



NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

Department of Criminal Justice
Proposed Plan of Study
Leading to the Ph.D. Degree in Criminal Justice

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Banner ID: _____

Date: _____

Core Courses (15 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
CRJS 765 Advanced Statistics	3		
CRJS 755 Quantitative Research Methods	3		
CRJS 750 Theories of Criminal Behavior	3		
CRJS 865 Applied Data Analytics	3		
CRJS 866 Qualitative Research Methods	3		
Graduate Seminar (2 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
CRJS 900 Doctoral Proseminar	2		
Supervised Teaching (3 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
CRJS 993 Supervised Teaching	3		
Specialization: (18 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
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Elective Courses (15 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
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Dissertation Courses (12 Credit Hours)			
Course Name	Credit Hours	Grade	Term
CRJS 997 Doctoral Dissertation	3		
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Notes:

- All Ph.D. students can choose from one of four specializations: Digital Forensics, Investigative Science, Research Methodology, or Social Justice. The required courses for each specialization are listed below.
- Students with an earned N.C. A&T MSCJ degree must choose a different specialization from their master's level coursework.
- Up to 24 hours of graduate-level credit may be accepted from another accredited institution.

Investigative Science Specialization Courses	
CRJS 721	Crime Scene Reconstruction
CRJS 722	Blood Pattern Analysis
CRJS 723	Crime Scene Professionalism
CRJS 724	Forensic Ballistic Investigation
CRJS 725	Investigative Science & Technology
CRJS 726	Forensics & Law
Digital Forensics Specialization Courses	
CRJS 770	Cybercrime and Digital Forensics
CRJS 771	Digital Forensics
CRJS 772	File System Forensics
CRJS 773	Digital Forensics Tools & Techniques
CRJS 774	Network Forensics
CRJS 775	Operating System Forensics
Research Methodology Specialization Courses	
CRJS 715	Ethics and Concerns
CRJS 716	Writing for Graduate Students
CRJS 717	Data Management
CRJS 718	Field Research in Criminal Justice
CRJS 719	Spatial Data Analysis
CRJS 720	Survey Design
Social Justice Specialization Courses	
CRJS 727	Critical Race Theory
CRJS 728	Social Justice & Public Policy
CRJS 729	Social Transformation & Law
CRJS 730	The History of Social Movements
CRJS 731	Intersectionality
CRJS 732	Scholar Activism & Social Justice