

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE

AT THE UW TACOMA SCHOOL OF  
SOCIAL WORK & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice ONLINE

Minor in Criminal Justice

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## THE UW TACOMA SCHOOL OF

# *Social Work & Criminal Justice*



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**KEVA MILLER**

Welcome to the School of Social Work and Criminal Justice at the University of Washington Tacoma. I am proud of our innovative and unique multidisciplinary school, that is committed to pillars of academic excellence through research, instruction, and community engagement. If you are interested in a Criminal Justice degree, you will find a community of diverse scholars and leaders who are devoted to your personal, intellectual, and professional growth. Paramount is student success, and we look forward to you joining us in advancing our mission, priorities, and values.

### **WE OFFER AN INNOVATIVE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

with both on-campus and online options, along with a criminal justice minor. A social justice focus is applied to each course, making it a unique approach to criminal justice education.

The curriculum attracts students who plan to seek employment with agencies serving crime victims, offenders and their families, or those interested in law enforcement, correctional settings and graduate degrees such as law school.

WHAT MAKES  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
AT UW TACOMA

*different?*

### **AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE EMPHASIZES**

- Social Justice
- Diversity
- Community Partnerships
- Systems Thinking
- Skill Development

UW Tacoma's Criminal  
Justice Program is excellent.

*It covers a wide array of  
topics and applies it to  
current day problems* and  
the professors are very passionate  
about teaching.

Gavin Wolfe  
BACJ Online '22

*Did you know?*

**UW TACOMA IS THE ONLY UW CAMPUS**  
to offer a degree in Criminal Justice

**56%**

of our undergraduates  
are first-in-their-family  
to attend college.

**#1** IN THE  
STATE

**Best Bang for the  
Buck in the West**

Washington Monthly, 2021

**#8** IN THE  
NATION

**Top Performer  
on Social Mobility**

U.S. News and World Report, 2021



## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN

# *Criminal Justice*

**How did our current criminal justice system and the challenges it faces come to be?** What does change look like and how can it be achieved? Students in the criminal justice program at UW Tacoma will learn the history of the systems that shaped current policy and inform our understanding of crime and justice. Criminal justice students will also explore alternatives to our present system and how policy is being updated to reflect the times.



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2021 TOP PUBLIC  
UNIVERSITIES IN  
WASHINGTON



# #3

2021 BEST COLLEGES FOR  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS  
IN WASHINGTON



# #3

2021 TOP 10 BEST ONLINE  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS  
IN WASHINGTON

Our students are

# *involved!*



### **COMMITTED TO CAMPUS AND BEYOND**

Active student groups create opportunities for service and leadership at UW Tacoma's urban-serving campus.

Center for Service & Leadership

The Criminal Justice League

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society

Formerly Incarcerated Student Association

Pre-Law Society

Our students have traveled to and participated in national conferences (American Society of Criminology) and sponsored campus events like **Take Back the Night, The Clothesline Project** and the **Poverty Immersion Workshop**.



## Did you know?

### YOU CAN COMPLETE YOUR CJ DEGREE ONLINE

A sequenced, cohort model follows the same curriculum and major requirements as the on-campus CJ major. All credits required will be available online, alongside other online UW Tacoma courses to help fulfill your degree requirements. Receive all the benefits of a classroom without the commute! *CJ Online admits students for the autumn quarter only.*



*I was able to learn about the justice system in great depth. I chose the Criminal Justice major because I have seen too much injustice in this life to not try and make a positive difference.* For this reason, my plan after graduation is to advocate for people in this community who have been affected by our justice system.

**Sanise Henry**  
BAJ '21



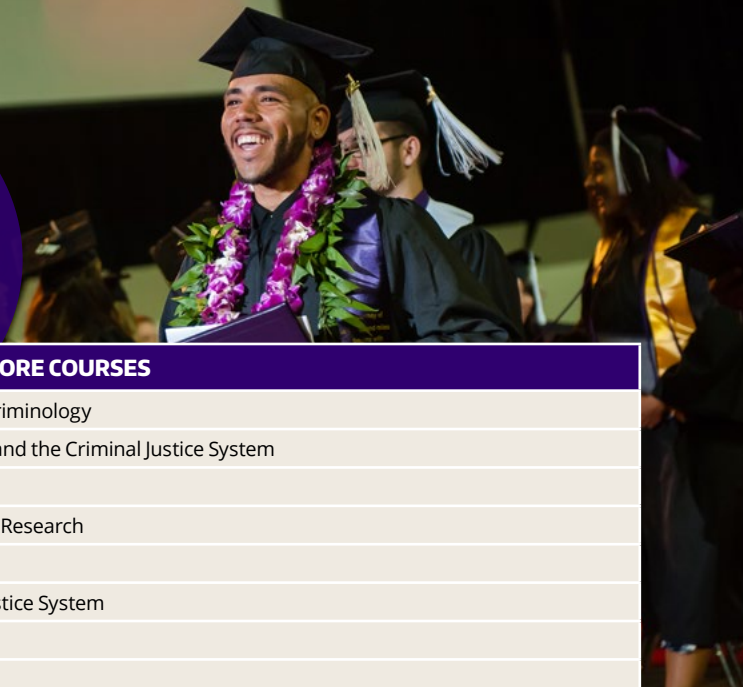
For details on when and how to apply to the CJ or CJ online major:  
**[tacoma.uw.edu/uwt/swcj/bachelor-arts-criminal-justice](https://tacoma.uw.edu/uwt/swcj/bachelor-arts-criminal-justice)**





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CJ degrees earned  
since 2010



## CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR CORE COURSES

Diversity and Social Justice in Criminology  
Mental Health, Substance Use and the Criminal Justice System  
Criminological Theory  
Introduction to Criminal Justice Research  
Police and Society  
Helping Skills in the Criminal Justice System  
Adult Corrections  
American Criminal Courts  
Senior Seminar: Professionalism and Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSES

MEDIA, CRIME AND JUSTICE

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THE  
WAR ON DRUGS

MISCARRIAGES OF JUSTICE

HATE CRIMES AND ORGANIZED  
HATE IN AMERICA

INTRODUCTION TO THE  
SOCIOLOGY OF DEVIANCE AND  
SOCIAL CONTROL

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

WHITE COLLAR CRIME

WOMEN IN THE CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE SYSTEM

YOUTH AND JUVENILE JUSTICE  
SYSTEMS

CRIMINALIZATION OF  
IMMIGRATION

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND  
THE LGBTQ EXPERIENCE

FACING HARM: VICTIM  
OFFENDER DIALOGUE

CRIMINAL EVIDENCE AND  
INVESTIGATIONS

MEN, MASCULINITIES AND  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

DISPROPORTIONALITY  
ACROSS SYSTEMS

CHILDREN OF  
INCARCERATED PARENTS

CRISIS AND TRAUMA  
INTERVENTIONS WITH  
CRIME VICTIMS

CRIMINAL HOMICIDE

TERRORISM AND CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE SYSTEMS

CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL  
WORK IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
SETTINGS

FUNDAMENTALS OF  
CRIMINAL LAW

ABOLITIONISM AND  
REVOLUTIONARY  
CRIMINOLOGY

COMPARATIVE CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE SYSTEMS

INDEPENDENT RESEARCH  
IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
INTERNSHIP

## STUDY ABROAD

Students may earn credit for CJ-specific study abroad courses like *Comparative Criminal Justice in Ireland and Northern Ireland*, *Justice in the Netherlands*, and *Comparative Justice in South Korea*. Where will CJ go next?

## MINOR IN CJ

The CJ minor is for students outside the major interested in issues of crime and justice or are interested in a career in criminal justice as a specialty of their major field.

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# // Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice *everywhere* //

Martin Luther King Jr.

## **UW TACOMA'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEGREE**

provides the knowledge and skills to those who plan to seek employment with agencies that provide services for the children and families of the incarcerated as well as law enforcement and correctional settings. A social justice focus is adopted, with a focus on harm reduction, rehabilitation and restorative approaches to crime and justice.

Internships provide criminal justice students with valuable experience that can help with a future career while also earning credit in the classroom. Our partners include regional court systems, law enforcement, legal aid communities and immigration rights groups.

Graduates of this major may also decide to continue on for advanced degrees in disciplines such as social work, law or criminal justice.

## **CJ CAREERS:**

Advocates for incarcerated parents and their children

Victim and witness advocates

Local, state or federal law enforcement

Adult or juvenile probation officer

Offenders' case managers

Corrections officer

Legal court administration

Diversion or pre-trial services counselor

Investigator

Work with at-risk youth

Community service managers

Social worker

Drug treatment/prevention

Paralegal



DRUGS AND CRIME

CORRECTIONS AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

CRIMINALIZATION OF  
SCHOOL BULLYING

## **AREAS OF FACULTY EXPERTISE INCLUDE:**

SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES

CRIMINOLOGY

COMPARATIVE  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE

GENDER-BASED  
VIOLENCE PREVENTION

HOMICIDE

MASCULINITIES

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

LAW

YOUTH JUSTICE,  
CRIME AND  
PUBLIC POLICY

CHILDREN OF  
INCARCERATED PARENTS

PUNISHMENT AND  
INEQUALITY

RACIAL  
DISPROPORTIONALITY  
AND DISPARITY

SCHOOL VIOLENCE  
PREVENTION

// Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. *All things are bound together. All things connect.* //

Chief Si'ahl (Sealth)  
Duwamish; Suquamish

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For further info, visit: [tacoma.uw.edu/swcj](http://tacoma.uw.edu/swcj)  
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