

# PSYCHOLOGY OF CRIME AND JUSTICE MINOR

The interdisciplinary minor allows students to focus on the classes that are most relevant to the field of psychology and law. The constellation of classes will deepen and complement their chosen professional practice with justice-involved persons or with legal and/or mental health systems or their advanced graduate or professional degrees.

## Curriculum

The minor requires the completion of 18 credit hours.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
PSYC 372	Psychology & Law	3
CJC 345	Social Justice and Crime	3
or CJC 346	Mental Illness and Crime	
<b>Elective Courses</b>		
The nature and number of required compared to elective courses vary by your major field of study. Students majoring in Psychology, Criminal Justice and Criminology, and all other majors have slightly different requirements to allow a broader exploration of knowledge outside of their major and to balance depend upon your major. See the subsection for specific majors.		
<b>Internship, Research Project, or Honors Thesis</b>		
Select one of the following:		
<i>Internship</i>		
CJC 390	Capstone Experience Internship	
PSYC 390	Internship in Psychology	
<i>Supervised Research Project</i>		
PSYC 397	Independent Research (senior psychology major; requires department and instructor permission)	
CJC 396	Independent Study	
<i>Honors Thesis</i>		
PSYC 370	Psychology Honors Research (requires admission to PSYC Honors program)	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

**All students** must complete two required 300-level:

- PSYC 372 Psychology & Law
- Choose either: CJC 345 Social Justice and Crime or CJC 346 Mental Illness and Crime

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We strongly recommend that psychology and criminal justice and criminology majors completing the minor do an internship, field work or research project focused on the psychology of crime and justice by participating in one of the capstone experiences which include a practicum experience:

- CJC 390 Capstone Experience Internship
- PSYC 390 Internship in Psychology (prerequisites: PSYC 304 Statistics and PSYC 306 Research Methods in Psychology)

Or, a supervised research project:

- PSYC 397 Independent Research (prerequisites: PSYC 306 Research Methods in Psychology; senior psychology major; department and instructor permission)
- CJC 396 Independent Study

Or, an honors thesis:

- PSYC 370 Psychology Honors Research (requires admission to PSYC Honors program & PSYC 369 Psychology Honors Readings as a prerequisite)

These courses will count toward the psychology or criminal justice and criminology major, but not the minor in the psychology of crime and justice.