

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CERTIFICATE

The Criminal Justice Certificate Program (CJCP) includes an interdisciplinary sequence of classes and an internship, for students interested in the American criminal and juvenile justice systems. Certificate students select courses in legal studies and from the departments of Sociology, Political Science, Social Work, Psychology, Gender and Women's Studies, Anthropology, History, Human Development and Family Studies, Rehabilitation Psychology, Integrated Liberal Studies, and Counseling Psychology. Students gain a broad understanding of the philosophy, theories, and operation of the adult and juvenile justice systems.

## HOW TO GET IN

Any undergraduate regardless of major or college affiliation may earn this certificate. Students interested in earning a certificate in criminal justice must declare the certificate with the Criminal Justice advisor. Students are encouraged to declare the certificate as early as possible within their college careers. Field work/internship seminar courses require prerequisite courses and availability may be limited. The internship courses are in high demand and enrollment may be determined by the date of declaration in the certificate program.

## REQUIREMENTS

To earn a criminal justice certificate, a student must complete all requirements for a bachelor's degree, requirements of the declared major(s), and graduate from UW–Madison. In addition, students must take all required certificate courses for a letter grade versus pass/fail. It is not necessary to take classes in any particular sequence; however, individual courses may have prerequisites.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CERTIFICATE

The certificate requires a minimum of seven courses and 21 credits. The courses must be distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
	Complete one course from each of the six defined Groups	
	Complete one additional course from Group 3 or Group 4	

### GROUP 1—CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

Code	Title	Credits
LEGAL ST/SOC 131	Criminal Justice in America	3-4

### GROUP 2—THEORIES OF CRIME AND DEVIANT BEHAVIOR

Code	Title	Credits
SOC 421	Processes of Deviant Behavior	3-4
SOC 441	Criminology	3-4
SOC 446	Juvenile Delinquency	3-4
PSYCH 510	Critical Issues in Child Psychopathology	4

PSYCH 526	The Criminal Mind: Forensic and Psychobiological Perspectives	4
PSYCH 601	Current Topics in Psychology	3
SOC WORK 612	Psychopathology in Generalist Social Work Practice	2
SOC WORK 643	Social Work and Delinquency	2-3

### GROUP 3—CRIME AND JUSTICE/OPERATIONS OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

Code	Title	Credits
HISTORY/LEGAL ST 426	The History of Punishment	3-4
LEGAL ST 325	Wrongful Convictions	3
LEGAL ST 400	Topics in Legal Studies and the Social Sciences	3
LEGAL ST/GEN&WS/SOC 425	Crime, Gender and Justice	3
LEGAL ST 435	Civil Rights: Policing, Prisons, Voting, Housing, Employment	3
LEGAL ST/CHICLA/SOC 440	Ethnicity, Race, and Justice	3-4
LEGAL ST/L I S 460	Surveillance, Privacy, and Police Powers	3
POLI SCI 314	Criminal Law and Justice	3-4
PSYCH 401	Psychology, Law, and Social Policy	3
PSYCH 601	Current Topics in Psychology	3

### GROUP 4—BROADER PSYCHO/SOCIO/ECONOMIC PROCESSES RELATED TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Code	Title	Credits
AFROAMER/GEN&WS 625	Gender, Race and the Civil Rights Movement	3
ANTHRO 448	Anthropology of Law	3
HISTORY/LEGAL ST 459	Rule of Law: Philosophical and Historical Models	3-4
HDFS 474	Racial Ethnic Families in the U.S.	3
LEGAL ST 409	Human Rights in Law and Society	3
LEGAL ST/GEN&WS 422	Women and the Law	3
LEGAL ST/CHICLA/SOC 443	Immigration, Crime, and Enforcement	3-4
LEGAL ST 444	Law in Action	3
LEGAL ST 450	Topics in Legal Studies and the Humanities	3
LEGAL ST/HISTORY 477	History of Forensic Science	3
LEGAL ST/SOC 641	Sociology of Law	3-4
POLI SCI 412	The American Constitution: Rights and Civil Liberties	4
PSYCH 405	Abnormal Psychology	3-4
SOC/AMER IND/C&E SOC 578	Poverty and Place	3
SOC 633	Social Stratification	3
SOC WORK 420	Poverty and Social Welfare	3
SOC WORK 453	Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse	3

SOC WORK 462	Child Welfare	3
SOC WORK 523	Family Violence	3
SOC WORK 646	Child Abuse and Neglect	2

### GROUP 5—ETHNOGRAPHY—INTERNSHIP PREP

Code	Title	Credits
COM ARTS 371	Communication and Conflict Resolution	3
COM ARTS 373	Intercultural Communication & Rhetoric	3
COM ARTS 565	Communication and Interethnic Behavior	3
COUN PSY 225	Intersectionalities, Self Awareness, and Social Actions for Social Change	3
COUN PSY 237	Mental Health, Self-Awareness, and Social Justice: Working in Diverse Communities	3
COUN PSY 325	Seminar: Students Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED)	3-4
COUN PSY 650	Theory and Practice in Interviewing	3
COUN PSY 655	Clinical Communication Skills	3
INTER-HE 202	SoHE Career & Leadership Development	1
INTER-LS 210	L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative	1
INTER-LS 215	Communicating About Careers	3
SOC WORK 441	Generalist Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups	1-3
SOC 205	Intercultural Dialogues	3

### GROUP 6—FIELDWORK/INTERNSHIP SEMINAR

Code	Title	Credits
CSCS 601	Internship <sup>1</sup>	1-6
GEN&WS 660	Internship in Gender and Women's Studies <sup>1</sup>	3
LEGAL ST/SOC 694	Criminal Justice Field Observation <sup>1</sup>	2-3
HDFS 601	Internship <sup>1</sup>	1-8
POLI SCI 315	Legislative Internship <sup>1</sup>	3
POLI SCI 402	Wisconsin in Washington Internship Course <sup>1</sup>	4
PSYCH 412	Field Experience in Psychology <sup>1</sup>	3
RP & SE 630	Internship in Rehabilitation or Special Education <sup>1</sup>	2-6
SOC WORK 400	Field Practice and Integrative Seminar I <sup>1</sup>	2-6

<sup>1</sup> Must be a criminal/juvenile-justice-oriented internship; student must receive approval of placement from a criminal justice advisor before enrolling in the course.

## RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- At least 11 certificate credits must be completed in residence
- Minimum 2.000 GPA on all certificate courses.

## UNDERGRADUATE/SPECIAL STUDENT CERTIFICATES

This certificate is intended to be completed in the context of an undergraduate degree and for those seeking this certificate that is preferred. For students who have substantially completed this certificate at UW–Madison (at least 12 credits) and may need one or two courses to complete the certificate, they may do so immediately after completion of the bachelor's degree by enrolling in the course as a University Special (nondegree) student. The certificate must be completed within a year of completion of the bachelor's degree. Students should keep in mind that University Special students have the last registration priority and that may limit availability of desired courses. Financial aid is not available when enrolled as a University Special student to complete an undergraduate certificate.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. To develop an appreciation for how the criminal justice system works and how it affects American society as a whole.
2. To develop and improve critical thinking and analytics in written and oral communication skills.
3. To develop an appreciation of mental health and substance abuse as they intersect with the criminal justice system.
4. To develop skills transferable to future professional, community and educational pursuits.

### ADVISING AND CAREERS

#### ADVISING

**ADVISING APPOINTMENTS: PLEASE SCHEDULE VIA STARFISH ([HTTPS://ADVISING.WISC.EDU/FACSTAFF/STARFISH/STARFISH-STUDENT-RESOURCES/](https://advising.wisc.edu/facstaff/starfish/starfish-student-resources/))**

1. Log in to your MyUW (<http://my.wisc.edu/>)
2. Open the **Starfish** app (if you do not see it, you can begin by searching for it in MyUW and adding it to your dashboard)
3. Within the Starfish app, select Martine Delannay and find an available date and time

More help on using Starfish can be found here: <https://advising.wisc.edu/facstaff/starfish/starfish-student-resources/>.

If you are not a UW student, please email us at [cjcp@ssc.wisc.edu](mailto:cjcp@ssc.wisc.edu) to schedule a meeting.

#### CAREERS

CJCP graduates have secured jobs in police departments, district attorneys' offices, public defenders' offices, juvenile group homes, adult halfway houses, public schools, and prisons. They have been involved in restitution programs, deferred prosecution alternatives, victim–witness projects, and home detention/electronic monitoring experiments. The options are numerous and interesting. Many CJCP students pursue a degree in law or attend graduate school in a related field.

SuccessWorks (<http://careers.ls.wisc.edu/>) at the College of Letters & Science provides students with a wide range of career-related services.

## WISCONSIN EXPERIENCE

All students complete an intensive internship with an agency or organization related to the criminal and juvenile justice fields. Involvement in the CJCP provides a solid educational foundation in criminal justice. It introduces students to basic concepts about our justice system and the individuals it serves. It encourages exploration of critical issues facing the system today and fosters investigation into realistic solutions.