



LOS ANGELES PACIFIC
UNIVERSITY



Bachelor of Science in **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

A successful criminal justice career requires a broad knowledge base for the major elements of police work, criminal law and procedure, risk analysis and response, and investigative processes and procedure. The online Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice equips students with professional knowledge and practical skills in criminal justice while integrating a Christian worldview.

Los Angeles Pacific University offers students the opportunity to choose from multiple concentrations to specialize in their field of interest. Recommended concentrations for this program are highlighted on the following page.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Careers in the field of criminal justice include the areas of criminology, law enforcement, courts, and corrections. For many occupations within the field, a four-year undergraduate degree is considered an entry-level requirement. Occupations in this rapidly growing field include probation officers and correctional treatment specialists; detective or criminal investigators; forensic science technicians; patrol officers; and paralegals.

Students will also be equipped to continue their studies in graduate programs in criminal justice, criminology, law, or related fields.

Highlights

- Integrate biblical concepts and principles with discipline-specific topics and domains
- Develop professional competencies in criminal justice
- Demonstrate effective critical thinking and creative problem-solving skills
- Utilize appropriate research concepts and processes in the analysis of criminal justice issues, practices, and trends
- Apply principles of Christian ethics in response to ethical dilemmas and issues

At A Glance

Program Credits

General Education Core: **31**

Program Requisites: **12**

Major Requirements: **45**

Electives: **32**

Total Credits to Graduate: **120**

Cost Per Credit: \$499

COURSEWORK

The Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree requires the following coursework. For more information, please visit: lapu.edu/programs/ba-criminal-justice/program-details

General Education Core 31 Credits	Students pursuing any of LAPU's bachelor's degrees are encouraged to complete the General Education Core before starting their major requirements. Prior coursework from regionally accredited colleges/universities may be transferred to meet the General Education Core requirements. View the LAPU Undergraduate Catalog for course details.		
In order to earn the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree, students must complete the following required courses while achieving a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.0 in their major courses.			
Program Requisites 12 credits	CRJU 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
	CRJU 280	Crime and Criminology	3
	CRJU 290	The Police Function	3
	STAT 280	Applied Statistics	3
	CRJU 300	Criminal Justice Research Methodology	3
	CRJU 320	Criminal Law, Substantive	3
	CRJU 330	Crime and Delinquency	3
	CRJU 340	Critical Issues in Criminal Justice	3
	CRJU 350	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
	CRJU 370	The Adjudication Function	3
	CRJU 380	Professional Writing	3
	CRJU 390	Criminal Investigation	3
	CRJU 410	Corrections	3
	CRJU 420	Terrorism and Homeland Security	3
	CRJU 430	Principles of Public Administration	3
	CRJU 440	Constitutional Law	3
	CRJU 450	Forensics	3
	CRJU 460	Risk Analysis and Security	3
	CRJU 490	Criminal Justice Capstone/Senior Project	3
Major Requirements 45 credits			
Electives 32 credits	Students may choose from any 100-400 level course in the LAPU Academic Catalog . Students may also choose a 15-credit Concentration as part of their Electives.		
Recommended Concentration Students may choose a 15-credit Concentration as part of their Electives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Psychology • Criminal Behavior • Cultural Psychology • Human Services 		

Students may also apply credit toward the fulfillment of LAPU's requirements through Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) and previous coursework from regionally accredited colleges/universities.

Total	120 credits
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