



SCHOOL OF CRIMINOLOGY &
CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice)

Applications for fall 2012 opened October 1st, 2011



Entrance requirements

Option 1: High school (for students with high school graduation only)

- B.C. secondary school graduation or equivalent.
- A minimum C+ average in the following: English 12 and two other Grade 12 courses that offer a provincial exam (mandatory or optional).
- Prerequisite to or completion of CMNS 125, CMNS 155, or ENGL 105. Acceptance will be conditional upon proof of having met this entrance requirement. Applicants are encouraged to submit proof as soon as it is available and prior to registering.

Option 2: University entrance (for students who have attended some post-secondary school)

- Prerequisite to or completion of CMNS 125, CMNS 155, or ENGL 105. Acceptance will be conditional upon proof of having met this entrance requirement. Applicants are encouraged to submit proof as soon as it is available and prior to registering.

And one of the following:

Applicants must have, by the end of the fall semester in the application period,

- Completion of a minimum of 9 university-level credits with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on all credits attempted; or
- Completion of a minimum of 30 university-level credits that may be applied to the Criminal Justice program with a program GPA of 2.5 or better on all credits attempted.

Students who do not meet these requirements might consider the Criminal Justice Studies program path while achieving prerequisites.

Additional documents required for a complete application:

- A 300- to 500- word statement articulating your personal strengths and weaknesses and interest in criminal justice and complete names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three people (non-relatives) who will be willing to provide a comprehensive personal reference.
- Official transcripts (or interim transcripts) from every post-secondary institution you have attended showing grade/course achievement as per entrance requirements. To be considered official, transcripts must be sent directly to UFV from the originating institution; see the Transfer Credit section for details.
- You must attend the orientation or make special arrangements with the program head to be eligible for admission to the program.

Program requirements

Upon acceptance to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) program students will be required to complete a criminal record check.

In accordance with the B.C. Government's Criminal Record Review Act, the University of the Fraser Valley requires all School of Criminology and Criminal Justice students to complete a criminal record check through the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. For clarification and more details, please visit the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General website.

To maintain their status as a program student, individuals with more than 15 credits must maintain a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.0. Further, to maintain status as a degree program student, individuals registering for upper-level criminology/criminal justice courses must possess a CGPA of at least 2.5.

Practicum regulations

Acceptance into the BA (Criminal Justice) degree program does not guarantee practicum placement. The ability to pass a criminal record check is a prerequisite for placements.

The Career Development Coordinator will work collaboratively with each student to identify practicum sites that respond to individual learning interests and that provide criminal justice learning opportunities. Practicums are offered throughout the region of the Fraser Valley and Metro Vancouver, although other placement sites may be considered. Students are responsible for transportation to and from practicum sites. Students are responsible for maintaining suitable personal appearance.

Students must complete CRIM 281 for the diploma, and CRIM 281 and CRIM 480 for the degree. Students must complete 200 hours of practicum work in each of CRIM 281 and CRIM 480.

The BA (Criminal Justice) degree program must approve any agency or institution that provides placements for student practicums, and reserves the right to change any placement assigned to a student. The student has the right to be informed in writing of the reasons for any change in placement. While the program accepts the responsibility to provide a sufficient number of practicum opportunities to serve the needs of all registered students, a student may be required to withdraw from a practicum course if none of the available practicum agencies will accept that particular student.

Recent changes to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) Effective fall 2012

- Entrance GPA raised from 2.2 to 2.5 or higher for students with 30 plus credits that may be applied to the program.



Recent changes to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) Effective fall 2012

- **CRIM 101 Intro to Corrections is now CRIM 252
Corrections in Canada**

***Students who have taken CRIM 101 cannot take CRIM 252
for further credit***

Recent changes to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) Effective fall 2012

- CRIM 151 Intro to Law Enforcement is now CRIM 251 Law Enforcement in Canada

Students who have taken CRIM 151 cannot take CRIM 251 for further credit

Recent changes to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) Effective fall 2012

- Students now have the option to take CRIM 240 or CRIM 251 or CRIM 252

CRIM 251 and 252 are still acceptable CRIM electives

Course	Title	Credits
CRIM 240	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems	3
or CRIM 251	Law Enforcement in Canada	
or CRIM 252	Corrections in Canada	
CRIM 265	Problem Management Skills for Criminal Justice Interventions (see Note)	3
Elective	CRIM	3
Elective	Arts (UFV) 200-level or higher (non-criminology)	3
CMNS 251	Professional Report Writing	3
or ENGL 120–170	or higher	

Recent changes to the Bachelor of Arts (Criminal Justice) Effective fall 2012



Adjustments to our upper level programming were recently approved. CRIM 420 Research Project will no longer be in the program plan. In its place we are excited to offer two new courses:

CRIM 321 Qualitative Research Methods

Pre-requisites:

Acceptance into a degree program, minimum of 45 university credits and nine credits of lower-level Criminology, including Crim 220

Calendar Description:

This course is designed to more fully introduce criminology and criminal justice students to the theoretical foundations of applied social research in criminology and criminal justice. Various qualitative research methods and techniques, including content analysis, case studies, ethnographic interviewing, observation, and indigenous research methods will be introduced and applied in designing and conducting a qualitative research project. The ethics of qualitative research will be also discussed. Students will gain practical experience in working with qualitative data, including the use of qualitative analysis software.

CRIM 435 Innovations in Canadian Public Safety

Pre-requisites:

Acceptance into a degree program (with a minimum of 45 university-transferable credits) and nine credits of lower-level CRIM including CRIM 100 and CRIM 103

Calendar Description:

This course identifies and discusses innovative strategies to deal with criminal justice and social issues in Canada. In this course, students will: identify areas of crime, social disorder, or community stress where current criminal justice strategies appear to be inefficient, ineffective, or socially unresponsive; identify trends in Canadian criminal justice and public safety requiring innovative approaches, such as globalization and an aging victim population; and examine alternatives to the traditional criminal justice system approach to crime or social disorder, including decriminalization and legalization, regulatory and civil law remedies, health and education system responses to underlying problems, intelligence-led policing strategies and crime reduction, technology, and alternative sentencing strategies.

***Both courses will be offered in the fall only.** Please see the next slide for the new design of the program plan. CRIM 320 will still be offered in the winter semester, but is not required for the new courses, allowing those who may be out of sequence more possibility to stay on track. Students in CRIM 320 for the winter 2012 semester will take CRIM 321 and 435 in the fall 2012 semester if they plan to graduate for June 2013.

Students wanting a Criminal Justice diploma must also complete CRIM 201, and one of CRIM 202 or CRIM 203. CRIM 201 and CRIM 202 cannot be taken concurrently.

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS

Semester I

CRIM 100	Introduction to Criminology	3
CRIM 103	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRIM 129	Academic and Professional Development	3
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 101	Introductory Sociology	3

Semester II

CRIM 104	Sociological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour	3
CRIM 105	Psychological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour	3
Elective	General any 100/200-level non-criminology course	3
Elective	CRIM	3
CMNS 125	Introduction to Workplace Communication	3
or CMNS 155	Introduction to Workplace and Academic Communication	
or ENGL 105	The Reading and Writing of Prose	

Semester III

CRIM 240	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems	3
or CRIM 251	Law Enforcement in Canada	
or CRIM 252	Corrections in Canada	
CRIM 265	Problem Management Skills for Criminal Justice	3
Elective	CRIM	3
Elective	Arts (UFV) 200-level or higher (non-criminology)	3
CMNS 251	Professional Report Writing	3
or ENGL 120 - 170 or higher		

Semester IV

CRIM 220	Research Methods in Criminology	3
CRIM 230	Criminal Law	3
CRIM 281	Field Work Practicum	6
POSC 110	Canadian Politics	3
Total		60



UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS

Note: Students must have a minimum program GPA of 2.0 or higher to continue into upper level

Semester V

CRIM 310	Advanced Theoretical Perspectives	3
CRIM 321	Qualitative Research Methods	4
CRIM 330	Criminal Procedure and Evidence	3
MATH 104	Introductory Statistics	4
Elective Arts:	Any one of art history, history, languages, visual arts, film, philosophy 100 or higher, theatre, or ENGL 120-170	3

Semester VI

CRIM 311	Multiculturalism, Conflict, and Social Justice	3
CRIM 320	Research Techniques	4
CRIM 335	Human Rights and Civil Liberties	3
Elective	Any 300/400 non-criminology course	3
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Semester VII

CRIM 435	Innovations to Current and Future Issues in Canadian Public Safety	3
Elective	One of CRIM 410 – 419	3
BUS 203	Organizational Behaviour	3
Elective	General: Any university-level course	3
Elective Science:	Any biology, chemistry, physics, 100 – level or higher, or GEOG 101 or 102	4
Note: The prerequisites for BUS 203 (BUS 100 or 102) will be waived for Criminal Justice degree reserved seats.		

Semester VIII

CRIM 450	Social Policy Analysis	3
CRIM 480	Field Work Practicum	6
Elective	Any 300/400 non-criminology course	3
Elective	Any one of CRIM 410 – 419	3
Total		64
Plus lower-level credits		60
Total program credits		124

Important dates – Winter 2012

Winter 2012: Important Dates

Semester Dates

January 9	Classes begin.
Apr-16	Classes end.
February 13-18	Mid Term break
Apr-17	Reading break
April 18-28	Examination period (includes Saturdays).

Registration Dates

Nov-07	Registration times available through myUFV.
Nov-16	Registration begins.
until December 15, 4 pm	Students who register and do not meet the prerequisites will be sent an email with a deadline date to resolve the prerequisite or be dropped from the course or waitlist. More info...
after December 15, 4 pm	Students cannot register or waitlist for courses without meeting the prerequisites or having a waiver entered for the course.
December 16, 9 am	Students will be dropped from courses where prerequisites are not met.
Dec-19	Deadline for courses to be cancelled by UFV, under normal circumstances.
Jan-08	Last day to register online for courses using myUFV.
January 9–February 8	Instructor's permission required to register in a course.
January 11, noon	Deadline to login to online courses. More info...
Jan-25	Late registration fee of \$20 per course in effect. Full fees must be paid before adding a course.
Feb-08	Last day audit registrations permitted.
Feb-08	Last day to add a course without department head's permission.*

Withdrawal Dates

Dec-15	Last day to drop courses without financial penalty (100% refund). †
December 16–January 6	A penalty of 5% of the total tuition fee will be charged for any dropped courses or sections. †
January 7–24	A penalty of 10% of the total tuition fee will be charged for any dropped courses or sections. †*
Jan-24	Fee payment deadline. Penalties apply if fees not paid in full.
Jan-24	Last day to withdraw from a course and receive a refund or fee reduction. †
January 25–March 23	No refunds or fee reductions are given for withdrawals; full fees will be charged. Withdrawals can be done through myUFV or in-person.*
Feb-17	Last day to withdraw without a <i>W</i> appearing on transcript.*
February 18–March 23	Withdrawals possible. A <i>W</i> grade will be recorded on transcript.*
Mar-23	Final day to withdraw from a course.*
UFV Closures	
December 26-January 2	Christmas/New Year's holidays
April 6-9	Easter

† Does not apply to international students.

* For courses that are not scheduled according to regular session schedules, see Fee Reductions and Withdrawal Deadlines.

