

bachelor's degree

on campus/online

Criminal Justice

Degree Type: Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
Program Length: 4 years (120 credit hours)



What Can You Do With a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice?

Criminal justice encompasses many different fields, including social services, law, business and education. With a criminal justice degree from McNeese, you may qualify for a variety of jobs in areas such as law enforcement, probation and parole, military service and private investigation.

- Paralegal or Legal Assistant
- Court Reporter
- Probation or Parole Officer
- Crime Scene Investigator
- Juvenile Justice Specialist
- Police Officer or Detective
- Correctional Treatment Specialist
- Private Detective

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WHY MCNEESE?

Here are just a few reasons to make McNeese your first choice ...



Scholarships and Financial Aid:

Private scholarships, such as the Chief Sam Ivey Criminal Justice Scholarship, can help you pay for college and reduce the amount of debt you have at graduation.

Applied Learning:

Explore your interests while completing up to three internships at social science-related agencies and local organizations such as law enforcement offices, juvenile justice centers and district attorney's offices.

Expert Faculty:

In addition to sharing their expertise and passion with undergraduate students at McNeese, faculty experienced in law enforcement, military service and juvenile justice actively serve the community as expert witnesses, consultants, trainers and more. The criminal justice program also relies on the support of adjunct faculty who are practitioners in the criminal justice system.

Community Partnerships:

Working with Calcasieu Parish sheriffs, McNeese and Lake Charles police officers, representatives from the Office of Juvenile Justice Services and the casino security industry, McNeese has established formal relationships with governmental agencies, businesses and industries that protect and improve public safety in Southwest Louisiana.

Department of Social Sciences

The Department of Social Sciences offers every student an opportunity to broaden their knowledge and increase their understanding of mankind's past and present governmental and social endeavors, including studies in anthropology, geography and philosophy.

Earn Your Degree Online

Through a partnership with LSU-Eunice and SOWELA, McNeese offers all criminal justice coursework online, so you can access class information and assignments when and where you choose. This online format allows you to complete the program in an accelerated time frame. Alternatively, you can take one or two online classes during each of two seven-week sessions offered twice each fall and spring semester to earn your bachelor's degree in the traditional four-year period.

Police Officer Training

The first program of its kind in Louisiana, McNeese's Police Officer Standards Training course allows you to become a certified police officer while earning 12 credit hours toward your bachelor's degree in criminal justice. After completing the program at the Calcasieu Parish Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy, you may serve as a reserve officer while completing a community-based internship.

Service-Learning

As an undergraduate student, you may have opportunities to gain professional experience while serving organizations in the local community. For example, criminal justice majors have worked directly with local public and private agencies in the criminal justice system conducting policy analysis, addressing litigation matters and more.

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