

B.S. in Criminal Justice to M.A. in Applied Criminology

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree explores broad concepts related to the field of criminal justice. Concentrations under this degree also allow students to focus study on:

- Criminology
- Cyber Forensics
- Forensic Science
- Homeland and International Security
- Law and Justice

Qualified undergraduate students in the criminal justice program and its concentrations may be eligible to participate in the accelerated B.S.-to-M.A. program, which enables them to take graduate courses that apply to both their bachelor's degree in criminal justice and (thereafter) an M.A. in Criminal Justice Studies: Applied Criminology.

The Applied Criminology concentration of the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice Studies presents advanced criminological theories and examines behavioral manifestations of violent offenders. It provides students with sophisticated techniques needed to apply an analytical framework to real-world situations.

Program Coordinator

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Curriculum

The following curriculum shows the requirements for completing the bachelor's degree under the accelerated B.S.-to-M.A. program. Additional graduate-level courses are required to complete the master's degree; refer to the graduate academic catalog for these requirements.

Course	Credits
General Education Courses	40 or 41
<i>Building a Sense of Community</i> UNI 100 First-Year Seminar	1
<i>Composition</i> ENG 101 English Composition I	3
<i>Public Speaking</i> Any Public Speaking Course	3
<i>Mathematics and Quantitative Literacy</i> Any Mathematics and Quantitative Literacy Course	3
<i>Health and Wellness</i> Any Health and Wellness Course	3
<i>Technological Literacy</i> Any Technological Literacy Course	3
<i>Humanities</i>	3

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Course	Credits
Any Humanities Course	
<i>Fine Arts</i> Any Fine Arts Course	3
<i>Natural Sciences</i> Any Natural Sciences Course	3 or 4
<i>Social Sciences</i> Any Social Science Course	3
<i>General Education Options</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any Ethics and Multicultural Awareness Emphasis Course • Any Technological Literacy Course • Any General Education Courses (two courses) 	12
Required Major Courses	33
JUS 101 Intro to Criminal Justice Studies	3
JUS 102 Intro to Law Enforcement	3
JUS 103 Correctional Systems	3
JUS 331 Juvenile Justice	3
JUS 361 Court Systems	3
JUS 375 Criminal Law	3
JUS 376 Criminal Procedure	3
JUS 466 Leadership and Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
JUS 495 Research Methods in Criminal Justice	3
JUS 496 Criminological Theory	3
JUS 499 Seminar in Criminal Justice Studies	3
Concentration Courses	0 to 12*
Undergraduate Concentration Courses (refer to bachelor's degree concentration curriculum requirements)	0 to 12
Related Electives	9 to 21*
Undergraduate Related Electives (refer to bachelor's degree concentration curriculum requirements)	0 to 21

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Course	Credits
Graduate CRM Courses**	0 to 12
Additional Electives	25 or 26
Student-Selected Undergraduate Electives	13 to 26
Graduate CRM Courses**	0 to 12
Total	120

Additional requirements, not counted toward the General Education requirements, include:

- **Special Experience Course (1 course required):** JUS 499 Seminar in Justice Studies
- **Writing-Intensive Component Courses (2 courses required):** Any two JUS approved Writing-Intensive Menu courses
- **Laboratory Course (1 course required):** Any Laboratory Course

* Varies by concentration; however, in each bachelor's degree option, "Concentration Courses" and "Related Electives" added together total 21 credits.

** The following graduate-level CRM courses, which are requirements of Cal U's Criminal Justice: Applied Criminology master's program, may be applied to "Related Electives" or "Additional Electives," regardless of bachelor's degree concentration:

- **CRM 710** Advanced Behavioral Crime Analysis Theory
- **CRM 810** Violent Crime Analysis
- **CRM 820** Ethics and Legal Aspects in Applied Criminology
- **CRM 830** Criminal Investigative Analysis

Program Notes: 42 credits (or 14 courses) of upper-division (300- or 400-level) courses are REQUIRED. The graduate credits may count toward criminal justice concentration requirements with approval of adviser.

Additional Requirements

Undergraduate students in the accelerated program may register for no more than 6 graduate credits in any one term, and in terms when a graduate course is registered, the student may not register for more than 18 total credits.

It is the student's responsibility to apply and meet the qualifications of the graduate program portion of the accelerated program. Failure to follow through with enrollment in the accelerated graduate program will result in additional undergraduate credits to complete the bachelor's degree, as outlined in the Undergraduate Credit for Graduate Courses policy.

Additional accelerated program requirements may be found at: https://www.calu.edu/inside/forms/_files/academic-affairs/accelerated-program-application.pdf

Program Webpages

- **Undergraduate:** <https://www.calu.edu/academics/undergraduate/bachelors/criminal-justice/index.aspx>
- **Graduate:** <https://www.calu.edu/academics/graduate/masters/applied-criminology/index.aspx>