



# THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

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## Criminal Justice

*This program concerns itself with issues surrounding justice, crime, offenders, victims, the criminal justice system and other forms of social sanctions and controls.*

Students in the Criminal Justice program will examine concepts and practical applications of justice, historical and contemporary explanations of crime, and current research literature on criminal justice agencies. Students are challenged to think critically about how justice is best achieved, the key issues confronting the criminal justice system, the strengths and weaknesses of possible reforms, and the ethical dilemmas facing criminal justice practitioners.

The program requires five core courses (including the three “sample courses” described below). In addition to Criminal Justice courses, students may take courses in Anthropology, History, Politics, Psychology, Sociology, and Conflict Resolution Studies.

This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts (3-year, 4 year) or Honours degree (4-year).**

### SAMPLE CAREERS

Graduates of this program will find career opportunities in policing and law enforcement, federal, provincial, or civic corrections. They may find work as Border Services workers, probation officers, parole officers, counsellors, or police officers. Currently, the best employment opportunities exist in the areas of policing and corrections. This program provides a useful background for those who wish to study law. Students interested in graduate school in Criminal Justice are encouraged to pursue an Honours degree in Criminal Justice.

### SAMPLE COURSES

**Introduction to Criminal Justice** is a first-year course that surveys the contemporary criminal justice system from the initial contact with an offender through prosecution, disposition, incarceration, and release to the community.

**Research Methods in Criminal Justice** is a second-year course that covers the principles, data sources, and research methods appropriate for criminal justice research.

**Criminal Law** is a second-year course that introduces students to the nature, purpose, scope, sources, and basic principles of criminal law.

### MORE SAMPLE COURSES

- Community Corrections
- Comparative Crime and Criminal Justice
- Criminal Justice and the Media
- Criminal Procedure
- Crime Victims
- Interpersonal Violence
- Institutional Corrections
- Policing in Canada
- Professional Ethics in Criminal Justice

## SAMPLE FIRST YEAR

*NOTE: This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.*

CJ-1101/6 Introduction to Criminal Justice

RHET-1102(3) Academic Writing: Social Sciences or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

PSYCH-1000/6 Intro Psychology

15 credit hours Electives, depending on interest. Examples are first-year courses in Anthropology, Conflict Resolution Studies, Environmental Studies, Geography, International Development Studies, Politics or Sociology.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Criminal Justice Students' Association addresses pertinent criminal justice issues in the community, provides information on volunteer and career opportunities, organizes social events and makes arrangements for guest speakers.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Although post-secondary education is not mandatory for application to the RCMP it is encouraged. Criminal Justice at The University of Winnipeg is one of the most common programs pursued by police or corrections applicants.
- Introduction to Criminal Justice is one of the most popular courses on campus.

## WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

"Criminal Justice offered a wide variety of intriguing courses, which opened the door to endless opportunities for research and practice in the criminal justice system and social services field." – *Kristin Clarke, University Gold Medalist (BA '03), Policy Analyst, Manitoba Family Services and Housing Director, Crime Prevention, City of Selkirk*

## REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

Students must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. No specific courses are required.

## HOW TO APPLY – Domestic Student

Apply online at [uwinnipeg.ca](http://uwinnipeg.ca) or pick up an Application for Admission from your high school counsellor's office or the Admissions Office at The University of Winnipeg. To meet Scholarship deadline submit your application and \$80 application fee by **March 1st**

## HOW TO APPLY – International Student

Apply online at [uwinnipeg.ca/index/intl-apply](http://uwinnipeg.ca/index/intl-apply) and submit all official documents by mail. To meet Scholarship deadline submit application, fee, and documents by **March 1st**. International application fee is \$100, which includes a one-time courier fee.

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