

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Criminal Justice at the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences at the University of the Incarnate Word is uniquely designed to develop a student's awareness and knowledge of criminal justice issues while at the same time meeting the University's mission of social justice. The Criminal Justice department offers courses that emphasize social equity, responsibility, and empathy that help the student grow and develop academically and professionally.

Students who have graduated with a Criminal Justice degree from UIW will have taken many of the traditional criminal justice courses that are offered at other universities such as: Criminology, Ethics in Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement, Corrections, Juvenile Justice, Research Methods, and Statistics. However, a Criminal Justice graduate from UIW will have the opportunity to take courses that emphasize social justice issues that are generally not available, as a collective whole, at many other universities such as: Victimology, Restorative Justice, the Death Penalty, Wildlife Crimes, Environmental Crimes, Women in Crime and Criminal Justice, Art Crimes, and many other courses that fit into the university's mission of social justice.

QUICK FACTS

A degree in criminal justice will open up many opportunities in the public sector. Employment opportunities range from local agencies, to state agencies, to federal agencies in a wide variety of career choices including law enforcement, corrections, probation, parole and juvenile justice.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for admission to the B.A. in Criminal Justice program are the same as the requirements for admission to the University of the Incarnate Word.

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FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall

CRJU 1311: Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 hours)
ENGL 1311 (or 1311L): Composition I (3 hours)
RELS Core (3 hours)
Social Science Core (3 hours)
General Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

CRJU 3322: Criminology (3 hours)
DWHP 1200 (or 3200) and 1 hour of PE Activity
Course (3 hours)
ENGL 1312: Composition II (3 hours)
PHIL Core (3 hours)
General Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall

CRJU 2392: Introduction to the U.S. Legal System (3 hours)
ENGL 2310: World Literature Studies (3 hours)
Fine Arts Core (3 hours)
Modern Language I (3 hours)
Natural Science and Lab Core (4 hours)
Total Hours: 16

Spring

CRJU Elective (3 hours)
HIST Core (3 hours)
MATH Core (3 hours)
Modern Language II (3 hours)
PHIL or RELS Core (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

JUNIOR YEAR

Fall

CRJU 3330: Law Enforcement in America (3 hours)
CRJU 3340: Corrections (3 hours)
CRJU 3384: Research Methods in Criminal Justice (3 hours)
Minor or General Electives (6 hours)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

CRJU 3381: Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (3 hours)
CRJU Elective (3 hours)
Minor or Electives (6 hours)
General Electives (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

SENIOR YEAR

Fall

CRJU Electives (6 hours)
Minor or General Electives (9 hours)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

CRJU 4301: Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice (3 hours)
Electives (11-12 hours)
Total Hours: 14-15

120 hours needed to complete the B.A. in Criminal Justice.