BACHELOR OF CRIMINOLOGY

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The Criminology Degree at VU

- The Bachelor of Criminology is a new degree that has been developed by the College of Law and Justice at VU.
- It will be offered to incoming students from 2019 onwards.
- It is a practical degree deigned to provide students with experiential activities in the areas of criminal justice, policing and sentencing.



The Format of the Degree

To attain the Bachelor of Criminology students will be required to complete 288 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of First Year Core Studies
- 144 credit points of Professional Core Studies
- 48 credit points of Minor Studies



<u>Criminology Focused Units in the degree</u>

- Introduction to Criminology
 Unit code LCR1001 Credits12
- Policing and Offending
 Unit code LCR1002 Credits12
- Human Rights Law
 Unit code BLB4145 Credits12
- Corporate Crime
 Unit code LCR2001 Credits12
- History of Criminal Law and Trials
 Unit code LCR2002 Credits12

- Contemporary Issues in Criminology
 Unit code LCR3001 Credits12
- Crime Across Borders
 Unit code LCR3002 Credits12
- Mental Illness and Law
 Unit code LCR3003 Credits12
- Crime Research and Methods
 Unit code LCR3901 Credits12
- Research Project
 Unit code LCR3902 Credits12



Your first year!

- The first-year of this bachelor degree will see units delivered one at a time, in fourweek blocks.
- All units will be conducted in small class sizes with three face-to-face sessions per week. This means you will get more one-on-one time with your teachers.
- You will have access to different learning and teaching methods including:
 - online
 - educator-led delivery
 - tutorials
 - group work
 - laboratory and practical work (where it applies).

 You will have access to additional activities designed to extend and improve your skills. These activities foster the skills you need to be an adaptable, resilient, confident and competent learner and employee.



Opportunities

 VU has strong ties to the legal community, including partnerships with the Magistrates' Courts.

 We encourage all our students to gain the practical experience needed to graduate work-ready. One of the ways students can do this is through volunteering.

The Department of Justice has several <u>volunteer opportunities(external link)</u> in Victoria's court, legal and prison systems.

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What the profession needs

- Key parts of the industry and profession, including Victoria Police, recognise the need for a more educated workforce. Our criminology bachelor degree helps students fulfil that need, and makes them highly employable.
- Graduates have a valuable overview of the complex criminal justice system. Students will gain an appreciation and understanding of the interconnectedness of social welfare, law, correctional institutions, community, and policing.



Graduate Outcomes

The Bachelor of Criminology degree qualification will be widely recognised in areas including:

- forensic work
- police work
- community legal settings
- legal aid
- security and intelligence organisations
- paralegal work
- youth justice
- correctional services
- community services.



Combine your degree with law!

 You can also seek to combine your degree with a Bachelor of Law at VU

 As a 4.5 year program, you can become qualified for both degrees in fast tracked completion time



THANK YOU

