Minor in Criminal Justice

The minor is available to any undergraduate degree-seeking student at CU Denver, except for Criminal Justice majors. Students must complete 18 credit hours (6 courses). A grade of C- or better must be earned in all courses applied to the minor. No more than 9 credits of transfer coursework can be applied to the minor.

REQUIRED COURSES (6 credits | 2 courses)
- CRJU 1000 – Criminology & Criminal Justice: An Overview
- CRJU 2041 – Criminological Theory

ELECTIVE COURSES (12 credits | 4 courses)
Choose two elective courses from each of the two elective categories below. Other electives not listed here may be considered, but students must receive approval from the academic advisor prior to enrolling in an unlisted elective course.

Elective Category: A (6 credits | 2 courses)
- CRJU 4042 – Corrections
- CRJU 4043 – Law Enforcement
- CRJU 4044 – Courts & Judicial Process

Elective Category: B (6 credits | 2 courses)
Students may take any two criminal justice (CRJU) courses to count as electives in this category. In addition to any criminal justice courses, students may take courses outside of criminal justice, from the list below, but the courses must differ from the student’s major. Students may complete CRJU 4939 – Internship and count it toward the minor, but they must work with CU Denver’s Experiential Learning Center to secure the internship.

- ANTH 4090 – Political Economy of Drug Culture
- COMM 4040 – Communications, Prisons & Social Justice
- COMM 4265 – Gender & Communication
- COMM 4750 – Legal Reasoning & Writing
- ECON 3300 – Econ. of Crime & Punishment
- ETST 2024 – Race and Ethnic Relations
- ETST 3704 – Culture Racism and Alienation
- HIST 4830 – Crime, Policing, Justice
- PSCI 3034 – Race, Gender, Law, and Public Policy
- PSCI 4124 – Denver Politics
- PSCI 4185 – Corruption in the US & Abroad
- PSCI 4427 – Law, Politics & Justice
• PSCI 4437 – Coercion and the State
• PSCI 4477 – Constitutional Law I
• PSCI 4487 – Constitutional Law II
• PSCI 4545 – Immigration Politics
• PSCI 4837 – Contemporary Issues in Civil Liberties
• PSYC 3135 – Organizational Psych.
• PSYC 3215 – Hum. Dev. II: Adolescence & Adulthood
• PSYC 3265 – Drugs, Brain & Behavior
• PSYC 3305 – Abnormal Psych.
• PSYC 3610 – Psychological Trauma
• PSYC 3612 – Domestic Abuse
• SOCY 2462 – Social Psychology
• SOCY 3020 – Race & Ethnicity in USA
• SOCY 3040 – Drugs, Alcohol & Society
• SOCY 3600 – Social Relations
• SOCY 3700 – Sociology of the Family
• SOCY 3490 – Criminology
• SOCY 4340 – Juvenile Delinquency
• SOCY 4440 – Social Stratification
• SOCY 4460 – Hate Crimes
• SOCY 4700 – Sociology of Law
• SOCY 4471 – Sociology of Corrections
• SOCY 4770 – Women & Crime

NOTE: Students should consult the CU Denver Academic Catalog and Degree Audit for official degree requirements and progress. Contact the School of Public Affairs Academic Advising Office at spa.advising@ucdenver.edu.