

# BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS), MAJOR IN CRIMINOLOGY

## At a Glance

### Faculty

[www.kpu.ca/arts](http://www.kpu.ca/arts) (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/>)

### Area of Study:

[www.kpu.ca/arts/criminology](http://www.kpu.ca/arts/criminology) (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/criminology/>)

### Academic Level:

Undergraduate

### Credential Granted:

Baccalaureate Degree (Honours)

### Start Date:

Fall (September)

Spring (January)

Summer (May)

### Intake Type:

- Open

### Minimum Credits Required:

120

### Curriculum Effective Date:

01-Sep-2015

## Description

The Bachelor of Arts, Major in Criminology program provides students with a broad, liberal education in social science, criminal justice, and law. Students learn scientific research methods, legal, philosophical and theoretical approaches to aid in understanding crime and related social problems, and social responses to crime. The BA degree program builds on the central core of method and theory and affords students opportunities to hone abstract, logical thinking, and critical understanding of the issues, arguments, and debates that shape the discipline's character and aims.

Contemporary criminology courses developed especially for this degree expose students to cutting-edge theory and research. This program integrates opportunities to engage in undergraduate research, service learning, and practicum placements that provide students with highly transferable and marketable knowledge and skills. For more information, see the Criminology Department webpage: [kpu.ca/arts/criminology](http://kpu.ca/arts/criminology) (<http://kpu.ca/arts/criminology/>)

Students who graduate with a BA degree may apply to law school or pursue a graduate degree in criminology or other disciplines. Those who are interested in applying to graduate school, or who prefer a more extensive research experience, are encouraged to undertake a structured program leading to a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Major in Criminology.

## Requirements

### Admission Requirements

Students pursuing a major in Criminology must be admitted to the Faculty of Arts (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/>).

### Declaration Requirements

Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Arts Bachelor's degree must satisfy all of the following requirements to declare into the **Major**:

- In good academic standing with the University
- Completion of a minimum of 18 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following with a minimum grade of "C":
  - 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher
  - 6 credits at the 1100 level or higher in the Major area

Declaring into **Honours, Major in Criminology** requires the permission of the Criminology Honours committee. Students must normally:

- have completed 60 credits or more at the time of application;
- achieve a CGPA of 3.5; and
- have completed CRIM 3104.

Please see [kpu.ca/arts/criminology](http://kpu.ca/arts/criminology/) (<http://kpu.ca/arts/criminology/>) for further information regarding application deadlines and selection criteria.

### Curricular Requirements

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete all requirements in the Bachelor of Arts framework (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/ba-degree-framework/>) in addition to their major or minor program requirements.

### Major

Code	Title	Credits
<b>1100 Level</b>		
CRIM 1100	Introduction to Criminology	3
CRIM 1101	Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	3
CRIM 1107	Canadian Legal Systems	3
CRIM 1207	Introduction to Criminal Law	3
CRIM 1208	Methods of Research in Criminology	3
CRIM 1215	Interpersonal and Professional Development in Criminology	3
PSYC 1100	Introduction to Psychology: Basic Processes	3
SOCI 1125	Introduction to Society: Processes and Structures	3
Select one of the following:		
PHIL 1100	General Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL 1110	Introduction to Moral Philosophy	
PHIL 1145	Critical Thinking	
PHIL 1150	Introduction to Formal Logic	
<b>2000 Level</b>		
CRIM 2103	Quantitative Data Analysis I	3
CRIM 2330	Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour	3
CRIM 2331	Sociological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour	3
CRIM 2341	Canadian Criminal Justice Administration	3
Select one of the following:		
CRIM 2204	Criminal Justice and Psychology	3

CRIM 2205	Crime, Criminal Justice, and the Media	
CRIM 2211	Introduction to Policing	
CRIM 2214	Corrections: Theory and Practice	
CRIM 2249	Youth Justice	
CRIM 2355	Police Misconduct and Accountability	
<b>3000 and 4000 Level<sup>1</sup></b>		
CRIM 3104	Qualitative Research Methods	3
CRIM 4970	Honours Seminar	3
CRIM 4990	Honours Thesis I	3
CRIM 4995	Honours Thesis II	6
Select two of the following Group 1 courses:		6
<i>Group 1: Theory and Methods</i>		
CRIM 3100	Advanced Theories of Crime and Community	
CRIM 3111	Contemporary Sociological Criminology	
CRIM 3113	Critical Criminology	
CRIM 3115	Crime Mapping	
CRIM 3118	White-Collar & Corporate Crime	
CRIM 3351	Philosophy of Law	
CRIM 3911	Green Criminology	
CRIM 4112	Contemporary Psychological Criminology	
CRIM 4205	Surveillance, Privacy, and Control	
Select one of the following Group 2 courses:		3
<i>Group 2: Criminal Justice</i>		
CRIM 3000	Justice/Injustice	
CRIM 3213	Community Corrections	
CRIM 3120	Organized Crime	
CRIM 3211	Policing and Community	
CRIM 3217	Women, Crime, and Justice	
CRIM 3249	Issues in Youth Justice	
CRIM 4201	Community Safety and Crime Prevention	
CRIM 4235	Marginalized Groups and the Criminal Justice System	
CRIM 4240	Indigenous Peoples and Justice	
CRIM 4410	Policy and Program Evaluation	
Select one of the following Group 3 courses:		3
<i>Group 3: Law, Advocacy and Conflict Resolution</i>		
CRIM 3270	Substance Use and Harm Reduction	
CRIM 3302	Procedure and Evidence	
CRIM 3305	Law and Society	
CRIM 3307	Issues in Conflict Resolution	
CRIM 3310	Restorative Justice	
CRIM 3512	Mental Disorder and Canadian Law	
CRIM 4245	Indigenous Activism	
CRIM 4300	Administrative and Regulatory Law	
CRIM 4301	Community Advocacy and Human Rights	
Select 3 additional credits of any CRIM courses at the 3000 or 4000 level.		3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>72</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students will complete 30 credits in upper-level CRIM courses. All upper-level criminology courses require 6 credits of English as pre-requisites as of Fall 2013.

## Credential Awarded

Upon successful completion of the honours program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts (Honours)**. Transcripts will indicate a **Major in Criminology**.

Students may receive either the Bachelor of Arts, Major in Criminology degree or the Bachelor of Arts, Honours in Criminology degree, but not both.

## Co-op Requirements Co-operative Education

The Bachelor of Arts, Major in Criminology is offered with a Co-operative Education option. Co-operative Education gives a student the opportunity to apply the skills gained during academic study in paid, practical work experience semesters. Degree students in the Co-op option are expected to complete a minimum of three work terms while completing their degree. Work terms generally occur full-time in separate 4 month work semesters. Work semesters alternate with academic study.

Students wishing to enter and participate in the Co-op Option must meet the following requirements:

### Declaration/Entrance Requirements

- Declaration into the BA in Criminology Honours
- Declaration of the Co-operative Education option prior to completion of 90 credits for the BA in Criminology Honours
- Minimum program GPA of 2.7

### Work Term and Program Continuance Requirements

Procedures for enrollment in Co-operative Education work terms are outlined in the COOP course descriptions. Conditions for continuance in the program are:

- Successful completion of COOP 1101 prior to 90 credits for the BA in Criminology Honours
- Minimum program GPA of 2.7
- Instructor permission

Co-op students are advised to consult [kpu.ca/co-op](https://www.kpu.ca/co-op) (<https://www.kpu.ca/co-op/>) for information about course enrolment and work term placements.

### Co-op Requirements

The Co-operative Education designation requires successful completion of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required</b>		
COOP 1101	Introduction to Professional and Career Readiness	1
COOP 1150	Co-op Work Semester 1	9
COOP 2150	Co-op Work Semester 2	9
COOP 3150	Co-op Work Semester 3	9
<b>Optional</b>		
COOP 4150	Co-op Work Semester 4	

**Total Credits** **28**

Note: COOP courses must be completed in ascending numerical order. Contact the Co-op office for information about the possibility of part-time work terms. COOP courses may be used only to satisfy the Co-op

designation and cannot be used to satisfy other curricular requirements of the program.

### **Additional Requirements**

In addition to the requirements stated above, all Co-op students must satisfy the General Co-operative Education Requirements (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/academic-regulations/co-operative-education/>).

### **Credential Awarded**

Upon successful completion of the Co-operative Education Option in the major program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts (Honours) (Co-operative Education Option)**. Transcripts will indicate a **Major in Criminology**.