

Criminology (Minor)

The criminology minor emphasizes criminological theory and research and is an introduction to the concept of deviance and related issues of criminal behavior. The minor is grounded in sociological theory and methods and allows students flexibility in the choice of specialized criminological study such as, juvenile delinquency, sociology of law, formal institutions of social control, community and crime, and data analysis in criminology. No courses for the minor may be taken for S/U credit.

Admissions

To be admitted to the program, a student must have a GPA of at least 2.0. Declaring a minor early will help ensure you have access to courses that may restrict seats to departmental majors and minors. Go to Add a Minor (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/coda-home/add-a-minor/>) to apply.

Certification

The minor should be declared as soon as the student makes the decision to pursue a minor. Minor coursework must be completed no later than the semester in which the student expects to graduate from his or her degree program.

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Plan Requirements

The Criminology minor consists of 16 hours. Any student seeking a minor must consult with a minor advisor on a plan of work, and must file a copy of this plan with the minor advisor at least one semester before graduation.

- A 2.0 GPA is required in the minor course work.
- No courses taken for S/U credit will count toward the minor.
- A minimum of 9 hours required course work must be taken at NC State, 3 hours of which must be 400 level.
- Students completing a minor in Criminology may not also complete a minor in Sociology.
- Students completing a major in Sociology (B.A. or B.S.) may not minor in Criminology.
- A maximum of two (2) courses may be used (double-counted) towards departmental major requirements and/or requirements for additional minors.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
SOC 202	Principles of Sociology	3
SOC 206	Social Deviance	3
SOC 306	Criminology	3
SOC 300	Social Research Methods ^{1,2}	4
Elective Courses		
Select one of the following:		3
SOC 425	Juvenile Delinquency	
SOC 426	Environmental Criminology	

SOC 427	Sociology of Law
SOC 428	Formal Institutions of Social Control
SOC 429	Quantitative Data Analysis in Sociology
SOC 430	Community and Crime
SOC/PS 432	Violence, Terrorism, and Public Policy
SOC 445	Inequality, Ideology, and Social Justice

Total Hours **16**

- ¹ If a student successfully completes PS 371 Research Methodology of Political Science or PSY 230 Introduction to Psychological Research with a 'C-' or better, the SOC 300 Social Research Methods requirement will be waived, but three (3) additional hours of sociology are required at the 300 or 400 level.
- ² Note that SOC 300 Social Research Methods has a prerequisite or co-requisite, ST 311 Introduction to Statistics.