CRIME AND JUSTICE

What is Crime and Justice?

Crime and Justice is the system of law enforcement, the bar, the judiciary, corrections and probation that is directly involved in the apprehension, prosecution, defense, sentencing, incarceration and supervision of those suspected of or charged with criminal offenses.

**Entry-level Job Titles** (from http://uncw.edu/career/criminology.html)

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<th>Airport Security Officer</th>
<th>Customs Agent</th>
<th>Litigation Manager</th>
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<td>Bailiff</td>
<td>Deportation Officer</td>
<td>U.S. Marshall</td>
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<td>Body Guard</td>
<td>Deputy Marshall</td>
<td>Military Officer</td>
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<td>Border Patrol Agent</td>
<td>Detective</td>
<td>Naval Investigator</td>
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<td>CIA Agent</td>
<td>Discrimination Investigator</td>
<td>Nonprofit Organization</td>
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<td>Child Support Agency</td>
<td>Drug Enforcement Agent</td>
<td>Paralegal</td>
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<td>Community Service</td>
<td>Employ. Agency Recruiter</td>
<td>Park Ranger</td>
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<td>Compliance Manager</td>
<td>Envir. Conservation Officer</td>
<td>Police Officer</td>
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<td>Corrections Officer</td>
<td>FBI Agent</td>
<td>Postal Service Investigator</td>
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<td>Court Administrator</td>
<td>Fish &amp; Game Warden</td>
<td>Pretrial Services Officer</td>
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<td>Court Clerk</td>
<td>Loss Prevention Specialist</td>
<td>Private Security Officer</td>
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<td>Housing/Tenant Rep.</td>
<td>Industrial Security Specialist</td>
<td>Probation &amp; Parole Officer</td>
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<td>Juvenile Court Counselor</td>
<td>Law Clerk</td>
<td>Public Safety Officer</td>
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<td>SBI Agent</td>
<td>Social Worker</td>
<td>Victim Services Specialist</td>
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<td>Secret Service Agent</td>
<td>Teacher</td>
<td>Youth Advocate</td>
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<td>Sheriff</td>
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**Jobs Requiring Additional Education or Experience** (from http://uncw.edu/career/criminology.html)

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<th>Law Librarian</th>
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<td>Coroner</td>
<td>Corrections Facilities Mgr.</td>
<td>Police Detective</td>
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<td>FBI Agent</td>
<td>Contracts Administrator</td>
<td>Penologist</td>
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<td>Criminal Investigator</td>
<td>Substance Abuse Counselor</td>
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<td>Warden</td>
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Learn more about the occupations listed above by going to http://www.bls.gov/ooh
How do you get ready?

- Many criminal justice professions require candidates to possess strong oral and written communication skills and good computer skills. The ability to speak a second language is also desirable.
- Develop good listening skills and the ability to work well with a wide range of diverse populations.
- Most entry-level positions for criminal justice majors reside with law enforcement and social service organizations.
- Be willing to start in an entry-level job in order to prepare for more advanced career opportunities.
- Obtain experience through volunteer, practicum or internship opportunities.
- Supplement your program of study with courses in business, psychology, anthropology or sociology. Course work related to the hard sciences (biology, chemistry or biochemistry) is preferred for career opportunities in forensics.
- Depending upon one’s career goals, earn a master’s degree in disciplines such as criminal justice, forensic science, social work, counseling or business to obtain positions involving therapy, higher levels of administration, forensics or research. Earn the doctorate degree for university teaching positions.
- Conduct informational interviews with professionals in fields of interest to learn more about opportunities.

Related Major Skills (from http://uncw.edu/career/criminology.html)

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<th>Written &amp; presentation skills</th>
<th>Research strategies</th>
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<td>Understanding societies’ reaction to crimes</td>
<td>Ethics and moral values</td>
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<td>Considerations of gender &amp; race</td>
<td>Interviewing skills</td>
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<td>Quantitative skills</td>
<td>Strong background in humanities, social science &amp; natural science</td>
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<td>Skills in research and scientific methodology</td>
<td>Broad understanding of criminal law and the criminal justice system</td>
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<td>Critical thinking</td>
<td>Computer literacy</td>
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<td>Understanding nature of crimes</td>
<td>Ability to identify and analyze social problems and develop solutions</td>
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<td>Decision making</td>
<td>Knowledge of legal structures</td>
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<td>Patience</td>
<td>Supervision &amp; management skills</td>
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“Employment of police and detectives is projected to grow 5 percent from 2012 to 2022, slower than the average for all occupations.”

“Employment of probation officers and correctional treatment specialists is projected to show little or no change from 2012 to 2022. Employment growth depends primarily on the amount of
state and local government funding for corrections, especially the amount allocated to probation and parole systems. Limited state and local government funding for corrections over the coming decade will stall employment growth. However, as alternative forms of punishment, such as probation, continue to be used, some demand for probation officers and correctional treatment specialists should continue. Parole officers will be needed to supervise individuals who will be released from prison in the future.”

For a more detailed employment outlook of crime and justice occupations, refer to http://www.bls.gov/ooh

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- Great Jobs for Sociology Majors, by Stephen Lambert
- Careers for Caring People and Other Sensitive Types, by Adrian Paradis
- Careers for Good Samaritans and Other Humanitarian Types, by Marjorie Eberts and Margaret Gisler
- Careers for Kids At Heart and Others Who Adore Children, by Marjorie Eberts and Margaret Gisler
- Careers for Legal Eagles and Other Law–and–Order Types, by Blythe Camenson
- Careers for Mystery Buffs and Other Snoops and Sleuths, by Blythe Camenson
- Careers for Number Crunchers and Other Quantitative Types, by Rebecca Burnett
- Careers for Scholars and Other Deep Thinkers, by Blythe Camenson
- Careers in Criminology, by Marilyn Morgan
- Opportunities in Child Care Careers, by Renee Wittenberg
- Opportunities in Federal Government Careers, by Neale Baxter
- Opportunities in Gerontology and Aging Services Careers, by Ellen Williams
- Opportunities in Hospital Administration Careers, by I. Donald Snook, Jr.
- Opportunities in Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Careers, by James Stinchcomb
- Opportunities in Social Science Careers, by Rosanne J. Marek
- Opportunities in Social Work Careers, by Renee Wittenberg
- Opportunities in State and Local Government Careers, by Neale Baxter

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- Officer, http://www.officer.com
- USACops, http://www.usacops.com
- 911 Hotjobs – Law Enforcement & Correction Jobs http://www.911hotjobs.com
Court/Legal Related Job Links:


Correction Related Job Links

- American Correctional Association, http://www.aca.org
- Corrections Connection, http://www.corrections.com
- National Institute of Corrections, http://www.nicic.org

Federal Job Links


Career Planning Links

- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, http://www.acjs.org
- American Board of Criminalistics (Forensic Science), http://www.criminalistics.com
- American Society of Criminology, http://www.asc41.com

Professional Associations Links

- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, http://www.acjs.org/
- Council on Crime and Justice http://www.crimenjustice.org/
- ACJA-LAE http://www.acjala.org/index.html
- International Police Association- USA http://www.ipa-usa.org/