

NORTH PARK UNIVERSITY

BA OR BGS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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REQUIRED COURSES:

Adult Learning Core courses

2 courses - 8 semester hours

- GS 2050 Strategies and Technologies
for Professional Development
4 sh
- GS 2080 Writing for the Disciplines 4 sh

Criminal Justice Major courses

11 courses - 36 semester hours

- CJ 3000 Introduction to Criminal
Justice 4 sh
- CJ 3100 Research Methods in Criminal
Justice 4 sh
- CJ 3200 Correctional Services 4 sh
- CJ 3300 Juvenile Justice System 4 sh
- CJ 3400 Criminal Procedure 2 sh
- CJ 3500 Criminal Law 2 sh
- CJ 4000 Law Enforcement
Administration 2 sh
- CJ 4100 Urban Communities and
Crime 4 sh
- CJ 4200 Restorative Justice 2 sh
- CJ 4300 Professional Issues, Ethics, and
Diversity 4 sh
- CJ 4400 Practicum in Criminal
Justice 4 sh

The major in criminal justice blends a strong foundation of liberal arts with professional course work which prepares students for a broad range of careers in criminal justice. Examines the causes, prevention, and control of crimes, as well as the foundational theories and policies relevant to the criminal justice system. Students develop a comprehensive understanding of criminology, research methods, management, ethics, criminal law and procedure, corrections, and juvenile and restorative justice. Grounded in an urban context, the practicum allows for students to apply theory to real life situations in a variety of work settings. Intended for sworn police officers as well as students hoping to enter a variety of settings such as law enforcement, private security, judiciary, corrections, victim assistance, probation, parole, federal service, and social service agencies. Provides a strong foundation for graduate study in criminal justice or law; may be helpful to those students interested in social work.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Working adults who want to complete their bachelor's degree in an accelerated, values-based learning environment.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- at least 12 sh from an accredited college or university;
- at least 2.0 gpa (on a 4.0 scale);
- free online application;
- official transcripts from all colleges attended.

Prospective students may fax applications and unofficial transcripts for the initial evaluation.

COST:

\$490/semester hour. Ask about scholarships.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Initial registration and orientation via School of Adult Learning advisor. Returning students register online or by phone.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Year-round calendar with six intensive seven-week sessions.

DELIVERY MODE:

Face-to-face with some online options.

LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

UC facilities in Grayslake.

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Textbooks may be purchased online through the North Park University bookstore website.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Students may transfer a maximum of 90 semester hours of credit from a community college or up to 90 semester hours of credit from an accredited four-year college or university. Courses will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

Minimum of 120 semester hours, including all major and general education requirements.

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Office of Student Administrative Services:
(773) 244-5560.

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Credit for Prior Learning Opportunities: Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) is a systematic process by which School of Adult Learning students may earn academic credit for prior learning gained outside of a traditional classroom setting. College-level learning is awarded when the student is able to demonstrate learning, whether from informal life experience, professional training, certification, licensure, or any other source. North Park University is distinctively Christian, urban and multicultural.