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# **Degrees Without Boundaries**

# Bachelor of Science Degree Criminal Justice



Advancing the nation's workforce one graduate at a time

# The Criminal Justice Major

The online bachelor's degree program that will boost your career with the critical skills you need to excel in the field of criminal justice.

# The Program

Beyond the core of criminal justice academic work, the Criminal Justice bachelor's degree prepares students for a variety of roles in the field, including corrections, offender rehabilitation, substance abuse counseling, conflict resolution, policy development, law enforcement, and law.

Students who graduate with a degree in Criminal Justice will be able to:

- explain the scope and nature of three major components of the criminal justice system: police, courts, and corrections
- apply the theoretical models that attempt to explain the causes of crime
- explain how the fair and just operation of the criminal justice system is dependent upon the ethical and professional behavior of those working in the criminal justice system
- apply research and statistics to the analysis of data
- communicate effectively

# The Criminal Justice Major Curriculum

Major Requirements:	
CRJ 101 Criminal Justice	CRJ 315 Race, Class, Gender
PSY 101 Psychology	POL 321 Constitutional Law
MAT 105 Statistics or PSY 216 Statistics for	CRJ 325 Ethics in Criminal Justice
Behavioral Science	PSY 410 Research Methods
CRJ 215 Criminology	CRJ 495 Capstone

#### Criminal Justice majors must complete 15 credits from one of the two concentrations below:

General Criminal Justice	Victim Advocacy
Suggested for:	Suggested for:
Law enforcement	Probation Officers
Corrections	Correctional Treatment Specialist
Judicial Marshals	Social Workers
Including, but not limited to:	Including, but not limited to:
CRJ 210 Forensic Science	CRJ 340 Domestic & Sexual Violence
CRJ 335 Victimology	CRJ 335 Victimology
CRJ 360 Homeland Security	CRJ 405 Victim's Rights
PLG 211 Criminal Law	CRJ 355 Mental Health/Substance Abuse in
PSY 333 Social Psychology	Criminal Justice
PSY 336 Abnormal Psychology	PSY 333 Social Psychology & Deviance
SOC 320 Urban Youth in America	PSY 336 Abnormal Psychology
SOC 449 Social Problems in the Workplace	SOC 241 Juvenile Delinquency

### Already a law enforcement professional? Consider the Public Safety Administration Major

The degree is for personnel already established in the field and looking for career advancement. The PSA major allows you to share your professional experience in an academic setting with your peers from all over the country while you learn from others.

For more information go to www.CharterOak.edu or call 860-515-3701.



### Academic Requirements

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- General Education: Minimum of 40 credits
- Major: Minimum of 42 credits
- Elective credits: To bring the total to 120 credits
- 30 credits must be at the upper level
- At least 60 of the 120 credits need to be in liberal arts subjects

#### Academic Residency

Cornerstone: All students must successfully complete the three-credit Cornerstone Seminar (IDS 101).

Capstone: Students preparing to graduate with a bachelor's degree must complete the Criminal Justice Capstone at Charter Oak State College with a grade of "C" or higher.

### Use the credits you've earned! We accept credits from:

- College-level examinations
- Non-collegiate courses evaluated by American Council on Education (ACE) or National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS)
- · ACE evaluated military credit
- Most credits earned at other regionally-accredited institutions including up to 87 credits from two year colleges
- · Credit for qualified academy training and military service



"Based on several conversations with friends and coworkers who went to either a four-year college immediately following high school or graduated after part-time studies at a traditional institution, I believe I received an education at Charter Oak that was not just comparable (which I would have been very happy with) but was exceptional to their traditional academic experiences." Ruth Garby Torres, Former Connecticut State Police Officer, '08

"I had a fantastic experience at Charter Oak. The staff was extremely helpful. It was easy to get enrolled and navigating through the classes was simple. Charter Oak's best attributes have to be the instructors. They are top notch. Most are current professionals in the field that they teach. The level of knowledge and expertise that each instructor brings to the class is invaluable."

Retired Lieutenant Pete Bergenholtz, Commander of the Hartford Police Academy, '10

# Advance your Career...Change your Life

Charter Oak State College is Connecticut's public online college offering associate and bachelor's degree completion programs in a number of high-demand fields including Cyber Security, Public Safety Administration, and Business Administration. Our students complete degrees through the use of our online courses and by combining other sources of credit. Our institution is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

"Charter Oak was a perfectly sized institution; not so small that course offerings were limited, and not so big that you couldn't talk to a real human being when you called...it is "right sized," allowing professors, counselors, and staff to know their students and help them through challenging circumstances. It's the niche Charter Oak holds over other institutions."

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