

## B.S. Forensic Behavioral Sciences (FBS) Degree Requirements Catalog Year 2025-Current

### Lower-division Requirements

**10 Units**

CRIM 1<sup>1</sup> Strategies for Success (1)  
 CRIM 2 Administration of Justice (3)  
 CRIM 20 Criminal Law (3)  
 CRIM 50 Statistics and Computer Applications in CJ (3) (satisfies GE Area 2) (Approved substitutions: PSYCH 42, PH 92, MATH 11, or DS 73)

### Upper-division Requirements

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CRIM 100 or 100H Criminology (3)  
 CRIM 113 Forensic Evidence and Analysis (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 114 Ethics in Forensic Behavioral Sciences (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 153<sup>2</sup> Psychology of Crime (3) (satisfies GE Area UD 4) (GE Foundation & Area 4; PLSI 2; Not open to Freshman)  
 FBS 154 Fundamentals of Forensic Behavioral Sciences (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 155 Forensic Neuroscience (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 156 Forensic Behavioral Sciences and the Law (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 158<sup>4</sup> Foundations and Methods of Clinical Forensic Practice (3) (CRIM 2)  
 CRIM 170 or 170H Research Methods (3) (CRIM 50; JR Standing)

### Elective Clusters

**15 Units**

#### Forensic Behavioral Science Elective Cluster (two courses)

FBS 157 Interviewing and Interrogation (3) (CRIM 2; Concurrent enrollment in CRIM 170)  
 FBS 159T Topics in FBS (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 160 Assessing and Managing Risk for Violence (3) (CRIM 2)  
 FBS 161 Forensic Case Formulation and Treatment Planning (3)

#### Major Elective Cluster (three courses; only **one** PSYCH course may count)

<p>CRIM 108<sup>4</sup> Directed Policing (max 3) (instructor consent required)          CRIM 110 Police in America (3)          CRIM 120<sup>2</sup>/ 120S<sup>2</sup> Juvenile Delinquency (3) (satisfies GE Area UD 4) (GE Foundation &amp; Area 4; PLSI 2; Not open to Freshman)          CRIM 125 Cybersecurity: Law, Policy and Behavior (3)          CRIM 127 Evidence (3)          CRIM 133 Institution Corrections (3) (CRIM 2 &amp; 20)          CRIM 134 Criminal Justice Counseling (3)          CRIM 135 Community-Based Corrections (3) (CRIM 2 &amp; 20)          CRIM 140 Family Violence (3)          CRIM 141 Alcohol, Drugs, and Criminality (3)          CRIM 142<sup>3</sup> Basic Courtroom Procedure (3)          CRIM 143<sup>3</sup> Legal Evidence (3)          CRIM 144<sup>3</sup> Trial Tactics (3)          CRIM 145<sup>3</sup> Effective Expert Witnesses (3)          CRIM 160H Honors Seminar in Criminology (3) (Open to Criminology Honors Students only)          CRIM 160T Topics in Crimes (1-3)          CRIM 173 Trauma and Crisis Intervention (3)          CRIM 174 Ethnic and Gender Issues in Criminal Justice (3)          CRIM 175 Victimology (3)          CRIM 176 Victim Services (3)          CRIM 178 Restorative Justice (3)          CRIM 180I<sup>4,5</sup> Internship (3) (CRIM 1, 2, 20; corequisite FBS 114; 90 units earned; instructor consent required)</p>	<p>AFRS 146 Law and the Minority Community (3)          ANTH 101 Introductory Fieldwork in Anthropology (3-6)          ANTH 165 Introduction to Forensic Anthropology (3)          PAX 110 Peace Building (3) (satisfies Lifelong-Understanding and Self-Development)          PHIL 151 Cognitive Science: Mind (3) (satisfies GE Area UD 3) (GE Foundation &amp; Area 3)          PSYCH 121<sup>6</sup> Learning and Memory (4) (PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 122<sup>6</sup> Motivation (4) (PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 124<sup>6</sup> Sensation and Perception (4) (PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 125<sup>6</sup> Behavioral Neuroscience (4) (PSYCH 36; PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 126<sup>6</sup> Cognitive Neuroscience (4) (PSYCH 36; PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 127<sup>6</sup> Forensic Cognitive Science (4)          PSYCH 133<sup>6</sup> Neuropsychology (4) (PSYCH Major)          PSYCH 149<sup>6</sup> Psychological Testing (4)          PSYCH 152<sup>6</sup> Stereotypes, Prejudices and Discrimination (4) (PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 154<sup>6</sup> Personality (4) (PSYCH Major/Minor)          PSYCH 162<sup>6</sup> Introduction to Clinical Psychology (4)</p>
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**Total Units Required in Major**

**52 units**

**Total Units Required in General Education & Graduation Requirements**

**51 units**

**General Electives needed**

**13 units**

**ADVISING NOTES:**

- Lower-division courses should be taken before upper-division courses.
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- CRIM 2 is a prerequisite for many CRIM and FBS courses, including: CRIM 113 and FBS 114, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159T, 160, and 161.
- CR/NC grading not permitted in major, with the exceptions of CRIM 1, 108, and 180I.
- CRIM 50 should be taken before CRIM 170. The CRIM 50 requirement may also be met by completing PSYCH 42, PH 92, MATH 11, DS 73, or any equivalent statistics course from another department, university, or community college.
- CRIM 170 should be taken during the junior year.
- Freshmen and transfer students majoring in Criminology or FBS are expected to take CRIM 1 no later than their second semester. CRIM 1 is a prerequisite for CRIM 180I.
- There are no substitute courses for most of the FBS courses, including FBS 154 and FBS 158. On occasion a substitute course for FBS 155 *may* be available (e.g., from the Biology or Psychology Department) and must be pre-approved by the FBS Major Coordinator as a satisfactory substitute. Students need to plan their course schedules with this in mind.
- Students who wish to be considered for the Criminology Honors Program are advised not to take CRIM 100 or CRIM 170 prior to application to the Honors Program, as there are honors versions of these courses. For further information, please see: <http://fresnostate.edu/socialsciences/criminology/undergraduate/honors.html>
- From Fall 2019, students wishing to change their major to Criminology or Forensic Behavioral Sciences will need to have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50.

**FOOTNOTES:**

1. Because of its importance for all Criminology and FBS majors, CRIM 1 should be taken as early as possible.
2. Completion of G.E. Foundation and Breadth requirements are prerequisites to enrolling in this Upper-division G.E. (Integration) course.
3. FBS students may apply a maximum of 6 units of credit for CRIM 142, 143, 144, or 145 (Mock Trial) toward the Major Electives Cluster requirements. Instructor consent required to enroll.
4. FBS students may apply a maximum of 3 units of credit for CRIM 108 or 180I toward the General Elective Cluster requirements.
5. FBS students must take FBS 114 as a prerequisite or co-requisite for CRIM 180I.
6. FBS students may apply a maximum of 1 psychology class toward the Major Electives Cluster requirements.