

Criminal Justice

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences



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Mission Statement

The mission of UIW's Criminal Justice program is to develop an awareness and knowledge of the criminal justice system in American society. This program offers the Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and is built from an integrated liberal-arts orientation. Emphasizing the history and current operations of the criminal courts, law enforcement, and corrections, the program seeks to foster a critical analysis of criminal justice as a social institution. The Criminal Justice program aims to develop informed and conscientious students who understand the responsibilities of working in the criminal justice field. Shaped by the values of an Incarnate Word education, the Criminal Justice program will advance the search for truth, social justice, and the common good.

Studying Criminal Justice at UIW

Particularly since September 11, 2001, criminal justice has emerged as a major industry in American society. The system employs approximately 2.4 million people, and federal, state, and local governments spend more than \$200 billion on criminal and civil justice systems. There are tremendous employment opportunities in the criminal justice system (law enforcement, criminal courts, and corrections) for those with a baccalaureate degree in Criminal Justice. It is also a useful major for one preparing for a career in law or social work. The curriculum for a degree in Criminal Justice is structured to cover the main areas of the discipline while maintaining the integrity of a UIW education. Hence, we will have courses in ethics, justice (with an emphasis on social justice), and civil rights and civil liberties.

Employment Possibilities with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

Texas Ranger	FBI Agent	Fish and Game Warden
Juvenile Court Counselor	U.S. Marshal	Corrections Officer
Probation Officer	State Trooper	Postal Service Investigator
Police Officer	CIA	Pre-Trial Services Officer
Park Ranger	Victim Services Specialist	U.S. Secret Service
Parole Officer	U.S. Customs Agent	ICE Agent

Employment with Education beyond the Bachelor of Arts

Attorney	Criminal Investigator	Substance Abuse Counselor
Court Administrator	Police Detective	Social worker

Curriculum (36 semester hours)

A. 24 hours of required courses:

CRJU 1311 Introduction to Criminal Justice
 CRJU 2392 Introduction to the U.S. Legal System (cross-list with GOVT)
 CRJU 3322 Criminology (cross-list with SOCI)
 CRJU 3330 Law Enforcement in America
 CRJU 3340 Corrections
 CRJU 3381 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (cross-list with SOCI)
 CRJU 3384 Research Methods in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4301 Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice

B. 12 hours from the following courses:

CRJU 3323 Issues in Contemporary Criminal Justice (cross-list with SOCI)
 CRJU 3341 Community Corrections
 CRJU 3342 Correctional Casework and Counseling
 CRJU 3345 Sociology of the Death Penalty (cross-list with SOCI)
 CRJU 3350 Juvenile Justice
 CRJU 3360 Ethics in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 3365 Media and Crime
 CRJU 3370 Texas Criminal Justice System
 PHIL 3385 Justice: Tradition and Transformation
 CRJU 3390 Internship in Criminal Justice
 GOVT 4316 Constitutional Law II: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights

C. Suggested Minor in Sociology, Psychology, Government and International Affairs, Philosophy, Computer Information Systems, Management, or Spanish.

Minor in Criminal Justice

12 semester hours (6 upper-division) in Criminal Justice

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