BACHELOR OF CRIMINOLOGY (1710)

Approved Abbreviation: BCrim
Western Sydney University Program Code: 1710
AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 079498E

This program applies to students who commenced in 2019 or later.

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

For Commencement Year 2015 to 2018 - please refer to 1710.2 Bachelor of Criminology (http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1710.2)

The Bachelor of Criminology degree offers students the opportunity to study crime and criminal justice in both a conceptual and an applied way that particularly stresses social and cultural definitions of criminality and the reactions to it. Areas of focus include criminal justice institutions and practices; the development of criminology as a discipline and its various strands; forms and patterns of victimisation; crime prevention strategies and debates; aspects of juvenile justice; the evolution of prisons and different forms of punishment; law enforcement and surveillance; violence, gender and crime; cultural depictions of crime and contemporary debates in criminology. As such, the degree addresses the criminalisation of disadvantage through race, class, disability and gender, with a focus on the nexus between social and criminal justice. This will equip students with the specialist skills and knowledge that a new graduate would need on entering the workforce or on proceeding to advanced study.

Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

Program Advice

Dr Ashlee Gore (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/18138/)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/)| Local Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/) | International Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Liverpool Campus	Full Time	Internal	Ashlee Gore (ashlee.Gore@westernsydney.edu.au)
Liverpool Campus	Part Time	Internal	Ashlee Gore (ashlee.Gore@westernsydney.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Full Time	Internal	Erin Krueger (e.kruger@westernsydney.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Part Time	Internal	Erin Krueger (e.kruger@westernsydney.edu.au)

Admission

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

http://www.uac.edu.au/
https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

International students currently completing an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia, an International Baccalaureate in Australia or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3 must apply via UAC International.

http://www.uac.edu.au/

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequence below

Recommended Sequence:

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
BEHV 2008	Mental Health in the Community	10

Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
HUMN 2070	First Peoples and Criminal Justice	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
HUMN 2070	First Peoples and Criminal Justice	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
BEHV 2008	Mental Health in the Community	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 3		
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
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CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Equivalent Core Subjects

The core subject listed below counts towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2021 or earlier.

CULT 2019 - First Peoples and Criminal Justice, replaced by HUMN 2070 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2023-2024/subject-details/humn2070/) First Peoples and Criminal Justice

The core subjects listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 1020 - Working with Communities
HUMN 2049 - Social Research Methods

Minor elective spaces

Elective subjects may be used toward obtaining an additional approved minor (40 credit points). Western Sydney University offers minors in a range of areas including Sustainability and Indigenous Studies.

Global Sustainability Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/global-sustainability-minor/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-minor/)

Western Sydney University also offers the following innovative transdisciplinary Challenge Minors (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/educational_partnerships_and_quality/home/challenge_minors/) which we encourage those students who have elective space to consider.

Equitable Technologies (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/equitable-technologies-minor/)
Urban Evolution (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/urban-evolution-minor/)
Migration and Global Change (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/migration-global-change-minor/)
Personal Innovation (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/personal-innovation-minor/)
Innovating, Creating and Problem Solving (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/innovating-creating-problem-solving-minor/)
Eco-Socially Conscious Design and Manufacturing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/eco-socially-conscious-design-manufacturing-minor/)
Water for Life (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/water-life-minor/)
Climate Justice (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/climate-justice-minor/)

Creative and Visual Communication (https://
hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-visual-
communication-minor/)
Global Workplaces (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-
minors/global-workplaces-minor/)
Innovating For Humans (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-
minors/innovating-humans-minor/)
Creative Living for Cultural Wellbeing (https://
hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-living-cultural-
wellbeing-minor-/)
Ideate.Strategise.Innovate. (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/
majors-minors/ideate-strategise-innovate-minor/)
Humanising Data (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-
minors/humanising-data-minor/)

For more information, visit the Challenge Minor (https://
www.westernsydney.edu.au/educational_partnerships_and_quality/
home/challenge_minors/) website.

Search for majors and minors (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/
majors-minors/)

Students can apply for an elective minor via Western Now.

WesternNow (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/westernnow/)