



Criminal Justice Administration

The Criminal Justice Administration major offers a liberal arts curriculum concerned with the changing nature and content of law, the shifting public expectations of criminal justice agencies, and the reactions of those agencies to social perceptions and political pressures. The student is offered an interdisciplinary academic approach to the understanding of the mechanisms of social control, resolutions of criminal justice problems, and a knowledge of accepted procedures and alternatives.

This general but all-important background serves as a base for the areas of emphasis which are of interest to the individual student. Fields of concentration such as adult and juvenile probation, law enforcement, judicial administration, public advocacy, prevention and diversion, and correctional and parole services are studied in detail from several perspectives.

The major also serves as an excellent preparation for graduate studies and law school.

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration

Degree Requirements	Units
General Education	51
Major Core Requirements.....	36
Electives (chosen under advisement).....	24
Free Electives	9
Total units needed for graduation	120

Please note that transferable units from other institutions may be applied to the category "electives chosen under advisement." The course work taken at this university to complete these requirements must be selected in consultation with the major advisor. Courses in Spanish and Computer and Information Sciences are highly recommended.

Students must consult with a faculty advisor before beginning core courses.

Major Core Requirements

CJA 201	Criminal Justice and Public Policy	3
CJA 201C	Criminal Justice and Public Policy: Colloquium	1
	(CJA majors are required to take 201C.)	
CJA 330	Government and the Rule of Law (4)	
or		
CJA 404	Introduction to Constitutional Law (4)	4
CJA 405	Rights of the Accused (4)	
or		
CJA 489	Civil Liberties and the Constitution (4).....	4
CJA 370	Criminal Justice Methods.....	4
CJA 420	Criminology	4
CJA 450	Punishment and Corrections	4
CJA 490	Senior Seminar: Criminal Justice Administration	4
CJA 497	Administration of Juvenile Justice	4
CJA 499	Internship*	4
Total units in major core	36	

* The internship requirement may be waived for students currently employed or previously employed in Criminal Justice Administration or a related area.

Minor in Criminal Justice Administration

The minor consists of any 20-unit pattern of Criminal Justice Administration courses chosen in consultation with a departmental advisor. A maximum of 4 units of Special Studies or Internship credit may be applied to the minor.



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