

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Criminal Justice at NMU

The Criminal Justice Department provides students with an understanding of the process by which justice is distributed in our society, the function and operation of the criminal justice system (law enforcement, criminal courts and corrections), and the role of individuals in the allocation of justice. The department offers a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, an associate degree in criminal justice and an associate of applied science degree in law enforcement. The department also offers a master's degree in criminal justice.

The curriculum prepares students for a range of careers in law enforcement, adult and juvenile corrections with federal, state or local criminal justice agencies, or for graduate study. The faculty is dedicated to providing a challenging learning experience and to graduating outstanding candidates for entry into their professional careers or graduate school. The department is committed to excellence in teaching, research and community service.

Student Organization

- Criminal Justice Association

Department Facilities

- Forensics laboratory
- NMU Regional Police Academy

Department/Program Policies

Course Prerequisite Notes

CJ 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice is a prerequisite to all of the CJ 200-, 300- and 400-level courses. Students must complete CJ 110 and attain junior status in order to be eligible to enroll in CJ 300- and 400-level courses.

Requirements for Transfer Students

Transfer students who want to major in criminal justice for the bachelor's degree must complete a minimum of 20 credits with the NMU Criminal Justice Department. At least 8 of these credits must be at the 300-level or above. Transfer students who want to enter the associate degree program in criminal justice must complete a minimum of 12 credits with the NMU Criminal Justice Department.

GPA Requirements

All criminal justice courses used for the criminal justice major, the criminal justice minor, or the associate degrees in criminal justice, law enforcement, and corrections must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Language Recommendations

Students are encouraged to complete at least one year of study in a foreign language. Language study could be undertaken to satisfy either the formal studies requirement or the requirement for a bachelor of arts degree.

Police Academy

The associate of applied science degree in law enforcement provides students with the opportunity to obtain Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) certified training through its Regional Police Academy. Michigan Public Act 203, 1965, and Michigan Administrative Code R 28.4101 requires that anyone seeking employment in the state as a police officer must first successfully complete the basic (MCOLES) approved police training curriculum. For information about the academy, including admission requirements, contact the Police Academy by calling 906-227-1408 or by visiting the Web site at <http://publicsafety.nmu.edu/Academy.htm>.

Corrections Officer Certification Program

(Temporarily suspended. No new students will be accepted during the 2006-2007 academic year.)

Internships

The Criminal Justice Department offers students in the bachelor's degree program an opportunity to participate in an internship program during their junior or senior year. This experience provides first-hand knowledge about the criminal justice field and an opportunity to apply knowledge and skills in the classroom to a professional setting. Internships enhance a student's career potential after graduation as well as provide important information regarding career selection.

BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAM

Liberal Studies: Complete information on the liberal studies requirements and additional graduation requirements, including the health promotion requirement, is in the "Liberal Studies Program and Graduation Requirements" section of this bulletin.

Criminal Justice Major

This major provides a basic understanding of the criminal justice system and its components. Students additionally complete a number of advanced criminal justice electives selected to address their individual interests and professional goals.

Total Credits Required for Degree	124
Liberal Studies	30-40
Health Promotion	2
Required Courses in Major	42
Criminal Justice Core	22
CJ 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
CJ 212 The Law Enforcement Function <i>or</i> CJ 220 The Corrections Function	4
CJ 213 The Judicial Function	4
CJ 263 Criminology	4
CJ 315 Criminal Procedure	4
CJ 490 Professional Development and Assessment	2
Criminal Justice Electives*	20
<i>Choose from the following. At least 16 credits must be at the 300 level or above.</i>	
CJ 214 Investigative Process I (4 cr.)	
CJ 221 Roles of the Corrections Client (4 cr.)	
CJ 227 Correctional Institutions (4 cr.)	
CJ 245 Legal Issues in Corrections (4 cr.)	
CJ 250 Investigative Interviewing and Interrogation (4 cr.)	
CJ 255 Drugs, Crime and the Justice System (4 cr.)	
CJ 275 Legal Aspects of Retail Security (4 cr.)	
CJ 276 Retail Loss Prevention Management (4 cr.)	
CJ 280 Criminal Law (4 cr.)	
CJ 295 Special Topics in Criminal Justice (1-4 cr.)	
CJ 302 Community Relations and Crime Prevention (4 cr.)	
CJ 323 Community-Based Corrections (4 cr.)	
CJ 360 Case Studies in Crime (4 cr.)	
CJ 412 Crisis Intervention and Stress Analysis (4 cr.)	
CJ 414 Investigative Process II (4 cr.)	
CJ 420 Forensic Psychology (4 cr.)	
CJ 426 International Crime and Comparative Criminal Justice Systems (4 cr.)	
CJ 435 Domestic and International Terrorism (4 cr.)	
CJ 440 Discretionary Justice (4 cr.)	
CJ 465 Problem Solving in Criminal Justice (4 cr.)	
CJ 470 Liability Law in Criminal Justice (4 cr.)	
CJ 480 Cybercrime (4 cr.)	
CJ 495 Special Topics** (1-4 cr.)	
CJ 497 Teaching/Research Apprenticeship*** (1-4 cr.)	
CJ 498 Directed Study *** (1-4 cr.)	

Minor

20

**Other approved CJ course work (e.g., transfer credit or newly approved CJ courses) at the 200-400 level, not listed, may be used to satisfy the requirements in the CJ elective area.*

***No more than 8 credits of CJ 495 may be counted toward the major.*

****No more than 4 credits of CJ 497 and/or CJ 498 may be counted toward the criminal justice major.*

CJ 191, CJ 298 and CJ 299 do not apply toward the bachelor's degree program.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Criminal Justice Associate of Science Degree

This degree is designed for a smooth transition into the bachelor's degree program for students who choose to continue their education after receiving the associate degree.

Total Credits Required for Degree	67
Liberal Studies	32
EN 111 College Composition I	4
EN 211 College Composition II	4
Humanities Electives	8
<i>Must be from more than one discipline.</i>	
Natural Sciences/Mathematics Electives	8
<i>Must be from more than one discipline and one course must be a laboratory science.</i>	
Social Sciences Electives	8
<i>Must be from more than one discipline.</i>	
Health Promotion	1
HP 200 Physical Well Being	1
Criminal Justice Required Courses	8
CJ 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
CJ 212 The Law Enforcement Function <i>or</i> CJ 220 The Corrections Function	4
Criminal Justice Electives*	16
<i>Choose from the following:</i>	
CJ 191 Training Seminar (1-4 cr.) (Specific Topic)**	
CJ 213 The Judicial Function (4 cr.)	
CJ 214 Investigative Process I (4 cr.)	
CJ 221 Roles of the Corrections Client (4 cr.)	
CJ 227 Correctional Institutions (4 cr.)	
CJ 245 Legal Issues in Corrections (4 cr.)	
CJ 250 Investigative Interviewing and Interrogation (4 cr.)	
CJ 255 Drugs, Crime and the Justice System (4 cr.)	
CJ 263 Criminology (4 cr.)	
CJ 275 Legal Aspects of Retail Security (4 cr.)	
CJ 276 Retail Loss Prevention Management (4 cr.)	
CJ 280 Criminal Law (4 cr.)	
CJ 295 Special Topics in Criminal Justice (1-4 cr.)	
CJ 298 Directed Study** (1-4 cr.)	
CJ 302 Community Relations/Crime Prevention (4 cr.)	
CJ 315 Criminal Procedures (4 cr.)	
CJ 323 Community-Based Corrections (4 cr.)	
CJ 360 Case Studies in Crime (4 cr.)	

General Electives 10

**Other approved CJ course work (e.g., transfer credit or newly approved CJ courses) at the 200 level, not listed, may be used to satisfy the requirements in the CJ elective area.*

***No more than 4 credits of CJ 191 and/or CJ 298 may be applied toward this degree. CJ 191 and CJ 298 do not apply toward the major in the bachelor's degree.*

**Law Enforcement
Associate of Applied Science Degree**

This degree provides training that will produce well-rounded and competent law enforcement practitioners. This includes, but is not limited to, competence in oral and written communications, an understanding of psychological and social issues relevant to criminal justice, the role of law enforcement in social control and in the larger criminal justice system and an appreciation for the dilemma inherent in policing a free society.

Total Credits Required for Degree 65

Liberal Studies 24

EN 111 College Composition I 4
EN 211 College Composition II 4

Humanities Elective 4
Natural Sciences/Mathematics Elective 4
Social Science Electives 8

Health Promotion 1
HP 200 Physical Well Being 1

Criminal Justice Required Courses 20

CJ 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice 4
CJ 212 Law Enforcement Function 4
CJ 299 Police Academy** 12

Criminal Justice Electives* 8

Choose from the following:

- CJ 191 Training Seminar (1-4 cr.) (Specific Topic)***
- CJ 213 Judicial Function (4 cr.)
- CJ 214 Investigative Process I (4 cr.)
- CJ 220 Corrections Function (4 cr.)
- CJ 250 Investigative Interviewing and Interrogation (4 cr.)
- CJ 255 Drugs, Crime and the Justice System (4 cr.)
- CJ 263 Criminology (4 cr.)
- CJ 275 Legal Aspects of Retail Security (4 cr.)
- CJ 276 Retail Loss Prevention Management (4 cr.)
- CJ 280 Criminal Law (4 cr.)
- CJ 295 Special Topics in Criminal Justice (1-4 cr.)
- CJ 298 Directed Study*** (1-4 cr.)
- CJ 302 Community Relations/Crime Prevention (4 cr.)
- CJ 315 Criminal Procedures (4 cr.)
- CJ 323 Community-Based Corrections (4 cr.)
- CJ 360 Case Studies in Crime (4 cr.)

General Electives 12

**Other approved CJ course work (e.g., transfer credit or newly approved CJ courses) at the 200 level, not listed, may be used to satisfy the requirements in the CJ elective area.*

***Or satisfactory completion of a Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) approved police academy or equivalent.*

****No more than 4 credits of CJ 191 and/or CJ 298 may be applied toward this degree. CJ 191 and CJ 298 do not apply toward the bachelor's degree major. CJ 299 only applies to this degree. It cannot be applied to any other diploma, certificate, associate's or bachelor's degree at NMU.*

MINOR PROGRAM

Criminal Justice Minor

Total Credits Required for Minor 20

CJ110 Introduction to Criminal Justice 4
Criminal Justice Electives* 16

**Criminal justice electives are planned with a criminal justice adviser and an adviser from the student's major department. Students can obtain a copy of the minor form from the Criminal Justice Department secretary or Web site. The student's plan for a minor should be approved no later than the end of the junior year and filed with the Degree Audits Office.*

Any course selected for the criminal justice minor at the 300-400 level will require instructor permission.

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Corrections Certification

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