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SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE OF CRIMINOLOGY GRADUATES

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Criminology

Criminology examines criminal activity, legal issues, policing, regulation, the criminal justice system, and security as major factors in society. In our program—the most established in Ontario—you'll learn how crimes and illegalities are defined, the enforcement and administration of laws, punishments and sanctions, and issues of law, morality and justice. A strong foundation for such careers as police services, corrections, border services and social service agencies.

Sociology and Criminology

This new program provides the breadth of sociological thinking and approaches to help you connect personal experiences with broader social relations, organization and interaction in our contemporary world, to understand the social world in greater depth and challenge common sense assumptions.

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 effect 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

CURRICULUM

Courses of study specific to each program



CO-CURRICULAR

Activities and experiences that complement coursework

(Outstanding Scholars, STEPS workshops, peer mentoring, VIP)

EXTRACURRICULAR

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

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.

CAREER PLANNING GUIDE

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation. It is a fluid, dynamic, and continuous process, meaning you can move on or return to an earlier stage at any time. You can even work through simultaneous cycles, like one for your long-term dream job and another for a summer job.



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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide is meant to help you explore various opportunities throughout the course of your UWindsor experience. It is intended to help you link academics, co-curricular, extra-curricular and career planning activities by suggesting some of the options available to you. This is to help you see what you can do, rather than what you are required to do!

First Year

Academics



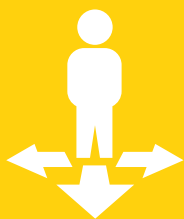
- Take required courses including Foundations of Social Life and Effective Writing I and II
- Review degree course requirements
- Enrol in a variety of social science courses to determine your core interests
- Meet with an academic advisor
- Receive peer mentorship from members of the Sociology and Criminology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

Experience



- Explore available Criminology and Sociology research assistant opportunities, and future potential internships or field placements*
- Apply for a co-curricular experience such as the Volunteer Internship Program (VIP)*
- Volunteer with local government, non-profit or social justice community organization
- Investigate research opportunities as part of the Outstanding Scholars program*
- Research student exchange opportunities for middle years*
- Join such club as the Sociology and Criminology Student Association, UWSA, or Pre-Law Society

Career



- Create a list of things that you enjoy, areas in which you excel, and skills you have
- Meet with Career & Employment Services (CES) to develop a plan for your future years
- Consider taking an interest assessment to help you identify possible career paths
- Attend a CES workshop to learn how to find a summer or part-time job
- Become familiar with the mySuccess online job search tool
- Attend a CES resumé and cover letter workshop to get your resumé critiqued

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★
- Consider taking courses in accordance with Certificate in Public Administration or Law and Politics
- Begin taking courses in accordance with an Anthropology minor or a minor in another discipline
- Seek out internships and courses that offer field experience★
- Start taking courses required as pre-requisites for graduate/professional school
- Consider declaring a minor and/or specialization

- 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★
- Volunteer with a community organization such as Hiatus House or Children's Aid Society
- Apply for student exchange program★
- Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position
- Look for a leadership role in a club or society

- Research career fields and occupations of interest to you
- Explore opportunities and meet employers through a job fair or employer information session
- Attend the Graduate and Professional Schools Fair to explore further educational opportunities
- Analyze the requirements for graduate or professional schools of interest
- Make an appointment with Career & Employment Services to explore career options
- Create a LinkedIn profile and have it critiqued
- Take part in informational interviews through sources such as Ten Thousand Coffees

Final Year

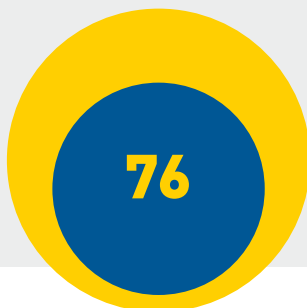
- Meet with faculty and academic advisor to go over degree requirements
- Complete all required courses in order to fulfill your degree audit
- Apply to graduate through MyUWindsor Portal
- Work with a faculty member on a research project or publication★
- Take the final year Criminology Professional Development and Practicum course★
- Complete required courses for Public Administration or Law and Politics Certificate
- Take a field work, capstone, or practicum course to culminate your senior experience★

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

- Consider applying to graduate or professional school and be aware of early application deadlines
- Meet with Career & Employment Services to prepare application documents such as a resumé, CV or personal statement
- Attend an Interview Skills Workshop and Job Search Tips Workshop
- Set up a mock interview for professional school or job applications
- Meet employers at the annual job fair in January
- Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience

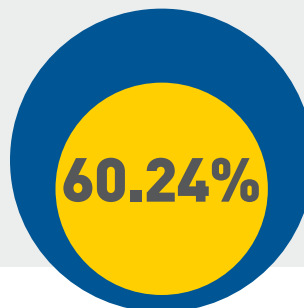
LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

2016



Number of University of Windsor graduates from Criminology in 2016.

2013



Percentage of Canadian university social and behavioural sciences graduates who continued their studies post-bachelor degree. [National Graduates Study 2013]



COMMON INDUSTRIES FOR CRIMINOLOGY 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 TRACKS*

Border services	Crime analyst	Legal consultant	Professor
Business advisor	Detective	Mediator	Project manager
Case worker	Development analyst	Paralegal	Public relations
Child and youth worker	Immigration officer	Pathology technician	Research co-ordinator
Consultant	Investigator	Law enforcement officer	Security manager
Correctional officer	Journalist	Policy analyst	Social worker
Court monitor	Lawyer	Probation officer	Teacher

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

CAREER-READINESS COMPETENCIES



Critical Thinking and Problem Solving: Using strategic and creative thinking to make decisions and evaluate solutions

- Recognizing and incorporating potential solutions or applications to given problems
- Thinking creatively to solve problems by identifying and considering all sides of an issue
- Approaching diverse topics and problems from different perspectives to analyze problems multi-dimensionally information and/or unexpected circumstances



Professionalism and Work Ethic: Demonstrating personal management practices and a high level of integrity and ethical behaviour

- Setting priorities, meeting deadlines, and managing time, data, and resources
- Overseeing contributions to a project; determining outcomes, planning details, delegating and completing tasks
- Concentrating on relevant resources when presented with multiple sources of information



Teamwork and Collaboration: Working as a productive member of a group and collaborating with others to achieve set goals

- Understanding how to successfully identify, plan, and contribute to the goals of a project
- Leading and interacting with diverse people with different approaches and backgrounds
- Identifying your role on a team and contributing to its success in a leadership, decision-making capacity



Communication: Appropriate and effective articulation of ideas and information to a range of audiences

- Debating, persuading, mediating, and presenting thoughts
- Developing attractive, substantial reports and resources using best available technology
- Preparing informative and creative presentations to engage diverse audiences



CAMPUS RESOURCES

- Visit **Leddy Library** and the **Writing Support Desk** on the main floor for help with academic assignments
- Improve study skills through the **Skills To Enhance Personal Success (STEPS)** program
- Discover ways to get involved on campus through the **Student Success and Leadership Centre**
- Explore mentorship opportunities through the **Connecting4Success (C4S)** and **Bounce Back** programs
- Apply to the **Volunteer Internship Program (VIP)** to get involved in the community
- Look into the **Work Study** program for on-campus employment opportunities
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the **International Student Centre** and **Student Exchange Office**
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from **Career & Employment Services**
- Consult with the **EPICentre** if you are interested in starting your own business
- Seek out assistance with academic accommodation from **Student Accessibility Services**
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from **Student Health Services, Lancer Recreation** and the **Student Counselling Centre**

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