



Criminology

Why Study Criminology at TCNJ?

The nationally recognized Criminology program at the TCNJ School of Humanities and Social Sciences challenges students with an innovative curriculum and an emphasis on critical thinking, problem-solving, and communications skills. Our students gain a deep understanding of the social science of criminology, learning and practicing the tools, methods, and institutions deployed across the criminal justice system. Instructed and mentored by dedicated faculty, TCNJ Criminology graduates are well prepared to succeed in a range of criminal justice careers or in top graduate schools.

Programs of Study

The Criminology program offers options for a Criminology major and a Criminology minor, as well as a Quantitative Criminology minor offered in partnership with the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. All classes are small and discussion based, fostering a focused, close-knit learning community.

Students benefit from:

- **Undergraduate exposure to graduate-level course content** — including geospatial crime analysis and data management and analysis
- **The flexibility to customize studies and earn a dual degree** — pairing criminology with biology, chemistry, psychology, international studies, or statistics
- **Experiential learning and real-world application**
- **Opportunities for study abroad and community engagement**
- **Instruction and mentorship from faculty with critical expertise and experience**

Recent Criminology Internships:

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
Centurion
County Prosecutor's Office
Drug Enforcement Administration
Federal Bureau of Investigation
ISLES
Local Law Enforcement Agencies
New Jersey Department of Corrections
New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness
New Jersey State Police
Penn Vet Working Dog Center
U.S. Marshals

Real-World Experience and Engagement

Criminology students at TCNJ are encouraged to apply learning with internships in their areas of interest. Through school-assisted placement or their own connections, our students have interned with impressive federal, state, and local government



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organizations, as well as non-profits and private companies. Students can also pursue independent study programs or choose to engage in faculty-led research, which may include opportunities to publish in peer-reviewed journals or present at conferences.

Accomplished, Dedicated Faculty

TCNJ Criminology faculty are committed to supporting our students and their future paths by bringing their expertise, wisdom and experience — from policing to policymaking — to the classroom and beyond. Each student has a faculty mentor to help guide and advise throughout the program.

A Criminology Degree from TCNJ Opens Doors

TCNJ Criminology graduates have the critical thinking, communications, and analytic skills to pursue a breadth of criminal justice careers in the public and private sector — or to further their studies at the nation's top criminology or law programs.

Employers:

Borgata Hotel and Casino
Central Intelligence Agency
Citibank
E*Trade
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Independence Blue Cross
Johnson & Johnson
New Jersey State Police
U.S. Attorney's Office
U.S. Secret Service
United States Park Police
Volunteers of America

Graduate Schools:

Arizona State University
Rutgers University – Newark
University at Albany
University of Maryland
University of Pennsylvania

Law Schools:

College of William & Mary
Cornell University
Harvard University
Seton Hall University
University of Southern California
University of Virginia

Take the Next Step

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