The Department of Criminal Justice offers an interdisciplinary program leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice with concentrations in Law Enforcement, Corrections, Juvenile Justice, Criminal Legal Studies, and Forensic Science. The program offers an appreciation of the full complexity of American criminal justice, and permits students the opportunity to understand fully the social changes and technological progress in criminal justice agencies. The major requires a variety of courses pertaining to the administration of criminal justice and an equal number of courses on the nature and social causes of criminal behavior.

To prepare students for careers in highly competitive criminal justice positions, the department offers students: (1) the courses rated by criminal justice faculty and professionals across the United States as being the most valuable in the broad criminal justice field; and (2) internships in law enforcement, the courts, corrections, law, forensic sciences, and other branches of criminal justice.

The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Criminal Legal Studies Concentration:

### Concentrations Within the Criminal Justice Major

Students must select a concentration in either Corrections, Law Enforcement, Juvenile Justice, Criminal Legal Studies, or Forensic Science by completing the lower division prerequisites to the Major, the required Core Courses, and the requirements of the concentration. The following concentrations are offered:

#### Corrections Concentration

- **(19 units minimum)**
- The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Corrections Concentration:
  - **A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units**
  - **B. Core courses, 21 units**
  - **C. Concentration courses, 19 units**

  1. Complete the following concentration courses:
     - **(13 units minimum):**
       - **A.** CJ 3150 Administration of Corrections, 3 units, (Spring)
       - **B.** CJ 3600 Juvenile Corrections, 4 units, (Spring)
       - **C.** CJ 4135 Constitutional Rights of Prisoners, 3 units, (Fall)
       - **D.** CJ 4210 Probation and Parole, 3 units, (Fall)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

#### Law Enforcement Concentration

- **(19 units minimum)**
- The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Law Enforcement Concentration:
  - **A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units**
  - **B. Core courses, 21 units**
  - **C. Concentration courses, 19 units**

  1. Complete the following concentration courses:
     - **(13 units minimum):**
       - **A.** CJ 3160 Admin & Mgt of Law Enforcement, 3 units, (Fall)
       - **B.** CJ 3230 Police Ethics and Civil Liability, 3 units, (Spring)
       - **C.** CJ 3250 Law & Supp in Law Enforcement, 3 units, (Spring)
       - **D.** CJ 3420 Community/Problem Oriented Policing, 4 units, (Fall)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

#### Juvenile Justice Concentration

- **(19 units minimum)**
- The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Juvenile Justice Concentration:
  - **A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units**
  - **B. Core courses, 21 units**
  - **C. Concentration courses, 19 units**

  1. Complete the following concentration courses:
     - **(13 units minimum):**
       - **A.** CJ 3600 Juvenile Corrections, 4 units, (Spring)
       - **B.** CJ 3650 At Risk Youth, 3 units, (Fall)
       - **C.** CJ 4350 Violence Against Children, 3 units, (Fall)
       - **D.** CJ 4700 Youth Mentoring, 3 units, (Spring)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

### Bachelors of Arts in Criminal Justice

#### Requirements
- 1. Complete the University requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree (21 units minimum)
- 2. Complete the following prerequisites to the major: (16 units)
  - CJ 2240 Success Strategies in Criminal Justice, 1 unit
  - CJ 2255 Methods of Criminal Justice Inquiry, 3 units
  - CJ 2270 Criminal Investigations, 3 units
  - CJ 2280 Criminal Law, 3 units
  - CJ 2450 Criminal Judicial Process, 3 units
  - CJ 2470 Criminal Justice, 3 units
  - CJ 3150 Administration of Corrections, 3 units, (Spring)
  - CJ 3600 Juvenile Corrections, 4 units, (Spring)
  - CJ 4135 Constitutional Rights of Prisoners, 3 units, (Fall)
  - CJ 4150 Probation and Parole, 3 units, (Fall)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

### Electives

- **(19 units minimum)**
- The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Criminal Legal Studies Concentration:
  - **A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units**
  - **B. Core courses, 21 units**
  - **C. Concentration courses, 19 units**

  1. Complete the following concentration courses:
     - **(13 units minimum):**
       - **A.** CJ 3150 Administration of Corrections, 3 units, (Spring)
       - **B.** CJ 3600 Juvenile Corrections, 4 units, (Spring)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

### Electives

- **(19 units minimum)**
- The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major (56 units total) with a Criminal Legal Studies Concentration:
  - **A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units**
  - **B. Core courses, 21 units**
  - **C. Concentration courses, 19 units**

  1. Complete the following concentration courses:
     - **(13 units minimum):**
       - **A.** CJ 3150 Administration of Corrections, 3 units, (Spring)
       - **B.** CJ 3600 Juvenile Corrections, 4 units, (Spring)

  2. Complete 2 electives from the list of electives:
     - **(6 units minimum)**

Check the online schedule for availability of elective courses each semester: [https://www.csustan.edu/class-schedule](https://www.csustan.edu/class-schedule)
FORENSIC SCIENCE CONCENTRATION

(25-27 units)
1. The following General Education-Breadth courses or their equivalents are required:
   - CHEM 1100 General Chemistry I, 5 units
   - BIOL 2310 Human Genetics, 3 units
   - MATH 1600 Statistics, 4 units
   - PSYC 2030 Psychology of Adjustment, 3 units
2. The following is required to complete the Criminal Justice Major with a Forensic Science Concentration:
   - A. Lower division prerequisites, 16 units
   - B. Core courses, 21 units
   - C. Concentration required courses, 25-27 units
   - ANTH 4420 Bodies of Evidence, 3 units
   - BIOL 4850 DNA Technology in Forensic Science, 2 units
   - CJ/PSYC 4320 Forensic Psychology, 3 units (Fall)
   - CJ 3700 Criminalistics I, 4 units, (Fall)
   - CJ 3710 Criminalistics II, 4 units, (Spring)
   - CJ 4850 Scientific Evidence and the Law, 3 units, (Spring)
   - Two of the following electives:
     - CJ 4250 Psychology of Criminal Behavior, 4 units
     - ENTO 4330 Medical and Veterinary Entomology, 4 units
     - ANTH 4410 Talking Skeletons, 3 units
   - CJ 4940 CJ Internship, 3 units

FORENSIC SCIENCE MINOR

(19 units minimum)

The Forensic Sciences Minor is intended for Biology and Chemistry majors who wish to pursue careers in criminalistics or related fields.

- CJ 2280 Criminal Law, 3 units
- CJ 3700 Criminalistics I, 4 units
- CJ 3710 Criminalistics II, 4 units
- BIOL 4850 DNA Technology in Forensic Science, 2 units

Two of the following or other upper division courses with approval of academic advisor (6 units minimum):

- ANTH 4420 Bodies of Evidence, 3 units
- CJ 4250 Psychology of Criminal Behavior, 4 units
- CJ 4850 Scientific Evidence and the Law, 3 units
- ENTO 4330 Medical & Veterinary Entomology, 4 units
- PSYC 4320 Forensic Psychology, 3 units

SOCIAL SCIENCES MAJOR
CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONCENTRATION

(15 units minimum)
1. Prerequisites: (6 units)
   - CJ 2250 Introduction to Criminal Justice, 3 units
   - CJ 2280 Criminal Law, 3 units
2. Select any nine to twelve upper division units in Criminal Justice, with advisor’s consent:
   - CJ 3130 Administration of Corrections, 3 units
   - CJ 3160 Administration/Management of Law Enforcement, 3 units
   - CJ 3230 Police Ethics and Civil Liability, 3 units
   - CJ 4141 Criminal Procedure I, 3 units
   - CJ 4135 Constitutional Rights of Prisoners, 3 units
   - CJ 4150 Probation and Parole, 3 units
   - CJ 4230 Juvenile Justice, 4 units
   - CJ 4925 Historical and Contemporary Criminal Justice, 3 units
   - CJ 4960 Race, Ethnicity and the Criminal Justice System, 3 units

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINOR

(21 units minimum)
1. Complete the following lower division courses (9 units)
   - CJ 2250 Introduction to Criminal Justice, 3 units
   - CJ 2280 Criminal Law, 3 units
   - CJ 2450 Criminal Judicial Process, 3 units
2. Complete 4 of the following upper division courses or other upper division courses with approval of academic advisor (12 units minimum):
   - CJ 3130 Administration of Corrections, 3 units
   - CJ 3160 Administration/Management of Law Enforcement, 3 units
   - CJ 3230 Police Ethics and Civil Liability, 3 units
   - CJ 4141 Criminal Procedure I, 3 units
   - CJ 4135 Constitutional Rights of Prisoners, 3 units
   - CJ 4150 Probation and Parole, 3 units
   - CJ 4230 Juvenile Justice, 4 units
   - CJ 4925 Historical and Contemporary Criminal Justice, 3 units
   - CJ 4960 Race, Ethnicity and the Criminal Justice System, 3 units

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Law Enforcement
Probation/Rehabilitation
Corrections
Counseling
Death Investigation/Coroner's Office
Crime Scene Investigation
Private Investigator
Teaching
Government Agencies
Research
Drug Abuse Programs
Community Agencies
Juvenile Justice
Law
Graduate Studies

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