ABOUT THE MAJOR
The Criminology Program is committed to providing quality instruction to students on subjects that fall within the scope of the discipline, conducting research that contributes to the body of knowledge in criminology and criminal justice, and engaging in service grounded in the practical application of our knowledge and skills. Its faculty represents broad and varied backgrounds in working within the criminal justice system and human services, as well as conducting research on a wide range of criminal justice issues. We seek opportunities to involve students in a range of professional activities to facilitate their entry into the job market or post-graduate studies.

ABOUT THIS MAP
This program map is intended ONLY as a guide for students to plan their course of study. It does NOT replace any information in the Undergraduate Catalog, which is the official guide for completing degree requirements. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?
• Civil Service Administrator
• Community Development Worker
• Crime Scene Investigator
• Detective
• Police Officer
• Prison Officer
• Probation Officer
• Social Researcher
• Social Worker
• Youth Worker

ADD A CERTIFICATE
• Data Science
• Forensic Sciences
• Human Rights Advocacy
• Juvenile Justice & Rehabilitation
• Prisoner Reentry & Community Corrections
• Social Services

HONORS COLLEGE
Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!

Visit westga.edu/program-maps for the latest version of this major map.

Visit WolfWatch for more information.

Have a question? Check in with your advisor!
YEAR 1  

TERM 1: FALL

C1: ENGL 1101  
English Composition I  
3 CREDIT HOURS

S1 OR P1  
World or US History  
3 CREDIT HOURS

I2: XIDS 2002  
Recommended First-Year Seminar  
2 CREDIT HOURS

F: CRIM 1100  
Intro to Criminal Justice  
3 CREDIT HOURS

T1: SCIENCE + LAB  
4 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 1: FALL

P2: POLS 1101  
American Government  
3 CREDIT HOURS

F: CRIM 2272  
Intro to Law Enforcement  
3 CREDIT HOURS

F: CRIM 2273 OR 2274  
Criminal Procedure or American Criminal Courts  
3 CREDIT HOURS

T2: NON-LAB SCIENCE

A: HUMANITIES  
3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONE:  
• EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

• Make sure to take CRIM 1100 and 2000 before in  
your first couple of semesters. These are your only  
prerequisites!

• Make sure to take your English and Math courses  
right away.

FIND YOUR PLACE

• Get involved with the student government.
• Check out UWG’s Academic Transition Programs.
• Attend Constitution Day at UWG.
• Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research.
• Explore all the other events, clubs, and  
organizations available to you.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

• Visit the IMC Wellness Hub to find all the resources  
available to you!
• Visit Health Services.
• Get fit! Visit URec to see all your options.
• Visit the Center for Economic Education and  
Financial Literacy.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

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available to you!
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TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

• Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and  
majors are right for you.
• Visit Office of Career and Graduate School  
Connections.
• Create your profile on Handshake.
• Consider applying for an on-campus job.

PAVE YOUR PATH

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS  
= 30 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 2: SPRING

C2: ENGL 1102  
English Composition II  
3 CREDIT HOURS

M: MATH 1401  
Elementary Statistics  
3 CREDIT HOURS

S1 OR P1  
World or US History  
3 CREDIT HOURS

F: CRIM 2000  
Survey of Criminality  
3 CREDIT HOURS

I1: ORAL COMMUNICATIONS  
3 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 2: SPRING

F: CRIM 2275 OR 2245  
Introduction to Corrections or Juvenile Delinquency  
3 CREDIT HOURS

F: CRIM 2276  
Deluxe Crime and Justice  
3 CREDIT HOURS

T3: STEM COURSE

A: HUMANITIES

S2: SOCIAL SCIENCE

MILESTONE:  
• EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

• Don’t put off those science courses!
• Take one of your upper-division major courses  
each semester (Theory, Research Methods, and  
Statistics) to avoid getting overwhelmed.
• Make sure to mix these in with your other  
coursework so that you’re developing the skills  
you need when you need them and not  
overwhelming yourself in a single semester.

FIND YOUR PLACE

• Thinking about law school? Check out the pre-law  
society.
• Join the Alpha Phi Sigma Criminology Honors  
Society.
• Join the Criminology Student Association.
• Attend UWG Scholars’ Day.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

• In a student organization? Suggest you all complete  
an implicit bias workshop.
• Consider a study abroad program. Check out  
students’ stories of their experiences.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

• Complete an internship in your field.
• Consider a summer or part-time job.
• Ask your department about networking  
opportunities with alumni.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

• Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an  
imtramural team.
• Consider whether counseling is right for you: take a  
mental health screening.
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PAVE YOUR PATH

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= 30 CREDIT HOURS
TERM 3

CRIM 3240
Criminological Theory
3 CREDIT HOURS

LEGAL STUDIES COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

GLOBAL & DIVERSITY COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

SUPPORTING COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

GENERAL ELECTIVE
3 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 1: FALL

- MILESTONES:
  • COMPLETE CRIM 3240 WITH C OR BETTER
  • CONTACT THE INTERNSHIP COORDINATOR IF YOU WANT TO COMPLETE AN INTERNSHIP AS A SUPPORTING COURSE

TERM 2: SPRING

CRIM 4000
Research Methodology
3 CREDIT HOURS

POLICE & SOCIETY COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

CORRECTIONS & SOCIAL SERVICES COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

LEGAL STUDIES COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

SUPPORTING COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 4

CRIM 4284
Senior Capstone
3 CREDIT HOURS

GLOBAL & DIVERSITY COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

POLICE & SOCIETY COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

SUPPORTING COURSE (See Below)
3 CREDIT HOURS

GENERAL ELECTIVE
3 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 1: FALL

- MILESTONES:
  • COMPLETE CRIM 4000 WITH C OR BETTER
  • APPLY FOR GRADUATION

TERM 2: SPRING

- MILESTONES:
  • Consider running for office in student government.
  • Hone your leadership skills by mentoring new Criminology students.
  • Ask about research opportunities with your favorite Criminology professor.

TERM 4

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS

TERM 3

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS