

Department of Criminology

Advisement Newsletter

Spring 2014 Course Schedule

CRI 100-01 (42070) Intro to Criminology <i>Krimmel</i>	T/F	10:00-11:20
CRI 100-02 (42071) Intro to Criminology <i>Krimmel</i>	T/F	12:30-1:50
CRI 200-01 (42072) Policing <i>Krimmel</i>	T/F	2:00-3:20
CRI 201-01 (42078) Judicature <i>Heinzel</i>	R	5:30-8:20
CRI 202-01 (42066) Penology <i>Leigey</i>	M/R	10:00-11:20
CRI 202-02 (42067) Penology <i>Leigey</i>	M/R	12:30-1:50
CRI 203-01 (42065) Applied Criminal Procedure <i>Amorski</i>	M/R	8:30-9:50
CRI 205-01 (42068) Criminology <i>Leigey</i>	M/R	2:00-3:20
CRI 205-02 (42069) Criminology <i>Mumi</i>	T	5:30-8:20
CRI 215-01 (42074) Data Management and Analysis <i>Holleran</i>	M/R	12:30-1:50
Cri 300-01 (42077) Crimes & Offenses <i>Susswein</i>	T	5:30-8:20
CRI 306-01 (42075) Research Methods <i>Holleran</i>	M/R	2:00-3:20
CRI 340-01 (42076) International Terrorism <i>Gerding</i>	M	5:30-8:20
CRI 390-01 (40630) Ralston Analytics <i>Holleran</i>	M/R	10:00-11:20
CRI 391 Independent Study (see information on page 3)		
CRI 399 (42080) Internship (see Dr. Bruce Stout stout@tcnj.edu)		
CRI 498-01 (42073) Senior Cap in Policy Analysis <i>Stout</i>	T/F	10:00-11:20

Advising protocol

1. Sign on to PAWS and identify your assigned faculty advisor.
2. Visit the Criminology main office and schedule an appointment with your advisor.
3. Populate your shopping cart in PAWS with a tentative schedule for the upcoming semester.
4. Print out your shopping cart and bring it with you to your advisement appointment.

Important Dates

Oct. 4 th –Nov. 4 th	Spring 2014 Advising Period
Nov. 5 th -15 th	Spring 2014 Registration Window
Nov. 18 th	Late Registration Fine Assessed
Jan. 21 st	First Day of Class – Spring Semester
Jan. 21 st -29 th	Add/Drop Week

Criminology Peer Mentor

Joe Gilmore

Office Hours:

Thursday

2-4 pm

SSB Atrium

Announcements

CRI 203 and CRI 300 to be merged into CRI 301

If you entered the major prior to fall 2013, then you need to complete both CRI 203 and CRI 300. If you haven't already, please complete them either in spring 2014 or fall 2014. Beginning in the spring 2015 semester, these courses will no longer be offered separately. Do not take CRI 301 – You will not receive credit.

If you entered the major in fall 2013, then you need to complete CRI 301. This course will not be offered until spring 2015. Do not take either CRI 203 or CRI 300.

See page 3 for additional information.

Criminology Internships

Internships offer students an excellent opportunity to learn about the justice system through direct, hands-on work with a justice agency. There is a long list of agencies that TCNJ students have interned with, ranging from the New Jersey State Police to the U.S. Marshall's Office. Rising juniors, juniors, and seniors are eligible to serve internships if they have a minimum of a 2.5 GPA. Past interns have said such things as, "One of the most amazing experiences I've had since I've been at TCNJ," and "I learned so much", and "My internship allowed me to see the application of the law in a direct way, it was eye-opening!" Dr. Bruce Stout is the internship coordinator and he will hold an informational session for students interested in interning in the Spring 2014 semester some time in October, 2013. Keep your eye out for the e-mail announcement!

NEW COURSE OFFERING - SPRING 2014

CRI 215-01 Data Management and Analysis

The ability to manage, transform and analyze data is critical to those seeking advanced study in the social sciences, those aspiring to work in governmental agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and even those seeking employment in local law enforcement. This course provides the student with ability to manage, transform and analyze large data sets like those found in governmental agencies. SAS/STAT is one of the most powerful software programs available to manage, transform and analyze data. SAS/STAT will be used exclusively in this course. Data management in SAS/STAT will be accomplished via the DATA step, procedure statements, and macros. SAS/IML (Interactive Matrix Language) will also be used so that students learn to write the statistical routines used to generate various statistical tests via procedure statements in SAS/STAT. Students will write routines in SAS/IML to generate statistical results in one dimension, two dimensions (e.g. covariance, correlation, and simple ordinary least squares regression), and higher dimensions (e.g., multiple linear regression) using principles of applied elementary linear algebra.

Criminology (CRI) Course Suggestions by Standing and Semester

For Students Who Entered the Major Prior to Fall 2013

**Please Complete
CRI 203 and
CRI 300 No Later
Than Fall 2014**

**Do Not Take
CRI 301**

Freshman*	
Fall	Spring
100	200
Sophomore	
Fall	Spring
201, 202	203, 205
Junior	
Fall	Spring
306, 300	Adv Crim, Crim Option 1
Senior	
Fall	Spring
498	Crim Option 2

*You are *strongly* encouraged to complete STA 115 during the Freshman year.

For Students Who Entered the Major in Fall 2013

**Please Do Not Take
CRI 203 or CRI 300**

**CRI 301 Will Be
Offered in
Spring 2015**

Freshman*	
Fall	Spring
100	200
Sophomore	
Fall	Spring
201, 202	205
Junior	
Fall	Spring
306, Crim Option 1	301, Adv Crim
Senior	
Fall	Spring
498	Crim Option 2

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Additional Learning Opportunities

CRI 391 Independent Study

The Department of Criminology offers its students the opportunity to take part in independent study with a Criminology professor. All independent study requests, however, must comport with the Provisional Criteria for the Approval of Independent Study Courses found on page 5.

The student must reach out to the faculty member and schedule a meeting with the faculty member to discuss the potential independent study. You must prepare and submit a typewritten proposal of the independent study to the faculty member.

The interested student is also required to complete the independent study form found [here](#). The independent study form is to be printed, signed by both the professor and the student and submitted to the Criminology main office for the chairperson's review.

Criminology Independent Study

1. Identify topic of interest and type one page proposal.
2. Present typewritten proposal to Criminology faculty member.
3. Complete Independent Study Enrollment Form.
4. Submit all documentation to Criminology main office for chairperson's review.

Ralston Analytics Program

The Department of Criminology is pleased to announce that the Jeffrey R. Ralston Foundation has agreed to provide financial support to four criminology students during the Spring 2014 semester and the Fall 2014 semester under the Jeffrey R. Ralston Foundation Crime Analytics Fellowship. As part of the fellowship, the selected students will work with Dr. Holleran on applied statistical and geospatial analyses of police data provided through an agreement with the Lawrence Township Police Department (LTPD).

Eligibility Requirements:

- (1) Background investigation by the LTPD
- (2) Criminology major
- (3) 2.8 grade point average of higher
- (4) Sophomore or junior status

Fellowship Requirements:

- (1) Meet weekly as part of CRI 390 on Wednesday mornings in the Spring 2014 semester and the Fall 2014 semester (The course is repeatable for credit; thus, you can count CRI 390 as two of the required options for the Criminology major or as one option and one advanced criminology course.)
- (2) Present your research findings to the LTPD
- (3) Complete a research manuscript at the end of the Fall 2014 semester using geospatial and statistical analyses on the LTPD dispatch data
- (4) All fellows will be required to present a research poster of their findings at a national conference. The Ralston Foundation will fully fund the travel for all four fellows.

To apply, use the following link: https://tcnj.qualtrics.com//SE/?SID=SV_3HOH091HFYa3ug5. The application deadline is 12 noon Friday November 1st, 2013. The Criminology faculty will review applications and Dr. Holleran will reach out via email to the recipients and inform them of their financial award for the Fellowship. The funding is fully contingent upon the approval of the Jeffrey R. Ralston Foundation Trustees.

**Provisional Criteria for the Approval of Independent Study Courses
in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences**

November 30, 2010

Independent studies may only be offered to students in good academic standing and to students with a track record of success in courses in the given academic program. Independent study requests in category I may be approved by the department without review by the dean, but the dean must be notified of their approval. Independent study requests in category II must be approved both by the department and by the dean or assistant dean. All independent study requests must abide by already existing rules (minimum number of units at TCNJ, proposal, etc.)

All independent study requests must use the official college independent study enrollment form that can be downloaded from R&R at this website: <http://www.tcnj.edu/~recreg/policies/independentstudy.html>

Category I: Request must be approved only by the department followed by the Dean's signature.

a) Transformative Learning Experiences: Students requesting independent studies for an internship, undergraduate research experience (the latter resulting in a proposed conference presentation or possible publication), an honors experience (such as those preparing for a single-semester senior thesis course), as part of a study abroad experience, and/or language across the curriculum will have their courses approved with the support of the sponsoring faculty member and department chair. Independent studies requests from graduate students for their teaching practicum or for writing their MA Thesis will also be approved by the director of the graduate program and department chair.

b) Scheduling Conflict: If a student has a double or dual major (e.g., required courses in a School of Education program) and a required course for one major conflicts with a required course in another major, the request will be approved for students who are seniors. (Such requests from students who are not seniors fall into Category II.)

c) Credit Shortfall: If a student has transferred to TCNJ and has courses with 3-credits from their previous institution or if a student has taken 3-credit courses on study abroad, sometimes it is necessary to provide an independent study for a couple of credits to help them complete their degrees. Such requests, especially from seniors, will be approved. Requests from students at earlier points in their academic career will be considered. Requests from students who want to do independent study over the summer to reach the minimum level of credits required for financial aid will also be considered in this category, regardless of student class level.

d) Summer: Requests for independent studies for the summer session will be approved.

Category II: Request must be approved by department and by dean or assistant dean.

e) Scheduling Conflict: (If the student is a senior, see Category I, point b.) If a student has a double or dual major (e.g., Secondary Education) and a required course for one major conflicts with a required course in another major, and the student is not a senior, the request will be considered if the department sponsoring the independent study foresees that the student will not be able to take the given course in the regular schedule in a subsequent semester. A request for independent study will *not* be approved if it is motivated by the fact that a regularly scheduled course meets at an undesirable time or day.

f) Class Level of Student: Students nearing graduation may have requirements to fulfill to complete their major, minor, or concentration, which they can only fulfill by means of an independent study. Students at the freshman and sophomore levels have more time to take courses throughout their undergraduate career. Requests for independent study from freshmen and sophomore level students are less likely to be approved. Requests from juniors may be approved if their course schedule for the remaining terms of enrollment make it unlikely or impossible for them to take a required course. Requests from seniors are more likely to be approved, assuming they meet other criteria listed below.

Grounds for Rejection

Independent Study requests motivated by the following concerns will be rejected:

1) *The topic of the course is part of the regularly offered curriculum.* In the current budgetary climate, we cannot offer all students alternative curricular options while leaving seats in regularly scheduled classes unfilled.

2) *The student wants to work with a certain professor.* A student's preference to work with a particular faculty member, rather than with another faculty member offering a course in which seats are available, will not be viewed as compelling justification for an independent study.

3) *I need it now to graduate in December, which would be a semester or a year early.* Early graduation is not grounds for an independent study.

4) *The proposed independent study is with an adjunct instructor who already has 6 FWHs assigned for the given semester.* Any independent study request to work with an adjunct instructor could constitute an overload if that instructor is already assigned 6 FWHs. In accordance with the AFT contract, overload for an adjunct instructor must be approved not only by the dean and provost, but also by the AFT. Even if the proposed independent study meets other criteria, the AFT has the right to reject the request in accordance with the AFT contract that limits the faculty weighted hours assigned to an adjunct instructor.