

CANNABIS STUDIES, MINOR

Mission

The Cannabis Studies minor offers students opportunities to become ethical, socially responsible, engaged citizens, who are prepared to assume leadership in a dynamic global context of cannabis normalization by exposing students to a variety of cannabis-related topics, perspectives, and courses from across disciplines within CHASS.

The minor is designed to complement majors in Cannabis Biology & Chemistry, Business, Criminology, History, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, and more. Instruction and assignments develop the aesthetic, creative, critical, and theoretical acumen of students, and encourage students to direct their learning and customize their Cannabis Studies to ensure that they learn what is needed to realize their future educational and career goals.

Who should consider a minor in Cannabis Studies?

- Anyone interested in working in the cannabis industry
- Anyone interested in researching the effects of cannabis on society and vice versa
- Anyone interested in cannabis lifestyle and subcultures
- Anyone planning for a career in a sector affected by cannabis legalization such as business, criminal justice, education, public health, and more
- Anyone interested in a social scientific approach to an emerging field of study

The Cannabis Studies minor is open to all majors.

Advising

Student should contact Dr. Aaron Johnson at aaron.johnson@csupueblo.edu | 720-446-9810 (call or text), or call the College of Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences Dean's office at 719-549-2863.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

1. Students will demonstrate a mastery knowledge of the social history of cannabis, and the impact of its use and regulation on society, culture, and the environment at the local, state, and national level.
2. Students will demonstrate a mastery knowledge of the historical trends, current status, and potential developments in cannabis-related social science research, business practices, politics, entertainment, and lifestyles.
3. Students will demonstrate the ability to effectively communicate in writing and verbally about cannabis-related issues from a variety of disciplinary perspectives.
4. Students will apply what they've learned from their Cannabis Studies minor course work to future educational and career endeavors through special projects, research, field experiences, and/or other independent study, as appropriate.

Outcome Assessment Activities

Student learning is measured through a combination of required course components and dedicated assessment activities including exams, written and verbal demonstrations of knowledge, as well as the analysis of the

quality and quantity of special projects, research, field experiences, and/or other independent study by students. The results of these assessment activities are used to improve program offerings and enhance student learning.

Specific Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Core Courses		7
CAN 493	Senior Seminar	1
SOC/CRIM 261	Introduction to Cannabis Studies	3
SOC/CRIM 361	Advanced Cannabis Studies	3
Elective Courses		11
Select 11 credits from the following (or other elective courses as approved): ¹		
CRIM/SOC/WS 305	Women & Crime	3
CS/SW 325	Health in the Chicano Community	3
POLS 323	Criminal Law & Procedure	3
POLS 340	Public Policy	3
PSYC 220	Drugs and Behavior	3
PSYC 331	Physiological Psychology	3
PSYC 331L	Physiological Psychology Lab	1
PSYC 362	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 428	Cannabinoids as Medicine	3
SOC 201	Social Problems (GT-SS1)	3
SOC 203	The Criminal Justice System	3
SOC/PSYC 352	Social Psychology	3
SOC 378	Rock 'n' Roll and Rebellion	3
SOC 405	Law & Society	3
SOC 418	Crime, Drugs, & Social Policy	3
SOC 452	Sociology of the Self	3
SOC 490	Special Projects	1-3
SOC 492	Research	1-3
SOC 494	Field Experience	1-12
SOC 495	Independent Study	1-10
SW 325	Health in the Chicano Community	3
Total Credits		18

¹ Note: Many of these electives have prerequisites that would satisfy general education requirements.