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Is Criminology for you?

Criminology is the interdisciplinary study of crime as both an individual and social phenomenon, with research on the origins and forms of crime, its causes and consequences, and the social and governmental reactions to it.

Criminology is for you if you have an active interest in a multitude of fields and seek to develop a critical and focused mind. It requires an interdisciplinary and integrative approach to questions of individual and societal behaviour.

Criminology is for you if you are interested in acquiring an in-depth understanding of the complexities of criminal, delinquent, and deviant behaviour, as well as society’s reaction to crime.

Where will you go from here?

- Law enforcement, policing, corrections
- Community or regional planning
- Victim, witness, youth and family services
- Advocacy
- Consulting firms
- Criminal, forensic, and private investigations
- Public administration, risk management
- International development agencies and organizations
- Education and academia
- Government policy analyst or researcher, Public Service Commission of Canada
- Foreign service worker, immigration officer

Want to know more?

Criminology offers courses covering a range of complex issues including psychological and sociological causes of deviance, terrorism, forensics, environmental crime, and restorative justice. In addition to the Criminology major and minor, we offer a variety of certificate programs.

Criminology courses are integrated with courses from psychology, sociology, political science, economics, history, philosophy, computing science and mathematics. This enables students to pursue their interests in areas such as crime prevention, corrections, law enforcement, law and law reform, and research policy and analysis.

Criminology courses are offered at all three SFU campuses: Burnaby, Surrey, and Vancouver.

Students of Criminology may also participate in field practice, honours and exchange programs, as well as gain work experience in co-op placements.

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