Sample Four-Year Plan

Criminal Justice Studies (BS), Forensic Investigation Concentration w/ Forensic Science Minor, Track 1: Forensic DNA Lab-Oriented

Semester 1
- TRU 120: First Year Seminar (3 cr)
- JUST 205: Intro to Criminal Justice Studies (3 cr)
- ENG 190: Writing as Critical Thinking (3 cr)
- CHEM 130: Chemical Principles I (4 cr)
- Elective (3 cr)

Semester 2
- COMM 170: Public Speaking (3 cr)
- BIOL 104: Ecology and Evolution of the Organism (*) (4 cr)
- Math Course *(as placed)* (3-5 cr)
- CJST Elective w/ JUST prefix (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum course (3 cr)

*(*) = **OR** BIOL XXX: ___ (_ cr), **OR** BIOL 330: Cell Biology (4 cr)*

Semester 3
- JUST 281: Intro to Forensic Science (3 cr)
- CHEM 131: Chemical Principles II (4 cr)
- BIOL 107: Cells, Molecules, and Genes (*) (4 cr)
- Elementary Foreign Language I (3 cr)
- CJST Elective w/ JUST prefix (3 cr)

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Semester 4
- JUST 331: WE/Criminology Theory (3 cr)
- CJST Elective w/ JUST prefix (3 cr)
- Elementary Foreign Language II (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum course (3 cr)
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Semester 5
- JUST 405: Wrongful Convictions (3 cr)
- CHEM 329: Organic Chemistry I (3 cr)
- JINS 3XX: WE/_____ (3 cr)
- STATS Dialogues Curriculum course (3 cr)
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Semester 6
- JUST 305: Criminal Law (3 cr)
- BIOL 300: Genetics (spring only) (4 cr)
- CHEM 331: Organic Chemistry II (3 cr)
- CJST Elective w/ JUST prefix (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum course (3 cr)

Semester 7
- CHEM 335: Biochemistry I: Structure and Function (3 cr)
- CJST Elective w/ JUST prefix (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum coursework (3 cr)
- Elective (3 cr)
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Semester 8
- JUST 430: Criminal Justice Studies Capstone (3 cr)
- CJST Elective: Interdisciplinary or JUST (3 cr)
- Elective(s) and/or Dialogues Curriculum coursework (6-9 cr)

Electives to total 120 credits

NOTES:

- *(*) = **OR** BIOL XXX: ___ (_ cr), **OR** BIOL 330: Cell Biology (4 cr)*
- **Complete a Biology minor: add 3 more credits in BIOL courses at the 200-level or above, must have a laboratory component.**
- WE = Writing Enhanced course
- If you have not completed the Civics Exam, we recommend doing so in your **first year**.
- Truman students are required to complete a Portfolio to graduate. We recommend starting to compile your work for the Portfolio sooner than later.
- Students must complete their Application to Graduate **the semester prior to graduating**. Apply to graduate through TruView.
- Graduating seniors need to complete their seniors test and questionnaire. We recommend

reviewing the Assessment & Testing page to plan accordingly.

- **The Dialogues curriculum** requires a certain number of courses/credit hours in the following Perspectives: Social, Arts and Humanities, STEM, Communications, and Statistics. The exact number of courses a student will be required to take during their undergraduate career varies individually according to the credit transferred in.

Department Chair: Please contact the Center for Academic Excellence with any updates to the plan above. Rev. 7-30-24