



Program in Criminal Justice

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Sr. Program Admin./Academic Advisor

Why Criminal Justice:

- The Program in Criminal Justice is a comprehensive, interdisciplinary program that blends a strong liberal arts educational experience with pre-professional instruction in the field of criminal justice. The program provides students with a rich understanding of crime and criminal justice in the United States and abroad. Graduates of the program are well-informed citizens on the topic of crime and justice, and qualified for graduate study or for employment as practitioners in a variety of legal, policy-making, and law enforcement areas.
- Our faculty are drawn from a wide range of disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. In fact, many of them have faculty appointments in other departments, including Philosophy, Economics, Anthropology, Law, and Sociology, etc..

Administrative Staff

- Program Director: Dr. Alec Walen, *Law School, Philosophy, Criminal Justice*
- Undergraduate Director: Dr. Robert Szejner, *Criminal Justice*

Advising Staff:

- Sr. Program Admin./Academic Advisor: Sarah Laboy-Almodovar
- Program Coordinator: Meagan Walker

****All contact information is available on our Program's website****
criminaljustice.rutgers.edu

Understanding the Program

- Interdisciplinary Program
 - Incorporate courses and subject matter from various departments including:
 - ❖ Africana Studies
 - ❖ American Studies
 - ❖ Anthropology
 - ❖ Economics
 - ❖ History
 - ❖ Latino & Hispanic Studies
 - ❖ Philosophy
 - ❖ Political Science
 - ❖ Psychology
 - ❖ Sociology
 - ❖ Women and Gender Studies

Understanding the Program

- Pre-Professional Instructional Program
 - Educates students in 3 areas of Criminal Justice:
 - » Law Enforcement
 - » Courts
 - » Corrections
 - Rutgers University B.A. degree serves as a stepping stone to further training and/or education.
 - » Police Academy
 - » Law School
 - » Advanced Degree (i.e. M.A., Ph.D., Psy.D., M.B.A., etc.)

Why Do I Need an Advanced Degree?

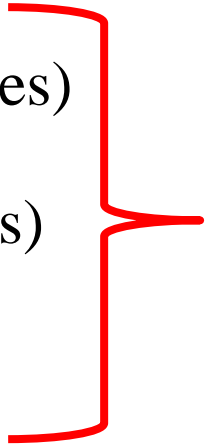
- C.S.I./Forensic Science
 - Chemistry, Biology, Anthropology Major (B.A.) + Advanced Degree
- Criminal/Forensic Psychology
 - Psychology Major (B.A.) + Advanced Degree (M.A., Psy.D., Ph.D.)
- Federal Agencies such as FBI typically require a specialty background in:
 - Accounting/Finance
 - Business
 - Law Enforcement
 - Languages
 - Information Technology
 - Military

Option:

Students can choose to double major (most common option):

Criminal Justice and ??

Rutgers' Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 Credits Total
 - 1 Major (approx. 36 credits/12 courses)
 - 1 Minor (approx. 18 credits/6 courses)
 - CORE Courses
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- 1 Major +
1 Minor +
CORE's
≠ 120**
- **Students who choose to double major, do not have to complete a minor as well**

C.J. Major Basics

- Courses used toward the major, minor, and/or CORE requirements may overlap. One course may satisfy multiple requirements at the same time.
 - » i.e. A course used toward a major may also be used to satisfy a minor requirement and/or a core requirement.
- Therefore, easy to complete 2 majors and 2 minors if you strategically pick courses to satisfy multiple requirements.

Restriction: *C.J. majors are not allowed to minor in Criminology*

Criminal Justice Major: Student Checklist

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- _____ Police 01:202:202
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Law Enforcement

Corrections

Courts
(Choose one)

II. Thematic Coursework (9 credits)

Courses must be from at least two of the following thematic areas: Human Behavior, Deviance, and Crime; Social Control Institutions; and Law and Ethics. (Approved course list on back).

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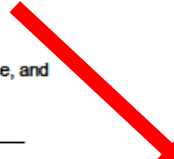
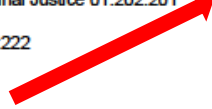
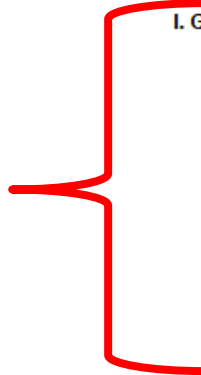
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IV. Additional Requirements and Policy

- To declare, students must complete Intro to Criminal Justice (202:201) w/ a grade of C or better and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
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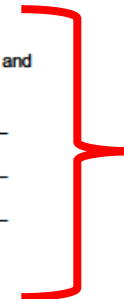
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**3 Required
Thematics From
Outside Departments**

Courses must be from at least two of the three thematic areas.



II. Thematic Courses

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01:790:373	Legal Philosophy, Rights, & Justice
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300 Level Courses

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01:202:370	Crisis Intervention *(formerly 422)
01:202:388/389	Criminal Justice Seminar

400 Level Courses

01:202:406	Internship in Criminal Justice
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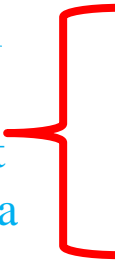
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