

Bachelor of Science in **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**



Earning Potential

According to the department of Labor and Bureau Statistics (BLS), the national average salary for:

- Police Officer is:
\$70,740
- Detective/Criminal Investigator is:
\$90,370
- Bailiffs, Correctional Officers and Jailers is:
\$53,380
- Fish/Game Warden is:
\$58,190
- Private Detective/Investigator is:
\$60,970
- Paralegal/Legal Assistant is:
\$58,330

Delivery Options

- Downtown
- Northwest
- Online

Contact

- 713.221.8943

UHD offers two undergraduate degree options for students planning to enter the criminal justice field and other areas of public service! The objective of both degrees is to prepare you for professional and managerial careers as well as research positions and graduate study.

- Option 1: BSCJ: This degree is designed for students just beginning their university studies and those who transfer academic course credit from other 4-year universities or community colleges.
- Option 2: BAAS-CJ” The BAAS-CJ offers a seamless transfer from community college for A.A.S. graduates. In addition, students who haven't completed an A.A.S. degree but have completed the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Basic Peace Officer Certificate are also eligible to enter the B.A.A.S. program and receive up to 36 hours of workforce credit toward the degree.

UHD's Criminal Justice degrees teach you to integrate theory, empirical validation, and practical application. You'll develop strong communication and analytical skills by analyzing:

- The definition and measurement of crime
- Society's efforts to prevent and control crime
- The behavior of the criminal justice system and its components
- The causes of crime

About the Program

Both the BSCJ and BAAS-CJ are 120-credit-hour programs. You will receive practical experience from accomplished professors. There are a variety of classes to help you discover what branch of criminal justice is the right fit for you.

Students may engage with our Field Experience (Internship) Director to approve a 120- or 240-hour internship with a criminal justice agency or a community partner.

Criminal Justice majors and faculty engage in high profile research and service learning projects with criminal justice and related agencies and organizations that benefit the local community. These partnerships include: Houston Police Department, Harris County Sheriff's Office, City of Houston Mayor, Harris County District Courts, Children at Risk, The Beacon Center, Children Assessment Center and more.

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Affiliated Student Organizations

The Professional Society of Criminal Justice Students promotes the academic, professional and social success of its members. It provides career resources and creates a strong support system for students and provides opportunities for community service.

Alpha Phi Sigma is a national criminal justice honor society that recognizes academic excellence of both undergraduate and graduate students of criminal justice. Alpha Phi Sigma students are involved in community service and sponsor on and off campus events related to criminal justice.



Next Steps

Applicants must complete and submit all of the following items:

- Apply for admissions online via Apply Texas: goapplytexas.org
- Submit your \$35 application fee
- Apply for Financial Aid fafsa.gov
- Fulfill Testing Requirements uhd.edu/testing
- Get Advised and Register uhd.edu/academics/advising
- Pay for Classes uhd.edu/cashiers
- Prepare for Class

For more information, visit:
uhd.edu/admissions



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