

B1362 - Bachelor of Criminology MJ-CRIS/ Bachelor of Communication – for students commencing 2026

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Start Date: Semester 2 2026

This sample enrolment plan is based on the 2026 course structure and offerings. It is the responsibility of students to ensure the correct availability of units in each semester of each academic year.

See Handbook - <https://handbook.murdoch.edu.au/>

This plan is for students enrolled full-time over the course of their degree. The expected workload for each 3-point units is 10 hours per week per unit. Students should consider all their commitments and factor the study workload level in when planning their course structure.

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Year 1		CRM101 Criminology in Context 3pts CRM120 Criminological Research Methods# 3pts COM101 Social Media^ 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts 12pts
Year 2	COM100 Thinking Communication^ 3pts CRM100 Introduction to Criminology# 3pts CHE103 Introduction to Forensic Science# 3pts <i>Communications Elective Unit</i> 3pts 12pts	CRM203 Criminal Behaviour# 3pts <i>Communications Elective Unit</i> 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts General Elective (not level 100) 3pts 12pts
Year 3	COM200 Communication Research^ 3pts CRM201 Policing and Crime Prevention 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts Discovery Unit** 3pts 12pts	CRM207 Investigation & Evidence# 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts <i>Communications Elective Unit</i> 3pts Spring CRM301 Crime Science# 3pts 12pts
Year 4	BMS213 Forensic Anatomy & Anthropology# 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts Winter BIO388 Forensic Science & Miscarriages of Justice# 3pts 12pts	CRM303 Technology, Crime and Justice 3pts COM306 Specialist Communication^ 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts General Elective (not level 100) 3pts 12pts
Year 5	CRM307 Culture, Diversity and Crime 3pts Criminology Specified Elective (see below) 3pts <i>Communications major unit*</i> 3pts General Elective (not level 100) 3pts 12pts	

**Discovery Unit

Students must complete one unit of Discovery Study (3 points). This unit must be outside of the School of Law and Criminology and School of Media and Communication.

Criminology Units:

Students must complete 24 points in their major – **SEE BELOW**

Criminology Required Units – must take CRM101, CRM201, CRM303 and CRM307.

Criminology Specified Electives – Students must take 3 points of Specified Electives (see list in handbook under course code B1362).

Crime Science: CRM100, CRM120, CRM203, CRM207, CHE103, BMS213, BIO388, CRM301

Communication Units:

*Students should contact the Communications Academic Chair for advice mapping out their Communication Major units; this plan may need to be rearranged. Majors consists of 24 points in total. ^Communication Required Units (12 points) – must take COM100, COM101, COM200 and COM306

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General Electives:

Students must take 9 points of general electives – not level 100 (not 1st year electives).

Disclaimer:

This course plan is a sample only and must be read in conjunction with the full course structure, unit prerequisites and enrolment options as per the online Handbook. Students should note that due to unit prerequisites, commencing study in semester 2 may extend the duration of the course. Correct as at 13/05/2026. Check the university timetable each year to confirm the teaching period units run as they are subject to change.