



University
of Windsor



**CRIMINOLOGY
EXPERIENCE MAP**

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SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY

HIGHLIGHTS AND SKILLS

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Criminology

Do justice to your future career by studying criminology at UWindsor. Class sizes are small and there are lots of them to choose from, giving you the flexibility to tailor your degree to your interests. We also offer practicums with area police, in the courts, at the South West Detention Centre, and with other government and community agencies, leading to jobs for our graduates.



Sociology and Criminology

Get inside the criminal mind and see it through the lens of broader sociological trends. Customize your degree by selecting courses that match your interests. You'll love our small class sizes and the personal attention you'll get from our faculty.

MIN. AVG.* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS
ENG4U

FUNCTIONAL KNOWLEDGE

- Understanding legal structures and the organization of the criminal justice system from historical, sociological, and legal perspectives
- Appreciating the respective roles of various governmental, community, and social institutions with regard to regulation and policing
- Assessing the effectiveness of diverse methods of law enforcement/behaviour management as it pertains to the prevention and reduction of criminal behaviour
- Comprehending, interpreting, and assessing public policy and its impact on society
- Understanding how economic, cultural, and societal changes affect human behaviour, with particular reference to the causes of crime and criminal behaviours
- Understanding human social behaviour and the ways in which it influences policy development

 Honours  Combined Honours programs available * Minimum grade point average for admission to program. A higher average may be required.

BUILD YOUR SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Your UWindsor experience is more than attending classes. It is a combination of academics, co-curricular activities, and extracurricular involvement. By making the most of all three elements of your

university experience, you will maximize your opportunities to build your skills, broaden your personal network, and clarify your long term academic and career goals.



CURRICULUM

Courses of study specific to each program



CO-CURRICULAR

Activities and experiences that complement coursework (Outstanding Scholars, peer mentoring, VIP)



EXTRACURRICULAR

Activities falling outside the scope of set curriculum (Part-time job, clubs, volunteering, athletics)

CAREER PLANNING CYCLE

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation and beyond. It is a fluid, dynamic, and lifelong process. You can move on or return to an earlier stage in the cycle at any time.



EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES USING THIS CHART

Explore a selection of opportunities recommended for students in your program. This chart shows some of your many options – you don't have to do everything on it or limit yourself to it. Engage in opportunities from each of the three categories to set yourself up for success.

HIGH-IMPACT PRACTICE (HIP)

A HIP is an enriching educational experience that can be life-changing and often includes learning outside of the classroom while encouraging meaningful interaction and collaboration, such as:

- Co-op, internship or field experiences
- Research with faculty
- Culminating senior experience
- Capstone courses
- Service-learning
- Learning communities
- Study abroad

ACADEMICS

Your coursework



FIRST YEAR

- Take required courses including Foundations of Social Life and Effective Writing I and II
- Review degree course requirements
- Enrol in a variety of social science courses to determine your core interests
- Meet with an academic advisor
- Receive peer mentorship from members of the **Sociology and Criminology Student Association**

MIDDLE YEARS

- Take required courses and check in with your academic advisor to make sure you are on the right path
- Look into completing a research project in final year **HIP**
- Consider taking courses for **Public Administration** or **Law and Politics Certificate**
- Begin taking courses in accordance with an Anthropology minor or a minor in another discipline
- Seek out courses that offer field experience **HIP**
- Start taking courses required as pre-requisites for graduate/professional school
- Consider declaring a minor and/or specialization

FINAL YEAR

- Meet with an academic advisor to go over degree requirements
- Complete all required courses for your degree
- Apply to graduate through **UWinsite Student Portal**
- Work with a faculty member on a research project or publication **HIP**
- Take the final year **Criminology Professional Development and Practicum** course **HIP**
- Complete required courses for **Public Administration** or **Law and Politics Certificate**

EXPERIENCE

Ways to get involved



- Explore available Criminology and Sociology research assistant opportunities, and future potential internships or field placements **HIP**
- Volunteer with local government, non-profit or a social justice community organization
- Investigate research opportunities as part of the **Outstanding Scholars** program **HIP**
- Research student exchange opportunities for middle years **HIP**
- Join clubs such as the **Sociology and Criminology Student Association**, **UWSA**, or **Pre-Law Society**
- Participate in the **Bystander Initiative** workshop to gain skills that will help you be an effective and supportive ally to prevent sexual assault on campus

- Join a professional association in your field such as the **Canadian Criminal Justice Association** or **Canadian Anthropology Association**
- Join the **Debate Team** to compete locally and internationally
- Participate in **UWill Discover** undergraduate research conference **HIP**
- Volunteer with a community organization such as **Hiatus House** or **Children's Aid Society**
- Apply for student exchange program **HIP**
- Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position
- Look for a leadership role in a club or society
- Apply for a co-curricular experience such as **VIP - Community Service Learning**

- Become a teaching assistant or research assistant with a faculty member **HIP**
- Run for a **UWSA** executive position
- Conduct field research with faculty member **HIP**
- Become a tutor for **Students Offering Support (SOS)** **HIP**
- Join the **UWindsor Model NATO** or **Model United Nations**

CAREER

Plan ahead for what's next



- Create a list of things that you enjoy, areas in which you excel, and your skills
- Meet with a career advisor in **Career Development and Experiential Learning (CDEL)** for help developing a plan for your future years
- Consider a career assessment appointment to help you identify possible career paths
- Get involved with a part-time job, volunteer opportunity, campus group, or research assistantship
- Attend **CDEL** workshops to learn how to find a summer or part-time job and write a university-level resumé
- Drop in to meet with one of **CDEL's** peer advisors to get answers to your career and job search questions

- Research career fields and occupations with the help of a **CDEL** career advisor
- Explore opportunities and meet potential employers by participating in industry networking events
- Explore further educational opportunities by attending the **Graduate and Professional Schools Fair** and researching admission requirements for programs you are interested in
- Create a **LinkedIn** profile and have it critiqued
- Take part in informational interviews and join online communities like **LinkedIn** and **Ten Thousand Coffees** to connect with people in your targeted profession or industry
- Search job postings to learn what skills, knowledge, and credentials you will need for potential careers
- Attend the annual job fair in January

- If you are considering applying to graduate or professional school, be aware of early application deadlines
- Meet with **CDEL** to prepare application documents like a resumé, cover letter, CV, or personal statement for jobs and education programs you are applying to
- Attend **CDEL's workshops** on interview skills and job search strategies.
- Use **InterviewStream** to practice your interview skills online
- Set up an in-person mock interview with a career advisor for professional school or job applications
- Meet employers at the annual job fair in January
- Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**

LIFE AFTER GRADUATION



Studying Criminology at UWindsor was fascinating and exciting because it offered many hands-on opportunities beyond the classroom. During my third year, I was President of the Criminology Association, a student run organization. It gave me such a great experience of study, teamwork, and friendship that I carry with me as a student at Windsor Law today.”

Kristen Jeavons - BA (Honours) in Criminology [2017]

108 **NUMBER OF GRADUATES (2018)**

93% **EMPLOYMENT RATE OF GRADUATES**

*2 years following degree completion
(OUGS Social Sciences, 2017)*

CAREER TRACKS*

Border services
Business advisor
Case worker
Child and youth worker
Consultant
Correctional officer
Court monitor

Crime analyst
Detective
Development analyst
Immigration officer
Investigator
Journalist
Lawyer

Legal consultant
Mediator
Paralegal
Pathology technician
Law enforcement officer
Policy analyst
Probation officer

Professor
Project manager
Public relations
Research co-ordinator
Security manager
Social worker
Teacher

** Additional education and/or training required for some of the above careers.*



COMMON SECTORS FOR GRADUATES

- **Academia**
- **Business:** research and analysis, human resources, project management
- **Corrections**
- **Education and counselling**
- **Government services**
- **Immigration and community integration**
- **Law and law enforcement**
- **Police services**
- **Security agencies (public and private)**
- **Social research agencies**
- **Social service and community agencies**

CAREER-READINESS COMPETENCIES



**CRITICAL THINKING
AND PROBLEM
SOLVING**



**PROFESSIONALISM
AND WORK ETHIC**



**TEAMWORK AND
COLLABORATION**



COMMUNICATION



CAMPUS RESOURCES

- Research scholarships and bursaries through the **Student Awards and Financial Aid Office**
- Visit **Leddy Library** and the **Writing Support Desk** for help with academic assignments
- Learn about our **Bounce Back** program designed to support students struggling to find both personal and academic success in their post-secondary experience
- Build leadership skills and find leadership opportunities at the **Leadership Hub**
- Experience international service learning on an **Alternative Spring Break** team
- Get advice and support about your academic status by making an appointment with **Academic Advising**
- Seek out assistance with academic accommodation from **Student Accessibility Services**
- Discover ways to get involved on campus through the **Student Success and Leadership Centre**
- Look into the **Ignite: Work Study** program for on-campus employment opportunities
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from **Career Development and Experiential Learning**
- Consult with the **EPICentre** if you are interested in starting your own business
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the **International Student Centre** and **Student Exchange Office**
- Find support for Indigenous learners and broaden your understanding of Indigenous culture by visiting **Turtle Island**
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from **Student Health Services** and **Lancer Recreation**
- Receive confidential mental health counselling delivered by trained professionals at the **Student Counselling Centre**
- Seek personal support or learn more about sexual violence education through the **Sexual Misconduct Response and Prevention Office**
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**

We've got you covered!

GET IN TOUCH

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