

B.A. Criminal Justice | Major Map



POPULAR CAREERS

- Law enforcement officer
- Criminal/private investigator
- Paralegal/legal assistant
- Homeland Security agent
- Crime laboratory analyst
- Fish & game warden
- Professor/instructor
- Victim advocate
- Forensic psychologist
- Youth correctional counselor

POPULAR EMPLOYERS

Government agencies, police departments, prisons, private detective firms, laboratories, law enforcement agencies, national security agencies, colleges & universities

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- **Internships**
 - Minnehaha County Juvenile Detention Center
 - Minnehaha County State's Attorney
 - Sequel Transition Academy
 - South Dakota Department of Corrections
 - South Dakota State Penitentiary
- **Study Away**
 - Browse the list of current offerings at augie.edu/StudyAwayPortal, and contact the IPO to discover opportunities related to your vocational goals.



WHY MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE?

At Augustana, criminal justice extends beyond the traditional approach by combining insight into the legal system with critical and ethical perspectives that enable graduates to be leaders in the world of law. Classes provide students with a deep understanding of the United States legal system, focusing on the laws, policies and procedures that govern it. The curriculum emphasizes critical thinking through analyzing complex problems and systems, as well as making difficult, proactive decisions. Students develop a strong sense of ethics by going beyond the surface level of complex topics and looking at issues of fairness and justice.

FIRST YEAR

MIDDLE YEAR(S)

LAST YEAR

EXCEL ACADEMICALLY

- Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.
- Review your degree audit report, and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.
- Enroll in CRJS 110.
- Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from upper-level students about signature experiences and chart a personalized plan for your engagement.
- Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s).

- Explore minors or elective credits that interest you.
- Contact the Student Success Center to declare any second majors or minors.
- Enroll in CRJS 225 & 300.
- Complete one of the required selective courses — SOCI 280 or 340.

- Apply to graduate no later than Oct. 1.
- Review the degree audit provided by the Registrar's Office.
- Complete any remaining required courses and electives.

ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING

- Access your Viking Central account.
- Participate in campus clubs and organizations such as the Anthropology Club, Augustana Student Association (ASA), Government Club, Psychology Club, and Serving and Learning Together (SALT).
- Explore study-away opportunities at the study-away fairs.
- Create an account in Augie Opportunities.

- Attend the Sophomore Retreat.
- Engage in campus leadership, internships, service and relevant summer employment.
- Connect with employers offering internships at the BIG Career Fair.
- Participate in the alumni mentor program.
- Consider elite scholarship opportunities, such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman.
- Earn the Diversity Advocate Certificate.
- Apply for Knight Internship Funds and ASA transportation funds. Pursue elite fellowships.

- Take standardized exams (e.g., GRE, LSAT, MCAT), and share your application to graduate or professional schools with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback.
- Attend the BIG (Business, Industry, Government) Career & Internship Fair.
- Continue to connect with alumni.
- Participate in mock interviews and networking events.
- Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school.
- Join the Augustana alumni community.

CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!

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