Department of Justice Sciences

Chair: Jeffery Walker

The Department of Justice Sciences offers programs of study leading to a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (B.S.C.J.), the Master of Science in Criminal Justice (M.S.C.J.), a joint Master of Science in Criminal Justice and a Master of Science in Public Administration (M.S.C.J./M.P.A.), a Master of Science in Forensic Science (M.S.F.S.), and a Master of Science in Computer Forensics and Security Management (M.S.C.F.S.M.). The Department also offers undergraduate minors in Legal Affairs through the University's Pre-Law Program, and a minor in Forensic Psychology offered jointly with the Department of Psychology. The department also sponsors category “A” and “B” graduate Certificate Programs in Computer Forensics offered jointly with the Department of Computer and Information Sciences.

The program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice offers students broad academic exposure to the fields of criminal justice, criminology, and law, while providing opportunities for students to concentrate in computer forensics/cybercrime, corrections, criminology, forensic science, juvenile justice, law, and policing. The primary mission of the program is to educate students by developing in them the knowledge and basic skills necessary to be successful in the field of criminal justice, including:

1. Major theoretical explanations of crime/delinquency.
2. The logic and procedures associated with the research process, including understanding statistical analysis.
3. The substantive, procedural, and operational aspects of the criminal justice system and its processes.
4. The ethical foundations for the system.

Each of these areas is developed through activities associated with specific courses in the curriculum as well as through an Internship/ Capstone experience during the student’s senior year.

Undergraduate students interested in Forensic Science should consult the M.S.F.S. Program Director to learn more about the field. Students interested in the Legal Affairs minor should contact the Pre-Law Program Director. Students interested in either the Forensic Psychology minor or the graduate programs in Computer Forensics should contact the Department Chair.

Graduate Programs

The program leading to the Master of Science in Criminal Justice degree emphasizes the acquisition of theoretical perspectives and research skills to analyze the justice system’s response to criminal behavior. The program leading to the Master of Science in Forensic Science is laboratory-based, and prepares students for entry-level careers in public and private sector crime laboratories. This degree offers opportunities for specialization in forensic biology and forensic chemistry. The program leading to the Master of Science in Computer Forensics and Security Management is a professional master's program, similar to traditional M.B.A. programs, where students complete a core set of courses and then choose one of two available specializations: computer forensics and cybercrime investigation, or fraud/IT audit. The programs leading to category “A” and “B” Certificates in Computer Forensics combines coursework from multiple disciplines designed to help students familiarize themselves with basic aspects of computer forensics. Consult the respective Program Director, the Department Chair, or the UAB Graduate Catalog for details on these programs.

Pre-Law Program

The Pre-Law Program includes academic offerings such as undergraduate minors in Legal Affairs (Department of Justice Sciences) and Philosophy and Law (Department of Philosophy), experiential learning via internships and participation in the University's nationally competitive and award winning Mock Trial team, and academic advising that helps students prepare for law school admissions. Consult the Pre-Law Program Director or Department Chair for more information on this program.

Major Requirements for Criminal Justice

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Internship & Capstone

Select one of the following: 3

- JS 497 Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice for Practitioners
- JS 498 Distance Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice
- JS 499 Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice

Justice Science Electives

Students may choose to complete one of six areas of specialization by completing 12 hours in the area or choose 12 hours of criminal justice electives from any justice sciences elective courses. Concentrations include:

**Corrections**

- JS 341 Correctional Institutions
- JS 342 Probation and Parole
- JS 343 Community-Based Corrections
- JS 445 Juvenile Corrections

**Criminology:**

- JS 305 Religion and Crime
- JS 307 Crime and Everyday Life
- JS 362 Victimology
- JS 380 Media, Crime & Justice
- JS 390 The Death Penalty in America
- JS 404 Serial Killers
- JS 408 Juvenile Delinquency
- JS 424 Serial Killers in Cross-National Settings
- JS 440 White Collar and Corporate Crime
- JS 441 Terrorism and Social Control
- JS 442 Race, Crime, Gender and Social Policy
- JS 443 Women and the Criminal Justice System
- JS 460 Violence: An American Tradition
- JS 466 Spatial Analysis and Crime Mapping
- JS 483 Patterns in Crime
Forensic Science:
- JS 110 Introduction to Forensic Science
- JS 125 Introduction to Forensic Psychology
- JS 250 Criminalistics: An Overview
- JS 350 Advanced Criminalistics
- JS 351 Forensic Science Lab I
- JS 352 Forensic Science Laboratory III
- JS 402 Introduction to Computer Forensics
- JS 415 Investigating Online Crimes
- JS 437 Cybercrime and Forensics
- JS 451 Research Methods in Forensic Science
- JS 452 Forensic Science Laboratory III
- JS 453 Investigation of Fires and Explosions
- JS 456 Forensic Approaches to Osteology

Juvenile Justice:
- JS 408 Juvenile Delinquency
- JS 411 Juvenile Justice System
- JS 412 Juvenile Law
- JS 445 Juvenile Corrections

Law:
- JS 115 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems
- JS 150 Foundations of Law
- JS 330 Criminal Law
- JS 331 Criminal Procedure
- JS 332 Criminal Evidence
- JS 333 Trial Advocacy
- JS 335 Mediation
- JS 338 Intelligence Oversight and Legal Controls
- JS 340 Terrorism and the Intelligence Community
- JS 344 Science and Technology in the Intelligence Community
- JS 403 Restorative Justice
- JS 413 The Legal Profession
- JS 434 Mock Trial Competition
- JS 436 The Intelligence Community
- JS 444 Law and Society

Policing:
- JS 160 Introduction to Private Security
- JS 320 Police Organization and Administration
- JS 321 Police-Community Relations
- JS 322 Legal Aspects of Private Security
- JS 336 Criminal Investigation: Techniques and Analysis
- JS 337 Introduction to the Intelligence Community
- JS 339 Methodologies in Intelligence Analysis
- JS 402 Introduction to Computer Forensics
- JS 465 Cold Case Analysis

Statistics Requirement:
Select one of the following: 3
- JS 120 Introduction to Statistics
- MA 180 Introduction to Statistics
- SOC 410 Social Statistics
- PY 216 Elementary Statistical Methods

Total Hours 42

Grade and Residency Requirement
A grade of C or better is required in all Justice Science courses. At least 3 hours must be taken at the 300 level or higher and 9 hours must be taken at the 400 – level or higher. Students must have a 2.3 cumulative GPA prior to applying for their Internship.

Additional Requirements

Minor
A minor is not required for this degree.

General Electives
Students must take general electives to reach the 120 semester hour requirement.

Proposed Program of Study for a Major in Criminal Justice

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Legal Affairs Minor

The 18 semester hours for the Legal Affairs minor require a final grade of C or better in each course. The Department reserves the right to require additional coursework, prerequisites, or a specific grade point average to complete the program of study for the minor.

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<td>Select six hours from Justice Sciences (JS) courses, with both courses being at the 300-level or above.</td>
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GPA Requirement

A C or better is required in all courses applied to the minor.

Legal Affairs Minor (18 Semester Hours)

The minor in Legal Affairs is designed to help students learn to think both critically and creatively about law, rather than to specifically prepare them for law school. Because the program is interdisciplinary and presents law as the subject of liberal inquiry, students in the program examine law from various perspectives. The minor exposes students to both general and specific aspects of both substantive and procedural law – civil and criminal; helps them understand not only litigation, but alternatives to it; provides students the opportunity to enhance their legal research and writing skills; and facilitates student participation in the Pre-Law program’s nationally recognized Mock Trial Team.

Consisting of groups of 1) required courses, 2) core electives, and 3) other electives, the Legal Affairs curriculum is sequential, where elective courses build upon two required courses: JS 150 (Foundations of Law) and JS 230/PSC 330 (Judicial Process). The curriculum is structured in such a way as to insure that a student can complete its requirements in a typical academic year (Fall – Summer). Under no circumstances may a student pursuing the Legal Affairs minor earn dual credit toward his or her major in Criminal Justice and the Legal Affairs minor by completing a course appearing in both curricula. Students are responsible for fulfilling any prerequisites for courses in the curriculum.

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Forensic Psychology Minor (24 Semester Hours)

Forensic Psychology is the professional practice by psychologists within the areas of clinical psychology, counseling psychology, neuropsychology, and school psychology, when they are engaged regularly as experts and represent themselves as such, in an activity primarily intended to provide professional psychological expertise to the judicial system. Forensic psychologists work with individuals who may present a variety of mental health issues within the context of the civil law (e.g., personal injury suits, civil commitment proceedings, child custody disputes, or workers’ compensation cases) and criminal law (e.g., insanity, competency to stand trial, assessment of future violence potential, or treatment of sex offenders). The minor is co-sponsored by the Department of Justice Sciences and the Department of Psychology, and is intended to expose students with an interest in forensic psychology to a broad-based overview of the field. A total of 24 semester hours is required to complete the minor.

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<td>PSC 380 The Politics of Constitutional Law</td>
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<td>LS 246 Legal Environment of Business</td>
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<td>PHL 120 Practical Reasoning</td>
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A grade of “C” or better is required for all courses.

Transfer Students must earn at least 9 hours of PY or JS credit at UAB, 6 hours of which must be at the 300 level or higher. Students may have to satisfy prerequisites before taking some of the courses.

Students who major or minor in Criminal Justice or Psychology or who minor in Legal Affairs cannot earn dual credit toward fulfilling the requirements for those majors or minors by taking courses in the Forensic Psychology minor. The Department of Justice Sciences and the Department of Psychology each reserves the right to require a specific grade point average as an additional prerequisite for students enrolling in courses at the 300 level or higher.

Honors Program in Criminal Justice

Purpose

The Criminal Justice Honors Program encourages and prepares outstanding students to pursue a career in the field of Criminology/Criminal Justice by providing an opportunity to conduct research under the guidance of a faculty mentor. The program promotes initiative, creativity, and independent thinking among academically talented students.

Eligibility

Students are admitted to the Honors Program based on an evaluation conducted by the Honors Program Coordinator and a committee of faculty members. Students seeking admission to the Honors Program must:

- Be a second semester junior (students are admitted to the Honors Program during the summer preceding their senior year).
- Have completed all required courses for the criminal justice major by the time they enter the program.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher and a GPA of 3.25 or higher in all Justice Sciences courses attempted.
- Complete and submit an application for admission to the Honors Program Coordinator;
- Schedule and complete an interview with the Honors Program Coordinator.

Requirements

Requirements for the Honors Program include completing the remainder of the students’ elective courses for the Criminal Justice major; completing (with a grade of “B” or better), JS 481 Honors Research (Fall semester) and JS 482 Honors Research and Colloquium (Spring semester); completing the Honors Research Project and presenting the results of the project at either the Department’s Honors Research Colloquium or at professional conference, such as the Annual Meetings of the Southern Criminal Justice Association.

Benefits

Participation in the Criminal Justice Honors Program provides opportunities for academically talented students to have unique access to faculty and to interact with other honors students in an environment that encourages creative and innovative thinking. Beyond the fact seminar participation and research experience will be useful for further work in the field of Criminology/Criminal Justice, completion of the honors program is advantageous when applying to graduate programs in the field. Students who complete the program will graduate from UAB “With Honors in Criminal Justice.”

Contact

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Birmingham AL 35294-4562
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E-mail: hyeyoung@uab.edu

Courses

JS 100. Introduction to the Criminal Justice System. 3 Hours.
Introduction to criminal justice as a system consisting of interactions among three main components: police, courts, and corrections and the processes involving those components.

JS 101. Crime and Criminality. 3 Hours.
Examination of the causes and consequences in society of crime/delinquency, including theoretical explanations, sources of data on crime/delinquency, and efforts at controlling the behavior.

JS 110. Introduction to Forensic Science. 3 Hours.
Overview of the major components of forensic science including death investigation, toxicology, osteology, questioned documents, law, and criminalistics.

JS 115. Comparative Criminal Justice Systems. 3 Hours.
Analysis of police, judicial, and correctional components found in the world’s four major legal systems: Common Law, Islamic, Napoleonic, and Socialist.

JS 120. Introduction to Statistics. 3 Hours.
Introduction to basic statistical theory and analysis. Course emphasizes computation, units of measurement, and evaluation of quantitative assertions; interpretation of quantitative data; use of quantitative data for problem-solving; and communication of information using numbers/words appropriate for the audience. Quantitative Literacy is a significant component of this course.
JS 125. Introduction to Forensic Psychology. 3 Hours.
Overview of issues involving the intersection of law and psychology. Focus on role of clinical assessment of competency, scientific jury selection, expert witnesses in court, punishment and sentencing, and related issues.

JS 150. Foundations of Law. 3 Hours.
Examination and analysis of the evolution, function, and sources of law and legal systems in Western culture.

JS 160. Introduction to Private Security. 3 Hours.
Survey of the field of private security, including organizational, administrative, operational, and liability issues common to it.

JS 170. Introduction to Crime Scene Analysis. 3 Hours.
Overview of crime scene investigation (CSI), including history of crime scene investigation; processing techniques and methods used to document and preserve evidence found at crime scenes.

JS 220. Police in America: An Overview. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the history and evolution of modern law enforcement in the United States, including the role and functions of police in the community.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C](Can be taken Concurrently)

JS 230. The Judicial Process in America: An Overview. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the structure and function of American courts, including judicial selection and behavior, the prosecution function, jury system, and the role of lawyers.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C] or JS 150 [Min Grade: C]

JS 240. Corrections in America: An Overview. 3 Hours.
Introduction to history and evolution of probation, prisons, parole, and community-based programs for adult and juvenile offenders.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]

JS 250. Criminalistics: An Overview. 3 Hours.
Introduction to identification and application of major types of physical trace evidence in criminal cases involving analysis and comparison. Laboratory component included; Laboratory fee is charged.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 300. Research Methods in Criminal Justice. 3 Hours.
Introduction to ideas, techniques, and problems associated with social research with an emphasis on criminal justice/criminology applications. Writing assignments emphasize ability to make a logical argument and respond to counter claims; incorporating outside sources into written materials; and use conventions appropriate for the discipline. Writing is a significant component of this course.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C] or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 305. Religion and Crime. 3 Hours.
This course is designed to introduce students to research on the impact of religious institutions and values on multiple aspects of public policy and life. Students will explore the impact of religion on law creation, crime-control attitudes, criminal and deviant behaviors, provision of social services, politics, and race/ethnic relations.

JS 307. Crime and Everyday Life. 3 Hours.
Examines everyday aspects of crime, including different forms of crime, media involvement, crime patterns, and policy responses.

JS 320. Police Organization and Administration. 3 Hours.
Analysis of organizational and administrative structure and function of police departments in the U.S.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or (CJ 101 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 220 [Min Grade: C]

JS 321. Police-Community Relations. 3 Hours.
Overview and analysis of historical and contemporary relationship between police agencies and the public; legal issues; analysis of crime prevention programs, community participation, and police discretion.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and (CJ 220 [Min Grade: C] or JS 220 [Min Grade: C])

JS 322. Legal Aspects of Private Security. 3 Hours.
Introduction to and examination of critical legal aspects of private security, especially liability issues.
Prerequisites: JS 160 [Min Grade: C]

JS 330. Criminal Law. 3 Hours.
Analysis of the development of criminal law, including legal elements of a crime, defenses in criminal cases, appellate case analysis, and legal terminology.
Prerequisites: JS 230 [Min Grade: C] and (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) or (JS 150 [Min Grade: C])

JS 331. Criminal Procedure. 3 Hours.
Introduction to legal rules relating to the criminal process from investigation through punishment.
Prerequisites: JS 100 [Min Grade: C]

JS 332. Criminal Evidence. 3 Hours.
Examination of the system of rules and standards, both state and federal, by which admission of proof at criminal trial is regulated.
Prerequisites: JS 230 [Min Grade: C] and (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or JS 150 [Min Grade: C])

JS 333. Trial Advocacy. 3 Hours.
Overview of preparations for civil and criminal litigation including courtroom procedure, evidence, and the art of advocacy.
Prerequisites: JS 230 [Min Grade: C] and (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or JS 150 [Min Grade: C])

JS 334. Legal Research and Writing. 3 Hours.
Overview of elements of legal research and writing with an emphasis on developing and writing a legal brief, locating sources of legal information and logically and persuasively applying the information in an argumentative fashion.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) or JS 150 [Min Grade: C] and JS 230 [Min Grade: C]

JS 335. Mediation. 3 Hours.
Examination of mediation as a specific form of alternative dispute resolution (ADR), including its history, development, and processes.
Prerequisites: JS 230 [Min Grade: C] and (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) or JS 150 [Min Grade: C]

JS 336. Criminal Investigation: Techniques and Analysis. 3 Hours.
Examination of both technical and analytical aspects of the criminal investigative process.

JS 337. Introduction to the Intelligence Community. 3 Hours.
Overview of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) and its role in the intelligence community; Examination of the development and expansion of state and local fusion centers and first responder roles in evolving federal, state, and local intelligence community enterprise.

JS 338. Intelligence Oversight and Legal Controls. 3 Hours.
Historical development of intelligence oversight from the 1940s to the present; Intelligence abuses; expansion of executive branch authority post-September 11, 2001.
Prerequisites: JS 337 [Min Grade: C]
JS 339. Methodologies in Intelligence Analysis. 3 Hours.
Introduction to analytical tactics, techniques, and procedures used by and in the intelligence community.
Prerequisites: JS 337 [Min Grade: C]

JS 340. Terrorism and the Intelligence Community. 3 Hours.
Examines application of the intelligence cycle (collection, analysis, management & dissemination of information) to the war on terrorism using case studies of successes and failures.
Prerequisites: JS 337 [Min Grade: C]

JS 341. Correctional Institutions. 3 Hours.
Introduction to prisons, jails, and juvenile institutions in the U.S.; evolution of penology and correctional change strategies; inmate social system; prison stress, violence, and reform.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 240 [Min Grade: C]

JS 342. Probation and Parole. 3 Hours.
Analysis of history, structure, and function of probation and parole systems in the United States; pre-sentence investigations; offender selection and classification; offender supervision; and agency administration.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 240 [Min Grade: C]

JS 343. Community-Based Corrections. 3 Hours.
Examination of contemporary redefinition of correctional functions emphasizing development and use of community resources; diversion of offenders from criminal justice system; nontraditional correctional programs.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 240 [Min Grade: C]

JS 344. Science and Technology in the Intelligence Community. 3 Hours.
Introduction to, and critical examination of, science and technology capability of each member agency within the intelligence community.
Prerequisites: JS 337 [Min Grade: C]

JS 350. Advanced Criminalistics. 3 Hours.
Examination of advanced criminalistics, including biological or genetic properties of evidence, trace evidence analytics, and firearm and toolmark examinations.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 351. Forensic Science Lab I. 3 Hours.
Basic identification and individualization of common, frequently occurring physical evidence materials, with emphasis on trace evidence.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 352. Forensic Science Laboratory III. 3 Hours.
Basic identification and individualization of common, frequently occurring physical evidence materials, with emphasis on biological materials.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 360. Criminology. 3 Hours.
Identification and assessment of early and modern theories concerning the causes of crime in society.
Prerequisites: JS 101 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 101 [Min Grade: C]

JS 362. Victimization. 3 Hours.
Examination of the criminal-victim relationship and societal reaction to victims including victim services, restitution, and compensation.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and (CJ 101 [Min Grade: C] or JS 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 380. Media, Crime & Justice. 3 Hours.
Examination of issues in crime and justice as depicted in popular media, including motion pictures, television, video, and other media.

JS 390. The Death Penalty in America. 3 Hours.
Overview of capital punishment in America including its history and justification, major Supreme Court rulings, current issues, and future directions.

JS 400. Drugs and Society. 3 Hours.
This course teaches the pharmacological effects of and different categories of drugs. Different theories of drug use are discussed as well as the historical development of drug laws. Various harms associated with drug use are discussed as well as the consequences of drug prohibition. Lastly, students are expected to understand the different methods of drug research.

JS 402. Introduction to Computer Forensics. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the use of analytical and investigative techniques in criminal or civil litigation to identify, collect, examine and preserve evidence/information magnetically stored or encoded.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 403. Restorative Justice. 3 Hours.
Introduction to, and analysis of, movement in criminal justice to institutionalize peaceful approaches to harm, problem-solving and violations of legal and human rights. Includes discussion of specific programs, critical evaluation of these programs, and analysis of future directions of the movement.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 404. Serial Killers. 3 Hours.
Examination of the psychology and sociology of serial killers, including case studies, agency responses and related issues.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 407. Special Topics in Criminal Justice. 3 Hours.
In-depth analysis of substantive topic in criminal justice or criminology including contemporary issues, ethics, historical review, or related topics. Varies by semester and by Instructor. May be repeated twice for credit.

JS 408. Juvenile Delinquency. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the nature, scope, and causes of illegal behavior by juveniles, and societal responses to that behavior.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 410. Criminal Justice Ethics. 3 Hours.
Analysis of systems of ethics and their applicability to problems in the administration of the justice system including those facing police officials, lawyers, judges, and correctional professionals. Writing and Ethics and Civic Responsibility are significant components of this course.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 220 [Min Grade: C] and JS 230 [Min Grade: C] and JS 240 [Min Grade: C] and JS 300 [Min Grade: C]

JS 411. Juvenile Justice System. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the evolution and operation of specialized agencies and procedures to address juvenile law-breaking, including emerging problems and solutions.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])
JS 412. Juvenile Law. 3 Hours.
Review and analysis of emerging statutory and case law in American juvenile justice.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] or JS 150 [Min Grade: C]) and JS 230 [Min Grade: C]

JS 413. The Legal Profession. 3 Hours.
Weekly seminars conducted by accomplished practitioners in civil litigation, criminal prosecution, criminal defense, labor and employment law, products liability, domestic relations, military justice, environmental, indigent legal aid, and alternative dispute resolution (ADR) techniques.
Prerequisites: JS 150 [Min Grade: C] and JS 230 [Min Grade: C]

JS 415. Investigating Online Crimes. 3 Hours.
Introduction to cyber investigative techniques involving focused analysis of email and websites; examination of legal process and preparing evidence in cyber crime cases; rules concerning introduction of digital evidence.
Prerequisites: JS 402 [Min Grade: C]

JS 424. Serial Killers in Cross-National Settings. 3 Hours.
Examines serial homicide in cross-national settings including offender disorders; crime scene analysis; significance of victims; and offender classification process.

JS 434. Mock Trial Competition. 3 Hours.
Represent UAB as member of Mock trial Team in invitational, regional, and national competition. May be repeated for maximum of 12 hours of which not more than 6 hours may be counted toward fulfilling major or minor requirements.

JS 436. The Intelligence Community. 3 Hours.
Weekly seminars by intelligence community experts covering relevant topics including state fusion centers; proliferation of intelligence units within first responder agencies; growing role of the private sector; and local prosecution for intelligence agency abuse.

JS 437. Cybercrime and Forensics. 3 Hours.
Overview of all aspects of media forensics including analysis of character encoding, file formats, and digital media; examination of disk acquisition and duplication techniques; application of media forensic techniques in criminal investigation scenarios.
Prerequisites: JS 402 [Min Grade: C]

JS 440. White Collar and Corporate Crime. 3 Hours.
Introduction to, and analysis of, illegal/deviant behavior occurring in complex organizational settings, including theoretical explanations; patterns and case studies; and control strategies.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 441. Terrorism and Social Control. 3 Hours.
Exploration of causes and consequences of terrorism and how governments respond, including investigation, prosecution, and punishment of terrorists.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 442. Race, Crime, Gender and Social Policy. 3 Hours.
Examination of how subordinate status of minority groups (African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans and Women) affects interaction with the justice system as offenders, victims, and professionals.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 443. Women and the Criminal Justice System. 3 Hours.
Examination of women's experiences as offenders, victims, and professionals in the criminal and civil justice systems.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 444. Law and Society. 3 Hours.
Examination of relationship between law and society, including how law is used to facilitate or retard social change, social control, and social conflict.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 100 [Min Grade: C]) or JS 150 [Min Grade: C] and JS 230 [Min Grade: C]

JS 445. Juvenile Corrections. 3 Hours.
Examination of historical and contemporary efforts to reduce juvenile delinquency through institutional and community-based programs; innovative programs; evaluation of program effectiveness.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 450. Questioned Death Investigation. 3 Hours.
Introduction to and analysis of questioned deaths, including techniques used in case investigation; overview and history of coroners' offices structure and function in the U.S.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 451. Research Methods in Forensic Science. 3 Hours.
Review of routinely used research methods to conduct forensic science scientific studies.
Prerequisites: CJ 110 [Min Grade: C] or JS 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 452. Questioned Documents. 3 Hours.
Introduction to and analysis of questioned documents, including techniques used in case investigation. Laboratory fee charged.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CS 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 453. Investigation of Fires and Explosions. 3 Hours.
Introduction to arson investigation including overview of specific techniques used in case investigation; case preparation and presentation in court.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 456. Forensic Approaches to Osteology. 3 Hours.
Introduction study of structure and function of bones with particular emphasis on ability to identify age, sex, and population type of skeletal material.
Prerequisites: JS 110 [Min Grade: C] or CJ 110 [Min Grade: C]

JS 460. Violence: An American Tradition. 3 Hours.
Examines violence as an American tradition, including historical acts of violence as catalysts for social change, destructive or negative violence, and policies and prevention strategies.
Prerequisites: (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 465. Cold Case Analysis. 3 Hours.
Introduction to methods used in analyzing unsolved cases, including innovative technology, 3rd party investigators, and teams.

JS 466. Spatial Analysis and Crime Mapping. 3 Hours.
This skills-based class will introduce students to the application of geographic information systems (GIS) to crime-related topics and issues.

JS 477. Legislative Issues in the Intelligence Community. 3 Hours.
Case studies of legislative contributions to and curbs on intelligence community's legal authority, including Patriot Act, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), Defense Department Authorization Act, and state and local legislative initiatives.
JS 481. Honors Research. 3 Hours.
Undergraduate research project developed and completed under direction of faculty mentor.

JS 482. Honors Research and Colloquium. 3 Hours.
Completion of undergraduate Honors Project under the guidance of a faculty mentor with presentation of project at department colloquium.

JS 483. Patterns in Crime. 3 Hours.
Examination of the major correlates of crime and criminality; critical examination of major sources of information from which data on crime correlates are gathered.
Prerequisites: (JS 100 [Min Grade: C] and JS 101 [Min Grade: C]) or (CJ 100 [Min Grade: C] and CJ 101 [Min Grade: C])

JS 490. Independent Research in Criminal Justice. 1-3 Hour.
Independent readings, research or project approved and directed by a criminal justice faculty member who supervises proposed plan of study. Permission of Department Chair.

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JS 492. Study Abroad in Criminal Justice. 3 Hours.
This course affords students the opportunity engage in academic study outside of the U.S. to examine substantive topics in crime and justice. Students spend time (to be determined by the specific program) at a destination point, where they engage with students and faculty members in classroom and research settings at partner post-secondary institutions, experience immersion in foreign culture, and engage in comparative analysis of policies and programs relating to crime and justice.

JS 497. Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice for Practitioners. 3-6 Hours.
Supervised capstone experience for students already working in a local, state, or federal criminal justice or ancillary agency. Course strongly emphasizes demonstration of ability to communicate in written form to appropriate audience, including competence in grammar and mechanics; understanding and practicing ethical decision making and civic responsibility; and quantitative analyses including construction and interpretation of tables and ability to adequately communicate quantitative information. Prerequisite: Permission of Internship Coordinator. May be repeated for maximum of 12 hours of which not more than 6 hours may be counted toward fulfilling major or minor requirements. Ethics and Civil Responsibility and Writing are significant components of this course.

JS 498. Distance Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice. 3-6 Hours.
Supervised capstone experience in criminal justice agency located more than 100 miles from Birmingham. Course strongly emphasizes demonstration of student's ability to communicate in written form to appropriate audiences, including competence in grammar and mechanics; understanding and practicing ethical decision making and civic responsibility; and quantitative analyses including construction and interpretation of tables and ability to adequately communicate quantitative information. Prerequisite: Permission of Internship Coordinator. May be repeated for maximum of 12 hours of which not more than 6 hours may be counted toward fulfilling major or minor requirements. Ethics and Civil Responsibility and Writing are significant components of this course.

JS 499. Internship and Capstone in Criminal Justice. 3-6 Hours.
Supervised capstone experience in local, state, or federal criminal justice or ancillary agency. Course strongly emphasizes demonstration of ability to communicate in written form to an appropriate audience, including competence in grammar and mechanics; understanding and practicing ethical decision making and civic responsibility; and quantitative analyses including construction and interpretation of tables and ability to adequately communicate quantitative information. Prerequisite: Permission of the Internship Coordinator. May be repeated for maximum of 12 hours of which not more than 6 hours may be counted toward fulfilling major or minor requirements. Ethics and Civil Responsibility and Writing are significant components of this course.