# UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING - DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
# PRE-LAW MINOR CHECKSHEET

The minor requires 18 hours to be completed from among the following courses. Of these 18 hours, 12 must be upper division (3000 or 4000 level). In addition, 12 of the 18 hours must be outside the student's primary major, and none of these courses may be credited toward both the minor and the USP requirement. Complete one course from each of the following categories. All coursework must be completed with a grade of "C" or better to be counted toward the minor. Acceptance into the minor requires a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and prior completion of a minimum of 45 credit hours.

## Language Comprehension & Expression (3 hours)

It is important for students to develop speaking and listening skills in preparation for law school. Being able to speak clearly and persuasively is vital for success in law courses as well as in the profession.

☐ **COJO 1030 Interpersonal Communication**
(none)
☐ **COJO 2090 Persuasion**
(COJO 1030 or 1040 or consent)
☐ **COJO 2260 Interviewing**
(COJO 1030 or 1040 or consent)
☐ **COJO 3010 Business & Prof Communication**
(COJO 1010 or consent)
☐ **COJO 3160 Theory of Language & Society**
(COJO 1040 & 6 hours of COJO or consent)
☐ **COJO/ENGL 4061 Rhetorical Theory & Criticism**
(COJO 1040 & 3040 or ENGL 2035)
☐ **AGEC 4450 Negotiation**
(COJO 1010 & junior)
☐ **ANTH 4795 Language Change**
(ANTH 2000)

## Written Comprehension & Expression (3 hours)

Rigorous analytical writing and critical reading skills are the foundation of legal study and practice. Undergraduate students should actively seek to increase their writing proficiency by enrolling in as many courses as possible that involve close reading of complex materials and writing lengthy original works with revision following criticism.

**Any course with a USP designation of C3 may be counted in this area. However, no C3 course may be counted twice toward fulfilling this category and the USP C3 requirement or another category within the prelaw minor.**

## Critical Understanding of Human Institutions & Values (3 hours)

Students should approach law school with an understanding of honest and responsible values in promoting equality, fairness, and justice in the legal system. These courses increase the awareness of common purposes, processes, and systems that have developed in these areas.

☐ **MGT 3110 Business Ethics**
(sophomore standing)
☐ **POLS 2460 Intro to Political Philosophy**
(none)
☐ **POLS/AMST/ENR/GEOG/REWM 4051 Environmental Politics**
(POLS 1000)
☐ **POLS 4090 Anglo-American Jurisprudence**
(9 hours POLS or PHIL)
☐ **PHIL 2200 Soc & Political Phil**
(none)
☐ **PHIL 3300 Ethical Theory**
(3 hours PHIL or consent)
☐ **PHIL 3350 History of Moral Philosophy**
(3 hours PHIL or consent)
☐ **PHIL 3500 History of Science**
(3 hours lab science & 3 hours PHIL)
☐ **PHIL 4300 Topics in Ethics**
(12 hours PHIL including PHIL 3300 or 3350)
☐ **PHIL 4340 Issues in Environmental Ethics**
(PHIL 2330, 2340, 3300 or 3350)
☐ **FCSC 4113 Consumer Issues**
(ECON 1000 or SOC 1000 or PSYC 1000 and WB/COM2)
☐ **COJO 4985 Rhetoric and Social Justice**
(COJO 2150 and 3040)

## Creative & Analytical Thinking (3 hours)

This area of coursework promotes critical thinking about important issues and belief systems. Student tolerance for uncertainty and problem solving abilities should increase through these studies.

☐ **CRTW 2050 Cr Writing-Intro to Fiction (Max 3 hrs)**
(WA)
☐ **CRTW 2060 Cr Writing-Intro to Nonfiction**
(WA)
☐ **CRTW 2080 Cr Writing - Intro to Poetry (Max 3 hrs)**
(WA)
☐ **PHIL 2420 Critical Thinking**
(none)
☐ **PHIL 3140 Philosophy of Science**
(6 hours science)
☐ **PHIL 3220 Existentialism and Phenomenology**
(3 hours PHIL or consent)
☐ **PHIL 3420 Logic II: Symbolic Logic**
(3 hours PHIL)
☐ **PHIL 3440 Philosophy of the Mind**
(3 hours PHIL)
☐ **PHIL 3510 Intro to Epistemology**
(3 hours PHIL)
☐ **PHIL 4420 Advanced Logic**
(PHIL 3420 or equivalent)
☐ **ANTH 4230 Forensic Anthropology**
(ANTH 1100)
☐ **ENR/AGEC 4550 Negotiation Analysis**
(QA)

## World Cultures & International Institutions (3 hours)

American life is increasingly affected by closer relationships among international institutions and the increasing interdependence of nations. Coursework in this area will allow students to contemplate the effects of increasingly global relationships on culture, people, and economic activity in their roles as lawyers.

☐ **HIST 1330 World Civilizations from 1450**
(none)
☐ **PHIL 3250 Global Justice**
(3 hours PHIL or INST)
☐ **PHIL 3320 Eastern Thought**
(3 hrs PHIL)
☐ **ANTH 2200 Wold Culture**
(none)
☐ **ANTH 3420 Anthropology of Global Issues**
(ANTH 1200)
☐ **INST/SOC 4110 Sociology of Int'l Development**
(SOC 1000 or ANTH 1200; SOC 2100 recommended)
☐ **POLS/INST/SOC 4300 The World System**
(SOC 1000 or ANTH 1100 or equiv POLS, INST, or social sci)
☐ **INST/POLS 4340 Intl Organizations**
(9 hrs POLS or INST including POLS 2310)
☐ **CRMJ 4280 Comparative Criminal Justice**
(WA, WB, CRMJ 1001, junior standing)

## Law (3 hours)

Students' legal education is ultimately provided in law school. However, undergraduate students can benefit from being exposed to law-related courses that introduce them to some varieties of law, including legal principles and processes, as they think about their legal careers.

☐ **CRMJ 2210 Criminal Law**
(CRMJ 1001 or sophomore standing)
☐ **CRMJ 3110 Criminal Courts and Processes**
(CRMJ 2210 or declared Public Law minor)
☐ **CRMJ 4140 Criminal Legal Procedure**
(CRMJ 1000, 2210, & 2400)
☐ **CRMJ/SOC 4270 Discrimination and the Law**
(SOC 1000 and junior status)
☐ **CRMJ/SOC 4540 Women, Crime and the Law**
(SOC/WMST 1080, 3500 or SOC 2400)
☐ **CRMJ/PSYC 4730 Psychology and Law**
(12 hours in psychology)
☐ **AGEC 3400 Agriculture Law**
(WA and junior standing)
☐ **AGEC 4710 Natural Resource Law and Policy**
(AGEC 1020, ECON 1020 & 3 hrs of bus or ag law, or consent)
☐ **POLS 3100 Politics and the Judicial Process**
(POLS 1000)
☐ **POLS 4100 Const Law: Institutional Powers**
(POLS 1000, POLS 3100 recommended)
☐ **POLS 4110 Const Law: Civil Liberties and Rights**
(POLS 1000, POLS 3100 recommended)
☐ **POLS 4840 Seminar in Public Law**
(POLS 1000, 3100 and consent of instructor)
☐ **GEOG 4325 Legal Aspects of Planning**
(junior standing, USP "V" course)
☐ **MGT 1040 Legal Environment of Business**
(none)
☐ **MGT 4340 Law for Managers**
(MGT 1040 or equivalent and junior class standing)
☐ **MGT 4350 Commercial Law**
(MGT 1040 or equivalent and junior class standing)
☐ **MGT 4360 Business Law for Entrepreneurs**
(MGT 1040 and junior class standing)
☐ **COJO 4150 Legal Communication**
(COJO 2150 or consent)
☐ **COJO 4500 Communication Law**
(COJO 1000 and 2100 or consent of instructor)
☐ **HIST 4515 American Legal History**
(HIST 1210/1211, 1220/1221 and/or consent of instructor)
☐ **AIST 3300 Federal Indian Law**
(AIST 1001 or 1350)
☐ **ENR 4750 ENR Law & Policy**
(ENR 2000 and upper division standing, or consent of instructor)