

# Criminal Justice and Sociology, BS (Boston)

This combined major educates students in criminal justice and sociology and in the interface between the two disciplines. The scope and sequence of sociology courses provide students with a foundation in social theory and social systems. Criminal justice courses provide a foundation for understanding individual and systemic aspects of criminology and criminal justice. Students successfully completing this program should be able to understand the ways that crime and the justice system are situated in larger social systems and structures.

## Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

## Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

## NUPath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUPath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

## Criminal Justice Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Introduction to Crime, Law, and the Justice System</b>		
What do we know about crime and justice? In these three courses, students have an opportunity to develop a foundational understanding of three related phenomena: why crime exists, how our criminal justice system responds to crime, and the constitutional and legal oversight of this process.		
CRIM 1100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
CRIM 1110	Criminal Due Process	4
CRIM 1120	Criminology	4
<b>Current Crime and Justice Issues</b>		
These courses introduce students to topical issues related to crime and justice.		
Complete one of the following:		4
CRIM 1300	The Death Penalty	
CRIM 1400	Human Trafficking	
CRIM 1500	Corruption, Integrity, and Accountability	
CRIM 1700	Crime, Media, and Politics	
<b>Understanding and Experiencing Criminal Justice Institutions and Systems</b>		
How does justice work and for whom? These courses introduce students to the systems and institutions tasked with providing justice. Each includes experiential learning components in cooperation with local criminal justice institutions.		
Complete one of the following:		4
CRIM 2310	Courts: The Third Branch of Government	
CRIM 2320	Youth Crime and Justice	
CRIM 2330	Punishment in the Age of Mass Incarceration	
CRIM 2340	Corporate Security: Securing the Private Sector	
CRIM 2350	Policing a Democratic Society	
CRIM 2370	Restorative Justice: Transforming the System	
CRIM 2380	Black Families and Incarceration	
<b>Crime Problems</b>		
The following courses provide students with a deeper look at a range of crime problems.		
Complete one of the following:		4
AFCS 3210	Black Abolition Studies: Carcerality, Liberation, and Resistance	
CRIM 3010	Criminal Violence	
CRIM 3030	Global Criminology	
CRIM 3040	Psychology of Crime	
CRIM 3050	Organized Crime	
CRIM 3060	Political Crime and Terrorism	

CRIM 3070	Corporate and White-Collar Crime
CRIM 3100	Criminal Law
CRIM 3540	Substance Use and Social Justice

**Criminal Justice Electives**

These courses round out our knowledge of crime and justice.

Complete three additional criminal justice electives. Two must be from the 3000, 4000, or 5000 level. 12

**Sociology Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Sociology Requirements</b>		
SOCL 1101	Introduction to Sociology	4
SOCL 3300	Social Theory	4

**Sociology Introductory Electives**

Complete two courses in the following range not used to satisfy other program requirements 8

SOCL 1100 to SOCL 1999

**Sociology Intermediate Electives**

Complete two courses in the following range not used to satisfy other program requirements. 8

SOCL 2000 to SOCL 3999

**Sociology Advanced Elective**

Complete one course in the following range not used to satisfy other program requirements. 4

SOCL 4000 to SOCL 5999

**Introduction, Methods, and Statistics**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Introduction</b>		
Complete one of the following:		1
CRIM 1000	Criminal Justice at Northeastern	
SOCL 1000	Sociology at Northeastern	
<b>Research Methods</b>		
SOCL 2321	Research Methods in Sociology	4
or INSH 3101	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	
<b>Statistics</b>		
CRIM 3700	Analyzing and Using Data on Crime and Justice	4
or INSH 3102	Introduction to Statistics in the Social Sciences	

**Supporting Courses**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Digital Skills</b>		
Successful students develop digital skills and master digital tools useful for careers related to crime and justice. Students choose one of two courses (each has a required lab). The computer science course introduces students to spreadsheets and databases. The data science course introduces students to programming with data.		
Complete one of the following (and the appropriate lab):		4 or 5
CS 1100 and CS 1101	Computer Science and Its Applications and Lab for CS 1100	
CS 2000 and CS 2101	Introduction to Program Design and Implementation and Lab for CS 2100	
<b>Co-op Integration Requirements</b>		
Complete before the first co-op:		1
EESH 2000	Professional Development for Co-op	
Complete after the first co-op:		1
CRIM 3000	Co-op Integration Seminar 2	
Complete after the second co-op:		1
CRIM 4000	Co-op Integration Seminar 3	

**Integrative Requirement**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Senior Capstone Requirement</b>		
CRIM 4949	Senior Capstone Seminar	4
or SOCL 4600	Senior Seminar	
<b>Integrative Elective Courses</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
CRIM 3030	Global Criminology	
CRIM 3110	Gender, Crime, and Justice	
CRIM 3120	Race, Crime, and Justice	
Complete one of the following:		4
SOCL 1245	Sociology of Poverty	
SOCL 2270	Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality	
SOCL 3407	The Immigrant Experience: Ethnicity, Race, and Inequality in America	
SOCL 4520	Race, Class, and Gender	

**Experiential Liberal Arts**

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela>).

**Program Requirement**

128 total semester hours required

**Plan of Study****Sample Plan of Study****FOUR YEARS, TWO CO-OPS****Year 1**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
CRIM 1000 or SOCL 1000		1 SOCL 3300		4 Vacation		0 Elective	4
CRIM 1100		4 Criminology thematic elective		4		Elective	4
SOCL 1101		4 Sociology introductory elective		4			
CS 1100 or 2000		4 Elective		4			
MATH 1215		4					
	17		16			0	8

**Year 2**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
CRIM 1110		4 Co-op		0 Co-op		0 Criminology survey elective	4
CRIM 1120		4				Sociology intermediate elective	4
Sociology introductory elective		4					
Elective		4					
EESH 2000		1					
	17		0			0	8

**Year 3**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
SOCL 2321 or INSH 3101		4 Co-op		0 Co-op		0 Elective	4
CRIM 3700 or INSH 3102		4				Criminal justice elective	4
Elective		4					
Elective		4					
CRIM 3000		1					
	17		0			0	8

Year 4					
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours
Criminology systemwide elective		4 CRIM 4949 or SOCL 4600		4 Elective	4
Sociology advanced elective		4 Integrative course 2		4	
Integrative course 1		4 Elective		4	
Criminal justice elective		4 Elective		4	
CRIM 4000		1			
	17		16		4
Total Hours: 128					