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COLLEGE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE



The College of Juvenile Justice is committed to excellence in education, training, prevention, and service. By offering a diverse curriculum, we train empiricists, educators, and practitioners in juvenile justice and criminal justice. A primary aim is to assist with the understanding of human behavior and the reduction of juvenile offenses in the state of Texas.



Dr. Camille Gibson Interim Dean and Professor, College of Juvenile Justice

Our mission is to prepare students to lead in delinquency and crime prevention and foster family mental health and well-being.

- The College is attentive to concerns about youth delinquency and mental health challenges
- We study and present policy and practice suggestions to address crime, delinquency, and injustice
- We prioritize empowering communities
- We build our students' capacity to effect change and to advocate for justice and healthy communities
- The Texas Juvenile Crime Prevention Center in the College of Juvenile Justice provides research and training for academics, policymakers, and practitioners on delinquency prevention. It is a state and national resource, in this regard. Its extensive reach is achieved through collaborations and partnerships with several state entities

The College of Juvenile Justice **EXPERIENCE** includes:

1 A rigorous curriculum taught by accomplished faculty

- 2 The opportunity to work through societal issues to develop strategic thinking and problem solving
- 3 The opportunity to engage with scholars and peers regionally, nationally, and internationally to enhance global knowledge, citizenry, and competitiveness
- 4 Leadership opportunities for maximizing student potential



College of Juvenile Justice Undergraduate Programs



The College of Juvenile Justice offers a Bachelor of Science degree with concentrations in Juvenile Justice, Policing, Legal Studies, and Corrections. A Criminal Justice degree with a Concentration in Criminalistics is offered by the department at the Texas A&M University System's RELLIS campus in Bryan, Texas.

Bachelor of Science Criminal Justice

The criminal justice program is designed to produce proficient graduates who can excel in various aspects of the field in leadership, service, research and innovation. Criminal justice majors will have the benefit of an informed and caring faculty to challenge them in their preparation to meet the demands of today's workplace and the nation's most rigorous graduate programs.



College of Juvenile Justice Graduate Programs

The purpose of graduate education is to provide students with coursework that requires critical analysis and study in a specialized field.

One of the core values of Prairie View A&M University is to inspire and guide students to become successful leaders in their professions and their communities.

The emphasis of the COJJ is scientific because its assumed that graduates will be better qualified to participate in the profession if they are prepared as research-oriented students of juvenile delinquency and justice.



The COJJ offers graduate courses leading to:

- a Master of Science degree in Juvenile Justice
- a Ph.D. degree in Juvenile Justice

The College seeks a diverse group of qualified students with backgrounds in various disciplines committed to improving the life experiences of youth involved in the juvenile justice system.

The Texas Juvenile Crime Prevention Center

The Texas Juvenile Crime Prevention Center is

committed to the reduction of juvenile delinquency in the State of Texas. Through the creation of the Center and the College, Prairie View A&M University supports this mission as it strives to attain national recognition in the areas of teaching, research, and service in doing the following:

- Conducting, coordinating, collecting, and evaluating research in all areas relating to juvenile delinquency
- Providing a setting for educational programs relating to juvenile delinquency and crime, including degree programs at Prairie View A&M University and other educational programs such as continuing education and in-service training for criminal justice and social service professionals
- Serving as a state and national resource for information on juvenile delinquency
- In connection with its research and educational programs:
- Developing programs, policies, and strategies to address juvenile delinquency and related social problems; and
- Creating partnerships, collaborative efforts, outreach, public service, and technical assistance programs to assist communities, governmental agencies, and private entities to implement programs, policies, and strategies that address juvenile delinquency and related social problems.

Student Ambassador Program



The College of Juvenile Justice Student Ambassadors & Leadership Program empowers students to gain personal and professional skills as well as achieve success by working with others.

The mission of the program is to inspire students to assume responsibilities for achieving their true academic success.

Student Organizations



Criminal Justice

- Alpha Phi Sigma–Criminal Justice National Honor Society
- National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice
- The Criminal Justice Club
- The Blackstone Pre-Law Society



Myrna Cintrón

Associate Professor, College of Juvenile Justice

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Whether there is an interest in criminal justice, juvenile justice, law enforcement, corrections, or law, our programs will academically prepare students for positions at the local, state, or federal justice-related agencies, plus graduate and professional schools.

In this diverse, exciting, and changing job market, projections are that jobs in these areas will expand. All our faculty received degrees from nationally recognized universities. Our classes are engaging, and students enjoy one-on-one instruction and attention.

Research, travel, scholarship, extracurricular club activities, and individualized advising are among the opportunities available to our students.

Admissions and Financial Aid

FRESHMAN ADMISSION

- Completed ApplyTexas application at www.applytexas.org
- Nonrefundable \$40 application fee
- Official high school transcript. Distinguished, Recommended or Foundation with Endorsement High School Program, or GED certificate with a Minimum GPA: 2.80 on a 4.0 scale
- Official SAT/ACT Test Score: Minimum scores: 710 SAT (Critical Reading and Math) or 800 SAT (Total Score) or 15 ACT
- The following STAAR scores are required: English I/Reading and Writing, English II, Biology, Algebra I, and United States History

TRANSFER ADMISSION

- Completed ApplyTexas application www.applytexas.org
- Nonrefundable \$40 application fee
- Official transcripts from all institutions attended
- Transferring less than 15 semester credit hours will require the student to satisfy regular freshman admissions requirements
- Required 2.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND LOANS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

A limited number of scholarships are available for incoming students as well as current students. These may be awarded based on a certain GPA, course load, and/or active enrollment. Other requirements may apply. Contact the Scholarships Office early to inquire.

(Other requirements may apply)

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