PROGRAM OVERVIEW



CRIMINAL JUSTICE

THE WCU ADVANTAGE

- •• Quality
- • Affordability
- • Convenience
- •• Experienced Faculty
- •• Kiplinger's Best Buy

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY IN PHILADELPHIA BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Your Future is Here!

Grow personally and professionally by pursuing your Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice at West Chester University in Philadelphia.

Within a public university renowned for student-centered education, the B.S. in Criminal Justice combines unmatched personal attention with the ability to tailor the program to your professional interests. Our high quality program is available in a traditional or accelerated format.



With flexible class offerings, the B.S. in Criminal Justice is designed to meet the needs of today's student who is often working and caregiving while attending school. Another great reason to choose West Chester University's B.S. in Criminal Justice Program is the cost. Because we are a state institution, WCU tuition is the lowest in the region. And next year, WCU Philadelphia students will receive a 10 % discount from our already affordable tuition.

Members of the Criminal Justice Program faculty are experienced professionals with advanced educational credentials. Experienced in corrections, courts of law, gang violence, offender rehabilitation, policing, probation & parole, and public policy, WCU faculty teach cutting edge courses related to contemporary issues impacting the Criminal Justice System.

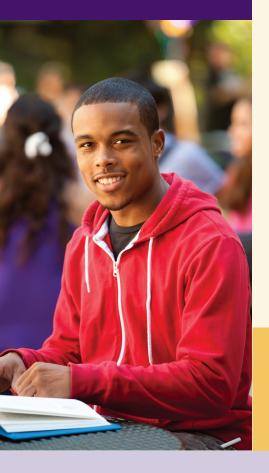


B.S. IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

REQUIRED COURSES: 21 CREDITS

CRJ ELECTIVES: 24 CREDITS

CRJ PRACTICUM: 12 CREDITS



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CURRICULUM:

The Department of Criminal Justice of West Chester University offers undergraduate students with advanced standing the opportunity to complete their program of study to earn the bachelor of science in criminal justice. **The department can tailor courses to meet the specific needs of corrections and law enforcement (i.e., topical seminars).**

REQUIRED COURSES (21 credits):

CRJ 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice CRJ 210 Theories of Crime & Delinguency CR

CRJ 220 Corrections

CRJ 287 Policing in America

CRJ 300 Criminal Law (3)

CRJ 387 Criminal Justice Research (3)

CRJ 400 Criminal Procedure (3) CRJ 490 Criminal Justice Practicum (12)

SAMPLING OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ELECTIVES (24 credits):

CRJ 312 White Collar Crime

CRJ 314 Organized Crime

CRJ 316 Terrorism

CRJ 318 Environmental Crime

CRJ 325 Animal Cruelty

CRJ 365 Victimology

CRJ 370 Gender, Crime & Justice

CRJ 380 Computer Crime

CRJ 435 Interviewing and Assessing the Offender

CRJ 455 Topical Seminar: Restorative Justice, Inside-Out, Effective

Correctional Interventions, Correctional Law

CRJ 482 Contemporary Legal Issues

CRJ 487 Criminal Justice Ethics

PRACTICUM

All criminal justice students are required to work full time (37.5 hours per week) for 12 continuous weeks for an approved criminal justice agency. More than 600 federal, state, municipal and local agencies (public and private) have been approved by the department for our practicum students. In addition to full-time work commitment, students are also required to write several quality research papers to meet course requirements. This course is offered only in the summer. Students earn (12) academic credits for this required course.

FACULTY

Faculty in the bachelor's degree program possess advanced degrees in the discipline. For applied courses, faculty also possess extensive experience in the field. This provides our students with a rich exposure to both theory and practical application.



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