



# CRIMINAL JUSTICE

## UW-EAU CLAIRE UNDERGRADUATE FACT SHEET

The criminal justice program at UW-Eau Claire gives students a unique perspective on crime, delinquency and the criminal justice system by combining course work and practical experience. The major is interdisciplinary in nature with courses in political science, psychology, sociology, social work and philosophy.

### WHY STUDY CRIMINAL JUSTICE?

- Prepare for graduate level work in criminal justice and law, and for careers at the local, state and federal levels in law enforcement, corrections and court related agencies.

### THE EAU CLAIRE ADVANTAGE

- Criminal justice career information sessions and seminars held during the school year feature presentations by professionals from the field on career opportunities and employment trends.
- The Criminal Justice Association, an on-campus student organization, provides numerous activities for student involvement.
- Students gain valuable experience through internships in a variety of settings including police or sheriff departments, social service agencies, group homes, correctional facilities, prosecution offices and the courts. Students may choose from more than a dozen internship sites and earn up to six credits in the major.
- With a 1:11 computer to student ratio (surpasses most national benchmarks), UW-Eau Claire students have easy access to computer laboratories for class assignments, research projects and e-mail.
- Small classes, individual attention.

- Unlike many other public universities, classes are not taught by teaching assistants. Students work alongside dedicated professors who inspire learning.

### CAREER OPTIONS

- Police officer
- Juvenile intake officer
- I.R.S. agent
- Prison correctional officer
- Probation officer
- D.E.A. agent
- Victim assistance coordinator
- Border patrol officer
- Private security
- Insurance claims agent
- Lawyer
- Parole officer
- Sheriff
- State patrol
- loss prevention/asset protection

### UW-EAU CLAIRE FACTS AT A GLANCE

- Location: Eau Claire, Wis.; city pop. 64,000, metro. pop. 151,000
- Average enrollment: 10,566
- Undergraduates: 10,063
- Graduate students: 503
- International students: 124
- Multicultural students: 485
- Average men-women ratio: 2-to-3
- Students who spend at least a semester studying abroad: 24%
- Students doing undergraduate research with faculty/staff: 710+
- ACT composite average: 24+
- Average high school rank: 77%
- Average class size: 28
- Faculty-student ratio: 1-to-20
- Computers-student ratio: 1-to-9
- Student organizations: 224
- Walk across campus: About 10 minutes
- Nickname: Blugolds
- Colors: Navy and old gold

### UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

The criminal justice program is administered through the UW-Eau Claire department of political science. The criminal justice program offers a comprehensive major, which requires no minor.

### HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION

- Students planning careers in criminal justice should be intellectually motivated and concerned about crime and delinquency in America.
- Students are encouraged to do well in English composition, mathematics, social sciences and history. Strong communication skills, verbal and written, also should be developed.
- All students who enroll at UW-Eau Claire are required to have a minimum of 17 college preparatory units including:
  - 4 years of English (at least 3 composition and literature)
  - 2 years of a single foreign language
  - 3 years of math (algebra, geometry, 1 advanced college preparatory math)
  - 3 years of natural science
  - 3 years of social science (1 must be world or American history)
  - 2 additional units in the areas already mentioned or other academic areas

### FRESHMAN COURSE WORK

#### Sample First Year

COURSE#	TITLE	CREDIT
Pols 110	American National Politics	3
Psyc 100	General Psychology	3
Soc 101	Introduction to Sociology	3

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

For more information about UW-Eau Claire's program in criminal justice, contact:

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