

Western Carolina University, Cullowhee - Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with Administration of Justice Concentration

WCU's Criminal Justice Online Program has been rated as a #1 Best Buy in the Get Educated rankings.

"Online learning allows consumers to choose among America's best colleges in terms of local brand reputation and affordability," says Vicky Phillips, founder of GetEducated.com. "Western Carolina University is an undisputed Best Buy for students searching for an online degree with a top affordability ranking."

Online students in North Carolina pay a low cost of \$13,937 for this degree compared to average costs of \$44,799 at other institutions or \$63,000 at for-profit universities for the same degree.

WCU's Criminal Justice Online Program gives students the convenience and flexibility to pursue a B.S. or minor from their own location while preparing for a professional career or further graduate study.

All the online program's courses are accessed through the Blackboard course management system—all instructional activities such as lectures, group interactions, reading assignments, class projects, presentations, submission of assignments, e-mail exchange, test administration, and other course functions occur within the Blackboard environment.

Only students with: (1) a minimum one year of experience working in the criminal justice field, and (2) who have completed their Associates degree or who have completed their "44 General Core" courses that satisfy the General Education/Liberal Studies requirement for a North Carolina community college are admitted to this program.

Additional Information: <https://www.wcu.edu/learn/departments-schools-colleges/cas/social-sciences/crimcj/cj-online.aspx>

Major Core Requirements

Concentration Core

- CJ 305: Social Justice and the Law - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 343: Criminal Procedure and Judicial Process - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 434: Legal Liability and Criminal Justice Personnel - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 439: Criminal Justice Management - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 470: Criminal Justice Policy - 3 credit(s)

Concentration Electives

- CJ 322: Stress Management in Criminal Justice Professions - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 358: Computer Applications & Criminal Justice - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 363: Geographic Information Systems in Criminal Justice - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 365: Cyber Crimes - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 385: Issues in Correctional Treatment - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 425: Police Practices and Problems - 3 credit(s)
- CJ 438: Minorities, Crime and Social Policy - 3 credit(s)
- EDM 360: Asset Protection & Critical Infrastructure - 3 credit(s)
- EDM 435: Homeland Security - 3 credit(s)
- EDM 457: Terrorism - 3 credit(s)

Additional Major Electives

Take 15 hours of major elective courses and/or additional hours in the Concentration Core or the Concentration Electives

General Electives

Western Carolina University is a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

Core Capabilities

Cybersecurity

Health and Social Services

On-scene Security, Protection and Law Enforcement

Core Competencies

Abide by Professional Ethics

Community Engagement

Leadership

Possess Critical Thinking

Scientific Literacy

Value Continual Learning

Internship is optional

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