# Welcome to the Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice

#### With

- BCCJ Program Director, A/Prof Sarah Bennett, Dr Suzanna Fay & Dr Jonah Rimer
- BCCJ/UQCCJS Student representative Harrison Sloan
- SoSS Student Administrative team: Ms Claire Bishop & Ms Itsumi Miya-Jones

# Acknowledgment of Country

The University of Queensland (UQ) acknowledges the Traditional Owners and their custodianship of the lands on which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Ancestors and their descendants, who continue cultural and spiritual connections to Country.

We recognise their valuable contributions to Australian and global society.





# What's happening today?

- 1. Welcome and key program info
- 2. Get to know your peers and teaching staff
- 3. Key dates
- 4. School admin support
- 5. Opportunities and staying connected

Welcome to your Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice



# In your degree, you will explore:

Who are committing crimes

What crimes are causing most harms

Why people commit crimes

Where and when people are likely to offend

How to control and prevent crime





# The bad news ...



... society will always have crime problems



# The good news ...



... as a criminologist, there are always interesting jobs



# Criminologist (aka YOU)

Noun

Someone who studies crime and criminals<sup>1</sup>

An expert in the scientific study of crime and criminals<sup>2</sup>

1. Definition by Oxford languages

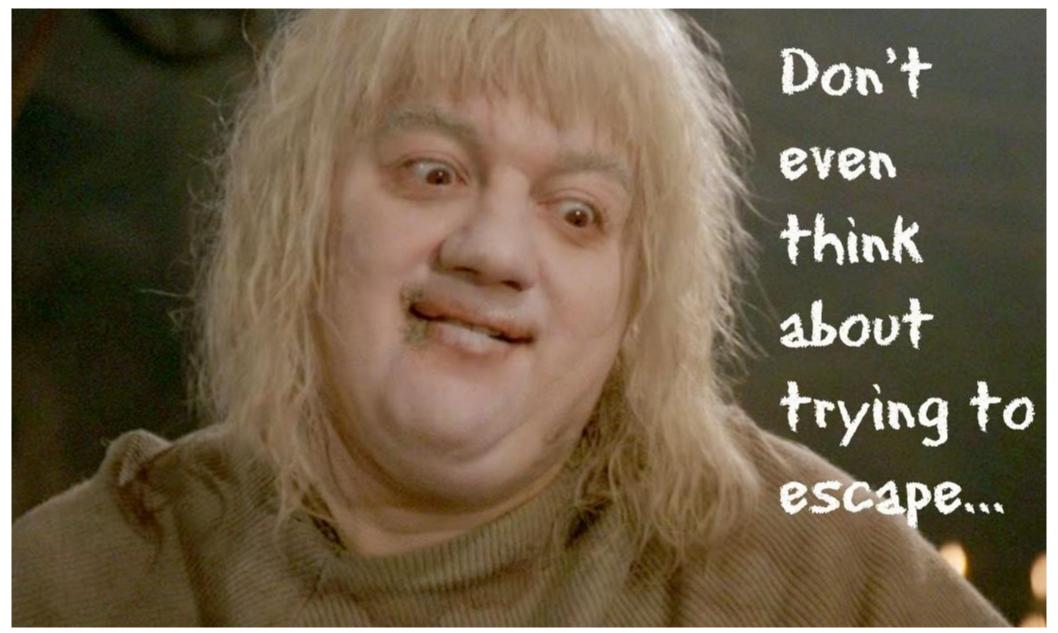
2. https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/criminologist



# Understanding your Program Structure







Source: Douglas, S. (2015). *Escaping the pit of despair*. Inspire Newscast online https://inspirenewscast.com/2015/08/30/escaping-the-pit-of-despair/



# Important terms



# **Your University**

Central

Faculty

School



# **Your Degree**

Program

Plan

- Minor
- Major
- Extended major



# **Your Courses**

Course

- Compulsory
- Elective

Unit

**ECP** 

Blackboard



### Course Levels DO matter

Level 1 Courses (e.g., CRIM1000, CRIM1111)

Level 2 Course (e.g., CRIM2080, CRIM2140)

Level 3 Courses (e.g., CRIM3039, CRIM3111)

- Level 1 courses designed to provide foundation knowledge and skills to build on in Level 2 and 3 Courses
- Strongly suggest taking Level 1 courses before Level 2 and Level 3
- Assessments in upper level courses assume foundation knowledge and skills (e.g., are harder)



## Graduate with a Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice

#### Three years full time or part time equivalent

Complete 48 units comprising:

28 units for all BCCJ Core Courses, and

4 units from BCCJ Flexible Core Courses, and

**16 units** from BCCJ Elective Courses

- Selected courses must include at most 24 units at level 1.
- First 4 units must be courses from the BCCJ Core Courses or BCCJ Flexible Core Courses sections.

Make sure to follow the rules and requirements of your program for the year you commenced! <a href="https://my.uq.edu.au/programs-courses/requirements/program/2519/2024">https://my.uq.edu.au/programs-courses/requirements/program/2519/2024</a>



# Structure of the BCCJ

#### **Core Courses – 28 units of compulsory courses**

- 8 units (4 courses) of introductory level 1 courses
- 8 units (4 courses) of level 2 courses
- 12 units (6 courses) of level 3 courses

#### Flexible Core Courses – 4 units

Choose from: CRIM2099, CRIM2100, CRIM2200

#### **Program Electives – 16 units of elective courses**

- 0 16 units from BCCJ Recommended General Electives
- 0 16 units from General Electives



### **BCCJ FIRST YEAR**





#### Semester 1

- CRIM1000 Introduction to Criminology
- CRIM1111 Introduction to Professional Practice in Criminology
- #4 units of introductory level electives

#### Semester 2

- CRIM1019 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- LAWS1110 Law in the Criminal Justice System
- #2 units of introductory level electives
- #2 units of introductory or advanced level electives

#### Wide choice of four introductory electives...for example

- PSYC1030 Introduction to Psychology
- SOCY1050 Introduction to Sociology
- POLS1102 Introduction to Politics & Public Policy
- SCIE1000 Theory & Practice in Science

### **BCCJ SECOND YEAR**





#### Semester 1

- LAWS2220 Criminal Law in Context
- SOCY2019 Introduction to Social Research
- #2 units of advanced level electives or #2 units of flexible core courses (CRIM2100)

#### Semester 2

- SOCY2339 Introducing Quantitative Research
- #2 units of flexible core course (CRIM2099 or CRIM2200)
- #2 units of advanced level electives or #2 units of flexible core courses (CRIM2099 or CRIM2200)
- #2 units of advanced level electives

#### Wide choice of advanced electives...for example:

ARCS2003: Forensics: The Archaeology of Death & Crime Scenes	POLS2101 Indigenous Politics & Policy
CRIM2000 Youth and Deviance	SCIE2020 CSI UQ: Introduction to Forensic Science
CRIM2080 Criminology and Global Security	

# **BCCJ THIRD YEAR**





#### Semester 1

- CRIM3039 Advanced Criminological Theory
- CRIM3111 Advanced Professional Practice in Criminology
- CRIM3201 Applied Research in Criminology and Criminal Justice 1
- SOCY3329 Qualitative Social Research

#### **Semester 2**

- CRIM3202 Applied Research in Criminology and Criminal Justice 2
- LAWS3330 Transnational Crime and International Criminal Justice
- #4 units of advanced level electives

#### Wide choice of advanced electives...for example:

	ABTS3020 Working with Indigenous People
CRIM3100 Correctional Practice	SOCY3039 Applied Quantitative Research



# Structure of the BCCJ/BA (Dual degree)

Your BCCJ/BA comprises 64 units that you will complete over four years.

#### **BCCJ Component Requirements (32 Units)**

#### 28 Core Courses:

- 8 units (4 courses) of introductory level 1 courses
- 8 units (4 courses) of level 2 courses
- 12 units (6 courses) of level 3 courses

#### Flexible Core Courses - 4 units

(Choose from: CRIM2099, CRIM2100, CRIM2200)

#### **Bachelor of Arts (BA) components (+ 32 Units)**

- Option 1 Two BA Majors (16 units each) OR
- Option 2 One BA Extended Major (24 units; + one BA Minor (8 units))\*

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: Due to course overlap with the BCCJ component, a student cannot undertake the Criminology Major or Legal Education Studies Majors or Minors in the BA component of the dual program.



### Which Electives are best for me?

We provide a list of electives on the course list pages.

Should you wish to seek guidance as to which electives may best suit your study interests / career outcomes, please do not hesitate to reach out to key Criminology teaching staff.

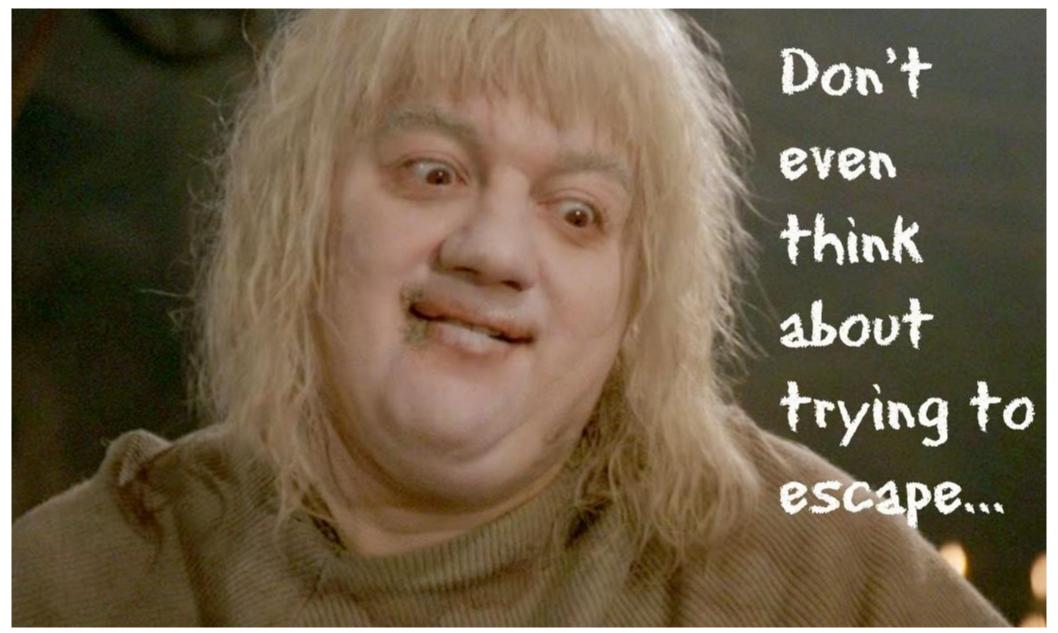
It is also possible for Program Director to approve enrolment in electives not currently on the list.



# **UQ** Program Planner

The Program Planner is a tool that allows you to plan courses for your program and ensure that the plan meets the program's completion rules and chosen structure.





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# Introduction to some VIPs





# Sem 1, Year 1 Compulsory core courses – meet your Course Coordinators

CRIM1000 Introduction to Criminology (offered in S1 <u>and</u> S2) – A/Prof Suzanna Fay



CRIM1111 Introduction to Professional Practice in Criminology (offered in S1 only) – A/Prof Sarah Bennett





# Academic Teaching Staff

Dr Jonah Rimer

Dr Emma Antrobus

A/Prof Sarah Bennett

**Prof Adrian Cherney** 

A/Prof Suzanna Fay

**Dr David Mount** 

Dr Zoe Staines

Dr Rebecca Wallis (Law School)

A/Prof Renee Zahnow





### **Teaching Collaboration**

- Continuing Criminology Academic Staff
  - All have a PhD (completed a Doctor of Philosophy often noted as Dr Jones or Jones, PhD)
  - Range of disciplines and methodological approaches
  - 40% Teaching | 40% Research | 20% Service (mostly)
  - In Criminology, we normally prefer **first name** e.g. Hi Sarah...Hi Suzanna.

Use formal greeting if not sure (Dr Bennett, Dr Fay)...not 'Miss' or 'Hey'

- Tutors and markers
  - PhD candidates/researchers
- Industry Adjunct Lecturers
- Student Admin Officers/Team



## Industry teaching partners (Adjunct Professors and Lecturers)

Dr Jennifer Bell (Queensland Corrective Services | Director of Research & Eval )

Dr John Gilmour (Queensland Police Service | Crime and Intelligence Command)

Dr Peter Martin APM (Queensland Corrective Services Commissioner (Ret))

Mr Martin McMillan (Department of Youth Justice, Employment, Training and Small Business)

**Dr Ashnil Murray** (Torrens University)

Mr Michael Newman (Queensland Police Service | State Intelligence)

Mr Graham Newton (Partner | McGrathNicol)

Mr Ashley Phelan (Queensland Corrective Services | Group Facilitator)

Ms Deborah Platz (NSW State Emergence Services)

**Dr Mark Rawlings** (Queensland Corrective Services Commissioner (Ret))

Mr David Ross (Australian Taxation Office | Transnational Crime Program )

Dr Greg Stevenson (Crime and Corruption Commission | Detective Inspector/Crime Operations)

Ms Mandy Turner (Senior Manager Cyber Security Operations | Rheinmetall Defence Australia & NZ)

Ms Juanita Wheeler (Full & Frank | TEDx Trainer for Brisbane)



# Harrison Sloan – BCCJ Student Representative

- Final year BCCJ student.
- 2023 and 2024 HASS Student Representative for the BCCJ(Hons)
   Management Committee.
- Advice as a student: Take advantage of as many resources and opportunities as you can throughout your degree!



# Why your BCCJ student representative matters to you

- Contribute to collective BCCJ vision to provide learning experiences that equip students with the knowledge, skills and dispositions to shape the future and achieve success in their chosen careers.
- Represent student views/voice at Management Committee meetings.
- Partner to inform degree strategies for current and future students.

### How can you help:

- Actively engage in conversations with me about your learning experience.
- Chat about issues/ideas to share with the Committee, individually or as a group of students.
- Take away message: We want YOU to be included & involved at UQ!



## **UQ Criminology and Criminal Justice Society**

- Memberships range from \$5 to \$25 (with some including merch!)
- We hold social events and careers events throughout the year.
- Great way to meet people within your cohort and in other cohorts, as well as be involved in the UQ and BCCJ community!
- Come say Hi at our stall at market day in the great court!

https://uqu.com.au/clubs-and-societies/uqcriminology-and-criminal-justice-society/













## UQ Criminology and Criminal Justice Society – upcoming events

- •Wednesday 14th February: Market Day
  - Location: Great Court
  - > Time: 10am-2pm
- •Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Launch Event More info to come!
- •Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: SGM (Special General Meeting)

Program Vision
Trigger warnings
Respect
Self-care and support



### Our vision

To equip students with the knowledge, skills and dispositions to shape the future and achieve success in their chosen careers

The degree as a sum of many parts

UQ as a resource for/beyond the degree

Cohort as current and future network



## Trigger warning

- The study of crime and justice engages a multitude of prevalent themes and topics;
- Across courses in the program there may be triggering content for many reasons, particularly for those who have lived experience;
- As criminologists we seek your understanding, respect, partnership and support to explore complex issues in a professional manner;
- Our expectation is that we will **all** work together to promote a culture of safety, respect and care.



# Content Warning

The following content discusses sexual assault and harassment and may be triggering

**Trigger Warning** 

Please feel free to step outside if you feel it is best for you

The following presentation covers topics related to sexual assault and harassment. This content can be distressing to hear, especially for survivors.

If you are feeling distressed by this content, support is available at UQ.

respect.uq.edu.au/support • 3443 1000

In a campus emergency call **3365 3333. 1800RESPECT** for 24 hour support.



# UQ Respect

Sexual Consent Ethical Bystanding and Compassionate Response Online Module

To get support or for more information about UQ **Respect**, visit: **respect.uq.edu.au** 



Complete the module today: bit.ly/UQ-Respect-Online-Module





If someone tells you they've been sexually assaulted or harassed:







The **UQ Sexual Misconduct Support Unit (SMSU)** provides confidential assistance to survivors and their supporters.

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### EQUITY, DIVERSITY, & SAFETY

We are committed to a safe and supportive environment and a positive culture for all.

- Dr Jenny Munro dedicated Diversity and Equity Officer, in School of Social Science
- Available to help any <u>students or staff</u> in relation to equity issues, grievances, complaint processes, bullying, sexual harassment and assault
- Jenny is not a counsellor but she can provide a safe space and a useful starting place to work out what options are available. If you have any concerns or queries, are unsure who to talk to, or are simply feeling uncomfortable about something that has happened, Jenny can help you find the information or support that you need
- Please contact Jenny directly via email at <a href="mailto:jenny.munro@uq.edu.au">jenny.munro@uq.edu.au</a> to find out more about the role, or to make a time for a confidential discussion.

- Equity issues
- Grievances
- Complaint processes
- Bullying
- Sexual harassment
- Assault









### **Broad suggestions**

- Come to class when well and able
- Develop YOUR plan for success (program planning, calendar, work/life balance)
  - Each class ~ 10 hours a week (prep + class + assessments)
  - 4 classes = 40 hours
- Develop and practice self-care (take advantage of the MANY resources on campus)
- University, Faculty, School, and Staff can help
- Student Access Plans available
- Get help as early as you are able!

# Student Access Plans (SAP) and Exam Adjustments (EA)



It is important you arrange your SAP or EA as soon as possible. Aim for the first four weeks of semester.

#### Who?

#### Students who:

- have a disability
- are neurodivergent (i.e. ADHD/Autism)
- have a mental health condition
- have a medical condition
- have an illness or injury
- have caring responsibilities

#### Or:

- are experiencing exceptional circumstances
- are an elite athlete
- have commitments to religious observance
- · are engaged in defence service

#### What?

#### **Student Access Plans:**

- extension to assignments
- occasional absences
- alternative assessment formats
- placements, pracs, and lab adjustments
- accessible formatting
- assistive technology

#### **Exam Adjustments:**

- additional examination working time
- rest breaks
- use of a computer or a writer
- ergonomic furniture
- food or drink
- a separate room

#### Other adjustments based on your needs

#### How?

#### **Meet with a Student Adviser**

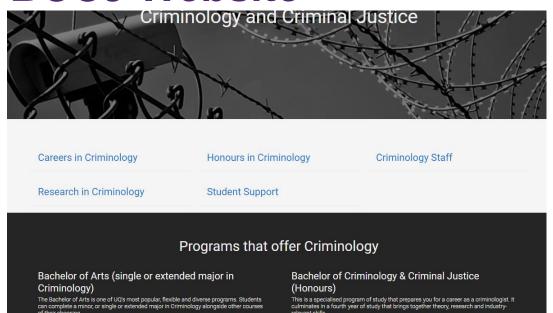
- visit Student Central
  - Building 42 St Lucia
  - o Google: UQ Student Adviser
- contact Student Services
  - student.services@uq.edu.au
  - (07) 3365 1704

Get in touch as soon as possible if you need support for your study.

Support can be provided throughout semester.



### **BCCJ** Website



You will receive updates on program activities and news via your student email. You can access information on the program via the website.

#### Why choose Criminology

Criminology explores issues of crime and criminal justice. As a criminologist, you will understand how the justice system works, why people commit crimes, and have the skills and knowledge to contribute towards preventing and controlling crime and social problems that face contemporary society. The theoretical and methodological skills needed to collect, interpret and evaluate information about crime and criminal justice are a major focus of study.



## **Employability Development**

















#### **University experience:**

Degree and co-curricular activities

#### **Enrichment experiences:**

Activities in your life outside the classroom

#### **Learning from experiences:**

Reflecting on experiences to realise your employability

#### = EMPLOYABILITY DEVELOPMENT



## **Enrichment Experiences**

**Global Experiences** 



**Student-Staff Partnerships** 



**Summer/Winter Research** 



**Career Development** 



**Internships** 

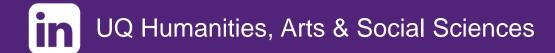


**Employability Award** 



## Stay Connected



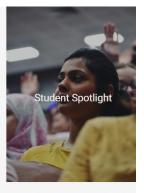




# The home of HASS online linktr.ee/uqhasslife















# Preparing for your courses





## Important dates

#### January 29 – 9am

My Timetable preferencing closes Semester 1 2024

#### **February 12 - 16**

Orientation Week Semester 1 2024

#### February 19

Classes commence Semester 1 2024

#### March 1

Last day to add a course or alter enrolment for Semester 1 2024

#### March 31

"The Census Date"

Last date to *drop* Semester 1 2024 courses or cancel enrolment without *financial* liability

#### April 30

Last date to *drop* Semester 1 2024 courses or cancel enrolment without academic penalty



# Course enrolment & tutorial sign-on

- Log into <u>Starting at UQ</u>. Go to mySInet to enrol in courses.
- myTimetable is where you can view your timetable. It's also used to preference and allocate into classes (where there are multiples activities, such as tutorials)
- New video tutorials for class timetabling <u>Enrolment and class</u> <u>allocation - my.UQ - University of</u> <u>Queensland</u>
- If you have a problem with sign-on, email <u>student.socsci@uq.edu.au</u>

### **Textbooks**

Wait until Week 1 to work out what textbooks you should get

 Buy: <u>The School Locker</u> or <u>Second-hand Texts &</u> <u>Stationary</u>

Print: <u>UQ Print</u>

Borrow: <u>UQ Library</u>



# School of Social Science **Library Services**

### Get help with:

- Finding assignment resources
- Search strategies and using databases
- Book purchase requests
- Referencing
- Using EndNote

# **Debbie Martin**Liaison Librarian d.martin@library.ug.edu.au



Or visit library.uq.edu.au



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# Get support

#### HASS Student Administration Team

- Degree questions
- Credit requests
- Academic progress
- Overseas study approval

# School Student Administration Team

- Course questions
- Timetables
- Assessment

# HASS Student Futures Team

- Extra-curricular opportunities
- Career mentoring and seminars
- Leadership development

#### UQ Student Services

- Learning assistance
- Disability support
- Counselling
- International student services
- Accommodation
- Multi-faith chaplaincy

#### Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/contact

#### Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/your\_academic\_resources

#### Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/enrichyour-study-experience

#### Contact

my.uq.edu.au/studentsupport



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### **BSocSc Administration**

Student Admin Team School of Social Science Level 3, Michie Building (#9) student.socsci@uq.edu.au

- Enrolment planning
- Questions about courses
- Assessment SoSS extension requests, deferred examination applications
- How to contact academic staff
- UG Social Science Events
- Support for student society
- Anything really we can help point you in the right direction!

Our main office is on level 3 of the Michie Building

Open 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm Mon-Fri.



Claire BishopUQ ALLY

 Accredited Mental Health First Aider™



Itsumi Miya-Jones

CRICOS code 00025B



# Any questions????



Email: student.socsci@uq.edu.au

Web: www.social-science.uq.edu.au

GOOD LUCK!!!!



# Quick Survey

We really value your feedback as it allows us to improve for the future. Please complete this 3 minute survey.

