

# College of **HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

## Student Resource Center

At the College of Health & Social Sciences' Student Resource Center, we can provide you with the support you need to navigate University policies and regulations, direct you towards appropriate support services and offer a compassionate ear in a time of frustration or stress as you deal with the pressures of work, school and family responsibilities. Drop by to make an appointment to see one of our advisors.

### Services Offered

- Academic Planning (GE/DPR/Major)
- Transition Support for First Time Freshman and Transfers
- Impacted Major Consultation
- Academic Probation Support
- General Life/Support Counseling
- Career Prep and Planning
- Graduation Check (GE and Graduation Requirements)
- Resume and Cover Letter Help

### CHSS Student Resource Center

HSS 254

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## CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDIES

FALL 2017

### ABOUT THE MAJOR

Drawing upon a rich urban environment, the multidisciplinary program in criminal justice studies explores the connections between law, crime and justice. The curriculum emphasizes critical thinking about the administration of justice, crime and delinquency, legal studies and working with diverse communities. As part of the major, students participate in a culminating field experience at the end of their program. The program is intended for a diverse group of students whose interests range from the local to the global, from street crime to terrorism, from municipal policing to international courts. Both majors and minors will pursue course work within and across four areas of emphasis within the field of criminal justice studies.

#### EMPHASIS AREAS

##### Administration of Justice

Students explore central features of criminal justice systems. Courses include treatment of distinguishing features of the U.S. criminal justice system and comparative perspectives of systems around the globe. Attention is given to recurring problems including abuse of authority, community conflict and discrimination in case processing. Students have opportunities to learn methods and applications for studying criminal justice systems and processes.

##### Crime and Delinquency

Courses in this area expose students to major explanations of what brings about different forms of juvenile delinquency and adult criminality. Students have opportunities to explore biological, feminist, economic, international, psychological, racial and sociological perspectives of crime and delinquency. In addition to addressing street crime, courses are available for learning about hate crime, organized crime, terrorism, and white collar crime. In addition to addressing street crime, courses are available for learning about hate crime, organized crime, terrorism and white collar crime.

##### Legal Studies

Attention is given to legal doctrine relevant to criminal justice, the practice of law by criminal justice agents and the experience of law by defendants, family members and victims. Courses include distinctive disciplinary perspectives of law as well as issues faced by particular populations. Students have the opportunity to learn and apply legal analysis, including case law and development of legal briefs.

##### Working with Diverse Communities

Working in the criminal justice system in any capacity requires interacting with individuals from diverse family, cultural, social and economic backgrounds. Courses in this area expose students to a deeper understanding and appreciation of individuals and groups from backgrounds other than their own. These courses help students develop communication skills to bridge cultural differences while working toward common goals related to the pursuit of social as well as criminal justice.



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# Suggested First- and Second-Year Course Sequence

## FALL 2017\*\*

AREA A1 or A3: ORAL  
COMMUNICATION or CRITICAL  
THINKING  
AREA A2: WRITTEN ENGLISH  
COMMUNICATION  
AREA C1 or C3  
AREA D1, D2, OR D3

## SPRING 2018

AREA A1 or A3: ORAL  
COMMUNICATION or CRITICAL  
THINKING  
AREA A4: WRITTEN ENGLISH  
COMMUNICATION II  
AREA B4: QUANTITATIVE REASONING  
AREA D1, D2, or D3

## FALL 2018\*\*

AREA A4 or COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES  
AREA B1 & B3: PHYSICAL and  
LABORATORY SCIENCES  
AREA C1 or C3  
AREA D1, D2, or D3

## SPRING 2019

AREA C1, C2, or C3  
COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES  
GE AREA B2: LIFE SCIENCE  
COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES, SF STATE  
STUDIES, or ELECTIVES

## General Education Areas Potentially Met by Courses in this Major

By successfully completing the Criminal Justice curriculum, you could also meet some of the Upper Division General Education requirements.

\* AP and IB exam scores as well as courses taken at a community college can also impact the suggested course sequencing. If you are not sure how this will affect your scheduling, please contact an SRC advisor.

\*\*Electives/Complementary Studies — please consult with major advisor on appropriate courses

## ADDING, DROPPING AND WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES AFTER START OF SEMESTER

Please be aware of all deadlines. You may add courses via your Gateway until before the first day of instruction, provided there is space available. Once classes start, you will need permission numbers from your instructor to add classes via Gateway.

Dropping courses via your Gateway without it noted on your official records must occur within the first three weeks of each semester. After this three-week period, you are no longer allowed to drop courses via your Gateway. You must have a serious and compelling reason to withdraw from a course and submit a petition with objective supporting documentation. If approved, a "W" will appear on your transcript. All withdrawal petitions that lack serious and compelling reasons and/or viable supporting documentation will be denied within the College of Health & Social Sciences. Be conscientious about withdrawing from classes as you are allowed a maximum of 18 units for withdrawal and "W"s on your transcript can reflect poorly. Also, keep in mind that you are only allowed to repeat a course once for a maximum of two times.

**Lastly, it is ALWAYS students' responsibility to ensure that they are in the appropriate classes — always check your schedule!**

## RESOURCES:

**SF STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
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