Criminology and Criminal Justice (CRCJ)

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CRCJ 1000 [0.5 credit]

Introduction to Criminology and Criminal Justice

Overview of the field, including the foundational approaches of criminology and criminal justice, crime as an object of study; criminal law and criminality in Canada; (neo) classical, aetiological and social reaction perspectives; alternative criminologies.

Lectures/tutorials three hours a week.

CRCJ 2100 [0.5 credit] Criminological Theories

Comprehensive survey of the plurality of criminological theories, from phrenology to contemporary theories concerned with issues related to crime and punishment. Students are encouraged to develop critical and reflexive thinking on various criminological issues and theories. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and second-year standing. Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 2200 [0.5 credit]

Contemporary Issues in Criminology & Criminal Justice

Survey of contemporary criminological and criminal justice issues, ranging from criminalization, crime prevention, and surveillance strategies to debates about the criminal justice system, punishment, and reintegration. Specific topics will vary from year to year.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and second-year standing. Lecture three hours per week.

CRCJ 2400 [0.5 credit] Justice and the Self

This course explores individualizing perspectives on cognitions, emotions and behaviours associated to the pursuit of justice, with a focus on criminalized incidents. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and 2nd year standing in CCJ B.A. programs.

Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3001 [0.5 credit] Quantitative Methods in Criminology

Methods used conducting quantitative research. Topics include measuring and manipulating variables, reliability, validity, sampling, experimental, quasi-experimental designs and ethics.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and third-year standing in the B.A program in Criminology and Criminal Justice. Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3002 [0.5 credit]

Qualitative Methods in Criminology

Methods used conducting qualitative research. Topics include field research, interviewing, ethnographic research, content analysis and ethics. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and third-year standing in the B.A program in Criminology and Criminal Justice. Lectures three hours a week.

CRCJ 3100 [0.5 credit] Policing (in)Security

Theories and case studies addressing contemporary efforts to police the world of (in)securities. Emphasis on Canadian dynamics within these broader transformations. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000, third-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Lecture and discussion three hours per week.

CRCJ 3110 [0.5 credit] Policing and Public Health

This interdisciplinary course introduces students to myriad ways in which the practices of Canadian public health authorities are intertwined with police and the criminal legal system. Students can expect interactive class activities and guest lecturers.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000, third-year standing, and
enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal
Justice, or by permission of the Institute.
Lecture and discussion three hours per week.

CRCJ 3200 [0.5 credit]

Indigeneity, Coloniality, and Crime

This course explores issues related to Indigenous peoples, the criminal justice system and community with an emphasis on Indigenous scholarship and perspectives on criminology and crime.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000, INDG 1010, or INDG 1011, third year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Lecture and discussion three hours per week.

CRCJ 3201 [0.5 credit]

Special Criminological Topics

The topics of this course may vary from year to year, and are announced in advance of registration.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000, third-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3202 [0.5 credit] Special Criminological Topics

The topics of this course may vary from year to year, and are announced in advance of registration.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000, third-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3400 [0.5 credit]

Mental Health and Criminalization

This course surveys contemporary research and practices related to mental health and criminalization, including critical disability studies, the carceral management of persons deemed mentally ill, and the social uses of the concept of criminal responsibility.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and 3rd year standing in CCJ B.A. programs.

Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3410 [0.5 credit]

Special Topics in Mind and Behaviour

Special topics in Mind and Behaviour in Criminology & Criminal Justice. Topics to be announced in advance of registration each year.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 1000 and 3rd year standing in CCJ B.A. programs.

Lectures three hours per week.

CRCJ 3901 [1.0 credit] Practicum in Criminology I

Through a field placement in an agency setting, students are provided the opportunity to obtain practical involvement in various aspects of criminal justice. In the seminar class, discussions, presentations and assignments integrate applied, theoretical and empirical knowledge. CRCJ 3901 may not be repeated. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Prerequisite(s): Third-year standing in a B.A. in Criminology and Criminal Justice, including all of the 1000-and 2000- level requirements in the Major CGPA, and permission of the Institute.

Field placement eight hours a week, seminar three hours a week.

CRCJ 3902 [1.0 credit] Practicum in Criminology II

Through a field placement in an agency setting, students are provided the opportunity to obtain practical involvement in various aspects of criminal justice. In the seminar class, discussions, presentations and assignments integrate applied, theoretical and empirical knowledge. CRCJ 3902 may not be repeated.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Prerequisite(s): Third-year Honours standing in Criminology and Criminal Justice, including all of the 1000-and 2000- level requirements in the Major CGPA, and permission of the Institute.

Field placement eight hours a week, seminar three hours a week.

CRCJ 4001 [0.5 credit]

Special Topics in Criminology

Examination of a special topic in criminology. Topics to be announced in advance of registration each year. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4002 [0.5 credit]

Special Topics in Criminology

Examination of a special topic in criminology. Topics to be announced in advance of registration each year. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4100 [0.5 credit] Criminal Courts and Society

This course proposes critical examinations of the complex interactions between criminal courts and their sociohistorical environments, including the politicization of criminal legal proceedings.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4110 [0.5 credit]

Race and the Criminal Justice System in Canada

A participatory class that explores debates regarding issues of racial bias and systemic racism in the Canadian criminal justice system. Students can expect class activities, documentary viewings, and guest lecturers from the field.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4120 [0.5 credit]

Criminalization and Resistance

This course will examine societal processes tied to criminalization and how groups, peoples and communities respond through activism and social movements. It critically analyzes the impact of criminalization and explores strategies for resistance and social change. Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4130 [0.5 credit] **Anarchism and Abolitionism**

This interactive and student-led seminar explores a range of historical and contemporary theories and practices associated with both anarchists and penal, carceral and policing abolitionists.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4200 [0.5 credit]

Policing Sex

This seminar explores the policing of consensual sexual practices, paying particular attention to the theorization of consent, harm, liberation and agency in a sexual and legal context.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4300 [0.5 credit] **Social Control**

Introduction to social control from early theorizations linking social control to the genesis of the self, to preoccupations with the sorting of humans and the guiding of their conducts, including contemporary engagements with moralization, penal intensification, sovereign exceptionality, and immigration control.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4400 [0.5 credit]

Emotions, Affect, and Criminology

This course examines the role of emotions and affect in processes of norm violation, criminalization, victimization, punishment, and social control. It questions the rational/ emotional binary and investigates how shame, humiliation, fear, panic, pain, pleasure, disgust, empathy and revenge inform behaviour, criminalization, victimization, adjudication, and punishment.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4500 [0.5 credit] Art of (in)Justice

A participatory class that explores how social and artist movements engage with issues of justice and injustice. Features group work, some off-campus classes during course hours, guest speakers.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4600 [0.5 credit] Sociologies of Punishment

This introductory seminar on the sociology of punishment proposes an overview of theoretical perspectives animating its contemporary forms. This overview prepares the ground for a survey of contemporary scholarship and issues in the sociology of punishment.

Prerequisite(s): CRCJ 2100, fourth-year standing, and enrollment in a B.A. or Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or by permission of the Institute. Seminar three hours per week.

CRCJ 4908 [1.0 credit]

Honours Thesis

A seminar during which students design and conduct an original empirical research project under the direct supervision of a faculty member from the Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice or any cross-appointed faculty member.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the B.A. Honours program in Criminology and Criminal Justice with a CGPA of 10.00 or better in the Major and permission of the Institute.

Seminar three hours, bi-weekly.

CRCJ 4910 [0.5 credit] Independent Study in Criminology and Criminal Justice

A reading or research course conducted under the supervision of a faculty advisor from Criminology and Criminal Justice, Psychology, Law or Sociology. Students may not include more than 1.0 credit of independent study in their total program.

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the B.A. Honours program in Criminology and Criminal Justice and permission of the Institute.

CRCJ 4920 [0.5 credit] Independent Study in Criminology and Criminal Justice

A reading or research course conducted under the supervision of a faculty advisor from Criminology and Criminal Justice, Psychology, Law or Sociology. Students may not include more than 1.0 credit of independent study in their total program.

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the B.A. Honours program in Criminology and Criminal Justice and permission of the Institute.