

The Joint Degree Program

Bridgewater State University, Department of Criminal Justice

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Bachelor of Science/Master of Science – Joint Degree

This joint degree program is a 153 (120+33) credit program that leads to both a B.S. and a M.S. degree in Criminal Justice.

The program is consistent with the dual mission of Bridgewater State University to educate the residents of southeastern Massachusetts and the Commonwealth and to use the University's intellectual, scientific, and technological resources to support and advance the well-being of the region and the state. Specifically, the program *educates* students about the dynamics of crime, criminal behavior, the criminal justice system and how these complex factors interact in recursive relationships with social institutions and public realities.

A Criminal Justice major may apply to the joint degree program once the student has earned at least 66 credits. If accepted into the program, graduate classes must begin once the student has earned at least 84 credits but not more than 105 credits. The Criminal Justice Department waives the GRE requirement for the Criminal Justice Joint Degree Program applicants.

The following are required to be accepted into the program:

1. Students must have achieved an overall BSU-earned GPA of 3.0.
2. Three appropriate letters of recommendation, two of which must come from full-time BSU Criminal Justice faculty.

In order to continue in the Joint Degree program after matriculation, students must continue to maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.0.

Students admitted into the joint degree program must complete all of the requirements for each degree program in criminal justice in order to receive both degrees simultaneously. The program requirements for the joint degree program are as follows:

I. Undergraduate Program Requirements

- (1) Students must complete General Education or Core Curriculum requirements;
- (2) Students must complete the following requirements in the undergraduate program:

Core Curriculum (33 credits)

CRJU 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 202	Introduction to Crime Theory	(3 credits)
CRJU 331	Police, Community, and Society	(3 credits)
CRJU 335	Criminal Law and the Courts	(3 credits)
CRJU 354	Corrections	(3 credits)
CRJU 406	Ethics and the Criminal Justice System	(3 credits)
CRJU 410	Applied Theory in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 420	Research Methods in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 430	Analyzing Criminal Justice Data	(3 credits)

Diversity Requirement: (Choose one)

(3 credits)

CRJU 358	Race, Class, Crime and Justice
CRJU 369	Gender, Crime and Justice
CRJU 388	Hate Crime
CRJU 404	Justice, Media, and Society
CRJU 425	Comparative Crime and Deviance

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Senior Option: (Choose one)

(3 credits)

CRJU 496	Seminar: Critical Issues in Crime and Justice
CRJU 497	Research Project (3 credits) (can only be taken for 3 credits and cannot be repeated)
CRJU 498	Criminal Justice Internship (only 3 credits count toward the major)

Criminal Justice Electives (Choose two) (6 credits)

CRJU 213	The Juvenile Justice System	(3 credits)
CRJU 227*	Deviance and Social Control	(3 credits)
CRJU 241 ^ ^	Women and Violence	(3 credits)
CRJU 255*	Juvenile Delinquency	(3 credits)
PSYC 269	Psychology of Criminal Behavior	(3 credits)
CRJU 271	Crime Victims and the Political Process	(3 credits)
CRJU 323	Comparative Legal Systems in a Global Context	(3 credits)
CRJU 324	Law, Justice and Society	(3 credits)
CRJU 325	Political Theory and the Justice System	(3 credits)
CRJU 332	History of Policing	(3 credits)
CRJU 334*	White Collar Crime	(3 credits)
CRJU 339*	Violence, Guns, and Society	(3 credits)
CRJU 346	Criminal Procedure	(3 credits)
CRJU 347	Restorative Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 358	Race, Class, Crime and Justice (if not taken in Core)	(3 credits)
CRJU 359	Technology and Crime Control	(3 credits)
CRJU 369	Gender, Crime & Justice (if not taken in Core)	(3 credits)
CRJU 371	Sex Crimes	(3 credits)
CRJU 372	Terrorism and Civil Liberties	(3 credits)
CRJU 381	Privatization	(3 credits)
CRJU 385	Victimology	(3 credits)
CRJU 388	Hate Crime (if not taken in Core)	(3 credits)
CRJU 399	Special Topics in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 404	Justice, Media, and Society (if not taken in core)	(3 credits)
CRJU 415	Police Culture	(3 credits)
CRJU 425	Comparative Crime and Deviance (if not taken in Core)	(3 credits)
CRJU 441	Homicide	(3 credits)
CRJU 426	Alternative Approaches to Crime	(3 credits)
CRJU 428	Culture and Crime	(3 credits)
CRJU 485	Honors Thesis	(3 credits)
CRJU 499	Directed Study	(1-3 credits)

(can be taken twice but may not exceed a total of 6 credits)

*crosslisted courses

Cognate Courses (3credits)

ECON 325	The Economy of Crime	(3 credits)
HEAL 405	Drugs in Society	(3 credits)
HIST 463	History of the American City	(3 credits)
HIST 469	American Political History	(3 credits)
PHIL 322	Philosophy of Law	(3 credits)
PHIL 403	Ethics and Action	(3 credits)
POLI 285	Introduction to Law	(3 credits)
POLI/ECON 340	Law and Economics	(3 credits)
POLI 342	Constitutional Law and Politics: The First Amendment	(3 credits)
POLI 343	Constitutional Law and Politics: Liberty and Equality	(3 credits)
POLI 389	Racial Politics in the United States	(3 credits)
PSYC 369	Psychology of Criminal Behavior (if not taken as a CJ elective)	(3 credits)
PSYC 370	Abnormal Psychology	(3 credits)
PSYC 474	Forensic Psychology	(3 credits)
SOCI 310	Women and Crime	(3 credits)
SOCI 313	Family Violence	(3 credits)

II. Graduate Program Requirements

Students must complete the following requirements in the graduate program:

Core Curriculum (18 creds.)

CRJU 500	Foundations of Scholarship	(3 credits)
CRJU 504	Crime, Justice, and Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 505	Applications of Crime Theory <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 510	Research Methods in Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 500)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 511	Analyzing Criminal Justice Data <i>(prq. 500 & 510)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 512	Ethics and Policy in Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c, prq. 504 & 505)</i>	(3 credits)

Electives (15 creds.)

CRJU 501	Structure and Process of the Criminal Justice System <i>(prq. 500)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 502	Thesis research	(3 to 6 credits)
CRJU 503	Directed Study <i>(prq. 500)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 514	Theories of Deviance <i>(prq. 504)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 515	Criminal Justice Administration <i>(prq. 500 & 505)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 517	Studies in Crime Prevention <i>(prq. 500, 504 & 505)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 518	Hate Crimes and Hate Groups <i>(prq. 500, 504 & 505)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 520	Violence, Crime and Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 521	Domestic Violence <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 522	Women and Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 525	Comparative Crime and Justice <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 526	Communities, Cities, and Crime <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 527	Policing in a Democratic Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 530	Introduction to Police Culture <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c, prq. 504 & 505)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 540	Corrections, Crime, and Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 541	Community-Based Corrections <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 542	Research Seminar in Corrections <i>(prq. 510, 511)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 546	Class, Race, Gender and Crime <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 550	Juvenile Justice and Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 551	Law and Society <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 555	Information Technology for Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 500)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 557	Advanced Research Methods in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 597	Research Seminar in Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 510, 511) (rotating topics)</i>	(3 credits)
CRJU 598	Internship in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
CRJU 599	Special Topics in Criminal Justice <i>(prq. 500 can be taken c/c)</i>	(3 credits)

Other Courses: With the approval of the Graduate Coordinator, students may take up to two of these courses or other approved graduate courses.)

POLI 501	Introduction to Public Institutions and Administration	(3 credits)
POLI 505	Public Management	(3 credits)
POLI 511	Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis	(3 credits)

NOTE: Students have the option of completing the thesis option or the comprehensive examination. The thesis requires enrollment in CRJU 502 for up to 6 credits which are then applied toward the 15 credit electives requirement.

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