The College of Criminal Justice was established in 1967 as one of the first professional schools of its kind. Since its founding, the college has become a leading force in education, research, and policymaking in both the public and private sectors of the criminal justice field.

The College of Criminal Justice prepares students for professional and research careers in criminal justice, criminology, and related fields by applying multidisciplinary and comparative social science to understand, predict, and explain crime and contribute to the development of public policy within urban communities. Using an active learning approach, the college seeks to develop its students intellectually and ethically, while providing them with a keen appreciation of the complexities of crime, and the public and private efforts to make communities safer and ensure justice.

The world of criminal justice is much more than the police officer, corrections official, or security and loss prevention personnel. At the College of Criminal Justice, the boundaries of criminal justice have expanded beyond traditional views of the field—police, courts, corrections. Instead, criminal justice education today is about more than the criminal; it involves understanding the victim and the community: repairing harm, reducing fear, rebuilding safe communities, and assuring justice in spirit and act.

The College of Criminal Justice has had a long-standing attachment and commitment to improving justice system agencies, including private security. The college actively engages external partners in an ongoing conversation about research, community service, and salient policy questions. Part of this dialogue is supported by an ongoing program of applied and social science research. Much of this research focuses on evaluating existing government crime-control programs and policies to determine whether they work, as well as inquiries about the etiology and prevention of crime. In addition, much of our research examines the unintended consequences of policy: institutionalized racism, exclusion of certain groups, and so forth. In every case, the research conducted at Northeastern is approached with ethical sensitivity and scientific rigor.

Criminal justice, as a social science, began in the early part of the twentieth century. Nearly one hundred years old, criminal justice has blossomed as a science, in great part through the ingenuity of several notable scholars. The College
of Criminal Justice is pleased to be home to many of the country’s preeminent contemporary scholars. The CCJ faculty regularly present at scholarly conferences and national and international seminars.

**Academic Progression Standards**

Students are required to maintain the following overall grade-point average and minimum earned semester hours to advance to the next class standing and to graduate.

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**Graduation Requirements**

Degree candidates must complete all prescribed work, a total of 132 semester hours of credit. Students are also urged to meet the requirements of the Department of Cooperative Education.

**Transfer Credit**

A student transferring from another college or university must be in residence at Northeastern at least 32 of the final 40 semester hours to receive a degree.

**BS in Criminal Justice**

**ENGLISH REQUIREMENT**

Complete the following course:

ENG U111 College Writing 4 SH

and one approved Advanced Writing in the Disciplines course for the major. A grade of C or higher is required in both courses.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

**Liberal Arts Core Requirements**

Complete the following four courses:

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**Social Science**

Complete one course from the following list:

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**Science**

Complete one course from the following list:

- BIO U101 Principles of Biology 1 4 SH
- BIO U102 Lab for BIO U101 1 SH
- CHM U211 General Chemistry 1 4 SH
- CHM U212 Lab for CHM U211 1 SH
- ENV U115 Environmental Science 4 SH
- GEO U102 Marine Resources 4 SH
- GEO U104 Physical Oceanography 4 SH
- GEO U106 Biological Oceanography 4 SH
- GEO U108 New England Fisheries Resources 4 SH
- GEO U110 Geology of Oceans and Coasts 4 SH
- GEO U112 Environmental Geology 4 SH
- GEO U114 Natural Disasters and Catastrophes 4 SH
- GEO U115 Environmental Science 4 SH
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- GEO U122 Age of Dinosaurs 4 SH
- PHY U111 Astronomy 4 SH
- PHY U121 Introduction to Science 4 SH
- PHY U132 Energy, Environment, and Society 4 SH
- PHY U141 General Physics 4 SH

**Humanities**

Complete one course from the following list:

- AFR U101 African-American Studies 4 SH
- AFR U104 Survey of African-American Music 4 SH
- AFR U109 Foundations of Black Culture 1 4 SH
- AFR U112 Jazz 4 SH
- AFR U128 Music of Africa 4 SH
- AFR U131 Music of Latin America and the Caribbean 4 SH
- AFR U140 Introduction to African-American History 4 SH
- AFR U141 Introduction to African American History 4 SH
- AFR U185 Gender in the African Diaspora 4 SH
- ARC U111 History of World Architecture 1 4 SH
- ART U101 History of Art before 1400 4 SH
- ART U103 History of Art since 1400 4 SH
- ART U106 Introduction to Art 4 SH
- ASL U101 Elementary ASL 1 4 SH
- CIN U113 Film Music 4 SH
- CIN U120 Exploring the Humanities through Film 4 SH
- CIN U150 Film Analysis 4 SH
- CMN U101 Introduction to Communication Studies 4 SH
- CMN U112 Public Speaking 4 SH
- ENG U150 Introduction to Language and Linguistics 4 SH
Academic Programs

ENG U165 Poetry 4 SH
ENG U166 Fiction 4 SH
ENG U167 Drama 4 SH
INT U103 Women's Studies 4 SH
INT U120 Exploring Humanities through Film 4 SH
INT U150 East Asian Studies 4 SH
JRN U101 Journalism 1 4 SH
JRN U150 Interpreting the Day's News 4 SH
LIN U150 Introduction to Language and Linguistics 4 SH
MUS U101 Introduction to Music 4 SH
PHL U101 Introduction to Philosophy 4 SH
PHL U110 Introduction to Religion 4 SH
PHL U114 Critical Reasoning 4 SH
PHL U115 Introduction to Logic 4 SH
PHL U130 Ethics: East and West 4 SH
PHL U135 Philosophical Problems of Law and Justice 4 SH
PHL U137 Philosophical Problems of War and Peace 4 SH
PHL U140 Social and Political Philosophy 4 SH
PHL U145 Technology and Human Values 4 SH
PHL U150 Understanding the Bible 4 SH
PHL U160 Philosophical Problems of Economic Justice 4 SH
PHL U165 Moral Problems in Medicine 4 SH
PHL U170 Business Ethics 4 SH
PHL U180 Environmental Ethics 4 SH
THE U101 Theatre Arts 4 SH
or any course from the following departments: LNA, LNC, LNF, LNG, LNH, LIN, LNJ, LNL, LNM, LNR, or LNS.

REQUIRED ELECTIVES OUTSIDE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Complete six courses from departments outside criminal justice.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SEQUENCE REQUIREMENT
Complete three courses from the same department, two of which must be above the introductory level:
ECN, HST, POL, PSY, or SOC.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Criminal Justice Core Requirements
Complete the following five courses:
CJ U101 Introduction to Criminal Justice 4 SH
CJ U110 Criminal Due Process 4 SH
CJ U120 Criminology 4 SH
CJ U380 Criminal Justice Research Methods 4 SH
CJ U382 Criminal Justice Statistics 4 SH

Diversity
Complete the following course:
CJ U102 Ethics, Values, and Diversity 4 SH

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTEGRATED LEARNING CORE

Introduction to College
Complete the following course:
CJ U100 College: An Introduction 1 SH

Co-op Integration Seminars
Complete the following three courses (non-co-op students should complete CS U290 and two additional one-credit courses approved by their adviser):
CJ U290 Co-op Integration Seminar 1 1 SH
CJ U390 Co-op Integration Seminar 2 1 SH
CJ U690 Co-op Integration Seminar 3 1 SH

Senior Capstone
Complete the following course:
CJ U799 Senior Capstone Seminar 4 SH

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ELECTIVES

Concentration Electives
Complete two courses from the following list:
CJ U310 Criminal Law 4 SH
CJ U330 Corrections 4 SH
CJ U340 Security 4 SH
CJ U350 Policing 4 SH
CJ U360 Juvenile Justice 4 SH

System-Wide Elective
Complete one course from the following list:
CJ U500 Gender, Crime, and Justice 4 SH
CJ U502 Race, Crime, and Justice 4 SH
CJ U506 Criminal Justice Organization and Management 4 SH
CJ U508 Crime Prevention 4 SH

Criminal Justice Open Electives
Complete four courses from the following list:
CJ U400 to CJ U689
CJ U900 to CJ U989

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR CREDIT REQUIREMENTS
Complete 60 semester hours in CJ.
Complete 72 semester hours outside CJ.

GENERAL ELECTIVES
Additional courses taken beyond college and major course requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY-WIDE REQUIREMENTS
132 total semester hours required
Minimum 2.000 GPA required

Minor in Criminal Justice

REQUIRED COURSE
Complete the following course:
CJ U101 Introduction to Criminal Justice 4 SH

FOCUS
Complete either the administrative focus or the behavioral focus. Note that taking elective courses requires that the student have completed at least 64 semester hours toward the degree.

Administrative Focus
Complete
CJ U110 Criminal Due Process 4 SH
and three additional courses from the following list:
CJ U310 Criminal Law 4 SH
CJ U330 Corrections 4 SH
CJ U340 Security 4 SH

Minor in Criminal Justice

REQUIRED COURSE
Complete the following course:
CJ U101 Introduction to Criminal Justice 4 SH
CJ U350  Policing  
CJ U360  Juvenile Justice  
CJ U500  Gender, Crime, and Justice  
CJ U502  Race, Crime, and Justice  
CJ U506  Criminal Justice Organization and Management  
CJ U508  Crime Prevention  
CJ U512  Legal Philosophy  
CJ U515  Courts and Sentencing  
CJ U518  Law and Psychology  
CJ U522  Comparative Criminal Justice  
CJ U530  Community-Based Corrections  
CJ U535  Correctional Intervention  
CJ U540  Security Management, Supervision  
CJ U550  Police Strategy  
CJ U555  Forensic Science  
CJ U574  Organized Crime  
CJ U575  Political Crime and Terrorism  
CJ U576  Corporate and White-Collar Crime  

**Behavioral Focus**

Complete and three additional courses from the following list:

CJ U120  Criminology  
CJ U330  Corrections  
CJ U360  Juvenile Justice  
CJ U500  Gender, Crime, and Justice  
CJ U502  Race, Crime, and Justice  
CJ U508  Crime Prevention  
CJ U518  Law and Psychology  
CJ U520  Communities and Crime  
CJ U522  Comparative Criminal Justice  
CJ U525  Psychology of Crime  
CJ U530  Community-Based Corrections  
CJ U535  Correctional Intervention  
CJ U555  Forensic Science  
CJ U570  Criminal Violence  
CJ U572  Youth Gangs  
CJ U574  Organized Crime  
CJ U575  Political Crime and Terrorism  
CJ U576  Corporate and White-Collar Crime  
CJ U578  Victims of Crime  

**GPA REQUIREMENT**

2.000 GPA required in the minor