

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

undergraduate program

Consistent with the overall mission of the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, the Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice includes a liberal arts core curriculum, much of which is taken during the first two years of study.

Employment Opportunities:

ATF Inspector
 Bailiff
 Border Patrol Agent
 Chief Deputy
 Child Welfare Caseworker
 Correction Counselor
 Correction Officer
 Court Reporter
 Criminologist
 Customs Patrol Officer
 Deputy Sheriff
 Deputy U.S. Marshall
 Evidence Technician
 Federal Protection Officer
 Fingerprint Technician
 Immigration Guard
 Import Specialist
 I.R.S. Agent
 Law Clerk
 Law Librarian
 Lawyer
 Legal Transcriber
 Paralegal
 Penologist
 Police Detective
 Police Dispatcher
 Police Lieutenant
 Police Officer
 Polygraph Examiner
 Postal Inspector
 Probation Officer
 Psychologist
 Secret Service Officer
 Social Worker
 Special Agent, Customs
 Special Agent, FBI
 Teacher



Criminal justice is the scientific study and application of law and natural sciences to the social phenomena of crime and delinquency. The focus of criminal justice centers on definitions, causation, prevention, legal processes and the treatment or rehabilitation of criminals in our society.

Criminal justice majors at Pitt-Bradford take courses in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Sociology, Psychology and Politics. Students will also have an opportunity to learn and apply criminal forensic techniques to investigate “crime scenes” in the Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) House as well as examine evidence in the university’s crime lab.

Required Skills:

- Negotiation
- Crisis Resolution
- Criminal Law
- Evidence Processing
- Critical Thinking
- Crime Control
- Ethics
- Mediation
- Communication

Possible Employers:

- State/Federal Government
- Publishing Industry
- Private Businesses
- Banks
- Hospitals
- Newspapers
- Military
- Airport
- Public Interest Advocacy

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
 American Society of Criminology
 Center for Juvenile & Criminal Justice
 National Criminal Justice Association
 National Crime Prevention Council

www.acjs.org
www.asc41.com
www.cjcrj.org
www.ncja.org
www.napc.org

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAREERS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AT:

Criminal Justice Profiles
 USAJOBS
 Educational-Advancement.com
 Occupational Outlook Handbook

www.criminaljusticeprofiles.org
www.USAJOBS.cpm.gov
www.usalearn101.com/criminaljustice
www.bls.gov/oco/ocos160.htm



Criminal Justice (BA) – Curriculum Guide

Student Name: _____

Advisor: _____

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

COMPETENCIES

(Minimum grade of C- required in all competencies)

- FS 0102 Freshman Seminar
(if transferring in fewer than 18 credits)

Writing

- ENG 0101 English Composition I
 ENG 0102 English Composition II

Mathematics

- *MATH 0098 College Algebra II or Higher

THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

- Students are required to complete two courses designated
 as “Global”

ARTS & LETTERS *(ONE course MUST be literature;*

ONE course MUST be a creative, fine or performing Arts course)

- Literature
 Arts
 Literature, Arts, Language

BEHAVIORAL, ECONOMIC, & POLITICAL SCIENCES

(Two different categories must be represented)

- (see major)*
 (see major)
 (see major)

HISTORY, CULTURES, & PHILOSOPHICAL INQUIRY

(ONE course MUST be History, and ONE course must be Cultures or Philosophical Inquiry)

- HIST

PHYSICAL, LIFE, & COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCES *(ONE course must be a Physical Science, ONE must be a Life Science and ONE must include a lab)*

- Physical Science
 Life Science
 Other
 Lab

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- PEDC

REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES

- ADMJ 0101 Introduction to Criminal Justice *GE*
 ADMJ 0205 Police & Society: Race, Crime & Justice
 ADMJ 0206 Criminology
 ADMJ 1320 Research Methods in Criminal Justice
 ADMJ 1321 Law and Social Control in Society
 ADMJ 1451 Capstone: Criminal Justice
 ADMJ 1496 Field Placement *OR* ADMJ 1497 Directed Research

Other requirements: choose THREE of the following FOUR courses:

- SOC 0101 Introduction to Sociology *GE*
 PS 0102 American Political Process *GE*
 PS 0205 Law and the Courts *GE*
 PSY 0101 Introduction to Psychology *GE*

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AREA REQUIREMENTS

Take six courses (18 credits). Include at least TWO from each of the three areas below. At least THREE courses must be Upper Level

Law Enforcement

- ADMJ 0215 Law Enforcement Operations
 ADMJ 0230 Introduction to Forensic Science
 ADMJ 0255 White Collar Crime
 ADMJ 1302 Criminal Law and Procedure
 ADMJ 1305 Media, Crime and the Criminal Justice System
 ADMJ 1306 Crime, Justice, and the Mentally Disordered Offender
 ADMJ 1325 Criminal Evidence and Investigations
 ADMJ 1330 Criminal Forensics I
 ADMJ 1331 Criminal Forensics I lab
 ADMJ 1401 Contemporary Issues in Law Enforcement
 ADMJ 1404 The Policing Culture-Politics, Community and Accountability
 ADMJ 1430 Criminal Forensics II
 ADMJ 1431 Criminal Forensics II lab
 ADMJ 1447 Special Topics in Policing

Courts, Policy, and Justice

- ADMJ 0235 Terrorism in a Post 9/11 World *GE*
 ADMJ 0245 Ethics in Criminal Justice
 ADMJ 0260 Violence and Crime
 ADMJ 1304 Juvenile Justice System
 ADMJ 1307 Comparative Justice Systems
 ADMJ 1310 Drugs, Crime, and Social Policy
 ADMJ 1340 Gangs: Theory, Practice, and Suppression
 ADMJ 1345 International and Global Crime
 ADMJ 1355 Organized Crime in America
 ADMJ 1403 Contemporary Issues in Courts, Policy, and Justice
 ADMJ 1415 Islam and Social Justice
 ADMJ 1449 Special Topics in Courts

Corrections

- ADMJ 0102 American Corrections
 ADMJ 0203 Parole and Probation
 ADMJ 0240 Community-Based Corrections
 ADMJ 1315 Mgmt. & Adm. in Criminal Justice Organizations
 ADMJ 1335 Conflict and Crisis Management
 ADMJ 1360 Reentry and the Offender
 ADMJ 1365 Substance Abuse and Treatment in the Community
 ADMJ 1370 Victimology: Child Abuse and Exploited Children
 ADMJ 1375 Juvenile Corrections and Treatment Alternatives
 ADMJ 1402 Contemporary Issues in Corrections
 ADMJ 1405 Psychology and Crime
 ADMJ 1435 Juveniles Who Murder: Understanding Juvenile Violence
 ADMJ 1448 Special Topics in Corrections

*MATH 0098 does not meet the mathematics competency at the Pittsburgh campus

According to your Degree Progress Report in MY.PITT.EDU upon successful completion of the current term:

You will have EARNED _____ credit hours

You NEED _____ for 120 credit hours required for graduation.

You will have earned _____ credit hours of Upper Level course work

You NEED _____ for the 30 credit hours required for graduation.

NOTE: This guide is unofficial. Completing the requirements on this sheet does NOT guarantee degree completion. Official degree completion information can be found in MY.PITT.EDU. Contact your Faculty Advisor and/or the Registrar’s Office with questions or concerns.

