

**Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
Bridgewater State College
Department of Sociology & Anthropology
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The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice requires completion of 120 credit hours, including the college's general education requirements, The major requires completion of 30 credit hours in core courses, 6 credits in criminal justice electives, and a 3-credit cognate. The program will replace the existing criminology concentration in the sociology major, however students currently enrolled in the criminology' concentration may continue in it or change to the Criminal Justice major. The department created the curriculum for the major to meet standards established by the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS). The ACJS identifies five essential areas for baccalaureate programs in criminal justice: (1) criminal justice and juvenile justice processes, (2) criminology, (3) law enforcement, (4) law adjudication, and (5) corrections. An important component of the program is the Senior Project, which includes three options: (1) a seminar on critical issues in crime and justice (not offered in Fall 2001), (2) a research project, or (3) an internship.

BS in Criminal Justice: Required Courses (30 Hours)

Requirement	Courses	Credit Hours
Human Behavior, Society, and Social Problems	SO 102 Introduction to Sociology OR SO 103 Social Problems	3
Criminal Justice and Juvenile Justice Processes	CJ 201 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
Criminology	SO 328 Criminology	3
Law Enforcement	CJ/SO 33 1 Police, Community, and Society	3
Law Adjudication	CJ 335 Courts and Criminal Law	3
Corrections	SO 354 Sociology of Corrections	3
Research and Information in Criminal Justice	SO 402 Seminar: Research Methods	3
Analyzing Data	SO 403 Social Data Analysis	3
Diversity & Society (Choose one course.) *	SO 304 Social Stratification SO 3 10 Women and Crime SO 3 12 Prejudice and Discrimination AN/SO 3 1 5 Ethnic Experience in America SO 330 Women's Roles	3
Senior Project (Choose one option.)	CJ/SO 496 Seminar: Critical Issues in Crime & Justice CJ 497 Research Project CJ 498 Field Experience in Criminal Justice (Internship)	3

Criminal Justice Electives: (6 credit hours)

Students Must Take Two of the Following Courses	Credit Hours
CJ/PY 369 Psychology- of Criminal Behavior	3
CJ/SO 3 10 Women and Crime (if not taken as a core course)	3
CJ/SO 3 1 3 Family Violence	3
SO 327 Deviance and Social Control	3
SO 333 Resolving Conflict	3
SO 334 White Collar Crime	3
CJ/SO 355 Juvenile Delinquency	3
CJ/SO 384 Criminal and Delinquent Behavior Systems	3
CJ/SO 385 Victimology	3
CJ/SO 399 Special Topics in Criminal Justice/Sociology	3
SO 405 Seminar: The Police	3
CJ 406 Crime and Justice: Ethical and Policy Issues (new)	3
SO 425 Comparative Crime and Deviance	3

Cognate Courses: (3 credits)

Students Must Take at Least One of the Following Courses	Credit Hours
EC 325 The Economy of Crime	3
HE 405 Drugs in Society	3
HI 366 Constitutional History of the United States	3
HI 495 Undergraduate History Colloquium: Crime & Law in Britain, c. 1700-1850	3
PL 322 Philosophy of Law	3
PL 403 Theories of Ethics	3
PO 285 Introduction to Law	3
PO/EC 340 Law and Economics	3
PO 398 The United States Federal Courts	3
PO 472 American Constitutional Development	3
PO 474 Civil Liberties and Civil Rights	3
PY 369 Psychology of Criminal Behavior (if not taken as a CJ elective)	3
PY 370 Abnormal Psychology	3
PY 474 Forensic Psychology	3
SW 410 Social Work in Correctional Settings	3

Five year BS/MS Option

Students may also apply for a program in which they complete the Bachelor of Science and the Master of Science in Criminal Justice in five years. Contact the department for details on this option.