

Criminal Justice Mission Statement

The Criminal Justice Department provides students with knowledge and skills in basic laws, the criminal justice system, law enforcement, and correction while creating learners with the ability to communicate effectively, think critically, and respond to the needs of the diverse communities in which they may work.

Criminal Justice Outcomes

The students will:

1. Utilize critical thinking to identify facts and evidence in order to make decisions in the criminal justice system and apply the law.
2. Prepare written reports and documents relating to criminal justice.
3. Compare the roles of the core criminal justice agencies within each of the three components of the criminal justice system.
4. Identify the elements of common and major crimes.
5. Demonstrate best practices relating to community policing and law enforcement community relations.
6. Manage a crime scene by identifying forms of evidence, demonstrating proper methods for preserving evidence, and writing the report.
7. Explain the importance of ethical decision-making.
8. Describe the personal impact of a career in criminal justice.
9. Demonstrate awareness of the diverse and multicultural components within their community.