

Faculty

Our faculty has graduated from top doctoral programs. They are dedicated to assisting students with their educational needs and local agencies with research.

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**The University of Texas at
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**Come Explore the
On-Campus
Bachelors of Arts
in
Criminal Justice**



Our Mission

The mission of the Criminal Justice department is to help students develop skills in critical thinking, writing, and understanding basic concepts and research findings in order to help them in future career pursuits.

Advising

Full-time undergraduate advisor, Alejandra Gutiérrez, is a UTEP Criminal Justice alum and is available for any questions regarding our degree programs or transfer hours. Email her at agutierrez21@utep.edu, or schedule your appointment today at <https://calendly.com/agutierrez21>.

On Campus B.A. Criminal Justice Requirements

The student will complete a minimum of 120 semester hours, including at least 45 at the advanced (33XX-43XX) level.

- ⇒ Fulfill the general education core requirements of 43 hours for the Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Liberal Arts.
- ⇒ Complete 36 hours of Criminal Justice courses.
 - * Criminal Justice core classes: CRIJ 1301, CRIJ 3300, CRIJ 3313 and CRIJ 4312.
 - * Complete 3 courses from the following: CRIJ 1306, 1310, 2313, or 2328.
 - * Complete 15 hours in Criminal Justice courses of your choice with at least 12 hours in upper (33XX-43XX) division.
- ⇒ Complete a minor of at least 18 hours, nine of which must be at the advanced (33XX-43XX) level. The minor field must be selected from a discipline different from the declared major. Credit for courses taken to fulfill the minor may not be used to satisfy the major or general education core requirements.
- ⇒ Complete 6 hours of a sophomore level (23XX) foreign language. Pre-requisites may exist for some of the languages offered.
- ⇒ Complete a total of 18 hours of block elective courses to bring the total semester hours of credit to 120. Elective credit cannot be used in meeting any other degree requirement. Electives must be at the advanced (33XX-43XX) level.

Internship Opportunities

Internships allow CJ majors to:

- ⇒ Earn up to 6 upper level credits (3 per semester) toward your CJ degree requirements.
- ⇒ Obtain experience in the field.
- ⇒ Make contacts with Criminal Justice agencies of interest.

Internship Requirements:

- ⇒ Must be a Criminal Justice Major
- ⇒ CJ GPA must be 3.0+
- ⇒ All lower level CJ courses must be completed
- ⇒ Must need upper division CJ electives

To see all requirements and the list of participating agencies please visit our department website academics.utep.edu/criminaljustice and contact Allison Rojek, our internship coordinator, for more details at amrojek@utep.edu.

