



MERRIMACK COLLEGE

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & SOCIAL POLICY



CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Students in Merrimack’s Criminology & Criminal Justice major are taught the theoretical perspectives and various research methods that criminologists utilize to systematically study the many aspects of crime. Additionally, our program provides students with hands-on opportunities to work in various criminal justice, legal, social service, and community agencies where the student is expected to apply the skills and knowledge they have gained in their Criminology & Criminal Justice courses.

ENGAGING COURSEWORK

A dynamic curriculum builds strong practical knowledge from introductory classes through to specialized coursework.

All Criminology & Criminal Justice majors must take Introduction to Criminology (CRM 1000). In addition, students are required to take a minimum of ten courses from among the Department’s offerings.

A selection of program coursework includes:

- CRM 1200 Inequality and Justice in Life and Literature
- CRM 2200 Corporate and White Collar Crime
- CRM 3000 Society And Law
- CRM 4000 Research Methods in Criminology

REWARDING CAREER PATHS

With a degree in Criminology & Criminal Justice, students are prepared to enter a number of areas of work. The Criminology & Criminal Justice program provides students with the necessary preparation and background to pursue a career such as law, criminal justice, conflict resolution, or social work.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Criminology & Criminal Justice Internship Program

Through our required internship program, students work in various criminal justice and legal agencies where they apply criminological reasoning to their supervised fieldwork experiences. The internship allows students to experience possible career options; to learn from professionals working in the field; to consider post-graduate education; to engage in their community and to establish valuable contacts for future full-time employment. Sample locations include:

- U.S. Probation Office
- Essex County Sheriff’s Department
- Department of Children & Families
- Department of Youth Services
- Court Service Center
- Boys and Girls Club
- YWCA Women’s Shelter
- Essex County District Attorney’s Office
- United Teen Equality
- Local Police Departments

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QUESTIONS?

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