

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCHOLARS TRACK

The Criminal Justice Scholars Track prepares students for graduate study. This track introduces exceptional students to specialized topics and provides the opportunity for select students to work closely with Criminal Justice professors who will mentor them in twelve hours of small, seminar-style classes. Through close interaction in scholars' seminars, students in the Criminal Justice Scholars Track will engage in research and rich discussion as they study relevant Criminal Justice issues.

### Degree Requirements

1. General Education Program (GEP) requirements (see Undergraduate Catalog at [www.ucf.edu/catalog/current/](http://www.ucf.edu/catalog/current/))
2. Special college and/or department requirements (see Undergraduate Catalog)

### Scholars Track Requirements

- Students must submit an application the Department of Criminal Justice
- Applicant must declare this specific track in MyUCF (Change of major; Criminal Justice Scholars Track)
- Applicant must have and maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 (at least 30 credit hours)
- A grade of B or better in ENC 1101 and ENC 1102 is required
- Optional Writing Sample is required, if GPA in ENC 1101 and 1102 are not met

### 3. Required courses (21 hours total; each course listed below is 3 credit hours):

CCJ 3014 Crime in America  
CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice Systems  
CJL 3510 Prosecution and Adjudication  
CJC 3010 Corrections and Penology  
CJE 4014 Police and Society  
CCJ 4701 Research Methods in Criminal Justice  
CCJ 4746 Data Analysis for Criminal Justice

### 4. Criminal justice electives (27 hours total; restricted electives):

12 hours of specifically designated Scholar's Seminars  
15 additional hours of upper-division CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, CJT, DSC or SCC course work. Seniors may satisfy up to six hours of this requirement with internships and up to six hours with directed independent study; however, the combination of these non-class options shall not exceed nine hours. Program standards must be met to be eligible for either internships or independent study credit.

6 credit hours of Graduate coursework (Senior Scholars Program) recommended  
Participation in Honors in the Major also recommended

### 5. Supportive electives

To satisfy this requirement the student may select; a minor in any discipline( please see catalog for specific requirements); 12 hours of non-criminal justice supporting elective, or 9 credit hours of non-criminal justice supportive electives and 3 credit hours of general free electives courses to be selected with and approved by the student's adviser. Courses may vary from student to student depending on individual needs or objectives, but include selected courses from public administration, legal studies, sociology, statistics and psychology.

For a complete list of supporting courses offered, visit [www.cohpa.ucf.edu/crim.jus/cjba.html](http://www.cohpa.ucf.edu/crim.jus/cjba.html).

6. Students must take a minimum of 36 hours in criminal justice at UCF and complete a total of 120 hours

**For the most complete, up-to-date degree and program requirements, see the official UCF undergraduate catalog at [www.ucf.edu/catalog/current/](http://www.ucf.edu/catalog/current/).**