# Justice Studies

**Department of Sociology**

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Students **must** consult with their assigned advisor before they will be able to register for courses.

Justice Studies B.A.

Course Requirements

Courses

|  |  |  |  |
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| PHIL 206 | Ethics | 3 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 202 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| PSYC 110 | Introduction to Psychology | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 207 | Crime and Criminal Justice | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Research Methods

CHOOSE Option I, II, or III below

Option I

(For all justice studies majors, including those double majoring in justice studies and sociology)

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| SOC 302 | Social Research Methods | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 404 | Social Data Analysis | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Option II

(For students double majoring in justice studies and political science)

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| POL 300 | Methodology in Political Science | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 302 | Social Research Methods | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Option III

(For students double majoring in justice studies and psychology)

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| PSYC 320 | Research Methods II: Behavioral Statistics | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 302 | Social Research Methods | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Core Theory and Capstone

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| JSTD 466 | Seminar in Justice Studies | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 332 | Civil Liberties in the United States | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 362  | Theories of Crime Seminar  | 4 | F, Sp |

Core Choices

THREE COURSES from

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ANTH 333 | Comparative Law and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| SOC 333 | Comparative Law and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
|  |   |  |  |
| HIST 315 | Western Legal Systems | 4 | As needed |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| POL 315 | Western Legal Systems | 4 | As needed |
|  |   |  |  |
| PHIL 321 | Social and Political Philosophy | 3 | F, Sp |
|  |   |  |  |
| POL 327 | Internship in State Government | 4 | Sp |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| POL 328 | Field Experiences in the Public Sector | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
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| POL 335 | Jurisprudence and the American Judicial Process | 3 | As needed |
| SOC 318 | Law and Society | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 340 | Police and Policing | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 341 | Sociology of Punishment | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

POL 327: Double majors in justice studies and social work may choose SWRK 436.

Cognates

TWO COURSES from

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| JSTD 3XX | Topics in Justice Studies | 4 |  |
| MGT 341 | Business, Government, and Society | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| PHIL 315 | Evidence, Reasoning, and Proof | 3 | Annually |
| POL 331 | Courts and Public Policy | 4 | F |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 343 | Juveniles and Justice | 4 | As needed |
| SOC 344 | Race and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 345 | Victimology | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Total Credit Hours: 52-55

Justice Studies Minor

Course Requirements

The minor in justice studies consists of 26–28 credit hours (seven courses), as follows:

Courses

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| POL 202 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 332 | Civil Liberties in the United States | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 207 | Crime and Criminal Justice | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 362  | Theories of Crime Seminar  | 4 | F, Sp |

THREE COURSES from the following:

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| ANTH 333 | Comparative Law and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| SOC 333 | Comparative Law and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
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| HIST 315 | Western Legal Systems | 4 | As needed |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| POL 315 | Western Legal Systems | 4 | As needed |
|  |   |  |  |
| JSTD 3XX | Topics in Justice Studies | 4 |  |
| PHIL 321 | Social and Political Philosophy | 3 | F, Sp |
| POL 335 | Jurisprudence and the American Judicial Process | 3 | As needed |
| SOC 318 | Law and Society | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 340 | Police and Policing | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 341 | Sociology of Punishment | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |

# JSTD - Justice Studies

JSTD 466 - Seminar in Justice Studies (4)

Students integrate their understanding of theory, research and policy relating to crime and justice. Two extensive writing assignments will consist of a grant proposal, research/program design, or law review.

Prerequisite: Senior standing, POL 332, SOC 302, SOC 362 , 12 additional credit hours of justice studies courses and a minumum 2.0 G.P.A., or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

JSTD 491 - Independent Study I (3)

Students select a topic and undertake concentrated research or creative activity under the mentorship of a faculty member.

Prerequisite: Admission to the justice studies honors program and consent of instructor, program director and dean.

Offered: As needed.

JSTD 492 - Independent Study II (3)

This course continues the development of research or creative activity begun in JSTD 491. For departmental honors, the project requires final assessment by the department.

Prerequisite: JSTD 491 and consent of instructor, program director and dean.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 303 - Fountain of Age (4)

The impacts of aging at the individual, interactional, and societal level are examined, with ethical, public policy and economic challenges considered. Historical, cross-cultural and gender variations in aging are explored. Students cannot receive credit for both GRTL 303 and SOC 303, or SOC 261.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 306 - Work and Organizations (4)

In analyzing the goals, operation, and impact of modern organizations, students consider such characteristics as bureaucratization, work and employment, and organizational change.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 314 - The Sociology of Health and Illness (4)

Topics include the influence of the social and economic environment on health and disease, and social-cultural forces affecting medicine.

Prerequisite: Completion of any 200 level course in a social/behavioral science or consent of department chair.

Offered: Annually.

SOC 315 - Community (4)

Interactive learning is pursued through field experience or applied research that produces service to the community.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or completion of at least 45 college credits and consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 316 - Sociology of Education (4)

The school is examined as one of the major institutions in contemporary society concerned with the socialization of children (and adults).

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 317 - Politics and Society (4)

Relationships of power and authority and their social foundations are examined. Students may receive credit for only one of the following: HIST 317, POL 317, and SOC 317.

Prerequisite: POL 204 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

SOC 318 - Law and Society (4)

Law as a social institution is examined. Attention is given to theories of law; law as it relates to social control and social change; the organization, making, implementation, and impact of law; and the profession and practice of law.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

SOC 320 - Aging and the Law (3)

Students examine the major laws affecting the older population (e.g., Social Security), as well as programs and policies stemming from these laws.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Annually.

SOC 321 - Sociology of the Body (4)

A sociological analysis of bodily experiences, emphasizing the impact of gender, race, class and sexuality across a range of phenomena from body adornment and modification to illness and disability.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of the department chair.

Offered: Annually.

SOC 333 - Comparative Law and Justice (4)

Systems of law and justice are examined in prestate and state societies to understand the operation of law and justice in cross-cultural contexts and the United States. Students cannot receive credit for both SOC 333 and ANTH 333.

Prerequisite: Any 100- or 200-level course in a social science.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

SOC 340 - Police and Policing (4)

The philosophy, history, and practice of law enforcement are examined. Organization and jurisdiction of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and their roles in the administration of criminal justice are explored.

Prerequisite: SOC 207 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SOC 341 - Sociology of Punishment (4)

Students engage in critical analysis of punishment practices and theories, including rationales of punishment and alternatives to incarceration such as restorative justice and rehabilitative approaches.

Prerequisite: SOC 207 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SOC 342 - Women, Crime, and Justice (4)

Focus is on women's experiences with crime, justice, and the law. Topics include an overview of American laws that affect women, the impact of social movements on justice for women, women and crime, and women in the criminal justice system.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

SOC 343 - Juveniles and Justice (4)

The impact of juvenile status on the rights of the individual, the historical and philosophical foundations of the juvenile justice system, and its current organization and administration are examined.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

SOC 344 - Race and Justice (4)

Focus is on the intersection of race with crime, justice and the law. Considers whether there is institutionalized bias towards specific racial groups in the legal and criminal justice systems.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

SOC 345 - Victimology (4)

Topics such as the victimization of individuals and groups by crime, the criminal justice system, terrorism, and the abuse of power are examined.

Prerequisite: Any 200-level sociology course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SOC 362 – Theories of Crime Seminar (4)

**Students examine theories of delinquent and criminal behavior.  Relevant social policy is explored through intensive writing and analysis**.

Prerequisite: SOC 207, 45 credit hours, or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

SOC 390 - Directed Study (3-4)

Designed to be a substitute for a traditional course under the instruction of a faculty member. This course may be repeated with a change in topic.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor, department chair and dean.

Offered: As needed.