

Study Programme

Academic year 2025-2026

Faculty of Law and Criminology
Bachelor of Science in Criminological Sciences

Language of instruction: Dutch

Programme version 13

1	General	Courses			162	credits
Nr	Course		CRDT	Ref MT1	Session	Study
1	B001825	Scientific Sources and Research Design in Criminology Wim Hardyns Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	1	A:1	150
2	B001823	Economy for Criminologists Bruno Merlevede Department of Economics	4	1	A:1	120
3	B001623	Introduction to criminology Charlotte Colman Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	6	1	A:1	180
4	B001822	Introduction to (Public and Private) Law Liesbeth Todts Department of European, Public and International Law	6	1	A:1	180
5	B001824	Sociology Bart Van de Putte Department of Sociology	4	1	A:1	120
6	B001628	Statistics for Criminology Lieven Pauwels Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	7	1	B:1	210
7	B001826	Belgian Politics Herwig Reynaert Department of Political Sciences	4	1	A:2	120
8	B001830	Crime and Punishment in Historical Perspective Pieter Leloup Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	6	1	A:2	180
9	B001829	Evolution and Human Behaviour Lieven Pauwels Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	6	1	A:2	180
10	B001828	Introduction to the Judicial Organization Charlotte Colman Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	1	A:2	120
11	B001827	Introduction to the Police Organization Antoinette Verhage Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	1	A:2	120
12	B001643	Social Psychology Alain Van Hiel Department of Developmental, Personality and Social Psychology	4	1	A:2	120
13	B001834	Character, Circumstances and Rule-Breaking Lieven Pauwels Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	2		150
14	B001835	Information and Source Criticism Griet Verhenneman Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2		120
15	B001833	Qualitative Methods and Techniques in Criminology	6	2		180
16	B001832	Quantitative Methods and Techniques in Criminology Wim Hardyns Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	6	2		180
17	B001632	Substantive Criminal Law Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	2		150
18	B001841	Moral Philosophy Jan Verplaetse Department of Interdisciplinary Study of Law, Private Law and Business Law	4	2		120
19	B001831	Advanced Police Studies Antoinette Verhage Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	2		150
20	B001836	EU Justice and Home Affairs Policy Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2		120
21	B001837	Forensic Welfare Studies Louis Favril Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2		120

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22 B001635	Criminal Procedure	5	2	150
23 B001840	Introduction to Private and Semi-Public Security Actors Pieter Leloup Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2	120
24 B001839	Qualitative Data-Analysis and Reporting 1	4	2	120
25 B001838	Quantitative Data-Analysis and Reporting I Wim Hardyns Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2	120
26 B001637	Drug Phenomena Louis Favril Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
27 B001844	Crime, Time and Place Christophe Vandeviver Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	3	120
28 B001842	Advanced Justice Studies Tom Vander Beken Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
29 B001843	Advanced Private and Semi-Public Security Studies Pieter Leloup Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
30 B001845	Youth Care and Youth Law Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
31 B001846	Penology Louis Favril Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
32 B001847	Deontology and Integrity Control in the criminological professional field Antoinette Verhage Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
33 B001848	Bachelor Thesis Christophe Vandeviver Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	8	3	240

2 Elective Courses 18 credits

Subscribe to 18 credit units from the following list. Subject to approval by the faculty. Elective courses are incorporated into the third year of the standard learning path.

2.1 Advanced Research Methods

Subscribe to no less than 5 credit units from the following list.

Νı	Course		CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1	B001850	Qualitative Data-Analysis and Reporting 2 Pieter Leloup Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5		3		150
2	B001849	Quantitative Data-Analysis and Reporting 2 Christophe Vandeviver Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5		3		150
3	B001851	Big data and AI in Criminology Wim Hardyns Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5		3		150

2.2 Selected Issues

Subscribe to no less than 5 credit units from the following list.

Nr	Course		CRDT	Ref MT1	Session Study
1	B001649	Selected Issues: Financial and Economic Crime Jelle Janssens Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
2	B001856	Selected Issues: Organized Crime Jelle Janssens Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
3	B001857	Selected Issues: Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism	5	3	150
4	B001647	Selected Issues: Cybercrime, Technology and Surveillance	5	3	150
5	B001858	Selected Issues: Diversity and Migration in Criminology Charlotte De Kock Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
6	B001652	Selected Issues: Drug Policy Charlotte Colman Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
7	B001859	Selected Issues: European and International Migration Law and Migration Policy Thomas Spijkerboer Department of European, Public and International Law	5	3	150
8	B001653	Selected Issues: Critical Criminology and the Criminal Justice System I Tom Decorte Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
9	B001860	Selected Issues: Criminology of War	5	3	150
10	B001651	Selected Issues: Sexual Offending, Prostitution and Human Trafficking Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3	150
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2.3 Study-specific Elective Course List

Subscribe to no more than 8 credit units from the following list.
edu: These courses appear in the educational master's programme. Students who have followed these three courses successfully, can after obtaining the Bachelor's degree, enter directly into the educational Master's programme.

Nr Course	the Bachelor's degree, enter directly into the educational Master's pro	ogramme. CRDT	Ref MT1	Session	Study
1 B000169	Study of Specific Criminal Offences Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3		150
2 B000255	Chemical Criminalistics Christophe Stove Department of Bio-analysis	4	3		120
3 B001655	English for Criminologists Geert Jacobs Department of Linguistics	5	3		150
4 B001497	Forensic Psychiatry Kurt Audenaert Department of Head and Skin	4	3		120
5 B001499	Forensic Psychology Lize Verbeke Department of Developmental, Personality and Social Psychology	4	3		120
6 B001656	French for Criminologists Ludivine Crible Department of Linguistics	5	3		150
7 B001578	Data Protection Law Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	3		120
8 B001529	Forensic Medicine Evy De Boosere Department of Diagnostic Sciences	4	3		120
9 B001044	International Criminal Law Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3		150
10 B000622	Medical Criminalistics Evy De Boosere Department of Diagnostic Sciences	4	3		120
11 B001862	Research Clinic [en, nl] Christophe Vandeviver Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	3	A:J	120
12 B000965	Children's Rights Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	3		150
13 A001900	Introduction to Psychology Wim Notebaert Department of Experimental Psychology	3	3		90
14 A000432	Philosophical Anthropology Maarten Van Dyck Department of Philosophy and Moral Sciences	5	3		150
15 F710378	Introduction to Management Sebastian Desmidt Department of Marketing, Innovation and Organisation	5	3		150
16 K001065	Social and Political Systems Sami Zemni Department of Conflict and Development Studies	5	3		150
17 K001039	Social Inequality Raf Vanderstraeten Department of Sociology	6	3		180
18 H002476	Powerful Learning Environments Bram De Wever Department of Educational Studies	6	edu 3		180
19 H002478	The Student: Development and Motivation Wim Beyers Department of Developmental, Personality and Social Psychology	6	edu 3		180
20 H002477	The Teacher within Class, School and Society Melissa Tuytens Department of Educational Studies	6	edu 3		180
21 H002555	Teaching Methodology: Social Sciences I Tony Valcke Department of Political Sciences	9	edu 3		270

2.4 Ghent University Elective Courses

Subscribe to no more than one of the **Ghent University Elective Courses**.

2.5 Study Programmes Ghent University

Subscribe to no more than 8 credit units from the Ghent University courses. Subject to approval by the faculty.

Students can take these elective courses from one of the following bachelor's programmes of Ghent University: economic sciences, political sciences, public administration, psychology, philosophy, sociology, history, communication sciences, law, pedagogical sciences.

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Teaching

When a course is not taught (solely) in the programme's language of instruction, the effectively used languages are indicated in square brackets following the cours name, using the following ISO codes:

bg: Bulgarian de: German es: Spanish ja: Japanese pl: Polish sh: Kroatian/Serbian zh: Chinese

pt: Portuguese cs: Czech el: Greek fr: French nl: Dutch sl: Slovene it: Italian ru: Russian da: Danish en: English no: Norwegian sv: Swedish

Semester

Semesters are indicated by their number (1 or 2); semester 3 represents the summer period and J indicates a course spanning semesters 1 and 2. When a capital letter precedes a semester number, the course has multiple offerings. The letter indicates the offering concerned.

When a semester is shown in brackets, the course in not offered this year in the specific offering.

The offering frequency and first year of offering are indicated by the following codes:

c: annually, from 2026-2027 f: annually, from 2027-2028 i: annually, from 2028-2029 a: bi-annually g: bi-annually, from 2027-2028 j: bi-annually, from 2028-2029 d: bi-annually, from 2026-2027 b: tri-annually h: tri-annually, from 2027-2028 e: tri-annually, from 2026-2027 k: tri-annually, from 2028-2029

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