Professionals with a deep commitment to upholding and understanding the law are critical for the preservation of a democratic society. At Saint Joseph's the criminal justice program seeks to cultivate students who are hard-wired with a sense of honesty, fairness and integrity, and prepare them for productive and rewarding careers in law enforcement and social service.

Closely related to the study of sociology, criminal justice majors explore everything from the causes of crime and social deviance to criminal courts. Coursework covers issues related to drugs and alcohol, gender and race and mental health. Internships are available in a wide range of sites, including the Philadelphia District Attorney’s office, the Federal Public Defender’s Office in Camden, N.J., the New Jersey State Police, Victim Witness Services, and Special Victims Unit.

Majoring in criminal justice prepares students for a wide variety of careers. The emphasis on theory and research practice coupled with the use of computer and Internet technology help students develop practical skills that are indispensable in the pursuit of employment. Criminal justice graduates have secured jobs in traditional law enforcement fields such as corrections, courts, police, and probation; in administrative and management positions in the field of criminal justice and law enforcement; and in law and paralegal occupations.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR:

- Visit the Criminal Justice Department’s Website: http://www.sju.edu/int/academics/cas/criminaljustice/index.html
- Visit the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Support Center, located in Barbelin 122
- Contact the Criminal Justice Department to schedule a meeting with a faculty member by calling (610) 660-1681
- Speak with current students in the major
- Schedule an appointment with the Career Development Center (610-660-3100)

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE?

Whatever you put your mind to! You can learn much more at www.onetonline.org. Following are descriptions of just a few of the careers you might pursue:

**Fraud Investigator:** Obtains evidence, takes statements, produces reports, and testifies to findings regarding resolution of fraud allegations. May coordinate fraud detection and prevention activities.

**Immigration and Customs Inspector:** Investigates and inspects persons, common carriers, goods, and merchandise, arriving in or departing from the United States or between states to detect violations of immigration and customs laws and regulations.

**Intelligence Analyst:** Gathers, analyzes, and evaluates information from a variety of sources, such as law enforcement databases, surveillance, intelligence networks and geographic information systems. Use data to anticipate and prevent organized crime activities, such as terrorism.
**Paralegal:** Assists lawyers by researching legal precedent, investigating facts, or preparing legal documents. Conducts research to support a legal proceeding, to formulate a defense, or to initiate legal action.

**Police Officer:** Patrols assigned area to enforce laws and ordinances, regulate traffic, control crowds, prevent crime, and arrest violators.

**HOW CAN I ENGAGE MY INTEREST IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?**

There are so many opportunities to get involved at Saint Joseph’s University and beyond – and to develop experience in your major while doing so! Here are just a few:

- Alpha Kappa Delta
- Summer Scholars
- Weekly Service
- American Criminal Justice Association

**OUTCOMES – A CLOSER LOOK AT SJU GRADUATES WITH DEGREES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE:**

As depicted in the chart below, the majority of new graduates have started their careers in the Law Enforcement/Military field. Many others have selected a variety of industries. (Data from Saint Joseph’s University Career Development Center’s Post-Graduation Survey, 2008 – 2012.)

Here is a sampling of positions our graduates have accepted:

- Investigator
- Project Analyst
- Assistant Manager
- ABA Instructor
- Police Officer
- Second Lieutenant - Special Tactics Officer
- Customer Service Representative
- Development Coordinator
- Assistant Manager
- Guest Experience Executive
- Law Enforcement Technician
- Account Coordinator
- Legal Assistant
- Store Detective
- Investigative Services Police Dispatcher

![Criminal Justice Majors' Chosen Industries](chart.png)
Organizations that have hired our graduates include:

- Anne Arundel Police
- Elwyn
- US Armed Forces
- Target Corporation
- Agway
- US Investigations Services
- Transportation Resource Associates
- Catholic Leadership Institute
- Extra Innings
- United States Airforce
- Department of Homeland Security
- Security Resources, Inc
- Wilentz Goldman and Spitzer, P.A.
- Morgan Stanley

**Average Starting Salary – Criminal Justice Majors – Classes of 2008 – 2012**

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Some of the graduate schools in which our new graduates have continued their education, in programs including Social Sciences and Law:

- Saint Joseph’s University
- Fairleigh Dickinson
- Seton Hall University
- Temple University
- Brooklyn Law School

**FURTHER ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR MAJOR AND CAREER OPTIONS**

The Career Development Center can help you with the process of choosing a major and exploring your career options. For assistance, please call 610-660-3100 to schedule an appointment to meet with a Career Counselor.

**GETTING THE JOB-SAMPLE CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESUME -below**
Daniel Drexel  
1234 State Street Bronx, New York 10465-3945 
phone.(718) 916-3428  email.ja484130@sju.edu

EDUCATION:

Saint Joseph’s University  
Philadelphia, PA  
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice  
GPA: 3.55  Dean’s List (2009 – Present)

EXPERIENCE:

NYPD Partners in Education Internship Program  
New York, New York  
Intern  
May 2013 - August 2013

- Selected by the NYPD to intern at Manhattan Criminal Court
- Assigned to the District Attorney’s Office
- Visited Family Court and Midtown Community Court
- Processed Desk Appearance Tickets (DATs)
- Performed court room observations
- Studied the Arrest - to - Arraignment process specific to Manhattan

Niagara Falls Police Department  
Niagara Falls, NY  
Intern, Domestic Violence Investigative Unit  
January 2013 - May 2013

- Reviewed Domestic Incident Reports and completed paperwork for advocate use
- Used complex filing system to prepare domestic violence histories
- Prepared for and observed Domestic Violence Court
- Performed ride along with detective, observed investigations
- Gained familiarity with the activities of the DA’s office, Police Department, and Criminal Court, as they pertain to Domestic Violence

Saint Joseph’s University  
Philadelphia, PA  
Resident Assistant  
August 2012 - Present

- Community builder
- Serve as a resource for residents
- Uphold community standards
- Plan monthly programs
- Write duty logs and incident reports

Inside-Out Program at PICC  
Philadelphia, PA  
Student  
January 2012 - May 2012

- University run class which explores crime and justice behind the walls of the prison system
- One of eight undergraduate students accepted into this course
- Discussed freedom-related issues with a group of inmates & a group of SJU students
- Interacted with the inmates & developed ideas on how to better the prison system

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE:

- Member of Alpha Kappa Delta (United Chapters of Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society)
- Saint Joseph’s University Students Run Philly Style

COMPUTER SKILLS:

- Proficient in Statistical Package of the Social Sciences (SPSS)
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Software