



Bachelor of Arts in  
**CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE**  
Degree Programs





# Discover the World of **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

## **Discover Your FUTURE U.**

Centenary University brings you two Bachelor of Arts programs that lead to rewarding careers in Criminal Justice. The Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice prepares students for employment in any of the three primary components of the criminal justice system:

- Law Enforcement
- Courts
- Corrections

Students will be well prepared for employment in related criminal justice fields such as Victims Services, Crime Scene Processing, Security Services and Investigations, Crime Analysis, Probation, Parole, Police Misconduct, Homeland Security, Paralegal and Legal Assistant Studies, and a wide variety of careers in and around government services.

The program also provides the rigorous preparation necessary for students who wish to continue their education at the graduate level; particularly in the University's Master of Arts in Leadership and Public Administration Program.

### **Why study Criminal Justice at Centenary University?**

- Criminal justice courses are taught by faculty members that have experience working in the criminal justice system, and expert guest lecturers are frequently used.
- Internships are encouraged for Criminal Justice majors meeting the requirements in their junior and/or senior years of study. Internships offer real-life learning and often lead to job opportunities upon graduation.
- Criminal Justice Club activities to expand experience outside of the classroom.





### **B.A. in Criminal Justice**

The Centenary University Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice takes the student on four years of study related to Criminal Justice, Forensic Science, Statistics for Social Sciences, U.S. Political Systems, American Constitutional Law, Research Methods in Social Sciences, and an Intro to Psychology. Students are further equipped for their careers with written communication, public speaking, global culture, and community & responsibility courses. Forensic Sciences and Statistics for Social Sciences are STEM courses.

### **B.A. in Sociology with a Concentration in Criminal Justice**

The Centenary University Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with a Concentration in Criminal Justice is a four year journey of study related to Contemporary Social Issues, Sociology, Social Stratification, Sociological Theory, Deviance Crime Law, Research Methods in Social Sciences: Interpersonal Violence, Intervention & Advocacy, Statistics for Social Science, U.S. Political Systems, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Forensic Science, and Criminology. Students are further equipped for their careers with written communication, public speaking, global culture, and community & responsibility courses. Forensic Sciences and Statistics for Social Sciences are STEM courses.

## **Minors in Criminal Justice**

- **Criminal Justice Minor**

Open doors in law enforcement, the courts, corrections, homeland security, victim's services, security and others. Our faculty includes some of the area's leading experts in the field. These connections take you far, assisting with internships and job placement.

- **Law & Government Minor**

You'll learn about the American court system, terrorism, national and local legislation, international relations, and other hot-button issues. This Minor positions you to complete internships in the offices of congressional representatives, governmental organizations, humanitarian groups, and a host of other potential employers. Courses include: U.S. Political Systems, American Constitutional Law, Legal Research and Writing, and Ethics and the Professional.

- **Paralegal and Legal Assistant Studies Minor**

This Minor will equip you to work as a paralegal, prepare for law school, and benefit from your studies throughout your daily life. Opportunities for employment include law offices, courts, and corporations. Courses include: Legal Research & Writing, Law & Litigation, Wills & Probate, Real Estate.

**POLICE LINE DO NOT CROSS**

### Want more reasons to choose Centenary? Consider:

- Centenary graduates have a 98% career and graduate school placement rate—29% above the national average.
- Centenary has the second highest four-year graduation rate among private universities in New Jersey, surpassed only by Princeton University.
- Centenary is an Official Educational Partner of the New York Jets, providing unique academic and internship experiences you won't find at any other university.
- Centenary offers generous financial aid packages: 100% of incoming freshmen receive a grant or scholarship with an average award over \$27,000, and 95% of transfer students receive a grant or scholarship with an average award over \$20,000.

### Did you know?

- Internship opportunities will prepare you for your career, law school, or graduate degree.
- Average top salary for a patrol officer in New Jersey - \$95,000
- Jobs you can obtain with a Criminal Justice degree include: police officer, parole officer, victim/witness assistant, probation officer, forensic science technician, crime scene investigator, computer forensics investigator, FBI agent, Homeland Security Agent, secret service agent, and more.

### The Next Level

As a Centenary Criminal Justice major, you can fulfill the requirements for graduate studies in fields of leadership and public administration.

### Internships

You will be ready for a career by participating in internships in industries such as law enforcement, courts, and corrections institutions. Internships are matched to students' interests and often result in employment opportunities.

### Minors

Criminal Justice, Law & Government, Paralegal and Legal Assistant Studies

Centenary University has a close relationship with the New Jersey State Police and other local law enforcement departments.

*"I am rewarded by the relationships Centenary allows us to develop with the police, courts, and corrections institutions. These are people trying to make life better for everyone, not just through prosecution of criminals, but through active guidance for people who may have slipped along their life paths."*

**Douglas Compton, Ed.D.**



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