



Undergraduate Concentration

Juvenile Justice Studies

24 degree credits • accepted in bachelor's degrees • **Multidisciplinary Studies • Psychology • Human Services**

Juvenile Justice Studies provide students interested in working with adolescents and the juvenile justice system with a solid introduction to the history of youth services; current theories of adolescent development; and the impact of community disadvantage, child abuse and neglect on behavior. Students develop skills in vital areas such as suicide assessment, crisis intervention, and family mediation. They gain understanding of the complex factors that contribute to adolescent behavior, its impact, and societal responses. Particular emphasis is given to current practices and research on successful treatment models. Gender-specific concerns related to female status offenses and delinquency are explored across the continuum of courses. Students gain skills to address youth issues in the context of government agencies and community organizations.

In order to apply concepts learned in class, students may participate in an elective internship providing service in youth facilities, community programs, and probation offices.

Further Study & Careers — Students may go on to graduate study in juvenile justice, criminal justice, forensic psychology, youth development and advocacy, family studies, addiction studies, and counseling. Career possibilities include juvenile residential and community-based programs, state and private non-profit agencies, probation departments, violence prevention, child protection and youth advocacy.



Required Courses 12 credits

PSY330	Adolescents in Search of Belonging	3
PSY350	Introduction to Juvenile Justice	3
PSY359	Understanding Child Abuse & Neglect.	3
PSY430	Global Justice for Youth	3

Juvenile Justice Techniques choose 6 credits

BHS376	Internet Research Methods of Juvenile Justice	1
BHS377	Legal Processes in Reporting Suspected Abuse & Neglect.	1
MAN350	Principles of Supervision	1
MAN360	Risk Management for Residential Programs	1
PSY343	Youth & Gangs	1
PSY351	Adolescents & Addiction.	1
PSY352	Sexual Activity as At-Risk Behavior	1
PSY353	Suicide Assessment	1
PSY354	Crisis Intervention	1
PSY357	Circles I	1
PSY(new)	Circles II	1
PSY358	Bullying Behavior: Shifting the Power	1
PSY360	Adolescent Females & Cutting	1
PSY409	Family Mediation Techniques.	1
PSY425	Program Models for Adjudicated Youth	1

Juvenile Justice Electives choose 6 credits

PSY225	Introduction to Social Justice	3
PSY342	Girls & Delinquency.	3
PSY356	Youth & the Law	3
PSY(new)	Forensic Psychology.	3
PSY415	Violence in American Society	3
PSY435	Restorative Justice & Victim-Offender Reconciliation	3
MAN424	Program Planning & Proposal Writing for Agencies, Schools & Communities	3

PSY470-471 Psychology Internship I-II *or*
BHS470-471 Human Services Internship I-II
one or two terms @ 3 credits 3 or 6

Other electives may be substituted with approval of program coordinator.

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