# MSU – West Plains

MSU West Plains Associate of Arts Criminology to MSU Bachelor of Science in Criminology

The following is a guide to graduation with completion of MSU West Plains Associate of Arts in Criminology and MSU's Bachelor of Science in Criminology degree. The degree may be completed on campus or online. Courses are sequenced to provide guidance and to help ensure that prerequisite requirements are met. Catalog Year: 2022-23. Date modified: 10.18.22. MSU Transfer Advisor: Eileen Nguyen, [EileenNguyen@MissouriState.edu](mailto:EileenNguyen@MissouriState.edu), 417-836-5423. Finish in 4 Go Bears Missouri State University

MSU West Plains Year 1 Semester 1

Institutional Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: IDS 110 Student Success
* Credit Hours: 2
* MSU Equivalent: GEC 101
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Institutional Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CIS 101 Computers for Learning
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: ITC 200
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Social/Behavioral Sciences

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CRM 210 American Criminal Justice System
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: CRM 210
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Written Communications - 6 credit hours

* West Plains Course ID/Title: ENG 110 Writing 1
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: ENG 110
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Humanities and Fine Arts – Must fulfill 2 disciplines

* West Plains Course ID/Title: ART 115▲, ART 200, ENG 200, ENG 236, MUS 162\*▲, MUS 239, MUS 241,  
  PHI 105, PHI 110, PHI 115, REL 100, REL 101, SPN 101, SPN 102, THE 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 1 Total = 14 credit hours

### MSU West Plains Year 1 Semester 2

Mathematical Sciences

* West Plains Course ID/Title: MTH 130 or higher Contemporary Math
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: MTH 130
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Oral Communications

* West Plains Course ID/Title: COM 115 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: COM 115
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Major Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CRM 220 Criminology
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: CRM 220
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Social/Behavioral Sciences

* West Plains Course ID/Title: Choose one: ANT 125, ANT 226, CFD 155, ECO 101, ECO 155, ECO 165,  
  GRY 100, HST 103, HST 104, HST 121, HST 122, PLS 101, PLS 205, PLS 232, PSY 121, SOC 150
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Written Communications

* West Plains Course ID/Title: ENG 210 Writing 2 Academic Writing or ENG 221 Writing 2: Writing for the Professions
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: ENG 210, ENG 221
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 2 Total = 15 credit hours

### MSU West Plains Year 2 Semester 3

Major Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CRM 250 Police in American Society
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: CRM 250
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Major Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CRM 260 Criminal Law and the Courts
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: CRM 260
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Natural Sciences – Must fulfill 2 disciplines including one course with a lab component

* West Plains Course ID/Title: BIO 101/11, ENV 105, BIO 100, BIO 121, CHM 116/117, CHM 160/117,   
  GRY 142, GLG 110, BMS 110, PHY 100, PHY 101, PHY 123, PHY 203
* Credit Hours: 4-5
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Social/Behavioral Sciences

* West Plains Course ID/Title: Choose one: PLS 101 American Democracy and Citizenship
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: PLS 101
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Humanities and Fine Arts – Must fulfill 2 disciplines

* West Plains Course ID/Title: ART 115▲, ART 200, ENG 200, ENG 236, MUS 162\*▲, MUS 239, MUS 241,  
  PHI 105, PHI 110, PHI 115, REL 100, REL 101, SPN 101, SPN 102, THE 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 3 Total = 16-17 credit hours

### MSU West Plains Year 2 Semester 4

Core Elective – 5 hours required for Core 42

* West Plains Course ID/Title: Choose MOTR coded course(s) of your choice with the assistance of an advisor.
* Credit Hours: 6
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Major Requirement

* West Plains Course ID/Title: CRM 270 Institutional and Community-Based Corrections
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: CRM 270
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Natural Sciences – Must fulfill 2 disciplines including one course with a lab component

* West Plains Course ID/Title: BIO 101, BIO 102◊, CHM 116, CHM 160, PHY 102
* Credit Hours: 3-4
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Humanities and Fine Arts – Must fulfill 2 disciplines

* West Plains Course ID/Title: ART 115▲, ART 200, ENG 200, ENG 236, MUS 162\*▲, MUS 239, MUS 241,  
  PHI 105, PHI 110, PHI 115, REL 100, REL 101, SPN 101, SPN 102, THE 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 4 Total = 15-16 Credit Hours  
Total Hours at OTC = 60  
Total Hours Applied Toward MSU Major Requirements: 15

◊ Seated class only \*One credit hour course ▲May choose only one, falls under MOTR code 'PERF' Missouri State University

Students can apply for admission to MSU-Springfield up to a year in advance. Students should contact their MSU advisor in September for spring classes and February for fall class discussion. Registering on time is very important as classes will fill up.

MSU Bachelor of Science in Criminology after MSU West Plains Associate of Arts in Criminology

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### MSU Year 3 Semester 1

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 330 Juvenile Justice
* Credit hours: 3

Major Elective

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose any Criminology course numbered 300 and above.
* Credit hours: 3

Major Elective

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose any Criminology course numbered 300 and above.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 3

Semester Total = 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 3 Semester 2

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 340 Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice
* Credit hours: 3

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 365 Criminal Procedure
* Credit hours: 3

Major Elective

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose any Criminology course numbered 300 and above.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 3

Semester 1 Total: 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 4 Semester 3

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 341 Introduction to Criminal Justice Data
* Credit hours: 3

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 415 Difference and Diversity in Criminology
* Credit hours: 3

Major Elective

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose any Criminology course numbered 300 and above.
* Credit hours: 3

Upper Division Elective \*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses level 300 or above that will complement your specific career goals
* Credit hours: 3

Upper Division Elective \*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses level 300 or above that will complement your specific career goals
* Credit hours: 3

Semester 3 Total: 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 4 Semester 4

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 496 Senior Seminar in Criminology and Criminal Justice
* Credit hours: 3

Upper Division Elective \*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses level 300 or above that will complement your specific career goals
* Credit hours: 6

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 6

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: CRM 494 Program Assesment in Criminology and Criminal Justice
* Credit hours: 0

Institutional Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: University Exit Survey
* Credit hours: 0

Semester 4 Total: 15 Credit Hours  
Total Hours at MSU: 60  
Total Hours Overall: 120

CRM 210, 250, 260, and 270 are prereqs for most required CRM courses

\*\* Electives provide the opportunity to customize your degree program. Some elective credits may or may not be needed to bring total credit hours to a minimum of 120 credit hours and upper division hours (300+) to 40.

This information is provided as a guide only.

* MSU-WP students are strongly encouraged to meet with their major specific MSU transfer advisor early in their MSU-WP education to discuss the most appropriate MSU-WP coursework for their intended MSU major, MSU degree requirements, etc.
* Students are required to fulfill MSU graduation and GPA requirements to receive a degree and should consult with their MSU advisor and the MSU undergraduate catalog for details, as there may exist pre-requisite requirements as well as periodicity limitations that could affect scheduling sequences.
* Please note that transfer students from Missouri public colleges and universities may follow the general education and general baccalaureate degree requirements in effect at Missouri State when they first enrolled (or re-enrolled after an absence of one calendar year or more) as degree-seeking students at the institutions from which they transferred (e.g., MSU-WP).