

**St. Mary's University**

**BA in Forensic Science with Criminology Track Degree Plan– 120 Hours**

*The maximum credit transferable from a junior college, or any combination of junior colleges, is 66 semester hours.*

**St. Mary's Core (43 hours)**

Requirements	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
— First Year Experience	Not required for transfer students accepted with 30 or more credit hours however a student may need to take three (3) additional hours of elective credits in order to meet the required hours for this degree.	3
— Freshmen Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
— Literature	ENGL 1302 or any ENGL 23XX Literature course	3
— History	Any HIST 13XX or 23xx course	3
— Social Science	Select <b>two</b> : BUSI 1301, ECON 2301, ECON 2302, GOVT 2305, GOVT 2306, PSYC 1301, PSYC 2306, PSYC 2316, PSYC 2314, SOCI 1306, SOCI 2319, SPCH 1311, SPCH 1315, SPCH 1321, SPCH 2335	6
— Mathematics	MATH 1314 or higher	3
— Natural or Physical Sciences	BIOL 1406	4
— Fine Arts	Any 3-credit hour Fine Arts course from the following: ARTS, MUSI, DRAM	3
— Foreign Language	Two courses (1411 and 1412) in a language not previously studied or two courses (2311 and 2312) in a language previously studied	6
— Philosophy – Self	PHIL 1301	3
— Philosophy – Ethics	PHIL 2306	3
— Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3
— Intermediate Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3

	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
<b>Criminology Major Courses (36 CHRs)</b>		
— CH 1401 – General Chemistry I	CHEM 1411 or CHEM 1311 and CHEM 1111	4
— CH 1402 – General Chemistry II	CHEM 1412 or CHEM 1312 and CHEM 1112	4
— CJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	CRIJ 1301	3
— SC 1311 – Introductory Sociology	SOCI 1301	3
— CR 3325 – Criminology	No equivalent	3
— CR 3330 – Research Methods in Criminal Justice Or SC 3306 – Qualitative Research Methods Or SC 4383 – Sociological Research	No equivalent	3
— CR 3332 – Statistics in Criminology	No equivalent	3
— CR 3335 – Survey of Forensic Science	No equivalent	3
— CR 3336 – Crime Scene Investigation	No equivalent	3

CR 3337 – Forensic Criminology	No equivalent	3
CR 3338 – Forensic Lab Techniques	No equivalent	3
CR 3339 – Forensic Victimology	No equivalent	3
CR 3360 – Sex Crimes & Violent Crimes	No equivalent	3
CR 4308 – Internship in Forensic Science	No equivalent	3
CR Major Electives	Select one: CRIJ 2314, CRIJ 2328, CRIJ 1310, CRIJ 1306, CRIJ 1307, CRIJ 1313, CRIJ 2301, CRIJ 2323	3

**Biology Minor Courses (16 CHRs)**

BL 1402 – General Biology for Majors II	BIOL 1407	4
BL 2233 – Cell & Molecular Methods	No equivalent	2
BL 2330 – Genetic Principles	BIOL 2416	3
BL 2332 – Cell Biology	No equivalent	3
BL 3442 – Forensic Osteology Or BL 3420 – Anatomy	No equivalent	4

**Electives (14 CHRs)**

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An elective can be any course taken from any discipline. Students can use these hours to pursue certificates, minors, or second majors.

**Total Semester Hours - 120**

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