Study

Certificate in Alcohol/Drug Studies

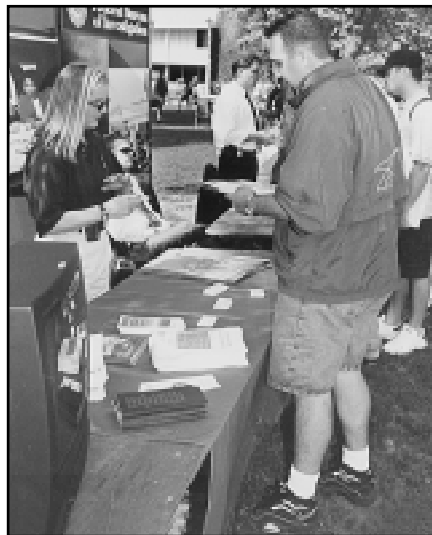
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The Department of Criminology provides undergraduate and graduate education in criminology for students planning professional careers in the criminal justice field. The program is diversified and integrated, reflecting the wide range of job opportunities in the field, including direct service and administration in law enforcement, corrections, victimology/victim services, and juvenile justice. The department offers the Bachelor of Science degree, Master of Science degree, and a minor. The department will not accept a student with a G.P.A. less than 2.0 as an undergraduate major.

Undergraduate Program

Criminology courses at the undergraduate level include integration of theoretical and applied materials of an interdisciplinary nature. The undergraduate curriculum is designed to prepare students for beginning professional work in criminal justice and to provide preparation for graduate work.

The corrections program is designed for students interested in careers in probation,



parole, correctional institutions, and other affiliated forms of work. The law enforcement program is designed for students interested in careers with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, or law enforcement careers within the private sector. The purpose of the victimology option is to provide students and the victim services field with a balanced theoretical and applied understanding of the principles of victimology. An internship course is required in corrections, law enforcement, and victimology options.

Graduate Program

The Master of Science degree in Criminology is a 30-unit, flexible program which provides a solid core in the field of criminology while permitting students to pursue specialized areas of interest. The master's program is designed to prepare students for service and responsible administrative and professional positions in agencies in the criminal justice system. The master's program also prepares students for a wide variety of occupations including in-service education; administrative education and management; community college teaching; predoctoral studies; and research.

Off-Campus Degree Program

The department offers the corrections and law enforcement options of its B.S. degree via satellite to distance learning sites throughout California. The program is structured so that all required upper-division major, general education, and writing skills courses can be completed over a three-year cycle. Additionally, the department offers its undergraduate degree via compressed video at the university satellite cam-

pus located at College of the Sequoias in Visalia, California.

Justice Center

The department also administers a Justice Center that provides education, training, assistance, and consultation to criminal justice agencies throughout the Valley. The Justice Center offers intensive seminars in areas of interest to working professionals. Some of these areas may include: victim services, drug abuse, alternative sentencing, juvenile justice, exclusionary rule, crime prevention, and industrial security.

Faculty

The criminology department consists of 15 full-time faculty members whose expertise includes numerous specialties in the criminal justice system, including corrections, counseling, victimology, juvenile delinquency, theory, legal studies, supervision and management, and criminal justice administration. Various part-time faculty members from major criminal justice agencies also instruct in the department.

Career Opportunities

Many diversified local, state, federal, and private agencies employ our graduates in criminal justice. On the local level, career opportunities exist at municipal police departments, county sheriffs' offices, probation departments, halfway and prelease houses, group homes, crisis centers, juvenile halls, welfare fraud units, retail, industrial security agencies, and victim services organizations. At the state level, career opportunities include the State Police, Department of Corrections, Alcohol and Beverage Control, California Youth Authority, Department of Motor Vehicles, Departments of Justice, Fish and Game, and Forestry. Federal opportunities include the Border Patrol, FBI, Secret Service, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Internal Revenue Service, Park Service, Customs, Immigration, and federal prisons.

Faculty

Harvey Wallace, *Chair*

John H. Burge
R. Thomas Dull
Max D. Futrell
Eric W. Hickey
Jerome E. Jackson
Ruth E. Masters
Barbara Owen
Robert F. Perez

Lester P. Pincu
H. Otto Schweizer
Candice Skrapec
Marsha Tarver
Steven Walker
Arthur V. N.
Wint

Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements

A grade of *C* or higher is required for all courses to be counted toward the major (excluding *CR/NC* classes).

Criminology Major	Units
Criminology — Corrections Option Major	46
Lower-division requirements: (see <i>note 1</i>): CRIM 1 (see <i>note 10</i>), 2, 20, 35	(10)
Upper-division core (see <i>note 2</i>): CRIM 100, 102, 109, 112, 170 (see <i>note 6</i>), 174, 199	(18)
Upper-division requirements: CRIM 118, 130, 134, 181	(12)
CRIM electives: CRIM 113, 117, 120, 126, 127, 131, 136T, 139, 140, 141, 160T, 175, 176, 177, 190, 192	(6)
Criminology — Law Enforcement Option Major	46
Lower-division requirements: (see <i>note 1</i>): CRIM 1 (see <i>note 10</i>), 2, 20, 35	(10)
Upper-division core (see <i>note 2</i>): CRIM 100, 102, 109, 112, 170 (see <i>note 6</i>), 174, 199	(18)
Upper-division requirements: CRIM 113, 117, 127, 108 or 180	(12)
CRIM electives: CRIM 118, 120, 126, 130, 131, 134, 136T, 139, 140, 141, 160T, 175, 176, 177, 190, 192	(6)
Criminology — Victimology Option Major	49
Lower-division requirements: (see <i>note 1</i>): CRIM 1 (see <i>note 10</i>), 2, 20, 35	(10)
Upper-division core (see <i>note 2</i>): CRIM 100, 102, 109, 112, 170 (see <i>note 6</i>), 174, 199	(18)
Upper-division requirements: CRIM 118, 134, 175, 176, 177, 182	(18)
Electives: AF AM 146; CLS 116; CRIM 139, 140, 141, 192; W S 126	(3)
General Education	51
Electives and remaining degree requirements	28-31
<i>(see Degree Requirements); may be used toward a dual major or minor</i>	
Total	128

Advising Notes

- Lower-division courses should be taken before upper-division courses.
- Upper-division core should be taken prior to upper-division electives.
- Department policy requires that students should see their advisers prior to registration each semester.
- No General Education Integration course offered by the Department of Criminology may be used to satisfy the General Education requirements for criminology majors.
- CR/NC* grading is not permitted in the major with the exceptions of CRIM 1, 108, 131, 180, 181, 182, and 281.
- CRIM 170 must be taken no later than the first semester of the student's junior year.
- Any course that meets the upper-division writing skills requirement cannot be applied to the major requirements.
- General Education and elective units may be used toward a dual major or minor (see *Dual Major* or departmental minor). Consult the appropriate department chair, program coordinator, or faculty adviser for further information.
- Majors are required to take sections of CRIM 100 and 153 designated in the *Schedule of Courses* as "for majors only."
- Freshmen and transfer students majoring in criminology must take CRIM 1 during their first semester.

Criminology Minor

	Units
Lower division: CRIM 2, 20	6
Upper division: CRIM 100	3
Select from upper-division criminology courses	12
Total	21

Note: CRIM 100, 120, and 153 may still be used to meet requirements for both General Education and the minor, for catalogs to prior to the 1999-2000 *General Catalog*.

Master of Science Degree Requirements

Under the direction of a graduate adviser, each student prepares and submits a coherent program individually designed within the framework that follows. Each student must see the graduate coordinator each semester prior to registering for courses.

All students must complete required core courses as a condition of advancement to candidacy.

	Plan	Plan
	A	B
Required courses in criminology 200-series (see specific requirements)	15	12
Electives in criminology or related areas 200-series (under special circumstances a maximum of 6 upper-division units may be allowed)	15	18
At least 21 units must be Fresno State resident credit excluding credit by examination and 300-level course-work.		
Total units	30	30

Specific Requirements

Plan A: Thesis or Project Program: CRIM 200, 201, 202, 203, and 298 or 299.

Plan B: Non-Thesis Program: CRIM 200, 201, 202, 203.

All **Plan B** degree candidates must pass a comprehensive examination.

(See also *Admission to Graduate Standing, Advancement to Candidacy, Program Requirements, Foreign Language Requirements, and Criteria for Thesis and Project.*)

Victim Services Certificate

The Department of Criminology and the School of Education and Human Development jointly offer the Victim Services Certificate. The purpose of this program is to provide appropriate educational experiences for matriculating students and practitioners. The certificate provides the opportunity for developing knowledge and skills necessary for individuals working with crime victims.

Program Prerequisites. (1) completion of 60 units of undergraduate coursework, and (2) completion of one general course in psychology, sociology, anthropology, health science, or child and family studies.

Program Requirements. A minimum of 12 units is required; three units must be taken in each of the four areas:

	Units
1. Theory Victimology (CRIM 175)	3
2. Victim Issues Family Violence (CRIM 140)	3
Child Abuse (EHD 107)	3
Domestic Violence (W S 116)	1
Rape (W S 108)	1
Incest (W S 109)	1
3. Service Delivery Intervention and Counseling for Helping Professions (EHD 108)	3

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Victim Services (CRIM 176)	3
Child Welfare (S WRK 128)	3
4. Legal/Social Policy	
Education for Community Change (EHD 109)	3
Legal Policy in Victim Services (CRIM 177)	3
Women and Violence (CRIM/W S 126)	3

In addition, three units field experience (CRIM 182) is available. For additional information or advising, contact the Department of Criminology.

Criminal Justice Counseling Specialist Certificate of Advanced Study

Individuals who are fully classified and advanced to candidacy in (or graduates of) the Master of Science in Criminology may elect to take courses leading to the Criminal Justice Counseling Specialist Certificate of Advanced Study. The certificate program is co-sponsored by the Department of Criminology and the Department of Counseling and Special Education. It is designed to enhance professional skills for counseling service within the criminal justice system.

In addition to coursework required for the Master of Science in Criminology, students seeking the Criminal Justice Counseling Specialist Certificate of Advanced Study are required to take a total of 16 units in Counseling (in addition to prerequisite COUN 174/PSYCH 174 or equivalent), six of which may be used as electives in the Master of Science in Criminology. The certificate courses are COUN 176, 200, 207, 208, and 239. Master of Science in Counseling students seeking the certificate are required to take an equivalent number of criminology courses.

Certificate in Alcohol/Drug Studies

The Department of Criminology is participating in a certificate of special study awarded to those students who successfully complete a minimum of 12 units of interdisciplinary academic coursework in the area of alcohol and drug abuse. (For complete details, see *Health and Human Services Interdisciplinary Courses* in this catalog.)

COURSES

Criminology (CRIM)

1. Introduction to Criminology (1)

Prerequisite or take concurrently: ENGL A or ENGL 1. Not open to non-crim

majors; first semester major requirement. Program structure; faculty overview; degree requirements; support services; advising; grading; conduct and behavior; areas of academic knowledge and integration with emphasis upon critical thinking, decision-making and communication skills. *CR/NC* grading only.

2. Administration of Justice (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 1 (may be taken concurrently). Purpose, function, and history of agencies dealing with administration of justice; survey of criminal procedures; organization of law enforcement agencies at federal, state, and local levels; organization and functions of courts; probation, parole, and pardons; penology and prison administration; purpose and function of victim services. (CAN AJ 2)

10. Crime, Criminology, and Justice (3)

An introduction to the concept of crime, emphasizing its contextual foundations as the product of evolving criminal laws and the institutions that shape them. A survey of the methodological approaches used to measure and study crime. Patterns of crime and victimization in relation to their impact on society's response in its quest for justice. G.E. Breadth D3.

20. Criminal Law (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 1 (may be taken concurrently). Introduction to the case method of studying criminal law, theory, concept, and philosophy of substantive law and criminal offenses; analysis of court decisions and opinions through case method. (CAN AJ 4)

35. Communications and Technology in Criminology (3)

Not open to students with credit in CRIM 31. Prerequisite: CRIM 1 (may be taken concurrently). The use of technology in the criminal justice system; the evolution of telecommunications; advancements of computer science and automation; and applications of verbal, nonverbal, and written communication in criminal justice. (Formerly CRIM 31)

50. Statistical and Computer Applications in Criminal Justice (3)

Statistical and computer applications as they relate to criminological research and policy. Emphasis on descriptive and inferential statistical methods for the analysis of data and the application of appropriate computer statistical packages and other specialized computer programs for criminal justice.

100. Criminology (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority

status by permission of instructor. Criminology majors are required to enroll in course sections that are designated "for majors only" in order to receive credit in the major. Theories of criminal behavior; sociological factors; organized crime; professional criminals; selected types of social deviants and criminal offenders.

101. Crime and Violence in America (3)

Introduces students to types of crime and violence in America within a sociological, cultural, economic, and political context. Emphasis on methodological approaches to crime measurement. Looks at how crime and violence impacts individuals and their environment. G.E. Integration ID.

102. Criminal Justice Organization and Management (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 2, 20. Prerequisites or take concurrently: CRIM 100, 170. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Fundamentals of organization/management theory, principles, and processes relating to the operation and functioning of the criminal justice system, including victim services agencies.

108. Directed Policing (3; max total 12)

Open only to criminology majors. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor and sponsoring agency. Supervised field experience in police work for interpreting theories developed in parallel criminology courses. Purchase of uniform required. Approved for *SP* grading. *CR/NC* grading only. (Minimum of 6 field hours per unit.)

109. Comparative Systems of Criminal Justice (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 2, 20. Prerequisites or take concurrently: CRIM 100, 170. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Study of selected criminal justice systems in other jurisdictions; examination of the organization; administration and operations of criminal justice agencies in the United States, Europe, the United Kingdom, and Asia.

112. Professionalism in Criminal Justice (2)

Prerequisites: CRIM 2, 20. Prerequisites or take concurrently: CRIM 100, 170. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Professionalism in criminal justice including formal and informal control; political activity; use of discretion; conflict of interest;

rights of clients; ethical, gender, and ethnic issues; and other current topics.

113. Forensic Science (3)

Open only to criminology majors. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Advanced study of scientific crime investigation, identification, and detection methods.

117. Criminal Legal Process (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 20. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Specific emphasis on the laws of arrest, search and seizure, interrogation and confession, procedure prior to and during trial, postconviction procedures, limitations on criminal prosecutions and juvenile proceedings.

118. Individual Rights in the Criminal Justice System (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 20. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Examines specific issues relative to the rights of individuals in substantive design of our criminal justice system. Deals with the development and protection of rights; surveys common abuses in the criminal justice system and their causes.

120. Juvenile Delinquency (3)

The problem of juvenile delinquency; portrait of delinquency; causal factors; agencies of justice; treatment process; programs for control and prevention.

121. Violence, Delinquency, and Schools (3)

Examination of schools: violence and juvenile delinquency in a legal, social, and political context. Methodological approaches to assessing the increase in juvenile violence and its impact on the educational and juvenile justice systems.

126. Women and Violence: Public Policy and the Law (3) (See W S 126.)

127. Advanced Criminal Legal Process (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 117 or 118. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Advanced problems in arrest, search, seizure, interrogation, and prosecution. The law of evidence, including problems of relevancy, hearsay, opinion, privilege, and scientific evidence. Juvenile law and procedure from detention to disposition.

130. Corrections in America (3)

A survey of corrections in America. The history and philosophy of correctional thought and practice. Special attention given to adult and juvenile treatment, jails, prisons, probation, parole and community corrections, and current issues such as prisoners rights, gender, ethnicity, and overcrowding.

131. Correctional Institution Visitations (1-3; max total 3)

The opportunity to visit, examine, and investigate various correctional institutions within the state of California. Visitations will be mandatory. *CR/NC* grading only.

134. Criminal Justice Counseling (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. An overview of counseling modalities and counseling techniques in criminal justice settings.

136T. Topics in Criminology (1-3; max total 12 if no topic repeated)

Analysis of selected areas of criminology; deviant behavior; institutional and noninstitutional treatment; corrections; administration and management; law enforcement; criminalistics.

139. Criminal Justice Counseling Skills Practicum (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 134. An experiential course designed to teach students essential skills in structuring counseling sessions with offenders. Emphasis on listening, validation, empathy, interviewing, probing, concreteness, self-disclosure, summarizing, confrontation, goal-setting, taking action, closure, and resistance.

140. Family Violence (3)

Typology and history of family abuse, including: legal guidelines; treatment approaches; emotional abuse; sexual abuse; spousal abuse; elderly abuse; and child abuse as a criminogenic factor.

141. Alcohol, Drugs, and Criminality (3)

Drug and alcohol related criminal behavior and the response of the criminal justice system.

153. Psychology of Crime (3)

Explores the psychological bases of criminal behavior as they relate to the biology of criminality, as well as to the numerous and varied contributions from cultural, economic, and geographic aspects of the social environment. G.E. Integration ID.

160T. Topics in Crimes (1-3; max total 12 if no topic repeated)

Intensive focus on particular crime categories, e.g., political, corruption, terrorism; corporate, computer, white collar, fraud,

embezzlement; homicide, assassination, mass murder, sex crimes, violence, assault, rape, mayhem; property, burglary, robbery, piracy, professional pickpocketing, swindling, safe-cracking; organized; arson; and environmental.

170. Research Methods in Criminal Justice (3)

Prerequisite or take concurrently: CRIM 50 or an equivalent course. Must be taken no later than the first semester of the student's junior year. Research methodology; use of library resources; electronic resources; preparation and handling of materials in criminology; written report required.

174. Ethnic and Gender Issues in Criminal Justice (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Culturally specific responses to victimization of women and ethnic minorities by the criminal justice system. The impact of gender and race on criminal justice personnel. Special problems experienced by women and various groups in obtaining services within the criminal justice system.

175. Victimology (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Major theoretical issues and debates in victimology. Victim blaming and defending, research and victim statistics, legal and policy dilemmas, bureaucratic responses to victims, and evaluation of victim compensation and restitution.

176. Victim Services (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Survey of community services for victims. Focus on victim services as a new subsystem. Theoretical, social, and legal issues that affect delivery of victim services.

177. Legal Policy in Victim Services (3)

Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Analysis of legislation and specific legal policies regarding victim services. Victim rights, the process of changing attitudes, and current laws will be a major focus.

180. Internship in Law Enforcement (1-12; max total 12)

Open only to criminology majors. Prerequisites (may be taken concurrently): CRIM 2, 20, 102 and 112. *CR/NC* grading only. (Minimum of 3 field hours per unit.)**

181. Internship in Corrections (1-12; max total 12)

Open only to criminology majors. Prerequisites (may be taken concurrently): CRIM 2, 20, 102, 112, and 130. *CR/NC* grading only. (Minimum of 3 field hours per unit.)**

182. Internship in Victimology (1-12; max total 12)

Open only to criminology majors. Prerequisites (may be taken concurrently): CRIM 2, 20, 102, 112, and 175. *CR/NC* grading only. (Minimum of 3 field hours per unit.)**

190. Independent Study (1-3; max total 6)

See *Academic Placement — Independent Study*. Approved for *SP* grading.

192. Readings in Criminology (1-3; max total 3)

Prerequisite: upper-division standing and permission of the instructor. Supervised readings in a selected field relating to criminology.

199. Senior Seminar (1)

Prerequisite: last semester senior criminology majors only; completion of major lower-division and upper-division core requirements and UDWS requirement. Degree culminating experience involves the integration of scholarly knowledge relating to criminology with emphasis upon critical thinking, decision-making, and communication skills.

GRADUATE COURSES

(See *Course Numbering System*.)

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200. Research Methods in Criminology (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 170. Methods and techniques of research in criminology; research designs and models; statistical techniques; preparation and critique of a research paper.

** Relates the student's classroom studies with occupational and professional experiences. Permission of instructor and a sponsoring agency. Graduating criminology seniors have first priority; other students may receive priority status by permission of instructor. Weekly conference with field supervisor. Transfer students should be aware that 12-unit total must include units previously earned; check with departmental adviser.

201. History of Western Criminological Thought (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 100. An historical approach to criminological theory in Western civilization. Special treatment of the theoretical underpinnings of contemporary United States criminological thought. Detailed analysis of major 18th, 19th, and early 20th century Occidental thought.

202. Law and the Criminal Justice System (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 117 or 118. The nature and philosophy of law; the common law tradition and our judicial system; the role of legislation and rules of statutory interpretation; Constitutional Law concepts and their applications in the Criminal Justice System; the rights and liabilities of criminal justice personnel; legal research including the use of Lexis.

203. Criminal Justice Administration (3)

Prerequisite: CRIM 102. A comprehensive assessment of the historical evolution of the criminal justice system, including current status and future growth, organization/management theory, and practice relating to criminal justice; individual research.

220. Seminar in Group Therapy in Criminal Justice Agencies (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. The theory and practice of group therapy in criminal justice agencies. Use of transactional analysis concepts in describing group interactions.

221. Seminar in Family Counseling in Criminal Justice Agencies (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. The theory and practice of family counseling in criminal justice agencies.

252. Seminar in Criminal Justice Personnel Administration (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. The historical development of modern personnel theory and practice in criminal justice agencies; manpower, merit concepts, concepts of man and work, classification, training and compensation, collective bargaining, and organizational communication.

255. Seminar in Criminal Justice Labor Relations (3)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. The historical development of labor relations theory and practice in criminal justice agencies; legislation, court decisions, collective bargaining agreements, arbitration awards and fact-finding, and administrative law decisions.

270T. Problems in Criminology (1-6; max total 12 if no topic repeated)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. Special problems in law enforcement or corrections; individual research in laboratory, library, or fieldwork; formal written reports. Weekly conference with instructor.

281. Supervised Professional Experience (1-6; max total 6)

Open only to criminology majors. Prerequisite: permission of instructor and selected agency. Supervised professional experience in law enforcement or correctional work. Approved for *SP* grading. *CR/NC* grading only.

290. Independent Study (1-3; max total 6)

See *Academic Placement — Independent Study*. Approved for *SP* grading.

292. Readings in Criminology (1-3; max total 3)

Prerequisites: permission of instructor and chair, Criminology Graduate Committee. Individually directed readings in an area of special concern to the student's graduate program; appropriate written reports and evaluation required, individual student conferences. Approved for *SP* grading.

298. Project (2-4; max total 4)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. See *Criteria for Thesis and Project*. Preparation and completion of a project demonstrating a significant undertaking such as implementing a program, evaluating an ongoing program, developing pilot studies of innovative ideas or implementing organizational change in the field of criminology, and submission of a written abstract. Approved for *SP* grading.

299. Thesis (2-4; max total 4)

Prerequisites: CRIM 200, 201, 202, and 203. See *Criteria for Thesis and Project*. Preparation, completion, and submission of an acceptable thesis for the master's degree. Approved for *SP* grading.

IN-SERVICE COURSE

(See *Course Numbering System*.)

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302. Topics in Criminology (1-3; max total 3)

May be repeated for credit provided different fields are covered. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Selected areas in the organization, administration, and management of agencies engaged in the administration of justice; the police function; prosecution of criminal offenses; the correctional process, deviant behavior.