

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2021-2022

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NAME: _____ **WT ID:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Criminal Justice—Corrections
Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice
OM 414 651-3310

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS
Communication (Code 10)		
ENGL 1301 Introduction to Academic Writing and Argumentation	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Code 20)		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332**/, 1342**/, 1350**/, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: fourth hr. moves to Code 90)	3	
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)		
Take two courses from (extra lab hours move to Code 90): ♦ ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1408, 1407* or 1409*, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1405* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1401 or 1403, 1402, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1411, 1412, 1471, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307		
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312**/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Code 50)		
ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Code 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Code 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
Component Area Option (Code 90)		
Take six hours from: ♦ AGRI 2300; BIOL lab hours (from Code 30); BUSI 1304; CHEM lab hours (from Code 30); CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*, 2311*; ENVR lab hour (from Code 30); GEOL lab hours (from Code 30); IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); extra MATH hours (from Code 20); MUSI 1053; PHIL 2303; PHYS lab hours (from Code 30); SES 1120		
CRIMINAL JUSTICE—CORRECTIONS MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 66 HOURS A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 3 HOURS ♦		
CORE 80 SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology	3	
CRIMINAL JUSTICE CORE REQUIREMENTS: 12 HOURS		
CRIJ 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	
CRIJ 1306 Court Systems and Practices	3	
CRIJ 1307 Crime in America	3	
CRIJ 1310 Introduction to Law	3	
CORRECTIONS EMPHASIS REQUIREMENTS: 27 HOURS		
CRIJ 2313 Correctional Systems and Practices	3	
CRIJ 3332 Law of Corrections	3	
CRIJ 3361 Writing and Research for Criminal Justice	3	
CRIJ/POSC/SOCI/SOCW 3362* Statistics for the Social Sciences	3	

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CRIJ/SOCI 3372 Prisons in America	3	
CRIJ 4098* Internship - Capstone	6†	
CRIJ/POSC 4340 Constitutional Rights of the Accused	3	
CRIJ/EMA/POSC 4348 Ethics and the Justice and EMA Systems	3	
REQUIRED COURSES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS: 24 HOURS		
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3	
PSYC 3350* Social Psychology	3	
PSYC 4360* (3360) Abnormal Psychology	3	
SOCI 4302* Criminology	3	
SOCI 4304 Community Corrections	3	
SOCI 4321 Racial and Cultural Minorities	3	
Take two courses from: CRIJ/SOCI 3374 Victimology SOCI 4342 Juvenile Delinquency ADVANCED CRIJ, POSC, OR SOCI ELECTIVE		
	6	
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: 6 HOURS OPTION		
Six hours chosen from biology, chemistry, geology, geosciences, mathematics, physics and natural sciences.	6	
ELECTIVES: 9 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT ♦		
ELECTIVES	9	
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ NOTE: The core curriculum must total **exactly 42 hours**; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

† It is possible to take only three hours of internship. See department adviser about possible substitutions if needed.

NOTE: At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

Note: This is NOT a degree plan. After completing 30 hours, students must request an official degree plan (using the online [Request for a Degree Plan](#) form) in order to progress. Students who have questions about their degree plan should contact the office of the dean of the College of Education and Social Sciences.



First Year					
Fall		Spring			
H o u r s 15	CORE 10-ENGL 1301	3	H o u r s 15	CORE 10-COMM	3
				1315, 1318 or 1321	
	CORE 20	3		CORE 90	3
	* See checklist for options			* See checklist for options	
	CORE 30-LAB SCIENCE	3		CORE 30-LAB SCIENCE	3
	* See checklist for options			* See checklist for options	
	CORE 70-POSC	3		CRIJ 1301	3
	2305 or 2306				
CORE 90	3	SOCI 1301	3		
* See checklist for options					

Second Year					
Fall		Spring			
H o u r s 15	CORE 40	3	H o u r s 15	CORE 50-ARTS	3
	* See checklist for options			* See checklist for options	
	CORE 60-HIST	3		CORE 60-HIST	3
	* See checklist for options			* See checklist for options	
	PYSC 2301	3		CORE 70-POSC	3
				2305 or 2306	
	CRIJ 1306	3		CRIJ 1310	3
BS REQUIREMENT	3	BS REQUIREMENT	3		
* See checklist for options		* See checklist for options			

Third Year					
Fall		Spring			
H o u r s 15	CRIJ 1307	3	H o u r s 15	CRIJ 3332	3
	CRIJ 3372	3		CRIJ 3362	3
	CRIJ 4348	3		CRIJ 4340	3
	PYSC 3350	3		SOCI 4302	3
ELECTIVE	3	ELECTIVE	3		

Fourth Year					
Fall		Spring			
H o u r s 15	PYSC 4360	3	H o u r s 15	CRIJ OR PSYC	3
				3384 or 4324	
	SOCI 4304	3		CRIJ 4098	3
	REQUIRED ELECTIVE**	3		SOCI 4321	3
	REQUIRED ELECTIVE**	3		ELECTIVE	3
ELECTIVE	3	ELECTIVE	3		

DISCLAIMER: This curriculum guide should be used in conjunction with the corresponding degree checklist for general planning purposes only. The degree checklist (later a student's official degree plan) should be referred to as the comprehensive list of all courses required for the degree. An official degree plan is required after completing 30 hours. Students should always seek the advice of their academic adviser before scheduling classes.

Notes:
 * See checklist for options. **Core 90:** Lab hours for 4-hour Core 30 (science) courses and extra hour from 4-hour Core 20 (math) courses must be counted in Core 90.
 ** Choose a course from CRIJ 3374, SOCI 4342, or three advanced hours from CRIJ, POSC or SOCI.