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MAJOR DESCRIPTION

The study of criminal justice encompasses the policies of the criminal justice system, behavioral characteristics of victims, offenders and practitioners, and the legal framework in which they operate. Students majoring in criminal justice learn the necessary skills to pursue careers in law enforcement, corrections and associated fields, and to prepare for graduate school or law school.

Courses in criminal justice include: juvenile justice, community relations, criminal law, criminal procedures, applied criminology, administration of justice, and criminal evidence, and many others

Both the Associates and the Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice are available online.

Opportunities at Cameron University

Students have the opportunity to join Alpha Phi Sigma, Cameron's Criminal Justice honor society. Students can hone their research and analytical skills by joining Cameron's Criminal Justice Association, and publish papers in CHiPS: The Cameron Undergraduate Research Journal of History and Political Science.

Careers:

Law enforcement roles, paralegal, park ranger, forensics, correctional officers, security managers, the armed forces, criminologists, federal agents, and more!

Advantages:

- Career satisfaction
- Financial security and retirement benefits
- Job growth and versatility

Skills:

- Research and writing
- Strong ethics
- Leadership qualities
- Communication and computer skills
- Problem solving

Scholarships

A variety of financial aid programs are available to Criminal Justice majors. The Department of Social Sciences awards tuition waivers, and the Financial Assistance office can assist students with grants, loans, scholarships and campus employment.

Career Opportunities

A degree in criminal justice can lead to a variety of careers including policing, investigations, social services, and juvenile corrections counseling. The career opportunities for CJ majors are extensive and are projected to grow nationally and include the added benefit of financial security. Many career fields for CJ majors involve high job satisfaction and security because of the hands on involvement and impact they have on their community.

Department Description

The Department of Social Sciences offers Bachelor degrees in Political Science, History, Criminal Justice, Sociology and Social Studies Education, an Associate degree in Criminal Justice, and minors in geography, history, sociology, humanities, social sciences, political science, criminal justice, and pre-law,

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