B.S. in Sociology - Criminal Justice

Why Study Criminal Justice?
- Explore the realities of criminal behavior, crime and crime prevention worldwide.
- Discover how the criminal justice system operates and its impact on offenders, victims and society.
- Gain critical thinking and methodological skills for analyzing crime data and for addressing problems related to crime and its control.

Students engage in the study of the causes of crime and criminality, other forms of social deviance and official responses to crime by law enforcement, the criminal courts and the corrections system. The program prepares students to pursue a career in law enforcement, crime measurement and analysis, mediation and conflict resolution, victim assistance, and homeland or corporate security, among others. The program also prepares students for graduate level programs.

While internships are not required for the program, there are opportunities currently available in Baltimore County for students seeking to expand their knowledge and experience base in an attempt to narrow down their vast career interests. Students enrolled in an internship covering 135 hours may receive 3 credits upon satisfactory completion.

Example Course Descriptions

CRMJ 387 ISSUES IN POLICING Individual and system-related problems facing police personnel.

CRMJ 375 DRUGS AND CRIME Examines the relationship among drugs, crime, and human behavior. Explores relationship between drug abuse and crime and the policy proposals and legislation developed to control drug trafficking, drug abuse, and drug-related crime.

CRMJ 345 RACE AND CRIME Structural and cultural dimensions of race-specific patterns of criminal offending and victimization. Focus on urban development, social construction of race, and the political-economy of crime and social control in America.

CRMJ 353 THEORIES OF CRIME Evolution of criminological theory; crime rates and trends; social profile of criminal offenders and victims; societal responses.

CRMJ 355 DELINQUENCY AND JUVENILE JUSTICE Nature, distribution, and causes of youth crime; youth gangs; the juvenile justice system.

CRMJ 393 ETHICS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE Analysis of the ethical dilemmas that confront law enforcement, criminal law, and corrections professionals in the course of their daily work. Focus on both macro and micro level solutions.

Selected Faculty Profiles

Elyshia Aseltine, Ph.D. Dr. Aseltine’s teaching and research focuses on crime/law/deviance, criminal justice, and race/ethnicity in the US and Africa. She teaches such courses as Race and Crime, Deviant Behavior, Deviance and Organizations, and Sociology of Law.

Laura Hahn, M.A. Laura Hahn previously worked with the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Department of Juvenile Services. Her research interests include educational and social program and policy changes to reduce early and continued criminality, juveniles in the adult prison system, institutional inmate issues, education and community reentry and aftercare programming.

John Skinner, M.A. John Skinner is the former Deputy Police Commissioner and retired 21-year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department. Mr. Skinner was awarded Police Officer of the Year in 2010 by the National Alliance of Mental Illness for his collaborative partnerships in training police officers. In 2009, he was recognized by the United States Department of Justice for the development of the Patrol Response Survey, an evaluation program that measures the community's perception of police performance. Mr. Skinner was also named "Baltimorean of the Year" by Baltimore Magazine for the creation of the Safe Zone Project, a nationally recognized community stabilization strategy.
Towson University offers students the opportunity to obtain a bachelor’s degree (B.S.) in Sociology-Anthropology—Criminal Justice without ever leaving Harford County! Students who complete Harford Community College’s Associate of Arts (A.A.) in Criminal Justice will be eligible to transfer to the Towson University in Northeastern Maryland facility on HCC’s campus to earn a bachelor’s degree.

**Recommended Course Schedule Sequence at Harford Community College**

**NOTE:** The following codes identify courses which satisfy the General Education Requirements at HCC:

- **GB** Behavioral/Social Science *
- **GH** Arts/Humanities *
- **GM** Mathematics
- **GL** Biological/Physical Laboratory Science
- **GI** Interdisciplinary & Emerging Issues
- **GE** English Composition
- **GS** Biological/Physical Science
- **D** Diversity

* For the A.A. degree, Behavioral/Social Science and Arts/Humanities electives MUST be selected from two different disciplines.

At HCC, future transfer students may earn credits that count toward the Core Curriculum requirements at Towson University. These Core requirements consist of a minimum of 40 units of coursework in 13 categories.

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<th>First Semester (15 credits)</th>
<th>Second Semester (17 credits)</th>
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<td><strong>CJ 101</strong> Introduction to Criminal Justice (3)</td>
<td><strong>CJ 103</strong> Introduction to Corrections (3)</td>
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<td><strong>CJ 104</strong> Procedural Law and Evidence (3)</td>
<td><strong>CJ 111</strong> Principles of Criminal Law (3)</td>
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<td><strong>ENG 101</strong> English Composition (3) <strong>GE</strong> (Core 2)</td>
<td><strong>ENG 109</strong> English Composition: Research Writing (3) <strong>Core 10</strong></td>
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<td><strong>PS 101</strong> American National Government (3) <strong>GB</strong> (Core 11) <strong>OR</strong></td>
<td><strong>PSY 101</strong> General Psychology (3) <strong>GB</strong> (Core 6)</td>
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<td><strong>PS 102</strong> State and Local Government (3) <strong>GB</strong> (Core 11)</td>
<td><strong>MATH 216</strong> Introduction to Statistics (4) <strong>GM</strong> (Core 3)</td>
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<td><strong>SOC 101</strong> Introduction to Sociology (3) <strong>GB, D</strong> (Core 13)</td>
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<td><strong>CMST 101</strong> Speech Fundamentals (3) <strong>GI</strong> (Core 4)</td>
<td><strong>BA 210</strong> Business Computer Applications (3) <strong>OR</strong></td>
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<td><strong>PHIL 205</strong> Ethics (3) <strong>GH</strong> (Core 14)</td>
<td><strong>CIS 102</strong> Introduction to Information Sciences (3) <strong>GI</strong></td>
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<td><strong>SOC 102</strong> Social Problems (3) <strong>GB, D</strong> (Core 12)</td>
<td><strong>CJ 213</strong> Criminology (same course as SOC 213) (3)</td>
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<td>Biological/Physical Science Lab (4) <strong>GL</strong> (Core 7)</td>
<td><strong>Arts/Humanities Elective (not PHIL or ENGL)</strong> (3) <strong>GH</strong> (Core 5)</td>
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<td><strong>Physical Education Elective</strong> (1)</td>
<td><strong>SOC 201</strong> Marriage and the Family (3) <strong>GB</strong></td>
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*Last revised 10/04/16.* Please note that this information is subject to change. Be sure to meet with your HCC advisor each semester to track your progress and confirm your course schedule.
# B.S. in Sociology-Anthropology - Criminal Justice Concentration

**Towson University in Northeastern Maryland**

## Fall Term A (15 units)
- CRMJ 353 (3 units) Theories of Crime
- Criminology Course (3 units) Example: SOCI 351 Deviant Behavior

**Units Needed to Complete Degree**

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<td>TU Core Curriculum</td>
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<td>21-25</td>
<td>TU Sociology-Anthropology Program with Criminal Justice concentration</td>
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<td>General TU or Department Electives</td>
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<td>120</td>
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## Spring Term A (15 units)
- CRMJ 368 (3 units) Research Methods in Criminal Justice
- Social Control Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 385 Police Administration
- SOCI/ANTH/Outside Electives (3 units) Example: ANTH 209 Anthropology of American Culture

## Fall Term B (15 units)
- Criminal Justice Practice Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 375 Topics in Criminal Justice
- Criminology Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 355 Delinquency and Juvenile Justice
- SOCI/ANTH/Outside Electives (3 units) TBD

## Spring Term B (15 units)
- Social Control Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 387 Issues in Policing
- Criminology Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 345 Race and Crime
- Criminal Justice Practice Course (3 units) Example: CRMJ 375 Principles of Criminal Investigation

*The cycle sequence can begin during any term. Order of schedule is subject to change.*

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**General Information**

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Save Money.

- Towson University offers reduced fees for fulltime TU in Northeastern Maryland students. Parking is also free and convenient. TUNE students will save more than $1,500 per year compared to students on the main campus.
- By submitting the FAFSA, students are eligible for the same Financial Aid packages that are awarded to main campus students.
- TU is currently offering a need-based grant to students enrolled in at least 12 units of classes at the TUNE location. Selected recipients will receive a $2,000 grant ($1,000 per term) for Fall and Spring semesters.
- Room & Board on the main campus also costs approximately $11,000 per academic year, which is money our commuters can save.

Convenient. Close to Home.

- Program advisors and admissions representatives hold regular office hours on-site.
- A fulltime Director of Student Services organizes diverse student life events to bring the full college experience to TUNE.
- Student employment opportunities are available.
- Select programs offer local internship opportunities in Harford County.
- Fulltime TUNE students have access to Harford Community College’s fitness facilities.
- TUNE has its own bookstore where students may purchase class materials, TU apparel, and much more.

Three reasons why you may want to apply to...

Towson University

Same Quality Programs. Same Quality Degree.

- Students receive a Bachelors degree awarded by Towson University. The programs at TUNE are identical to those on main campus.
- All programs are Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) approved.
- Many of the same instructors who teach on the main campus also teach TUNE courses.
- Established partnerships with local community colleges provide a seamless transfer and assure maximum transfer credit.
1. To access the online application, please visit our webpage at www.towson.edu/tunemd and click on the “Apply Now” link in the right-hand sidebar. You can also visit the application directly at the following URL: http://www.towson.edu/admissions/undergrad/transfer/tune.html

2. Find out if your intended major has additional requirements. Some majors have additional requirements or screening criteria, such as prerequisite courses, supplemental applications, GPA requirements, or passing Praxis scores. **Admission to Towson University does not guarantee entry into these majors.** The following programs at TUNE have additional requirements: Business Administration - Leadership & Management concentration, Elementary Education/Special Education, Early Childhood/Special Education, and Nursing.

3. Please read the application instructions carefully. Allow yourself approximately 20-30 minutes to complete the application honestly and fully. A $45 non-deferrable, non-refundable fee is required with your application. You will be able to pay the application fee with a credit card or electronic check.

4. Do not forget to have your official transcript (no grade reports or print-outs) sent to Admissions via email to: Admissions_Documents@towson.edu [Some schools will send electronically to TU.] or via postal mail to: Towson University
   Office of Undergraduate Admissions
   8000 York Road
   Towson, MD 21252

The Deadlines

The final application deadline is **June 15 for fall admission** and **December 15 for spring admission**. The application will remain open on a space-available basis.

To be considered for merit-based scholarships offered through University Admissions, you must apply and submit your transcripts and standardized test scores (if you have earned fewer than 30 transferrable credits) by **December 1**.

The TU Priority Deadline for the FASFA is **January 17**.

Questions?

Admissions staff will be on-site in Harford County at regular times throughout the semester. Please call us at **410-704-TUNE (8863)** to make an appointment to meet with an Admissions counselor if you have questions regarding transfer of credits or the application process.