

The Degree of Bachelor of Criminal Justice (BCJ – 360 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2025.
- (b) This degree was first offered in 2014.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Ture | Executive Dean of Law or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these Regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Degree of Bachelor of Criminal Justice, a student must be credited with a minimum of 360 points, including:

- (a) 240 points from either:
 - i. All the compulsory courses in Schedule C to the Regulations; or
 - ii. For students enrolled in the double degree BCJ/LLB:
 - a. 30 points for LAWS101 in lieu of CRJU150 and CRJU160; and
 - b. 210 points for the remaining compulsory courses in Schedule C.
- (b) 15 points from Schedule E: Group 1;
- (c) 105 points from Schedule E: Group 2;
- (d) 15 points from Schedule E: Group 2 may be substituted by 15 points at 200-level or above from any other degree of the University;
- (e) no more than 135 points at 100-level;
- (f) at least 135 points at 200-level or above;
- (g) at least 90 points at 300-level.

4. Admission to the qualification

A student must satisfy the Admission Regulations of the University to be admitted to this qualification.

5. Subjects

There are no majors, minors or endorsements for this qualification.

6. Time limits

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with a time limit of 10 years.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations, with the following stipulations:

- (a) A student for the Bachelor of Criminal Justice, who is or has been enrolled for the Bachelor of Laws, may cross credit:
 - i. 120 points under the Regulations for Enrolment in a Programme of Study, which must be:
 - a. LAWS101 (30 points);
 - b. the 75 points of non-Law required for the LLB as per LLB Regulation 3(d); and
 - c. CRJU201 (15 points) cross-credited to the Bachelor of Laws in lieu of one Bachelor of Laws Group E course (Bachelor of Laws Regulation 7(b)(i));
 - ii. LAWS202 to the Bachelor of Criminal Justice in place of CRJU202 (15 points), and one Bachelor of Criminal Justice Schedule E 200-level elective course (15 points).

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with no additional stipulations.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

Honours, Distinction and Merit are not awarded for this qualification.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

- (a) There are no advancing qualifications for this degree.
- (b) A student who has not met the requirements for the Bachelor of Criminal Justice degree may, with the permission of the Amo Matua, Ture | Executive Dean of Law or delegate, transfer to the Certificate in Criminal Justice and to have courses passed credited to that qualification.

11. Transition

For the purposes of Regulation 3(a), a student who is or has been enrolled for the BCJ degree only, and/or for the LLB, and who has passed LAWS101 prior to 2020, is not required to be credited with the 30 points represented by CRJU150 and CRJU160, but, rather, may credit 30 points for LAWS101.

Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Criminal Justice

For full course information, go to courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2025	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
CRJU101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	15	X9	UC Online	R: LAWS150 EQ: LAWS150
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			X3	UC Online	
CRJU150	Legal Method in the Criminal Justice Context	15	S1	Campus	R: LAWS101
CRJU160	Legal Issues in the New Zealand Criminal Justice System	15	S2	Campus	
CRJU201	Crime and Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V of the BA. R: SOCI218 EQ: SOCI218
			S1	Distance Learning	
CRJU202	Criminal Law for Criminal Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: Either CRJU150 or LAWS150 R: LAWS202
CRJU301	Sentencing Theory and Practice	15	S1	Campus	P: CRJU202 or LAWS202. R: LAWS337; LAWS366 RP: CRJU201/SOCI218; CRJU307/LAWS365 EQ: LAWS366
CRJU302	Prisons and Corrections	30	S2	Campus	P: (i) Any 30 points at 200-level in SOCI or ANTH, or (2) Any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA, or (3) i. CRJU201 and either ii. CRJU202 or LAWS202 R: SOCI358 EQ: SOCI358
			S2	Distance Learning	
HSRV103	Violence in Society	15	S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
HSRV104	Youth Realities	15	S1	Campus	R: SOWK104 EQ: SOWK104
			S1	Distance Learning	
HSRV210	Gender, Crime and Social Theory	15	S2	Campus	P: 15 points at 100-level in HSRV AND 15 points from either Schedule V to the BA, Schedule C to the BSW(Hons), Schedules C or E to the BCJ; OR 60 points from the BA, BSW(Hons) or BCJ. R: HSRV303, HSRV310
			S2	Distance Learning	

MAOR219	Te Tiriti: The Treaty of Waitangi	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level from CULT, HIST, HSRV, MAOR, POLS, SOCI, SOWK, or TREQ, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: POLS218, POLS258, HIST268, SOCI209, HSRV207, CULT219 EQ: POLS218, POLS258, HIST268, SOCI209, HSRV207, CULT219
PHIL139	Ethics, Politics and Justice	15	S1	Distance Learning	
			S1	Campus	
			X2	UC Online	
			X4	UC Online	
PSYC105	Introductory Psychology - Brain, Behaviour and Cognition	15	SU2	Distance Learning	R: PSYC103, PSYC104
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
PSYC106	Introductory Psychology - Social, Personality and Developmental	15	SU1	Distance Learning	R: PSYC103, PSYC104
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
SOCI293	The History of Gangs in New Zealand	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA.

Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Criminal Justice

Group 1

One of:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2025	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
MAOR108	Te Patu a Maui: The Treaty of Waitangi - facing and overcoming colonisation	15	SU2	Distance Learning	R: CULT114, MAOR113 (prior to 2006) EQ: CULT114
			X1	UC Online	
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
			X3	UC Online	
MAOR120	He takere waka nui	15	NO		
MAOR165	Tuakiri: Culture and Identity	15	S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	

Group 2

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2025	Location	P/C/R/PP/EQ
CRJU210	Special Topic	15	NO		P: CRJU101 or LAWS150
CRJU211	Forensic Science for Criminal Justice	15	S1	Campus	P: 60 points at 100-level. R: CHEM111, CHEM114, BIOL112, BIOL111, BIOL113
CRJU222	Whakataka Nga Here: Colonisation and the Criminal Justice System	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in SOCI, ANTH, CRJU, or LAWS, or any 60 points at 100-level from Schedule V of the BA. R: SOCI222
CRJU304	Research Project in Criminal Justice	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ.
CRJU307	Issues in Policing and Prosecution	15	S2	Campus	P: CRJU202 or LAWS202. R: LAWS337, LAWS365 RP: CRJU201/SOCI218 EQ: LAWS365
CRJU308	The Principles of Evidence	15	S1	Campus	P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS316, LAWS307
CRJU309	International Criminal Law	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS321 EQ: LAWS321
CRJU311	Transnational Criminal Law	15	S2	Campus	P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS315 EQ: LAWS315
CRJU312	Contemporary Issues in Criminal Law and Procedure	15	NO		P: (1) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LAWS380 EQ: LAWS380
CRJU314	Serious Financial Crime	15	S1	Campus	P: (1) CRJU 202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ, or (2) LAWS 202 and 30 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ. R: LLAW314 EQ: LLAW314
HIST295	Crime, Criminology and Policing in Modern Europe since 1750	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in HIST or CLAS120, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA, or 60 points at 100-level from Schedules C or E of the BCJ. R: HIST395
HIST395	Crime, Criminology and Policing in Modern Europe since 1750	30	S1	Campus	P: Any 30 points at 200-level from HIST, or CRJU201 and either CRJU202 or LAWS202, or any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: HIST295

HSRV201	Communication in the Human Services	15	S1	Campus	P: 15 points at 100-level in HSRV AND 15 points from either Schedule V to the BA, Schedule C to the BSW(Hons), Schedules C or E to the BCJ; OR 60 points from the BA, BSW(Hons) or BCJ. R: SOWK201 EQ: SOWK201
			S1	Distance Learning	
HSRV203	Policy Debates in the Social Services	15	NO		P: HSRV103 and HSRV104; or, 15 points at 100-level in HSRV and 30 points at 100-level from either Schedule C to the BSW, Schedule V to the BA, or Schedules C or E to the BCJ; or 60 points at 100-level from the BA, BSW or BCJ. R: SOWK203 EQ: SOWK203
HSRV212	Family Violence	15	NO		P: 15 points at 100-level in HSRV AND 15 points from either Schedule V to the BA, Schedule C to the BSW(Hons), Schedules C or E to the BCJ; OR 60 points from the BA, BSW(Hons) or BCJ. R: HSRV206, SOWK212 EQ: SOWK212
HSRV311	Qualitative Research Methods	30	S1	Campus	P: 30 points at 200-level in HSRV, or any 15 points at 200-level in HSRV and 30 points at 200-level from Schedule C (BSW) or Schedule V (BA) or Schedule C or E (BCJ). Students with at least 60 points in appropriate courses may enter with permission of the HSRV Programme Coordinator. R: HSRV302
			S1	Distance Learning	
LAWS378	Genetics, Neuroscience and the Criminal Law	15	NO		P: (1) LAWS202, or (2) CRJU202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C of the BCJ and Amo Matua, Ture Executive Dean of Law approval. C: LAWS203-LAWS206 R: CRJU313
LING225	Language and Social Justice	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at any level from any subject.
			S2	Distance Learning	
LLAW304	Special Topic: Law and Counter-terrorism	15	NO		P: Subject to approval of the Amo Matua, Ture Executive Dean of Law C: LAWS202-206
PHIL240	Bioethics: Life, Death, and Medicine	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 15 points at 100-level in PHIL, HSRV, HLTH, LAWS, or POLS, or any 60 points at 100-level from the Schedule V of the BA or the BSc. R: PHIL324, POLS225
			S2	Distance Learning	
PHIL324	Bioethics: Life, Death, and Medicine	15	S2	Campus	P: Any 30 points at 200-level in PHIL, LAWS, HLTH, or any 60 points at 200-level from the Schedule V of the BA. R: PHIL240, POLS225 RP: PHIL139 or PHIL236
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC206	Introductory Research Methods and Statistics	15	SU2	Distance Learning	P: At least 15 points in 100-level Psychology and at least 45 points overall
			S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
PSYC208	Cognition	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106, or with the approval of the Head of School, a pass in a professional year of Engineering, or in approved courses in Computer Science, Linguistics, or Philosophy
			S2	Distance Learning	

PSYC211	Personality	15	S2	Distance Learning	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106
			S2	Campus	
PSYC216	Psychology and Law	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC105 and PSYC106
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC330	Forensic Psychology	15	S1	Campus	P: PSYC206 or 60 points at 200-level from Schedules C or E of the BCJ.
			S1	Distance Learning	
PSYC336	Industrial and Organisational Psychology	15	S2	Campus	P: PSYC206. RP: PSYC211, 15 further points from PSYC200
			S2	Distance Learning	
PSYC379	Introduction to Psychopathology	15	S1	Campus	P: PSYC206 R: PSYC335
			S1	Distance Learning	