The Criminal Justice program is multi-disciplinary and encompasses:

**CORRECTIONS**
- Restorative Justice
- Contemporary Issues in Corrections

**RESEARCH SKILLS**
- Proseminar
- Research Design and Analysis

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**
- Terrorism
- Cybercrime
- Bioterrorism
- Crime Mapping
- Counterintelligence
- Corporate and Financial Crime
- Contemporary Issues in Policing
- Advanced Law Enforcement Technology

**LAW, PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE**
- Juvenile Law
- Applied Legal Studies
- Criminal Jurisprudence
- Criminal Behavior and the Law
- Controversial Criminal Jurisprudence
- Topical Seminar on Advanced Evidence and Advocacy

**TREATMENT & ANALYSIS OF CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR**
- Advanced Theories of Criminology
- Advanced Interviewing Techniques Criminal Profiling

**TOPICAL SEMINARS ON UNIQUE SUBJECTS SUCH AS:**
- Racketeering
- The Patriot Act

**OTHER COURSES OF INTEREST**
- Victimology
- Gender, Crime and Justice
- Comparative Justice Studies
- Justice and Professional Ethics
- Advanced Leadership and Management Strategies

These varied subdisciplines offer successful students an opportunity to contribute to society in meaningful, often life-changing ways.
**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

- Junior or Senior status at WCU with GPA of at least 3.0 at West Chester University;
- Impeccable integrity and ethical standards;
- A high level of maturity and professionalism;
- Approval of the Department of Criminal Justice Graduate Coordinator, Dr. Mary Brewster.

Because of the uniqueness of the program, special course planning is required. Students should consult with Dr. Mary Brewster (mbrewster@wcupa.edu) frequently to determine an orderly succession of classes.

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**ADVANTAGES OF THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM:**

- Results in completion of the Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree in just five years;
- Provides a continuity in education;
- Supplements actual work experience from the undergraduate Practicum Program with an advanced degree in the discipline;
- Positions students more competitively for the most desired positions in the profession;
- Awards students with advanced academic credentials from one of the most excellent and respected Criminal Justice programs in the region;
- Prepares students for acceptance into the most respected doctoral programs.

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**IN PARTICULAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE OFFERS A MASTER’S PROGRAM THAT EMphasizes:**

- The most cutting edge research in each of the subdisciplines;
- Professors who are respected practitioners in the relevant subject matter and who can provide a reality-based approach to each course;
- The development of exceptional oral and written communication skills; these skills are essential for success in all of the criminal justice professions;
- The reinforcement of the highest standards of ethics and integrity;
- Acquisition of research knowledge and skills that will enable students to understand and critically review empirical research literature, conduct independent empirical research, and synthesize information to draw meaningful conclusions;
- The graduation of students who will excel in their chosen fields, and who will continue to uphold and enhance the excellent reputation the Department now holds;
- The preparation of students for entry into the most respected doctoral degree programs in the country.

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