

Criminology, Law and Society, B.A.

The major in Criminology, Law and Society is designed to provide students with an overview of the American legal system and in-depth focus on the regulation of behavior, the problem of crime, and responses to crime within this system. Students explore these topics through multiple disciplinary perspectives, including anthropological, economic, historical, political, and sociological approaches to the study of law, behavior, and institutions of social control. In addition to learning to apply social science techniques to analyzing social problems, students in this course of study will be especially well-prepared for careers in criminal justice and regulatory agencies, public policy organizations, and direct service provision to people involved with the legal system as well as for pursuing graduate studies in law, sociology, criminology, and criminal justice.

Undergraduate Program

Requirements for the B.A. in Criminology, Law and Society

All students must meet the University Requirements (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforadmittedstudents/requirementsforabachelorsdegree/>).

All students must meet the School Requirements (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/schoolofsocialecology/#schoolrequirementstext>).

Departmental Requirements

Eleven courses (44 units) as specified below:

A. Complete one lower-division gateway course:

CRM/LAW C10	Fundamentals of Criminology, Law and Society
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B. Select one course from each of the following four groups:

(1) The Legal System, Law and Society

CRM/LAW C101	American Law
CRM/LAW C102	Introduction to the Comparative Study of Legal Cultures
CRM/LAW C103	US Legal Thought
CRM/LAW C104	Sociology of Law
CRM/LAW C105	Psychology and the Law
CRM/LAW C122	Constitutional Law
CRM/LAW C123	Family Law

(2) Crime and Criminology

CRM/LAW C106	Crime and Public Policy
CRM/LAW C107	Deviance
CRM/LAW C108	Criminological Theory
CRM/LAW C109	Juvenile Delinquency
CRM/LAW C110	Community Context of Crime
CRM/LAW C134	Victimless Crimes

(3) Formal Institutions of Social Control

CRM/LAW C111	Theories of Punishment
CRM/LAW C112	Legal Sanctions and Social Control
CRM/LAW C114	Miscarriages of Justice
CRM/LAW C115	Prisons, Punishment, and Corrections
CRM/LAW C124	Mental Health and the Justice System
CRM/LAW C139	Police and Change
CRM/LAW C164	Social Control of Delinquency
CRM/LAW C180	Power, Constructions of Deviance, and Social Control

(4) Justice and Inequalities

CRM/LAW C113	Gender and Social Control
CRM/LAW C116	Race, Ethnicity, and Social Control
CRM/LAW C120	Law and Inequality
CRM/LAW C127	Hate Crimes
CRM/LAW C135	Mass Incarceration and Social Inequality in America
CRM/LAW C178	Critical Race Theory
CRM/LAW C174	Immigration and Crime

C. Six upper-division elective courses (24 units).¹

Select from courses numbered CRM/LAW C100–C191.

¹ Courses taken to satisfy requirement B may not also be used to satisfy requirement C.