



# XAVIER UNIVERSITY CAREER SERVICES CENTER

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## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJORS

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### SKILLS & ABILITIES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR

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- Written & presentation skills
- Understanding society's reaction to crime
- Diversity understanding
- Quantitative skills
- Skills in research and scientific methodology
- Critical thinking
- Decision making
- Patience
- Research strategies
- Ethics and moral values
- Interviewing skills
- Background in humanities
- Understanding of the criminal justice system
- Computer literacy
- Analytical skills
- Knowledge of legal structures
- Supervision and management skills

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### POTENTIAL CAREERS

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- Airport Security Officer
- Bailiff
- Body Guard
- Border Patrol Agent
- CIA Agent
- Child Support Worker
- Community Service Coordinator
- Court Administrator
- Court Clerk
- Customs Agent
- Deportation Officer
- Detective
- Discrimination Investigator
- Drug Enforcement Agent
- Employee Agency Recruiter
- Environmental Conservation Officer
- FBI Agent
- Fish & Game Warden
- Housing/Tenant Representative
- Juvenile Court Counselor
- Law Clerk
- Loss Prevention Specialist
- Litigation Manager
- Military Officer
- Naval Investigator
- Paralegal
- Park Ranger
- Police Officer
- Postal Service Investigator
- Pre-Trial Services Officer
- Private Security Officer
- Probation & Parole Officer
- Public Safety Officer
- Secret Service Agent
- Social Worker
- Teacher
- US Customs Agent
- Victim Services Specialist

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## TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

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- State/Federal Correctional Facilities
- County Jails
- Crime Labs
- Liquor Control Commission
- Law Firms
- Local and Federal Courts
- Hotels and Resorts
- Department Stores
- Nuclear Power Plants
- Transportation Services
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Colleges & Universities
- Online Companies
- Large Corporations
- High Schools
- Youth Correctional Facilities
- Corporate Legal Departments
- Women's and Family Shelters
- Immigration and Naturalization Services
- US Federal Government
- Health Care Facilities
- Halfway Houses

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## TOP 10 OCCUPATIONS EMPLOYING PERSONS WITH A BACHELORS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Protective service occupations	33.2%
Top and mid-level managers, executives, administrators	11.8%
Social Workers	8.1%
Other management-related occupations	5.6%
Other administrative (e.g. records clerks, telephone operators)	4.5%
Other service occupations, except health	3.5%
Sales occupations, including retail	3.0%
Insurance, securities, real estate, business services	2.9%
Other marketing and sales occupations	2.5%

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## ACTIVITIES ON THE JOB

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- Administrative and managerial duties are an important part of the job duties of criminal justice graduates.
  - Report writing and record keeping activities demand a substantial amount of time, especially among those employed in public sector jobs.
  - The use of computer applications is becoming a more important component of the work of many criminal justice graduates.
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## POST GRADUATION ACTIVITIES

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- About 20% of all criminal justice graduates with a bachelor's degree earn a post graduate degree.
  - About 13% of criminal justice graduates earn a master's degree.
  - About 6% of criminal justice graduates earn a law degree.
  - About 1% of criminal justice bachelor's degree graduates earn a doctorate
  - About 40% of the masters degrees earned by criminal justice bachelor's degree graduates are earned in criminal justice
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## RELATED BOOKS IN THE CAREER RESOURCE LIBRARY (CLC 530)

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- *Careers in Criminal Justice*
- *Jumpstarting Your Career : An Internship Guide for Criminal Justice*
- *Work in Criminal Justice: An A-Z Guide to Careers*
- *Great Jobs for Criminal Justice Majors*