Criminal Justice

The fairness, honesty, and effectiveness of the criminal justice system are determined by the people who work in it. The major in criminal justice is designed for students interested in leadership and service within the criminal justice system.

Our program provides a practical educational background in all facets of the criminal justice system. The degree provides students with a social science education as preparation for work within criminal justice, the social sciences, or additional professional education.

Degree Programs

- **Bachelor of Science (on-campus)**: Highlights of the campus program include meeting face-to-face with current practitioners, obtaining experiential credit through our internship program, and attending our annual Criminal Justice career fair.

- **Bachelor of Science (online)**: Our online plan offers maximum flexibility for the working student or active-duty military service member. Courses may be completed anywhere in the world with reliable internet access!

- **Minor in Criminal Justice**

- **3+3 Program**: In partnership with the Brandeis School of Law, Criminal Justice offers qualified students an accelerated path to law school through its 3+3 program. Students in this intensive program complete all undergraduate degree requirements within their first three years and then earn their BS degree by successfully completing the first year of law school. For more information, please visit the department’s web site at [http://louisville.edu/justice/undergraduate-degree-programs/bs-criminal-justice-accelerated-law](http://louisville.edu/justice/undergraduate-degree-programs/bs-criminal-justice-accelerated-law).

Internships and Careers

The department offers internships, student research projects, study abroad and service learning programs for students seeking more active learning and field placement experiences. Our internship program places students at the local, state, and federal level. Internship requirements vary, so interested students should consult the department.

Each year the department holds a career fair for students that attracts more than 30 criminal justice and private security agencies and organizations.

Degree Programs

- **Alpha Phi Sigma - National Criminal Justice Honor Society**

- **Criminal Justice Club**

Faculty

Our award-winning faculty teaches and conducts research on a wide range of criminal justice problems and issues. They are active in several criminal justice education associations. The department houses two professional academic journals, *The Journal of Criminal Justice Education* and *Criminal Justice Studies*.

For More Information
Call: 502.852.6567
Visit: louisville.edu/justice
# Criminal Justice

## General Education Requirements

**34 Hours**

### Arts and Sciences Programmatic Requirements

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<td>Foreign Language (completion of the second semester of a single foreign language; hours will vary depending on language taken)</td>
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<td>Electives outside of Social Sciences Division (in addition to courses counted toward General Education; must be at 300 level or above)</td>
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<td>WR – two approved courses at the 300 level or above (may be incorporated into other degree requirements)</td>
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<td>CJ 200, 201, 202, 305, 306, 325, 326, 360, 395, 485</td>
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<td>CJ Program Electives (15 hours must be in CJ)</td>
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### Electives

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*To review proposed Flight Plans for Criminal Justice, please visit louisville.edu/flightplan. To view a complete list of courses for each program, please view the Undergraduate Catalog at louisville.edu/undergraduatecatalog. This is intended only as an overview of the program and not intended to replace advising or the catalog. Subject to change before your enrollment.

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