

Department of Criminal Justice Administration

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Courses in the Department of Criminal Justice Administration provide students with a well-rounded curriculum designed to meet the academic needs of those seeking careers in law enforcement, courts, and corrections as well as those already employed in the criminal justice system and related agencies.

A major in Criminal Justice Administration offers a foundation in liberal arts, a deep and broad knowledge of criminal justice, and an educational background uniquely tailored for each student pursuing a career in the criminal justice system. The student seeking a major in Criminal Justice Administration may choose either a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice with a concentration in Law Enforcement, or Criminal Justice with a concentration in Homeland Security. The concentration in Law Enforcement is designed for those with career goals or an interest in law enforcement at the local, state, and federal levels. The concentration in Homeland Security is designed for those seeking homeland security-related careers. The department also offers a minor in Homeland Security.

Curricular listings include General Education requirements in Communication, History, Humanities and/or Fine Arts, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, and Social/Behavioral Sciences categories as outlined on pages 64–67.

Major in Criminal Justice Administration

Requirements for the major in Criminal Justice Administration include

- 48 semester hours of criminal justice courses including the required core courses CJA 1100, 2200, 2400, 2600, 3200, 3400;
- No concentration** - 30 hours of CJA courses (as advised)
OR
Law Enforcement Concentration - 15 hours from the following: CJA 2900, 3230, 3250, 4220, 4260, 4330, 4340, 4530 and 15 hours from CJA courses (as advised)
OR
Homeland Security Concentration - 15 hours from the following: CJA 3750, 4850, 4870; 6 hours from CJA

3250, 3900, 4330, 4860; and 15 hours of CJA guided electives;

- 13 hours of general electives (as advised);
- a minor of 18 hours (if minor requires more or less hours, adjustment will be made within general electives).

In order to graduate, all Criminal Justice majors must earn a grade of at least a C (2.00) in all core CJA courses: CJA 1100, 2200, 2400, 2600, 3200, and 3400.

Following is a suggested pattern of study; however, consultation with the assigned advisor is necessary before each registration.

Recommended Curriculum

FRESHMAN		SOPHOMORE	
ENGL 1010, 1020 (Comm)	6	COMM 2200 (Comm)	3
Humanities and/or Fine Arts	3	CJA 3200, 3400	6
Natural Sciences (2 prefixes)**	8	HIST 2010, 2020, or 2030	6
CJA 1100, 2200	6	Social/Behavioral Sciences	
CJA 2400, 2600	6	(2 prefixes)	6
Minor	3	CJA courses*	6
		Minor	3
			30
JUNIOR		SENIOR	
ENGL 2020 or 2030 or		CJA courses	9
HUM 2610 (Hum/FA)	3	Minor	6
Mathematics	3	General electives	13
Humanities and/or Fine Arts	3		28
CJA courses	15		
Minor	6		
	30		

*CJA major with Law Enforcement or Homeland Security concentration must fulfill the 15-hour requirement

**PSCI 1030/1031 for CJA majors recommended

Minor in Criminal Justice Administration

A minor in Criminal Justice Administration requires 18 semester hours including CJA 1100, 2200, and 2400 or 2600 plus 9 hours of criminal justice upper-division electives. CJA 4300 may **not** be used for the 9 hours of electives, but may be taken by minors.

Minor in Homeland Security

The minor in Homeland Security provides the complementary knowledge and educational foundation for students seeking careers in their uniquely chosen majors with homeland security concerns. Topics include the operation of the criminal justice system, the methods and effects of terrorism, the means of providing security against terrorist acts in public and private businesses and industries, and the legal treatment of terrorist acts including detection, investigation, prosecution, and constitutional issues. Only non-Criminal Justice Administration majors may minor in Homeland Security. The minor requires 18 hours of CJA courses including 12 hours of required courses and 6 hours of guided electives.

Required Courses (12 hours):

CJA 1100 Introduction to Criminal Justice Administration
CJA 3750 Terrorism and Criminal Justice
CJA 4850 Private and Industrial Security

One of the following (3 hours):

CJA 4860 Security Administration
CJA 4870 Security Law

Guided Electives (6 hours);

- CJA 3250 Criminal Law
 CJA 3400 Constitutional Issues and Criminal Justice
 CJA 3900 Organized and White Collar Crime
 CJA 4330 Criminal Investigation

Courses in Criminal Justice Administration [CJA]

- 1100 Introduction to Criminal Justice Administration.** Three credits. Survey of the criminal justice system; philosophy and history of criminal justice agencies; analysis of the problems and needs of agencies involved in the criminal justice process; survey of professional career opportunities.
- 2100 Criminal Theory.** Three credits. Introduction to crime theory and criminal justice policies. Topics include biological, psychological, and sociological studies of crime and policies adopted by the criminal justice system in response to crime theory.
- 2200 Prevention and Control of Crime.** Three credits. The police function; an analysis of crime prevention and control; major problems and needs of the law enforcement segment of the criminal justice system.
- 2400 The Judicial Process.** Three credits. The structure and function of the judicial system; the major problems and needs of the judicial segment of the criminal justice system; major emphasis on the basic concepts of criminal law and administration.
- 2600 Corrections.** Three credits. History of the development of corrections in Europe and America; survey of current prison conditions and operations, including pre-release, probation, and parole.
- 2900 Practicum in Law Enforcement.** Six credits. Practicum. (Specialized Instruction, Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy, Donelson.) In addition to normal tuition and fees, students will also be required to pay room and board costs at the Academy. Open only to pre-service seniors. Arrangements to take this course should be made with the department chair at least one semester in advance so that the student can be enrolled in the academy.
- 3200 Research Methods with Computer Technology.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100 or permission of instructor. Overview of scientific research methods in criminal justice with emphasis on computer technology to conduct research and interpretation and analysis on various statistical data.
- 3220 Ethics in Criminal Justice.** Three credits. Principles of justice and ethics. Covers ethics and law, police and ethical standards, ethics and the courts, and correctional ethics.
- 3230 Police Organization and Administration.** Three credits. Principles of organization and personnel management, line staff and auxiliary functions; the police organization and the individual; planning, research, and development; political controls on authority and jurisdiction; professionalization of the police.
- 3250 Criminal Law.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100. Theories and principles of the body of substantive criminal law. Covers the elements of the range of criminal law offenses.
- 3400 Constitutional Issues and Criminal Justice.** Three credits. Development of Constitutional and procedural controls of the administration of criminal justice. Constitutional limits on law enforcement agencies including the laws of arrest, search and seizure, admissions and confessions, and eavesdropping; on pre-trial and trial procedures, on past conviction processes. Emphasis on current U.S. Supreme Court decisions.
- 3450 Legal Issues in Corrections.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100 or permission of instructor. Legal issues concerning the constitutional rights of convicted offenders. Topics include impact of court decisions upon correctional personnel and administration; use of force; rights of visitation; use of mail, solitary confinement, religion, legal services; probation and parole regulations; right to treatment; and civil liabilities of correctional officials.
- 3500 Criminal Courts: Structure, Personnel, and Processes.** Three credits. Prerequisites: CJA 1100 and 2400. Role of the criminal courts in our criminal justice system with a focus on structures, personnel, and processes. Various job opportunities and placement qualifications discussed.
- 3630 Probation and Parole.** Three credits. An analysis of the history, theory, philosophy, and function of probation, parole and pardon; evaluation of the effectiveness of the individual in the community; usage of pre-sentence investigation; selection, supervision, and release of probationers and parolees.
- 3650 Correctional Management.** Three credits. Prerequisites: CJA 1100 and 2600 or permission of instructor. Comprehensive overview of management issues in both institutional and community corrections. Topics include organizational theory; planning, programming, and budgeting; policy analysis, program evaluation, information systems and technology; facilities management; offender classification systems; treatment programs; management of special offender populations; personnel issues.
- 3700 Women, Crime, and Justice Administration.** Three credits. (Same as WMST 3700.) Explores the experience of women in the criminal justice system as victims of violence and as criminal justice employees and prisoners. Focus on gender-based differences in the experience of criminal justice from historical, economic, and professional perspectives.
- 3750 Terrorism and Criminal Justice.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100 or permission of instructor. Meaning, history, purposes, and incidents of terrorism. Emphasis on terrorist acts as crimes along with the unique role of law enforcement in the detection, prevention, investigation, and prosecution of the crimes. Legislative, constitutional, and legal issues surrounding law enforcement, courts, and corrections explored.
- 3900 Organized and White-Collar Crime.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100. Explores emergent and historical treatments of white collar and organized crime, with an emphasis on theoretical, etiological, and enforcement typologies in both the criminological and criminal justice literatures. Advent of several high-profile connections between traditionally distinct organized and white-collar crimes emphasized.
- 4220 Community Relations and Minority Problems.** Three credits. Analysis of public hostility toward police and current community relations projects, human relations, training and education of law enforcement officers; responsibilities of police administrators, causes of tension and conflict, dissent and disorder, positive and negative factors in the control of minority group hostilities; minority recruitment in law enforcement.
- 4260 Special Issues in Law Enforcement.** Three credits. A variety of subtopics related to the law enforcement segment of the criminal justice system such as problems in private and public morality with regard to drug use, alcoholism and sex offenses; analysis of current police training programs; relationship between legislation and political processes which affect law enforcement.

- 4300 Criminal Justice Internship.** Nine credits. (Open only to pre-service seniors, e.g., those preparing for a career in the criminal justice field who are not currently employed by a criminal justice agency and restricted to Criminal Justice Administration majors and minors. Permission of instructor required.) Field placement in a criminal justice agency to provide practical understanding and experience in the field. A minimum of 320 clock hours required.
- 4330 Criminal Investigations.** Three credits. (For Criminal Justice Administration majors or minors or with permission of instructor.) General investigative responsibilities and techniques including administration, preparation, investigative jurisdiction and responsibility, and the importance of substantive report writing.
- 4340 Advanced Criminal Investigation.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 4330. Advanced approach to the various elements of criminal investigations. Provides simulated investigative experiences through the use of mock crime scenes. Emphasis on preparing students for a career in law enforcement.
- 4500 The Juvenile Justice System.** Three credits. The problem of juvenile delinquency and youth crime with emphasis on the history of the juvenile justice system, the court and police role within the system, rehabilitation and correction of the delinquent, and juvenile probation services. Alternatives to traditional procedures, such as community-based programs versus correctional institutions, and non-judicial and judicial adjustment examined.
- 4530 Criminal Evidence and Procedures.** Three credits. Designed to develop an understanding of the types of individuals and problems of admissibility in court proceedings, the proper treatment and disposition of evidence, the legal procedure to be followed, and the actual trial procedure.
- 4750 Seminar in Corrections.** Three credits. Each student required to select a problem area of interest for an intensive research effort. The group will be presented with a contemporary corrections issue or problem and will be required to create practical and workable strategies for coping with the issue.
- 4800 Crime in America: An Assessment.** Three credits. An in-depth survey of the impact of crime on American society; the amount and trends of crime, the economic impact of crime, professional and white collar crime, characteristics of offenders, and victims of crime.
- 4850 Private and Industrial Security.** Three credits. An examination of the relationships among the criminal justice system, homeland security, and private and industrial security including historical roots and mutual concerns. Also terrorist acts, internal theft, white-collar crime, retail security, institutional security, cargo and computer security as well as the role of the criminal justice system in prevention and investigation.
- 4860 Security Administration.** Three credits. The placement of the security function within an organization. The role of the security manager in developing a program to protect assets and reduce illegal losses, to protect against acts of terrorism, and to provide protection for personnel. The application of management techniques to the operation of the organization's security division, including personnel recruitment and selection. Development of security survey techniques, identification of security risks, and techniques used to eliminate opportunities for theft, other crimes, and terrorist acts.
- 4870 Security Law.** Three credits. An analysis of the legal background of private and proprietary security. Critical current legal issues in the private security field including terrorism issues. Legal and cooperative relationships between private and proprietary security operations and public law enforcement agencies.
- 4900 Readings in Criminal Justice Administration.** Three credits. (Open only to Criminal Justice Administration majors and minors.) For the advanced student who is capable of independent study. Readings in a particular area of criminal justice relevant to the individual student's interests. Preparation of an annotated bibliography and report required. Arrangements for this course should be made with the instructor prior to registration.
- 4930 International Criminal Justice.** Three credits. Prerequisite: CJA 1100 or permission of instructor. Compares the American criminal justice system with those in other countries. Examines historical origins, structural differences, and varying degrees of effectiveness and efficiency in law enforcement, courts, and corrections in selected nations. Explores challenges posed by the globalization of crime and terrorism.

