



B.A. in Criminal Justice

Degree Requirements

Students pursuing the Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice learn about the causes, responses, and impact of crime on communities. The curriculum covers the Criminal Justice system's place in society, its development over time, and the role of society's views towards crime and punishment and how these views shape the system's actions, values, philosophies, and resources. Specific studies include coursework addressing the network of formal institutions and processes such as law enforcement, juvenile and adult courts, and corrections. Criminal Justice majors leave CSUB grounded in the intricacies of the U.S. justice system network, the theories underlying criminal behavior, and the research methodologies required to understand complex Criminal Justice issues.

I. Prerequisites (9 units)

CRJU 1108 Introduction to Criminal Justice
 MATH 1209 Elementary Statistics
 or PSYC 2018 Statistical Methods (Select ONE)
 SOC 1008 Intro to Sociology
 or PSYC Intro to Psychology 1018 (Select ONE)

II. Major Requirements (30 units)

A. Basic Core Courses (15 units)

CRJU 2100 Quantitative Analysis
 CRJU 2150 Research Methods
 CRJU 3110 Advanced Criminal Law
 CRJU 3170 Theoretical Perspectives
 CRJU 4900 Senior Seminar

B. Criminal Justice Systems and Area Courses (15 units)

CRJU 2210 Issues, Value and Ethics
 CRJU 3250 Advanced Topics in Policing
 CRJU 3260 Advanced Topics in Courts
 CRJU 3270 Advanced Topics in Corrections
 CRJU 3280 Advanced Topics in Juvenile Justice

III. Theme & Elective Courses (15 units)

A. Multiculturalism and Diversity in Criminal Justice (Select ONE)

CRJU 3318 Women and the Criminal Justice System
 CRJU 3320 Race, Ethnicity and the Criminal Justice System
 CRJU 4300 Comparative Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4340 Terrorism

B. Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice (Select ONE)

CRJU 3448 Drugs and Crime
 CRJU 3450 White Collar Crime
 CRJU 3460 Cybercrime
 CRJU 4400 Crime Mapping

C. Forensics and Field Exploration (Select ONE)

CRJU 2500 Criminal Investigation
 CRJU 2890 Experiential Prior Learning
 CRJU 3500 Profiling Violence
 CRJU 4500 Correctional Counseling

Theme & Elective Courses cont. (15 units)

D. Criminal Justice Electives (Select TWO)

CRJU 2600 Crime and the Media
 CRJU 3608 Gangs in America
 CRJU 3660 Diversity and Global Learning in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4600 Criminal Justice Policymaking
 CRJU 4638 Victims and the Criminal Justice System
 CRJU 4770 Special Topics in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4800 Directed Research in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4850 Individual Study
 CRJU 4860 Internship in Criminal Justice
 CRJU 4870 Cooperative Education
 CRJU 4890 Experiential Prior Learning





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Secure your Future

Career Opportunities in Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice is dynamic field with a wide range of career choices that offer mobility, advancement, and personal satisfaction, including:

- Law Enforcement Officer
- Corrections Officer
- Information Security Officer
- Paralegal
- Criminal Investigator
- Forensic Scientist
- Criminologist
- Crime Scene Technician
- Homeland Security Special Agent
- DEA Agent
- FBI Agent
- Border Patrol Agent
- Crime Analyst
- CIA Agent
- Private Investigator
- Criminal Investigator
- Prison Management
- Probation Officer
- Secret Service Agent
- Counselor

The Criminal Justice major also serves as an excellent preparation for law school, public administration, social work, and social science research.

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