

# **BA DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**



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Dear Prospective Major,

Thank you for requesting information about the Department of Political Science at California State University, Chico. We have an exciting curriculum, with numerous options to meet a host of academic interests, and a distinguished faculty, committed to excellence in teaching and in scholarship. Three of the University's recent Outstanding Teachers and two of its Outstanding Professors, as well as several Outstanding Advisers are from this department. Our faculty have authored more books than faculty in any other department! I hope you give serious consideration to one of our programs as your major.

We offer degree options in the areas listed below. Each has a specially trained adviser who can help make course planning efficient and productive. They can also provide career planning, indicating the rich opportunities for students from our programs.

Professor Mahalley Allen  
Professor Teodora DeLorenzo  
Professor Diana Dwyre  
Professor James Jacob  
Professor Ryan Patten  
Professor Jonathan Caudill  
Professor Diane Schmidt  
Professor Donna Kemp  
Professor Matthew Thomas

Legal Studies Coordinator  
Legal Studies Internship Coordinator  
Political Science Undergraduate & POLS Internship Coordinator  
International Relations Coordinator  
Criminal Justice Coordinator  
Criminal Justice Internship Coordinator  
Public Administration Coordinator  
Master of Public Administration (MPA) Coordinator  
MPA Internship Coordinator & MA Coordinator

Our majors are an excellent choice for a liberal arts education, with an emphasis on writing skills and analytical thinking. But there are many specific career options as well. Our graduates are members of Congress and the State Legislature; city and county managers; lawyers and judges; police and correctional officers; lobbyists and campaign consultants; diplomats and international business executives; teachers and college professors.

Students also have extensive opportunities for internships. The largest is our Community Legal Information Center, where approximately 200 students a semester in thirteen programs—Consumer Protection, Tenant's Rights, Environmental Protection, to name but a few—provide legal information to fellow students and members of the community. Students also have opportunities in local government and law enforcement agencies, at the State Capitol and in Washington, D.C. Many of our students take on significant responsibilities in political campaigns, including serving as delegates to our national political conventions.

Included in this handbook are the requirements for the specific program in which you have expressed interest, an indication of how you can achieve this degree in the next four years and a listing of our faculty. If you have any questions, we will be happy to assist you in any way possible. Again, we look forward to seeing you here next year and wish you the best in your studies.

Sincerely,

*Charles C. Turner*

Charles C. Turner, Chair

Department of Political Science

# Total Course Requirements for the BA Degree: 120 Units

See “Requirements for the Bachelor’s Degree” in the University Catalog for complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 40 units, including those required for the major, must be upper division.

A suggested Major Academic Plan (MAP) has been prepared to help students meet all graduation requirements within four years. Please request a plan from your major adviser or view it and other current advising information on the CSU Website.

Please see General Education, Cultural Diversity, and United States History, Constitution and American Ideals, and Literacy Requirements under the BA in Political Science.

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (55 UNITS)**

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this degree.

### **I. DEGREE CORE REQUIREMENTS:**

#### **21 UNITS REQUIRED**

**Units**

POLS 250	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3.0	FS
POLS 257	Juvenile Justice Process	3.0	FS
POLS 259A	Introduction to Criminal Law <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250.</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 352	Policing in America <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 353	Corrections <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 459D	Senior Capstone Seminar (need Coordinator’s permission)	3.0	FS
SOCI 384	Criminology	3.0	FA

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE ELECTIVES:**

#### **12 UNITS SELECTED FROM:**

POLS 259	Chico Police Service/Learning Practicum	3.0	SP
POLS 312	Issues in Criminal Justice	3.0	Inquire
ANTH 311	Survey of Forensic Science	3.0	FS
POLS 354	Community Corrections	3.0	SP
HCSV 370	Drugs in Our Society	3.0	Inquire
POLS 426	Women and the Law <i>This course is also offered as WMST 426.</i>	3.0	Inquire
POLS 459A	Criminal Procedure <i>Prerequisites: POLS 250 or faculty permission.</i>	3.0	SP
POLS 459B	Policy Issues in Criminal Justice <i>Prerequisites: POLS 250 or faculty permission.</i>	3.0	Inquire
POLS 460E	Police Administration	3.0	SP
POLS 465	Administration of Justice	3.0	SP
SOCI 484	Youth, Crime, and Delinquency <i>Prerequisite: SOCI 384 Recommended</i>	3.0	SP
SOCI 487	Sociology of Gangs	3.0	Inquire
POLS 489E	Internship in Criminal Justice ( <i>Permission of Instructor</i> ) <i>POLS 489K is an on-going course substitution</i>	3.0	FS

**RESEARCH METHODS:****4 UNITS REQUIRED**

POLS 331	Introduction to Political Inquiry	3.0	FS
POLS 331X	Computer Techniques	1.0	FS

*Dept. will automatically add this to your semester units when you sign up for POLS 331*

**ETHICAL QUESTIONS:****3 UNITS REQUIRED**

PHIL 332	Criminal Justice Ethics	3.0	FS
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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE & THE INDIVIDUAL:****3 UNITS SELECTED FROM:**

SOCI 380	Sociology of Deviant Behavior	3.0	FS
PSY 381	Abnormal Psychology	3.0	FS
PSY 391	Psychology of Prejudice, Hate, Violence	3.0	FS

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE & AMERICAN SOCIETY:****3 UNITS SELECTED FROM:**

SOCI 350	Ethnic and Race Relations	3.0	FS
SOCI 330	Sociology of Gender	3.0	FS
PSY 395	Social Psychology	3.0	FS
SOCI 486	The Sociology of Law	3.0	SP

**UNDERSTANDING CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUREAUCRACIES:****3 UNITS REQUIRED**

POLS 460A	Introduction to Public Administration	3.0	FS
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**THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF THE AMERICAN SYSTEM:****3 UNITS SELECTED FROM:**

POLS 431	American Political Thought	3.0	FS
POLS 432	Recent American Political Thought	3.0	Inquire
POLS 436	Liberal and Conservative Traditions	3.0	Inquire
POLS 437	Contemporary Political Thought	3.0	SP
POLS 438	Jurisprudence	3.0	FS

**COURTS AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:****3 UNITS SELECTED FROM:**

POLS 451A	Foundations of Constitutional Law	3.0	FA
POLS 451B	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	3.0	FS
POLS 453	Legal Process and Behavior	3.0	SP
POLS 464	Administrative Law	3.0	FA

# MINOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

## Course Requirements for the Minor: 18 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this minor.

### I. REQUIRED COURSES:

#### 9 UNITS REQUIRED:

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POLS 250	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3.0	FS
POLS 259A	Introduction to Criminal Law <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250</i>	3.0	FS
PHIL 332	Criminal Justice Ethics	3.0	FS

### II. ELECTIVE COURSES:

#### 9 UNITS SELECTED FROM:

ANTH 311	Survey of Forensic Science	3.0	FS
POLS 312	Issues in Criminal Justice	3.0	Inquire
POLS 257	Juvenile Justice	3.0	FS
POLS 259	Chico Police Service Learning Practicum	3.0	SP
POLS 352	Policing America <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 353	Corrections <i>Prerequisite: POLS 250</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 354	Community Corrections	3.0	SP
POLS 426	Women and the Law <i>This course also offered as WMST 426</i>	3.0	SP
POLS 451A	Foundations of American Constitutional Law	3.0	FA
POLS 451B	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties <i>This course also offered as MCGS 451B</i>	3.0	FS
POLS 459A	Criminal Procedure	3.0	FA
POLS 460E	Police Administration	3.0	Inquire
POLS 464	Administrative Law	3.0	FA
POLS 465	Administration of Justice	3.0	Inquire
POLS 489E	Internship in Criminal Justice <i>Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor</i>	3.0	FS
PSY 351	Socio-Cultural Context as Psychological Development	3.0	FS
SOCI 484	Youth, Crime, and Delinquency ( <i>Prerequisite: SOCI 384 recommended</i> )	3.0	FS

# Department of Political Science

## TENURED and TENURE-TRACK FACULTY

Mahalley Allen, 2005, Asst. Professor, Legal Studies Coord., Ph.D., Univ. of Kansas, J.D., Univ. of Missouri

Sharon A. Barrios, 1999, Professor, Department Vice Chair, Ph.D., Princeton University

Dane A. Cameron, 1981, Asst. Professor, J.D., Golden Gate University

Jonathan Caudill, 2010, Asst. Professor, CJ Internship Coordinator, Ph.D., University of Texas at Dallas

Michael Coyle, 2007, Asst. Professor, Ph.D., Arizona State University

Teodora C. DeLorenzo, 1982, Professor, Legal Studies Internship Coord., J.D., New College of California

Diana Dwyre, 1997, Professor, Political Science and POLS Internship Coord., Ph.D., Syracuse University

Alan Gibson, 2001, Professor, Ph.D., Notre Dame University

George Charles Grosscup III, 1988, Professor Emeritus, Ph.D., University of Massachusetts

James Jacob, 1995, Professor, International Relations Coordinator, Ph.D., Cornell University

Donna R. Kemp, 1985, Professor Emeritus, Master of Public Administration (MPA) Coordinator, Ph.D.,  
University of Idaho

Sally Parker, 2007, Asst. Professor, J.D., McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific

Ryan Patten, 2007, Asst. Professor, Criminal Justice Coordinator, Ph.D., Washington State Univ.

Sherrow Pinder, 2006, Assoc. Professor, Ph.D., New School for Social Research

Diane E. Schmidt, 1998, Professor, Public Admin. Undergrad Coordinator, Ph.D., Washington University

Robert H. Stanley, 1989, Professor, Ph.D., University of Virginia

Matthew O. Thomas, 2001, Professor, MPA Internship Coord. & MA Coord., Ph.D., Univ. of Maryland

Charles C. Turner, 2000, Professor, Department Chair, Ph.D., Claremont Graduate University

Paul R. Viotti, Jr., 2008, Asst. Professor, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Cruz

Lori Beth Way, 2000, Professor, Ph.D., Syracuse University

Lori Weber, 1999, Professor, Ph.D., University of Colorado, Boulder

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR STUDENT WORKSHEET**

Major consists of 55 units

**\*\*120 Total units are required to graduate\*\***

**Degree Requirements**

You must take all of these courses.

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
POLS 250	F/S	Intro. to CJ		
POLS 257	F/S	Juvenile Justice		
POLS 259A	F/S	Intro. to Criminal Law		
POLS 352	F/S	Policing		
POLS 353	F/S	Corrections		
POLS 459D	F/S	Senior Capstone		
SOCI 384	F/S	Criminology		
POLS 331	F/S	Intro. to Political Inquiry		
PHIL 332	F/S	C.J. Ethics		
POLS 460A	F/S	Intro. to Public Admin.		

*Criminal Justice Electives*

**12 Units Required**

Choose four courses from the following list.

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
POLS 259	SP	Chico Police Service Learning		
ANTH 311	F/S	Survey of Forensic Science		
POLS 354	Inquire	Community Corrections		
HCSV 370	F/S	Drugs in Our Society*		
SOCI 487	FA	Gangs		
POLS/MCGS 426	Inquire	Women and the Law		
POLS 459B	Inquire	Policy Issues in C.J.		
POLS 460E	SP	Police Administration		
POLS 465	SP	Administration of Justice		
SOCI 484	SP	Youth, Crime, and Delinquency		
POLS 489E	F/S	Internship in C.J.		
POLS 459A	SP	Criminal Procedure		

\* This course is in Theme B: Contemporary Health Issues

**Criminal Justice and the Individual  
3 units required**

Choose one from the following list.

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
<b>PSY 391</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Psych. of Prejudice, Hate*</b>		
<b>SOCI 380</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Sociology of Deviant Behavior**</b>		
<b>PSY 381</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Abnormal Psychology</b>		

\* This is both a GE Area D3 and Ethnic course

\*\* This is a GE Area D1 course

**Criminal Justice and American Society  
3 units required**

Choose one from the following list. \*\* See note at bottom of page \*\*

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
<b>SOCI/MCGS 350</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Ethnic and Race Relations *</b>		
<b>SOCI/MCGS 330</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Sociology of Gender</b>		
<b>PSY 395</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Social Psychology</b>		
<b>SOCI 486</b>	<b>Inquire</b>	<b>The Sociology of Law</b>		

\* This is a GE Area D3 and Ethnic course

**Theoretical Foundations of the American System  
3 units required**

Choose one from the following list.

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
<b>POLS 431</b>	<b>FA</b>	<b>American Political Thought</b>		
<b>POLS 432</b>	<b>Inquire</b>	<b>Recent American POLS Thought</b>		
<b>POLS 436</b>	<b>Inquire</b>	<b>Liberal/Conservative Tradition</b>		
<b>POLS 437</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Contemporary Political Thought</b>		
<b>POLS 438</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Jurisprudence</b>		

**Courts and the Criminal Justice System  
3 units required**

Choose one from the following list.

Course #	Offered	Class Name	Plan to Take	Completed
<b>POLS 451A</b>	<b>FA</b>	<b>Foundations of Constitutional Law</b>		
<b>POLS 451B</b>	<b>F/S</b>	<b>Civil Rights and Civil Liberties</b>		
<b>POLS 453</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Legal Process and Behavior</b>		
<b>POLS 464</b>	<b>FA</b>	<b>Administrative Law</b>		

\*\* If you take any of the following GE Themes, you can use one of those classes to fulfill the CJ & American Society Requirement. The Coordinator will automatically approve a course from one of these themes as a course substitution for that section requirement. Theme C: Cross-Cultural Exploration, Theme F: Gender Perspectives, Theme I: Mexico and Central America, Theme O: Women's Issues, Theme S: Wealth, Power, and Inequality

**Suggested Four-Year Plan Based on Catalogs – 2005-2007 & 2007-2009 University Catalog  
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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
**Major: BA in Criminal Justice** Contact Person **Professor Ryan Patten, Ph.D.**  
 Total Number of Units Required for Major: **55** Expected Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

First Semester		Second Semester		Comments
GE Area A2 (C- or better)	3	GE Area A	3	Refer to GE Planning Sheet. Consider taking a Course Link during your first semester.  *Consider taking UNIV 1C to meet GE Area E.
GE Area A	3	GE Area B3 (C- or better)	3	
GE Area D1*	3	GE Area C*	3	
GE Area E	3	HIST 130 or POLS 155	3	
GE Area B	3	Elective	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	

Third Semester		Fourth Semester		Comments
GE Area B	3	POLS 257	3	*Consider meeting the Ethnic and Non-western requirements with GE Courses.  **These classes can count both as GE and CJ Major requirements. SOCI 350 and PSY 351 are also GE Ethnic courses.
GE Area C*	3	GE Area C*	3	
GE Area D2*	3	GE Area D1, suggested PSY 351 or SOCI 380**	3	
POLS 155 or HIST 130	3	POLS 259A	3	
POLS 250	3	GE Area D3, suggested SOCI 350**	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	

Fifth Semester		Sixth Semester		Comments
POLS 331(WP)	3	GE UD Theme	3	**Check Class Schedule for Semester offered (POLS 451A, 451B, 453, 464).  *** If not already completed by GE.  Apply to graduate by early deadline
POLS 331X (1 unit)	1			
PHIL 332	3	POLS 352	3	
POLS 460A	3	POLS 353	3	
SOCI 384	3	Courts and the CJ System **	3	
Elective	3	CJ and Individual section ***	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	

Seventh Semester		Eighth Semester		Comments
GE UD Theme	3	GE UD Theme	3	Refer to GE Planning Sheet **Check class schedule for semester offered (POLS 431, 432, 436, 437, 438).  * If not already taken as GE.  120 units required for degree.
CJ & American Society section*	3	POLS 459D	3	
CJ Elective	3	CJ Elective	3	
Theoretical Foundations course**	3	CJ Elective	3	
Elective	3	Electives	2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	