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# Bachelor of Arts in Sociology Concentration in Criminology

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Winthrop University offers a concentration in Criminology. This option provides training for a wide variety of occupations such as law enforcement and the judiciary.

Criminology does not focus on techniques of police investigation or other applied courses, but focuses on providing a broad liberal arts education. Courses include Criminology, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems, Law Enforcement and Social Control, and Corrections.

## CRIMINOLOGY CURRICULUM

◆ SOC101-Social Problems & Social Policy: Types, extent, and causes of social problems. Strategies for solutions.

◆ SOCL201– Principles of Sociology: Introduction to the perspectives, approaches and basic concepts used in the sociological study of human social behavior.

◆ SOCL227-Criminal & Juvenile Justice Systems: Development, organization, and operation of the police, courts, and corrections. Includes the rudiments of the juvenile system.

◆ SOCL302-Social Theory: Survey of the masters of sociological thought.

◆ SOCL316-Introduction to Social Research: Research process, the relationship of theory to research, technique, and simple statistical analysis.

◆ SOCL325-Criminology: Extent, patterns, and causes of crime and delinquency.

◆ SOCL330-Deviant Behavior Rule-breaking processes in society. Attention given to deviant identities, subcultures, rule types, and normalizing deviants once they are labeled.

◆ SOCL335-Law Enforcement & Social Control: Analysis of the development of policing and organization and operation of police agencies and how they function in roles as law enforcers, peace keepers, and service agents in modern society.

◆ SOCL337-Corrections: Society's response in correctional systems to convicted lawbreakers. Development of punishments, penal institutions, and community corrections.

◆ SOCL516-Social Research Experience II: Study of social research methods, with an emphasis on survey research and analyses of quantitative data, and the experience of carrying out a research project.

◆ SOCL525-Sociology of Law: This course will examine the major sociological perspectives on law and society, legal reasoning, morality and law as well as substantive issues relating to the legal process.

◆ SOCL598-Senior Survey: Issues, trends and research in contemporary sociology.

In addition to the course work listed above, the department encourages students to enroll in internships. The department has formed partnerships with numerous organizations.

Students have interned at several local criminal justice and social service institutions. For example, students have been placed at ECO women's prison, YMCA, York County Juvenile Arbitration and Winthrop Law Enforcement.

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