

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 two : 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
Criminology Major Courses (36 CHRs)		
___ 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)			14

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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