

# SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

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## School of Criminal Justice and Government Relations

Welcome to the School of Criminal Justice and Government Relations.

Kentucky State University's School of Criminal Justice and Government Relations provides extensive academic instruction for students interested in the criminal justice or political systems. Each program is interdisciplinary drawing upon other academic areas such as sociology and psychology.

Criminal justice provides a foundation in all areas of the criminal justice system. Political science offers three unique specialization options within the political system. Both programs offer Bachelor of Arts degrees and minors. We look forward to helping you determine which program best suits your needs.

### **Criminal Justice Bachelor of Arts**

The baccalaureate degree program in Criminal Justice prepares students for careers in law enforcement, community and institutional corrections, court services, and other criminal justice-related areas. Through a combination of theoretical coursework, practical training, and experiential learning, students develop the knowledge, skills, and ethical principles necessary for employment within the criminal justice system. A baccalaureate degree program in Criminal Justice can provide a basis for advanced study in graduate school or professional programs, such as law school.

# **Careers in Criminal Justice**

Law Enforcement, Corrections, Probation and Parole, Crime Scene Investigator (CSI), Forensic Scientist, Legal Assistant or Paralegal, Victim Advocate, Intelligence Analyst, Criminal Justice Professor or Educator, and Private Investigator.

# **Criminal Justice Core Values**

Justice and Fairness

Integrity and Ethics

**Public Safety and Security** 

Professionalism and Excellence

Community Engagement and Collaboration

Respect for Human Dignity

## **Political Science Bachelor of Arts**

Political Science, as a discipline, involves the systematic study of politics and the political system. The Political Science program at Kentucky State University has a highly developed academic curriculum that prepares students for graduate study in political science or related areas, such as law or public administration. Political Science requires the application of knowledge and critical thinking to assess, prevent, and resolve political and social problems. Additionally, the curriculum addresses preparation of students for entry-level career positions in public and private sectors of employment.

#### **Careers in Political Science**

Policy Analyst, Legislative Assistant, Political Campaign Staff, Government Relations Specialist, Public Affairs Specialist, Legal Assistant or Paralegal, International Relations Specialist, Nonprofit Program Coordinator, Journalist or Political Reporter, and Academic Researcher or Teacher.

#### **Political Science Core Values**

**Democratic Principles** 

Political Accountability

Pluralism and Diversity

Civil Liberties and Human Rights

Critical Thinking and Scholarship

Public Service and Civic Engagement

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# **Criminal Justice (CJE) Bachelor of Arts Requirements**

To satisfy the requirements for the **Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice** a student must complete a minimum of 120 semester hours, including 45 semester credit hours in Criminal Justice. The required courses are CJE 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice, CJE 215 Introduction to Criminal Law, CJE 220 Juvenile Justice, CJE 320 Law Enforcement, CJE 325 Courts, CJE 330 Corrections, CJE 335 Theories of Crime and Delinquency, CJE 340 Principles of Victimology, CJE 345 Comparative Criminal Justice, CJE 350 Criminal Justice Ethics, CJE 410 Criminal Justice Administration, CJE 415 Seminar in Criminal Justice, CJE 430 Criminal Justice Internship, CJE 433 Research Methods, CJE 434 Statistics in Criminal Justice. Students are also required to take one (1) Criminal Justice Elective course and three (3) support courses (i.e., SOC 203 Principles of Sociology, SOC 305 Contemporary Social Problems and ENG 216 Technical Writing or BUA 204 Business Writing).

Criminal Justice (CJE) Bachelor of Arts Major and Minor Plans of Study (https://kysu-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminal-justice/minors/)

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# Political Science (POS) Bachelor of Arts Requirements

To satisfy the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, a student must complete a minimum of 120 semester hours, including 30 semester credit hours in Political Science. The required courses are POS 160 State/Local Government, POS 201 Metropolitan Government, POS 211 Intro to Political Science, POS 300 Statistics for BSS, POS 301 Research Methods for BSS, POS 355 Class Political/ Soc Theory, and POS 499 Senior Colloquium; and the selection of 6 semester credit hours from any two of the three specialization options (Constitutional Law, International Relations, and Legislative/Executive Politics) in consultation with the student's advisor. Students seeking the Constitutional Law option must complete POS 331 American Constitutional Law and POS 431 Constitution/Civil Liberties. Students selecting the International Relations option must complete 6 semester credit hours from POS 311 Comparative Government, POS 361 World Politics, POS 363 International Organizations, POS 462 Politics of Developing Nations, or POS 464 African Politics. Students select the Legislative/Executive Politics option must complete 6 semester credit hours from POS 322 Legislative Process, POS 446 American Political Executive, or POS 461 American Politics. Students should consult their advisor for the availability of other specialization options. The student in consulting with his/her advisor must select a final 3 semester hours elective from a 300/400 level political science course to complete the 36hour Political Science major. Additionally, the student must complete a minor. Also, students must complete POS 101 American Government as part of the Liberal Studies Requirement.

Political Science (POS) Bachelor of Arts Major and Minor Plans of Study (https://kysu-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminal-justice/political-science/)

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