

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN VICTIM STUDIES

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Science, Major in Victim Studies		
Core Curriculum (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/)		
Component Area I (Communication)		6
Component Area II (Mathematics)		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science)		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture)		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts)		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History)		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences)		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option)		4
Degree Specific Requirements		
MATH 3379 or STAT 3379 or PSYC 3402	Statistical Methods in Practice Statistical Methods in Practice Psychological Statistics	3-4
Select five of the following:		15
COMS 3370	Intercultural Communication	
COMS 3371	Conflict, Negotiation & Resolution	
ECON 2300	Introduction To Economics	
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking	
PHIL 3365	Modern Philosophy	
POLS 3393	Social Policy	
PSYC 1301	Introduction To Psychology	
PSYC 3331	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 3383	Psychology And The Law	
SOCI 1301	Principles Of Sociology	
SOCI 3324	Social Inequality	
Victims Studies Major Core		
CRIJ 2361	Intro To The Crim Justice Sys ^{1 & 2}	3
CRIJ 2362	Criminology ¹	3
CRIJ 3378	Intro To Methods Of Research ³	3
CRIJ 3350	Victimology	3
CRIJ 4398	Prblm Analysis in Vict Studies	3
Victim Specific Courses		
Select two of the following:		6
CRIJ 4338	Child Abuse And Neglect	
CRIJ 4383	Family Violence	
CRIJ 4390	Violence Against Women	
CRIJ 3341	Aging, Crime and Victimization	
Victims Service Courses		
Select two of the following:		6
POLS 3338	Victims Rights Politics & Policy	
CRIJ 3351	Victim Service Delivery	
CRIJ 4351	Trauma and Crisis Intervention	
CRIJ 4370	Interviewing & Counseling	
Social Justice Courses		
Select two of the following:		6
CRIJ 4385	Criminal Justice & Social Diversity	

CRIJ 3340	Gender and Crime	
SOCI 3324	Social Inequality	
SOCI 3354	Age And Inequality	
Additional VCMS Electives		
Select three of the following:		9
CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals Of Criminal Law	
CRIJ 3368	Understanding Sexual Offending	
CRIJ 4362	Substance Use And Abuse	
PHIL 4371	Death and Dying	
POLS 3393	Social Policy	
PSYC 3331	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 2315	Psychology Of Adjustment	
SOCI 3341	Marriage And The Family	
COUN 3321	Intro To Helping Relationship	
CRIJ 4373	Ungr Intern Criminal Justice	
General Electives		18
Total Hours		120-121

- ¹ May be completed during either Fall or Spring semester of Year 1.
- ² Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).
- ³ May be completed during either Fall or Spring semester of Year 2.

Notes

Forty-two semester hours of advanced coursework (3000 or 4000 level) are the absolute minimum. Minimum number of semester hours in residence: 30 semester hours of which 24 must be advanced.

Use general electives to satisfy the 42 advanced hour requirement.

First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area II (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii) ¹		3 Component Area III (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)	4
Component Area III (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)		4 Component Area V (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav)	3
CRIJ 2361 ^{2,3}		3 CRIJ 2362 ²	3
ENGL 1301 ⁴		3 ENGL 1302 ⁴	3
HIST 1301 ⁵		3 HIST 1302 ⁵	3
	16		16

Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area IV (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiiv)		3 Component Area IX (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)	3
Component Area IX (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)		1 CRIJ 3350 ³	3
CRIJ 3378 ⁶		3 Degree Specific Courses ⁷	3
Degree Specific Courses ⁷		3 POLS 2306 ⁸	3

POLS 2305 ⁸		3 MATH 3379, STAT 3379, or PSYC 3402	3-4
		13	15-16
Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Degree Specific Courses ⁷		3 Degree Specific Courses ⁷	3
General Electives		6 General Electives	6
Victim Services Courses ⁹		3 Victim Services Courses ⁹	3
Victim Specific Courses ¹⁰		3 Victim Specific Courses ¹⁰	3
		15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
CRIJ 4398		3 General Electives	6
Degree Specific Courses ⁷		3 Social Justice Electives ¹¹	3
General Electives		3 VCMS Additional Electives ¹²	6
Social Justice Electives ¹¹		3	
VCMS Additional Electives ¹²		3	
		15	15

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- 1 Recommend MATH 1332 or MATH 1314
- 2 May be completed during either Fall or Spring semester of Year 1.
- 3 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).
- 4 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communications).
- 5 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
- 6 May be completed during either Fall or Spring semester of Year 2.
- 7 Degree Specific Courses include COMS 3370, COMS 3371, ECON 2300, PHIL 2303, PHIL 3365, POLS 3393, PSYC 1301, PSYC 3331, PSYC 3383, SOCI 1301, or SOCI 3324.
- 8 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
- 9 Victim Services Courses include CRIJ 4351, CRIJ 4370, or POLS 3338.
- 10 Victim Specific Courses include CRIJ 3341, CRIJ 4338, CRIJ 4383, or CRIJ 4390.
- 11 Social Justice Electives include: CRIJ 3340, CRIJ 4385, SOCI 3324, SOCI 3325, or SOCI 3354.
- 12 Additional VCMS Electives include: CRIJ 2364, CRIJ 3368, CRIJ 4362, CRIJ 4373, COUN 3321, PHIL 4371, POLS 3393, PSYC 2315, PSYC 3331, or SOCI 3341.

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The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state’s **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BS in Victim Studies is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Critical thinking.
- Written and oral communication.
- Analytical research.
- Proactive and action oriented.