

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES  
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education <b>Summer 2024 through Spring 2025</b>

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	120
Major Hours .....	30
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	2.00
Major - Combined and OU .....	2.00

Program
<b>Criminal Justice (Online)</b>
<b>B647</b>
Bachelor of Science

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

**GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Courses taken to fulfill the University General Education Requirements must be chosen from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>.

**UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Area I: Symbolic &amp; Oral Communication (9-19 hours)</b>		
PSIS 1113	Interdisciplinary Composition I	3
or ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	
PSIS 1133	Interdisciplinary Composition II	3
or ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	
PSMS 1053	Mathematics in Liberal Studies (or equivalent General Education Math course)	3
Language <sup>1</sup>		0-10
<b>Core Area II: Natural Science (minimum 7 hours)</b>		
Choose two courses from different disciplines, including one lab component.		7
<b>Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)</b>		
PSSC 1333	Government in the United States	3
or P SC 1113	American Federal Government	
Select one Social Science course <sup>2</sup>		3
<b>Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (12 hours)</b>		
Choose one of the following:		3
PSSC 1153	A History of the United States	
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	
HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from each of the following three fields. One course must be upper-division (3000-4000 level)		9
Choose one Artistic Forms course		
Choose one Western Culture course		
Choose one World Culture course		
<b>Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)</b>		
Choose one course		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>37-47</b>

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Major Core</b>		
PSCJ 3113	Comparative Justice Systems	3
PSCJ 3133	Theories of Criminal Behavior	3
PSCJ 3223	American Judicial Processes	3
PSCJ 4243	Police and Policing	3
PSCJ 4263	The American Correctional System	3
PSCJ 4443	Juvenile Delinquency	3
PSIS 3003	Interdisciplinary Inquiry	3
PSIS 3153	Foundations of Ethics in Liberal Studies	3
PSIS 3953	Critical Inquiry in Interdisciplinary Studies	3
PSIS 4953	Portfolio in Interdisciplinary Studies	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/professional-continuing-studies/college-pacs-administrated-programs/criminal-justice-bachelor-science/>).

<sup>1</sup> Students who have completed two years of high school language are exempt from the general education language requirement. If this requirement is waived, a few hours of General Education electives may be needed to achieve the required 40 hour minimum.  
<sup>2</sup> PSSC 1313 recommended.

**FREE ELECTIVES**

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 40 upper-division hours.

**SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY**

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Professional & Continuing Studies academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Professional & Continuing Studies, and major requirements.

<b>Year</b>	<b>FIRST SEMESTER</b>			<b>Hours</b>	<b>SECOND SEMESTER</b>			<b>Hours</b>
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	PSIS 1113	Interdisciplinary Composition I ( Core I )	3	PSIS 1133	Interdisciplinary Composition II ( Core I )	3		
	PSSC 1153	A History of the United States ( Core IV )	3	PSSC 1333	Government in the United States ( Core III )	3		
	PSIS 2023	Strategies for Success	3	PSMS 1053	Mathematics in Liberal Studies ( Core I )	3		
		First Year Experience (Core V)	3	PSIS 1003	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study	3		
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3		
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	PSSC 1313	What in the World are the Social Sciences? ( Core III )	3		Language II (Core I)	5		
	PSIS 2033	Writing for Success	3		Science with Lab component (Core II)	4		
		General Education Science (Core II)	3		Free Elective	3		
		Language I (Core I)	5		Free Elective	3		
		Free Elective	1					
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		
<b>JUNIOR</b>	PSIS 3003	Interdisciplinary Inquiry	3	PSIS 3153	Foundations of Ethics in Liberal Studies	3		
	PSCJ 3113	Comparative Justice Systems	3	PSCJ 3223	American Judicial Processes	3		
	PSCJ 3133	Theories of Criminal Behavior	3	PSCJ 4243	Police and Policing	3		
		Western Culture (Core IV)	3		Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3		
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3		
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		
<b>SENIOR</b>	PSIS 3953	Critical Inquiry in Interdisciplinary Studies	3	PSIS 4953	Portfolio in Interdisciplinary Studies	3		
	PSCJ 4443	Juvenile Delinquency	3		Free Elective	3		
	PSCJ 4263	The American Correctional System	3		Free Elective	3		
		World Culture (Core IV)	3		Free Elective	3		
		Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3		
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		