

University of Central Florida

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Department of Criminal Justice





The Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Central Florida provides excellence in teaching, research and service. Dedicated to its students, the faculty delivers outstanding instruction at the undergraduate and graduate levels, incorporating learning, service, and inquiry. The department also conducts quality research and pursues local, state, and federal funding to advance knowledge in our discipline. By actively developing meaningful partnerships, the department provides exemplary service to the university and the broader professional and academic community.

BACHELOR OF ARTS/ SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The criminal justice undergraduate program at UCF is designed to provide students with a broad understanding of crime and society's control mechanisms, as well as to prepare them for professional careers in criminal justice and related professions. Many students use this degree as preparation for graduate school.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

UCF offers many certificate programs to supplement existing programs and to provide specialized knowledge in various disciplines. In addition to undergraduate and graduate degree programs, the department offers nine certificate programs.

INTERNSHIPS

The department provides undergraduate students an opportunity to participate in an internship experience in various criminal justice settings. Internships allow students to apply concepts and issues learned in the classroom and engage in experiential learning that may affirm their career decisions.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The department offers a Masters of Science in Criminal Justice that prepares future criminal justice organizational leaders to be consumers of research and to be able to summarize and present organizational information.

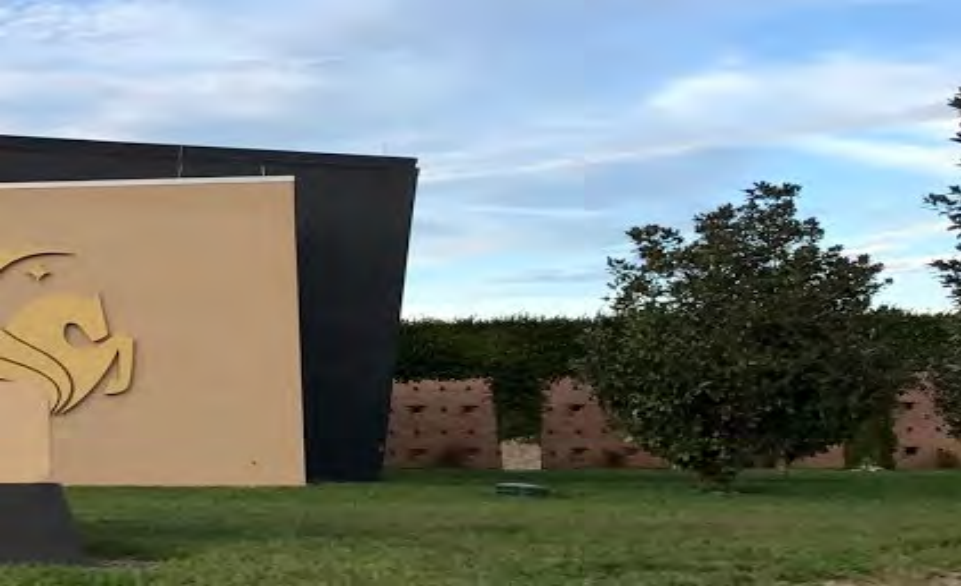
DUAL MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The fields of public administration and criminal justice are closely connected, and they can overlap in public, non-profit, and private organizations. This program emphasizes research, theory, policy, and organizational administration in both fields and prepares students for leadership roles.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Doctoral Program in Criminal Justice prepares social scientists in the scientific method and analytical techniques in relation to criminal justice theory and institutions. Students choose a specialty in policing, correctional, or juvenile justice theory and research..

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UCF CJ FACTS

Fully Online Degrees Available:

- Bachelor of Arts/Science in Criminal Justice
- Master of Science in Criminal Justice
- Dual Master of Public Administration/Criminal Justice

FACULTY DISTINCTIONS

- Top 10 in Article Market Share for Criminology Journals
- Distinguished Scholar award winners
- National and International research partners

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BACHELOR OF ARTS OR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Central Florida offers an undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Criminal Justice. The program is designed to provide students with a broad understanding of crime and society's control mechanisms, as well as to prepare them for professional careers in criminal justice and related agencies. As a multidisciplinary field of study, criminal justice incorporates the substance and perspectives of psychology, sociology, political science, and law. The department also provides an opportunity for an internship experience in various criminal justice settings, which gives students the opportunity to affirm their career decision as they relate class material, presentations and discussions to practical issues. Many students also use the degree as preparation for graduate school. Bachelor of Arts students are required to complete a one-year, college-level proficiency in a foreign language.



General Requirements

- Completion of the UCF general education program (GEP) requirements (including foreign language requirements)
- Two years of one foreign language in high school, or one year of one foreign language in college (or equivalent proficiency exam) prior to graduation. Two years of one foreign language in high school satisfies the BS in Criminal Justice language requirement
- Completion of the following prerequisite course work (suggested, but not required):
 - American National Government - Introduction to Sociology
 - Introduction to Psychology - Economics

Application Procedures

Submit an application to the undergraduate office by the appropriate deadline listed in the catalog.

Admission

There are no other requirements for admission to the undergraduate program. However, students must formally declare a major in criminal justice to be eligible for a degree.

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General advising services:

Undergraduate Student Affairs

407-823-3723

Internship information:

www.ccie.ucf.edu/criminaljustice

[/internships](http://www.ccie.ucf.edu/criminaljustice/internships)

UCF undergraduate application:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions

407-823-3000

<http://www.ucf.edu/admissions>

Financial aid and scholarship information:

Office of Student Financial Assistance

407-823-2827

www.finaid.ucf.edu

Other resources:

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

www.acjs.org

American Society of Criminology

www.asc41.com

CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

Criminal justice is an interdisciplinary field of study that focuses on police, corrections, courts, juvenile justice, security, as well as psychology, sociology, and the political nature of crime-control agencies in the criminal justice system. The curriculum reflects the dynamic nature of the field and prepares students for challenging careers in public service.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. General Education Program (GEP) requirements (see Undergraduate Catalog at <https://www.ucf.edu/catalog>)
2. Special college and/or department requirements (see Undergraduate Catalog)
3. Required Criminal Justice CORE courses (30 hours): A "C" (2.0) or better is required in each core class

CJE 3001 Careers in Criminal Justice

CCJ 3014 Crime in America

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice Systems

CJE 4014 Police and Society

CJL 3510 Prosecution and Adjudication

CJC 3010 Corrections and Penology

CCJ 4678 Race, Ethnicity, Equity, and (In)justice

CCJ 4701 Research Methods in Criminal Justice

(CCJ4701 Research Methods and CCJ4746 Data Analysis cannot be taken together)

CCJ 4746 Data Analysis for Criminal Justice (PR: CCJ 4701)

CCJ 4054 Capstone: Criminal Justice Ethics

(Students must complete all other CORE classes before taking this course)

4. Criminal Justice Restricted electives (21 Hours):

21 additional hours of upper-division CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, CJT, DSC or SCC course work. Seniors may satisfy up to six hours of this requirement with internships and up to six hours with directed independent study; however, the combination of these non-class options shall not exceed nine hours. Program standards must be met to be eligible for either internships or independent study credit.

5. Non – Criminal Justice Supportive electives (9 Hours):

9 additional hours of supporting courses to be selected with and approved by the student's adviser. These courses may vary from student to student depending on individual needs or objectives, but include selected courses from public administration, legal studies, sociology, statistics, and psychology.

6. Students must take a minimum of 36 hours in criminal justice at UCF and complete a total of 120 unduplicated credit hours.

**For the most complete, up-to-date degree and program requirements,
Undergraduate Catalog**

Criminal Justice

Restricted Electives

Any non-Core Class with a course designation CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, CJT, DSC or SCC will count as a restricted elective. Below is a listing of frequently offered restricted electives. All listed courses are 3 credit hours each.

Courses designated with * have no prerequisites

- **CCJ3007** Origins in Criminal Justice*
- **CCJ3450** Criminal Justice Management and Liability Issues
- **CCJ3604** Mental Illness, Crime, and CJ
- **CCJ3667** Victims and the CJ System
- **CCJ4035** Crime and the Media
- **CCJ4062** Hate Crime and CJ Responses
- **CCJ4076** Crime Intelligence and Investigative Support Analysis
- **CCJ4195** Interviews and Interrogations in CJ
- **CCJ4296** Famous Crimes and Trials
- **CCJ4334** Punishment and Torture*
- **CCJ4361** Death Penalty*
- **CCJ4611** Ritualistic Crime and Investigation*
- **CCJ4632** Older Adults and the CJ System*
- **CCJ4641** Organized Crime
- **CCJ4644** White Collar Crime
- **CCJ4651** Drugs and Crime*
- **CCJ4670** Women and Crime*
- **CCJ4681** Domestic Violence and the Justice System
- **CCJ4690** Sex Offenders and the CJ System
- **CCJ4694** Human Trafficking and CJ
- **CJE3444** Crime, Place, and Prevention*
- **CJE3662** CJ Information Technology and Data Management*
- **CJE4012** Criminal Profiling in CJ
- **CJE4352** Policy Development in Law Enforcement*
- **CJE4572** Justice Agency Operations
- **CJE4630** Serial Murder*
- **CJE4654** Crime and Place
- **CJE4663** Crime Mapping and Pattern Analysis
- **CJE4694** Cybercrime and the CJ System
- **CJJ4564** Juvenile Justice System
- **DSC4012** Terrorism*
- **DSC4013** Homeland Security*
- **SCC3311** Security Administration*

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Supporting Electives

9 credit hours (3 courses)

Supportive Course Work- Any combination of 9 additional hours of the previous list of CJ classes OR 9 hours of APPROVED upper-level coursework (see list below) OR any Minor

Accounting

- ACG2021
- ACG2071
- ACG3501

Anthropology

- ANT4183
- ANT4481
- ANT4521

Chemistry

- CHS3501
- CHS3505
- CHS3511
- CHS3530
- CHS3595
- CHS4515

Communications

- COM3011
- COM4014
- COM4461
- COM4462
- MMC3200
- SPC3301
- SPC4331
- SPC4426

Computer Science

- CGS2100
- CGS2545

Writing

- ENC3241
- ENC3250
- ENC3314
- ENC3315
- ENC3331

- ENC3373

- ENC4353

Health Sciences

- HSA3111
- HSA4201

Statistics

- STA3023
- STA4163
- STA4164

Nursing

- NUR4516

Political Science

- INR4076
- INR4114
- INR4351
- INR4363
- INR4401
- INR4764
- CPO3057
- POS3233
- POS3234
- POS3235
- POS4284
- POS4407
- POS4603
- POS4604
- POT3204
- POT3302

Philosophy

- PHI3638

Psychology

- CLP3143
- CLP4390

- DEP2004

- EXP3304

- PCO4203

- PPE3003

- PSB3002

- SOP3004

- SOP3724

- SOP3751

Public Administration

- PAD3003

- PAD3733

- PAD4034

- PAD4104

- PAD4204

- PAD4414

Social Work

- SOW3104

- SOW3111

Sociology

- SYA3110

- SYG2010

- SYO3410

- SYP3510

- SYP3511

- SYO3530

- SYP4004

- SYP4521

- SYP4536

- SYP4550

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINOR

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- The criminal justice minor is available to all UCF undergraduate students. It is well suited for students looking to gain a deeper understanding of the criminal justice system, as well as examine policing, corrections and prosecution practices in our society.
- Student can declare a minor by logging into their myUCF account, navigating to the Student Self Service tab, selecting "Add/Change Major" and following the instructions on the screen. Student can also stop by the Undergraduate Affairs Office to complete and submit a minor declaration form.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS- 18 CREDIT HOURS

- Complete the following:

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System

CCJ 3014 Crime in America

- Complete at least 2 of the following:

CJL3510 Prosecution and Adjudication

CJC3010 Corrections and Penology

CJE4014 Police and Society

- Complete at least 6 credits from Criminal Justice Restricted Elective courses (see page 5&6, select with aid of an advisor). Up to 3 internship credits may be applicable.

Students must earn a grade of "C" (2.0) or better in each required course used to satisfy the minor.

Grades less than "C" (2.0) cannot be used towards the minor.

At least 15 hours used in the minor must be earned at UCF within the Department of Criminal Justice.

No credit by exam (TSD, Military credit) may be used.

Questions? Contact:

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCHOLAR'S TRACK (BA OR BS)

The **Criminal Justice Scholars' Track** (BA or BS) at UCF distinguishes high-achieving undergraduate students by recognizing their academic excellence and commitment to scholarship. By meeting departmental requirements, students can apply nine elective credits (5000-level courses) from the Criminal Justice Master's program toward their undergraduate Criminal Justice degree. This dual credit system allows students to make progress toward their graduate studies while completing their bachelor's degree.

For students considering a graduate degree, this track allows you to explore a graduate degree without committing fully. Students experience what the UCF Criminal Justice graduate program offers without immediately enrolling in a master's program.

Whether you're aiming for a career in criminal justice or simply want to expand your horizons, the Scholars' Track provides a unique pathway to both undergraduate and graduate success.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- An application is required. Applications for this program should be submitted in student's first semester of junior year. Minimum major and overall GPA of 3.2 for admission.
- Applicant must declare this specific track with the aid of an advisor. Before being admitted into the track, an Acknowledgment of Policies form must be signed and returned to the program advisor.
- A grade of "B" (3.0) or better in ENC 1101 and ENC 1102 is required.
- Students whose major or overall GPA falls below 3.2 out of a possible 4.0 will not be permitted to continue in the track and will be transferred to the Criminal Justice BA/BS degree.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Students should complete the General Education Program before transferring within the Florida College System or State University System.
- Students must complete three (3) Criminal Justice graduate courses (5XXX), each with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better for a total of nine (9) credit hours; courses are selected under the direction of an advisor. A "B-" does not satisfy this requirement.

Students must earn a grade of "C" (2.0) or better in each undergraduate core course and have an average overall GPA of 2.0 or better in undergraduate courses used toward the restricted electives.

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONAL TRACK

The Professional Track is designed to provide students with a broad understanding of crime and society's control mechanisms, as well as to prepare them for professional careers in criminal justice and related agencies. As a multidisciplinary field of study, criminal justice incorporates the substance and perspectives across the social sciences.

The Professional track requires full-time attendance and is structured to serve both first time in college and Florida College System transfer students (e.g., Direct Connect). The track creates a workforce readiness path for Criminal Justice majors directly from UCF to the criminal justice communities throughout Florida. The Professional Track allows student to pursue the B.A. or B.S. Criminal Justice degree program. Students must complete a total of 60 credit hours: Core 30 hours, CJ Restricted Electives 27 hours, and Supporting Electives 3 hours. The CJ Restricted Electives includes an academy driven internship (12 credit hours), Criminal Justice Management and Leadership Certificate (12 credit hours + 3 credit hours Supporting Electives), and the choice of one additional CJ Restricted Electives.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- An application is required. Applications for this program should be submitted in student's first semester of junior year. Minimum major and overall GPA of 2.5 for continuation in the program.
- Applicant must declare this specific track with the aid of an advisor.
- Student must have completed the General Education Program (GEP) prior to declaring this track
- Students whose major or overall GPA falls below 2.5 out of a possible 4.0 will not be permitted to continue in the track and will be transferred to the Criminal Justice BA/BS degree.
- Student must contact department to sign Acknowledgement of Policies before admitted into track.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Courses designated in the General Education Program may be taken at a Florida College System institution.
- Students must complete 36 credit hours of study in the Department of Criminal Justice.
- Students must earn a grade of "C" (2.0) or better in each Core course.
- Students must earn a minimum 2.5 overall and Criminal Justice GPA.

Questions? Contact:

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How do I find a scholarship?

There are countless public and private scholarships available to college students. Scholarships are awarded for a variety of reasons including academic achievement, financial need, campus and community involvement, and leadership experience, and generally do not need to be repaid.

Use [Access 2 Opportunities \(A2O\)](#), UCF's scholarship application system to search for scholarships. By completing a one-time application, you will be considered for more than 200 scholarships offered by the university and gain access to hundreds of external scholarships, too.

Some scholarships are exclusively for Criminal Justice and College of Community Innovation and Education students!

How to apply

- Begin by logging into A2O and completing a short general application. Afterwards, A2O will automatically match you with college scholarships you qualify for.
- Search for other scholarship opportunities by browsing scholarships awarded through the Office of Student Financial Assistance. Under opportunities, select "ours" for UCF scholarships and external for non-UCF affiliated opportunities.
- Carefully read the scholarship application criteria.
- Complete the required actions. For example, upload an essay or resume if required.

Criminal Justice Scholarships

- Amy Kuritar Lohrmann Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Criminal Justice Memorial Quasi-Endowed Scholarship
- Margaret M. Samet Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund
- George DeSalvia Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Jallad Family Endowed Scholarship
- The Detective Barry Pruette Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- The Jennifer Kesse Criminal Justice Endowed Scholarship
- Lawrence M. Gerrell Memorial Endowed Scholarship

More information and tips for success at
<https://www.ucf.edu/financial-aid/types/scholarships/>

IMPORTANT UCF AND DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICIES

Late Add/Drop/Swap Petition

- Limited to students in their final semester and a course necessary to graduate, adding an internship/independent research course, or ROTC.
- A complete late add petition must be received by Thursday at 12 noon (Eastern Time) of the second week of classes.
 - A complete petition includes the petition form with both faculty and advisor signatures, a letter of support from the instructor of record, and any supporting documentation.
- No petitions will be accepted and processed by the Department of Criminal Justice after this deadline.

Withdrawal Policy

- Students may only withdraw from a course twice.
- A maximum of three course withdrawals are allowed from 3000+ level courses.

Minimum Credit Hours

- Students must take a minimum of 36 hours of criminal justice courses at UCF.
- Students must complete a minimum of 120 unduplicated hours to earn a bachelor's degree at UCF.

Criminal Justice Core Courses

- Students must earn a "C" (2.0 GPA) or better in each core class.
 - A "C-" (1.75 GPA) does not satisfy this requirement.

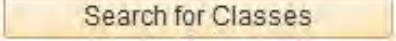
Questions?

Contact a Criminal Justice Advisor
<https://ccie.ucf.edu/criminaljustice/advising/>

Find the most up to date policies in the Undergraduate Catalog
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MYUCF GUIDE TO ENROLLING IN COURSES

Searching for a particular course:

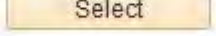



- From your myUCF student center go to 
- Select the search term (ex. Spring 2023)
- Be sure course career shows Undergraduate
- Enter the catalog subject/prefix (ex. CCJ)
- Enter the catalog course number (ex. 3014)
- Search
 - If you want to see all sections offered that term (open and closed) uncheck the box “Show open classes only” before you hit search.

Searching for all Criminal Justice courses:

- Select the search term
- Be sure course career shows Graduate
- Search each criminal justice prefix separately- CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, CJT
- All courses offered in the searched semester for the searched prefix will show.

This is a good way to find electives.

Adding a course to your schedule:

- After you found a desired course click 
- The next page will be “Add to Shopping Cart” click next
- This will add the course to your shopping cart (does not save a seat)
 - If the course is full, you will not be able to continue from this step unless you add yourself to the wait list
- Go to shopping cart, from this screen it will look like 
- From the shopping select the class you wish to add and click enroll.
- Read and accept the fee responsibility
- The next page is labeled “Confirm classes.” Be sure this is the class you want to add and click Finish Enrolling.
- If you enrolled successfully there will be  if you see  there will also be an error message. You will not be able to enroll until the error message is resolved. Call the Criminal Justice graduate advising office for questions.
- Always check your class schedule to be sure the course was added.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Crime Analysis and Crime Mapping

Coordinator: Dr. Cory Watkins, Cory.Watkins@ucf.edu

Crime analysis and crime mapping are now recognized as essential and vital functions in law enforcement. Analysts take advantage of state-of-the-art computer technologies to support operations, investigations and management. These specialists take data and produce information that is used to identify crime patterns, monitor crime trends, forecast future crime events, prepare statistical crime reports and work directly with investigators to identify suspects. This certificate program requires 15 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses (in sequence)- 12 hours

CJE 3444 Crime, Place, and Prevention (Fall/Spring)
CJE 3662 Information Technology & Data Management (Fall)
CJE 4663 Crime Mapping & Pattern Analysis (Spring)
CCJ 4076 Crime Intelligence & Investigative Support Analysis (Spring)

Restricted Upper-Division Electives- 3 hours Select one

CCJ 3450 Criminal Justice Management & Liability Issues
CJE 4350 Policy Dev. in Law Enforcement
CJE 4572 Justice Agency Operations

Criminal Justice Management and Leadership

Coordinator: Dr. Todd Bricker, Todd.Bricker@ucf.edu

Management and Leadership skills are required for personnel seeking to move into positions of authority within criminal justice agencies across local, state, federal, and international jurisdictions. Leaders of these agencies should be prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st century regarding administration of human resources, personnel supervision, development, implementation and evaluation of policies, and fiscal management including budgeting and planning. The Undergraduate Certificate in Criminal Justice Management and Leadership is designed to provide a theoretical and practical knowledge-base for students with a desire to gain skills necessary to advance their careers in criminal justice agencies. This certificate program requires 15 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses- 12 hours

CCJ 3450 The Criminal Justice Management & Liability Issues (Fall)
CJE 4352 Policy Development in Law Enforcement (Spring)
CJE 4572 Justice Agency Operations (Spring)
CCJ 3667 Victims and the Criminal Justice System (Fall/Spring)

Restricted Upper-Division Electives- 3 hours Select one

PAD 3003 Public Admin in American Society
PAD 4104 Administrative Theory
PAD 4204 Fiscal Management
PAD 4414 Human Resource Admin

Criminal Profiling

Coordinator: Dr. Mark Winton, Mark.Winton@ucf.edu

Criminal profiling is quickly emerging as a legitimate adjunct to crime investigation services. More sophisticated techniques and tools of criminal investigation are being developed to assist in meeting the challenges facing today's law enforcement officers. One area that is becoming formalized in law enforcement is criminal profiling, which has recently soared in popularity in practical use and media portrayals. Profiling is a discipline that demands adherence to the principles of teamwork between all elements of the investigation. The certificate program provides both theoretical and practical information related to the types of crimes for which profiling is most useful. This certificate program requires 15 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses - 12 hours

CCJ 3604 Mental Illness, Crime, and Criminal Justice
CJE 4630 Serial Murder and the CJ System (Spring/Summer)
CCJ 4690 Sex Offenders and the CJ System (Spring/Summer)
CJE 4012 Criminal Profiling in Criminal Justice

Restricted Upper-Division Electives- 3 hours Select one

DSC 4012 Terrorism
CJE 4610 Criminal Investigation
CCJ 4195 Interview & Interrogations in CJ
CLP 3143 Psychopathology

Crime Scene Investigation

Coordinators: Department of Criminal Justice: Dr. Mark Winton, mark.winton@ucf.edu

Department of Sociology and Anthropology: Dr. John Schultz, jschultz@mail.ucf.edu

Crime scene processing is increasingly becoming a multi-disciplinary endeavor with the application of technology advanced methods. Treatment of the initial crime scene is fundamental not only to the pursuit of offenders, but also to the presentation of the prosecutor's case once offenders have been apprehended. The certificate program is a means of organizing information required to perform basic crime scene investigations. It provides theoretical and practical information used to assess crime scenes, the technology available and the procedures to employ in order to produce a forensically valuable product. This certificate program requires 15 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses- 12 hours

ANT 4521 Forensic Anthropology (Summer/Fall)
ANT 4183 Archaeological Sciences (Spring only)
CJE 4012 Criminal Profiling in Criminal Justice
CJE 4610 Criminal Investigations

Restricted Upper-Division Electives- 3 hours Select one

CJE 4630 Serial Murder and CJ System
CCJ 4195 Interview and Interrogations
SYP 3510 Sociology of Deviant Behavior
CHS 3510 Introduction to Forensic Science
ANT 4115C Archaeological Method and Theory

Victim Advocacy

Coordinator: Dr. Gail Humiston, Gail.Humiston@ucf.edu

The criminal justice system can be difficult for crime victims to navigate. This Certificate in Victim Advocacy provides a theoretical and practical knowledge base for professionals in various fields who work or plan to work with and advocate for crime victims. This certificate program requires 15 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses - 12 hours

CCJ 3667 Victims and the CJ System (Fall/Spring)
CCJ 4632 Older Adults and the CJ System (Spring only)
CCJ 4670 Women and Crime (Fall/Spring)
CCJ 4681 Domestic Violence and the CJ System (Summer/Fall)

Restricted Upper-Division Electives- 3 hours Select one

CJJ 4564 Juvenile Justice
CCJ 4690 Sex Offenders and the CJ System
CCJ 4129 Cultural Diversity in Criminal Justice
SYP 4521 Crime Victims in Society
NUR 4516 Crisis Intervention
SOW 4754 Forensic Social Work Theory

Spanish for the Legal World

Coordinator: Department of Modern Languages and Literatures: Dr. Humberto López Cruz hlopez@ucf.edu

Students must demonstrate a foreign language proficiency in Spanish equivalent to third-year college level to be admitted to the certificate.

Credit Hour Requirements: 15 hours

Required Courses - 9 hours

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System
SPN 4410 Advanced Spanish Conversation
SPT 3831 Spanish Legal Translation and Interpretation

Restricted Electives- 6 hours

Select one

CJE 4014 Police and Society
CJL 3510 Prosecution and Adjudication
CJC 3010 Corrections and Penology

Select one

SPN 3344 Advanced Spanish Native Fluency I
SPN 3345 Advanced Spanish Native Fluency II

Criminal Justice Prefix Courses

Criminal justice prefix courses used in a certificate CAN be used toward the criminal justice major requirement of restricted electives or toward restricted electives for the criminal justice minor. Please see your adviser if you have any questions.

All listed certificate courses are 3 credit hours each.

Other Requirements

The following is a list of additional requirements that apply to all certificate programs within the criminal justice undergraduate program:

- A minimum overall GPA of 2.0 is required in courses used to satisfy the certificate.
- Grades less than "C" (2.0) or "S" from other institutions are not accepted.
- At least 12 hours in the program must be earned at UCF.
- No credit by exam (CLEP, TSD, military credit) may be used.
- Internship or Independent Study credit may not be used toward the program.
- Certificates must be declared when completing the intent-to-graduate form. Certificates will be awarded only at the time of degree completion.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTERNSHIP

The Criminal Justice Internship provides students with an opportunity to engage in active experiential learning through placement in a criminal justice agency. Students who qualify may earn three, six or nine upper-level criminal justice credit hours through the completion of an internship.

Experiential learning to increase understanding and strengthen community ties

BENEFITS OF AN INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

- ✓ Gain hands-on skills, insight, and a richer understanding of the operations in a criminal justice agency
- ✓ Opportunities to make professional contacts
- ✓ Gain fuller understanding of the connection between theoretical foundations and practical application
- ✓ Tasks performed prepare students for later employment
- ✓ Some student interns are offered employment and/or directed toward career paths

ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ 2.5 minimum GPA
- ✓ In last 30 credit hours of study
- ✓ Completed all criminal justice core courses with a "C" or better in each

A full range of internship placement possibilities are available. Possibilities include local, state, and federal law enforcement; court services and correctional agencies; and private agencies, including security, counseling and corrections, and loss prevention placement. Some possible sites include:

Federal Internships

U.S. Marshals Service U.S. Pretrial Services
Dept of Homeland Security U.S. Postal Inspection

State Internships

FL Dept of Juvenile Justice Dept of Children and Families
FL Dept of Law Enforcement Office of Attorney General

County Internships

State Attorney's Office Brevard/Orange/Seminole
/Osceola Sheriff Office Public Defender's Office
Orange/Seminole/Lake County Probation

Local Internships

Orlando Police Dept Ocoee Police Dept
Prosecution Alternative for Youths UCF Victim Services



HOW TO APPLY?

- Confirm academic eligibility with CJ Internship Coordinator
- Find an internship placement location
 - Students are responsible for finding their own placement, but leads can be provided. Based on your interests, time constraints, location and other relevant needs, choose several alternatives that are appealing
 - Visit [CJ Department site](#) to view a list of internship options. Click on local, county, statewide or federal to view some of the contacts. You are not limited to these possibilities. These are sites that have used student interns in the past and have expressed interest in being a placement site for future interns from the department.
 - All other intern locations sites must be approved.
 - Everything possible will be done to assist you in finding a good fit. Your interests will be matched with the needs of the community. It is highly suggested (but not required) that you make an appointment with the internship coordinator to discuss all possible options.
- Contact the agency representatives, by e-mail, mail, phone or in person. Inquire as to the internship application procedure. Follow through with the application process.
- Upon confirmation of an internship placement, make an appointment with the internship coordinator.
 - The internship coordinator must override you into the system so you can register for your internship.

Internship Coordinator:

Dr. Cory Watkins

Associate Professor
Internship Coordinator
407-823-2603

University of Central Florida
Department of Criminal Justice
HS1- 311

Disclaimer: Individual placement sites may impose stricter restrictions or require additional standards. The Department of Criminal Justice works with many internship sites and has contacts with the agencies and respective site supervisors to ensure this website is up to date and host sites continue to possess interest in offering UCF student internship experiences. The University of Central Florida does not insure you during your internship experience or does it vouch for the safety of your internship experience. Every internship opportunity can involve some risk and you are asked to identify and acknowledge these risks with your internship site supervisor at the beginning of your experience. This is to make the student is aware of any circumstances that might result in a potential harmful situation.



CRIMINAL JUSTICE HONORS UNDERGRADUATE THESIS

The Department of Criminal Justice offers honors undergraduate thesis to eligible criminal justice majors. This program is designed to encourage the best juniors and seniors to undertake original and independent work in their major and gives students the opportunity to enhance their credentials.

OVERVIEW

Working closely with a faculty committee, students design an honors thesis or project. Students will conduct research in an area of their choice and prepare and defend a written thesis. This option provides serious students with an invaluable experience to better prepare for graduate or law school. The student's completed and defended written thesis will be published in the University of Central Florida library. Further, the distinction of "Graduation with Honors in Criminal Justice" is indicated on each student's degree and transcript.

THESIS COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The thesis committee consists of a total of three faculty members. One is from the student's major program or department, who serves as the thesis committee chair. This faculty member must be tenured or tenured track faculty member and must also hold a Ph.D. A second is also from the student's major or department and hold a Ph.D. The third is from another program or department. Depending upon the research interest of the student, a fourth member could be appointed. This could be an instructor, adjunct faculty member or member of the community with specialized training or knowledge in the student's field of interest. The chair is responsible for all course grading.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of scholarships are available to students pursuing Honors Undergraduate Theses. These scholarships are awarded competitively. Prospective students are encouraged to contact Dr. Jennifer Peck (Program Coordinator, information below), concerning the application process and deadline.

CONTACT

Dr. Jennifer Peck
Honors Undergraduate Thesis Program Coordinator, Criminal Justice
University of Central Florida
Department of Criminal Justice
Jennifer.Peck@ucf.edu

Eugene Paoline, Ph.D.,
Department Chair

Jennifer Peck, PhD.
Honors Coordinator

Eligible to Serve as HIM Committee Chair

Thomas Baker, Ph.D.
Michael Caudy, Ph.D.
Vijay Chillar, Ph.D.
Kristina Childs, Ph.D.
Lynette Feder, Ph.D.
Jacinta Gau, Ph.D.
Stephen Holmes, Ph.D.
Karol Lucken, Ph.D.
William Moreto, Ph.D.
Matt Nobles, Ph.D.
Eugene Paoline III, Ph.D.
Jennifer Peck, Ph.D.
James Ray, Ph.D.
Lee Ross, Ph.D.
Raymond Surette, Ph.D.
Jill Viglione, Ph.D.
R. Cory Watkins, Ph.D.
Ross Wolf, Ed.D.

All CJ faculty are eligible to serve as HIM Committee Members

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

At a minimum, the following criteria must be met for admission into the Honors in the Major program:

- ✓ At least sixty (60) completed hours of college credit
- ✓ At least twelve (12) completed hours of upper-division credit
- ✓ At least a 3.5 GPA within the major*
- ✓ At least a 3.2 GPA in upper division*
- ✓ At least two semesters of studies remaining before graduation

**These GPAs are calculated on the basis of all college-level course work regardless of the institution. For the purposes of honors in the major, all GPAs are calculated without rounding.*

Once the student has chosen a thesis topic and thesis committee chair, he/she must apply for admission to the Honors in the Major program. The student, the thesis committee chair and the department honors coordinator (or the department chair) must sign the application form (see attachment). The director of undergraduate research of The Burnett Honors College will sign the form when all the admission requirements are met and verified.

A student is not considered admitted to the Honors in the Major program until he/she successfully completes the admission process as follows:

- ✓ Complete and submit the Honors in the Major application.
- ✓ Complete and submit the Honors in the Major course registration form.

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

To graduate with Honors Undergraduate Thesis a student must complete a **minimum** of the following:

- Three credit hours of Honors Directed Readings (4903H or 4904H), or other required HIM course work in which a grade of “A,” “B” or “S” is earned
- Three credit hours of Honors Thesis (4970H) in which a grade of “A,” “B” or “S” is earned
- Completion of all of the Directed Readings requirements, including attendance at one orientation, one formatting workshop, and a written proposal
- Completion of all of the Thesis requirements, including the successful completion of a format review and thesis defense
- Successful submission of the Thesis to the UCF library
- Achievement of a GPA of at least a 3.5 in the major at the time of graduation
- Achievement of a GPA of at least a 3.2 in all upper-division courses at the time of graduation

For a student to receive Honors Undergraduate Thesis recognition at graduation, on his/her diploma and transcript, an HIM Intent to Graduate form must be completed and submitted to The Honors College (BHC - 102) by the last day of classes prior to the semester in which the student intends to graduate. **This is in addition to the Intent to Graduate form the student must file with his/her department or colleges.**

NOTE: Because individual colleges, departments or programs may set their own higher requirements, the student should ascertain the nature of these requirements from the college or department. Simply taking an honors course does not entitle students to graduate with honors. Instead, students must be accepted into the Honors College.

For the most complete, up-to-date degree and program requirements, see the official UCF Undergraduate Catalog

ALPHA PHI SIGMA

The National Criminal Justice Honor Society

Founded 1942

Local Chapter: Phi Theta Omega



“Alpha Phi Sigma recognizes academic excellence of Undergraduate and Graduate students of Criminal Justice, as well as Juris Doctorate students. The goals of Alpha Phi Sigma are to honor and promote academic excellence, community service, educational leadership, and unity.”

DO YOU QUALIFY?

Undergraduate

- ✓ Enrolled at UCF at the time of application
- ✓ Declared a major, minor, or equivalent in the criminal justice or related field
- ✓ Have completed at least 45 credit hours
- ✓ A minimum of four courses of the above coursework must be in the criminal justice field
- ✓ GPA of 3.3 or higher, overall and in the major (criminal justice or related)

Graduate

- ✓ Must be accepted and enrolled in a criminal justice or related graduate program at UCF
- ✓ Must have completed four criminal justice or related classes prior to applying, at least one at UCF
- ✓ Cumulative GPA of 3.4 or higher, overall and in the major (criminal justice or related)

REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ Pay a one-time application fee of \$85 [\$95 for online-only students]
- ✓ Pay the chapter fee each semester (\$20)
- ✓ Attend all bi-monthly meetings
- ✓ Complete ten hours of community service
- ✓ Membership dues pay for a membership certificate, pin, and graduation cord

HOW CAN APS BENEFIT ME?

- ✓ Excellent resume builder
- ✓ Getting involved with UCF
- ✓ Meet peers with same interests
- ✓ Networking with criminal justice professionals
- ✓ Attend conferences
- ✓ Leadership roles
- ✓ Volunteer opportunities

HOW TO JOIN?

- ✓ Email Debra.Ross@ucf.edu to request an app application.
- ✓ Email the completed application to Dr. Ross
- ✓ Dr. Ross will verify the application and send further instructions

Questions?

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Debra Ross
President

Debra.Ross@ucf.edu
APS@ucf.edu

Join our Facebook group!
[@Alpha Phi Sigma at UCF](#)

UCF's Pre-Professional Criminal Justice Fraternity

LAE is a Co-Ed professional fraternity focused on preparing its members for their futures in Criminal Justice and related fields.

Members participate in:

- ✓ Bi-weekly professional business meetings (guest speakers from various criminal justice and related agencies)
- ✓ External professional social events (conferences, competitions, and more)
- ✓ Fun social events (board games, sport activities, and more)
- ✓ Big/Little pairings (new member-current member team)

Members organize two annual events:

- ✓ Domestic Violence Awareness and Charity Auction
- ✓ Criminal Justice & Public Service Conference

WHAT CAN LAE OFFER YOU?

- ✓ Active involvement in career and social college life
- ✓ Development of knowledge and employable skills
- ✓ Professional networking
- ✓ Peer mentoring and friendships

ELIGIBILITY:

- ✓ UCF Student
- ✓ Professional Interest in the Criminal Justice field (open to all majors)
- ✓ 2.0 cumulative GPA (undergraduate students)
 - ✓ 3.0 GPA (graduate students)

MEMBERSHIP FEE (semesterly):

\$105 new members
\$80 returning members

Questions?

LAE@ucf.edu

Faculty Advisor:

Iryna Malendevych

Facebook

UCF Lambda Alpha Epsilon

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEGREE?

So you are interested in Criminal Justice and you don't know what you want to do when you leave UCF?

HERE'S WHERE TO BEGIN

1. Consider a few questions:
 - Do you want to work in the public or private sector?
 - Do you want to work at a local, state or federal agency?
 - Do you want to be a sworn officer (with arrest powers, usually carrying a gun and a badge) or work as a civilian employee or conduct research?
2. Research various organizations in each category and search their websites.
3. Build your resume and cover letter by visiting UCF Career Services (career.ucf.edu). Attend workshops and career fairs.
4. Consider internship or volunteer positions
5. Apply for exciting criminal justice careers and employment opportunities. This is a competitive field but with preparation, you can land a great job.

CAREER BUILDER SITES

www.linkedin.com
www.careeronestop.org
www.monster.com
www.resume-place.com

FEDERAL JOBS

www.usajobs.gov
www.opm.gov

STATE JOBS

jobs.myflorida.com
www.employflorida.com

Need more direction? Have questions?
Contact a Criminal Justice Advisor
HS1, Building 80, Room 311
407-823-2603

UCF RESOURCES

Cooperative Education

Co-Op and Internships, Service Learning, and Professional Skills Modules

explearning.ucf.edu

Criminal Justice Internships

Local, State, Federal. Private Sector internships

ccie.ucf.edu/criminaljustice/internships

UCF Career Resource Center

Explore careers, Prepare for Interviews, Build Resume and Cover Letter, Handshake

career.ucf.edu

Graduate School

Continue your education with a Criminal Justice Master's or Certificate program

graduate.ucf.edu

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Pre-Professional Criminal Justice Fraternity

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FEDERAL AGENCIES

In the federal sector sworn and non-sworn jobs are available: agent, inspector, investigator and crime analyst are just a few examples. www.gov.com/agency

Defense Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy and Civilian positions	www.defense.gov
Agriculture Forestry Service, Office of the Inspector General, Food Safety and Inspection Service	www.usda.gov
Health and Human Services Food & Drug Administration (FDA), Center & Disease Control (CDC)	www.hhs.gov
Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration (TSA), Border Patrol, US Customs Service, Citizenship & Immigration Services, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	www.dhs.gov
Justice Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Bureau of Prisons (BOP)	www.justice.gov
State Bureau of Diplomatic Security, US Intelligence Community, Peace Corps	www.state.gov
Treasury Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives (ATF), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), US Secret Service	www.treasury.gov
US Courts Probation & Pretrial Services	www.uscourts.gov

STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES

These agencies have similar positions to the federal sector; investigators, uniform patrol, analysts, forensics, and court liaisons are some of the various career paths in state and local agencies.

Florida Department of Law Enforcement	www.fdle.state.fl.us
Florida Department of Corrections	www.dc.state.fl.us
Orange County Sheriff's Office	www.ocso.com
Orlando Police Department	www.cityoforlando.net/police

PRIVATE SECTION/NON-PROFIT

The private sector is a quickly growing field. Some positions that you may see when working in this sector are: private investigation, risk management, loss prevention; graduate degrees may lead into research positions at universities or other research institutions.

ASIS (A networking organization of private sector employers)	www.asisonline.org
G4S	www.g4s.us
Disney Security	www.disneycareers.com
Loss Prevention Employment	www.lpijobs.com
Victim Service Center	www.victimservicecenter.org