

What Can I Do With A Criminal Justice Degree?



Bachelor of Science Degree in CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice within the **College of Arts and Sciences**

What jobs are available?

Police officer, Detective, Criminal investigator, Crime scene investigator, Corrections, Parole, or Probation officer, Warden, Security investigator or specialist, Lawyer, Legal assistant, Court administrator, Judge or Magistrate, Federal government [FBI, CIA, ATF, Customs, Secret Service, INS, Border Patrol, Drug Enforcement], State [state trooper, SBI agent], Local law enforcement agencies, Arson specialist, Serology specialist or Fingerprinting specialist, or Criminal intelligence analyst.

Who employs a person with this major?

- Federal, state and local government agencies
- Military branches/Defense agencies
- Security companies
- Private investigative services
- Businesses and retail stores
- Colleges and universities
- Law firms
- Private probation

Good skills or traits of an individual with this major:

- High degree of physical fitness and ability to work under pressure.
- Ability to work independently and as well as being part of a team.
- Maintain a clean public record and image.
- Understand and respect values and workings of the legal system.
- Good problem solving abilities.
- Excellent writing and communications skills.

Special degrees, training, or experience I may need:

- Do an internship or co-op in your area of interest.
- Develop skills (such as computer and accounting) for fraud investigation.
- Learn a foreign language.

Website to visit: WCU Criminal Justice homepage

<http://www.wcu.edu/academics/departments-schools-colleges/cas/casdepts/crimcj/>

Criminal Justice Career Opportunities web site:

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