

The minor in Forensic Psychology requires 21 semester credit hours. Forensic is defined as “evidence” or “relating to, used in, or appropriate for courts of law.” This minor looks at forensic issues from both psychological and criminal justice perspectives. The minor is suitable for criminal justice majors or any individual wishing to pursue a background in psychology and criminal justice. The minor also would be good preparation for those individuals wishing to pursue pre-law or social work and for individuals considering graduate coursework in forensic psychology. This minor is not allowed in the Bachelor of Arts major in Psychology. Enrollment in the following required PSY courses assumes that students will have completed PSY 1300 as part of their social and behavioral science component of the general education core curriculum. If not, PSY 1300 is a prerequisite for PSY 3315, PSY 3316, PSY 3331, and PSY 3335. The prerequisite requirements for CJ 3329 and CJ 4340 will be waived only for students pursuing this minor. This is justified by the fact that students will be exploring many of the issues covered in those requisite courses in the psychology coursework portion of the minor.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
CJ 1310	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 2360	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	3
CJ 3329	Forensic Evidence	3
PSY 3315	Psychopathology	3
or PSY 3316	Personality Psychology	
PSY 3331	Social Psychology	3
PSY 3335	Forensic Psychology	3
Choose 3 hours from the following:		3
ANTH 3380	Forensic Anthropology	
CJ 4340	Crime Theory and Victimization	
SOCI 3343	Criminology	
An elective approved by the Department		
Total Hours		21