

# CRIM 101

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## **CRIM 101 Introduction to Criminology**

3 Credits

This course provides an introduction to the field of Criminology. The major goal is for learners to examine the nature, extent and causes of crime in Canada. We begin by analyzing the concept of "crime" as a social construct, and what the implications of this are; then, we go on to explore crime data, crime trends, the various perspectives used to explain crime (biological, psychological, psychiatric and sociological) and their policy implications. Several specific crimes are studied, including both conventional crimes (e.g. theft, robbery and homicide), as well as less-studied forms of crime, such as white-collar crime, organized crime, and state crime.

### **Prerequisites**

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12, or equivalent

### **Transfer Credits**

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