Criminal Justice



Prepare to be a leader in today's justice system.

Why Study Criminal Justice at Rivier

Rivier's Criminal Justice degree examines the law, causes of crime, and the justice system, and it prepares students to succeed in the field of criminal justice and beyond.

Build Your Knowledge Base

The program draws upon multiple disciplines, including the law, political science, sociology, and history. So that students may succeed wherever life's journeys take them, courses emphasize skills that are essential for all professionals, such as analytical, critical reasoning, and communication skills.

Gain Real-World Experience

The curriculum focuses on experiential learning, requiring students to apply what they have learned to real-world situations. All students complete at least one internship with police departments, jails and prisons, prosecutor offices, victim assistance bureaus, adult and juvenile probation/parole, drug courts, and federal law enforcement agencies. This enables students to begin developing a professional network before they graduate. Study abroad opportunities, clubs, and co-curricular events offer learning and leadership activities outside of the classroom.

Begin Your Career

Criminal Justice major graduates may pursue careers in:

- Law enforcement at the local, state, and federal levels
- Corrections facilities
- Probation/parole
- Victim services
- Working with at-risk youth and juvenile offenders

Advanced degrees

Criminal Justice graduates are well prepared to pursue graduate studies and attend law school.

Journeys of Transformation

Rivier University's core curriculum, titled *Journeys of Transformation*, aligns with the American Association of College & Universities essential learning outcomes. Coursework focuses on developing strong intellectual and practical skills for workforce success, and offers opportunities for service learning, servant leadership, and civic engagement to enhance leadership abilities.



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90+ years of educational excellence



100% of students receive financial aid



100% of students complete internships, field experiences, or service learning programs









Major Requirements

CRIM 160	Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRIM 200	Legal Writing and Research
CRIM 220	Criminal Law and Procedure
CRIM 240	Policing
CRIM 270	Introduction to Victimology
CRIM 326	Juvenile Justice
CRIM 330	Corrections and Community Supervision
CRIM 395	Internship/Seminar
CRIM 400	Professional Ethics

RELATED SCIENCE, HISTORY, SOCIAL SCIENCE

HIST 102	United States History II
HIST 401	Constitutional History of the U.S.
POLS 252	U.S. Federal, State, and Local Government
PSYC 230	Forensic Psychology
SOCI 203	Criminology

GENERAL ELECTIVE COURSES

Students complete 33-36 credits/11 or 12 three-credit courses.

Minor in Criminal Justice

A minor in Criminal Justice is available to students. Please visit Rivier's Undergraduate Academic Catalog for requirements.

The University reserves the right to make changes when appropriate and necessary as needed without notification. (0824)

Employment Promise Program

Rivier's Employment Promise Program enhances the career preparation and employability of students in all academic disciplines. The program includes mentorship through Rivier's Career Development Center and features a tailored four-year academic and professional development plan, integrating experiences that have been shown to enhance overall employability and improve job search success.

Confidence in the quality of a Rivier education enables the University to ensure invested students will secure employment within nine months of graduation. If not, the University will provide the student additional financial or educational support. Get

more information at rivier.edu/EPP.

You're Invited

Attend an on-campus event, or schedule an individual campus tour for you and your family. You can access a complete listing of events and register online at events.rivier.edu or call us at (603) 897-8507.

Academic Accreditation

Rivier University is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



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