

# What can I do with a major in "Criminal Justice"?

## The University of Georgia Career Center

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*This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.*

### Description of Criminal Justice

At The University of Georgia, Criminal Justice (CJ) operates as an interdisciplinary program that draws its courses primarily from the social sciences and humanities in Arts and Sciences. A CJ major leads to a Bachelor of Arts Degree and offers undergraduate students the opportunity to pursue studies leading to a career in administration of justice, related fields, or select professional and graduate programs. Career opportunities for students who study CJ are vast. In fact, those who seek employment immediately after completing their degree generally have good prospects in such areas as local, state, and some federal law enforcement, state and federal probation and parole, correctional counseling, court services and administration, juvenile justice and family services, and private security.

### Research Careers

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O\*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

### Possible Job Titles of Criminal Justice Graduates

(\*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Accounts Representative*	Detective*	Medical Examiner*
Assistant Facility Manager *	Enforcement Agent*	Paralegal*
Benefits Specialist*	Family Services Coordinator*	Parole Officer*
Border Patrol Agent*	Juvenile Probation Specialist*	Police Officer*
Case Worker*	Legal Advocate*	Probation Officer*
Contract Administration Rep*	Legal Associate*	Real Estate Paralegal*
Court Clerk*	Loss Prevention Consultant*	Social Worker*
Credit Manager*	Management Trainee*	Systems Consultant*
Crime Scene Technician*	Manager*	Teacher*
Deputy Sheriff*	Marketing Analyst*	Victim's Advocate*

### Possible Employers of Criminal Justice Graduates

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AETNA*	GA Bureau of Investigation*	RBM of Atlanta*
Athens Clarke County*	GA Dept. of Corrections*	Republic Western Insurance Co.*
Athens-Clarke County Police*	GA State Probation Office*	State of Georgia*
Belk Inc.*	Garcia, Rose, & Wiltshire, LLC*	The ATF*
BellSouth*	Gwinnett County Schools*	The City of Perry*
Boeing Company*	Inst. for Family Centered Services*	The University of Georgia*
Clarke County Solicitor General*	Nat's Landing*	U.S. Airforce*
Cobb Co. Community Center*	Neal & Robinson, LLC*	U.S. Capitol Police*
Domestic Violence Shelter*	Nordstrom's Stores*	Weil, Gotchal, & Manges*
Enterprise Rent-a-Car*	Office of Child Support Services*	Wells Fargo Financial Corp*

### **Career Center Library Resources**

*Barron's Guide to Law Enforcement Careers* by Barron's Educational Series  
*Careers for Courageous People and Other Adventurous Types* by Jan Goldberg  
*Careers for Legal Eagles and Other Law and Order Types* by Blythe Camenson  
*Careers in Criminology* by Marilyn Morgan  
*Federal Resume Guidebook, 3rd Ed.* by Katherine Troutman  
*Federal Law Enforcement Careers* by Thomas Ackerman  
*Job Seeker's Guide: Ten Steps to a Federal Job* by Katherine Troutman  
*Your Criminal Justice Career: A Guidebook* by The Justice Research Association  
*The Student's Federal Career Guide* by Katherine Troutman

### **Campus Resources**

CJ Society - <http://sites.google.com/site/ugacriminaljusticesociety/>  
Alpha Phi Sigma CJ Honor Society - <http://www.uga.edu/crimjust/aps.html>

### **Employment Websites**

**The Justice Research and Statistics Association** - <http://www.jrsa.org/about/index.html>  
**Bureau of Justice Statistics** - <http://www.bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov>  
**International Justice Statistics** - <http://www.bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/ijs.cfm>  
**Federal Bureau of Investigation** - <http://www.fbi.gov/>  
**Law Enforcement Agencies & Careers/Job Postings** - <http://www.officer.com/>  
**United States Department of Justice** - <http://www.usdoj.gov/>  
**The connection corrections Network News** - <http://www.corrections.com/networks/careers>

### **Additional Resources**

**American Bar Association** - [www.abanet.org/](http://www.abanet.org/)  
**American Criminal Justice Assoc.** - [www.acjalae.org](http://www.acjalae.org)  
**American Society of Criminology** - [www.asc41.com](http://www.asc41.com)  
**National Assoc. of Legal Assistants** - [www.nala.org/](http://www.nala.org/)  
**National Criminal Justice Assoc.** - [www.ncja.org](http://www.ncja.org)  
**National Fed. of Paralegal Assoc.** - [www.paralegals.org](http://www.paralegals.org)  
**Archive of Criminal Justice Data** - <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/NACJD>  
**National Criminal Justice Service** - [www.ncjrs.gov](http://www.ncjrs.gov)