Criminal Justice Studies

The Criminal Justice Studies minor provides students with a balanced, multi-disciplinary background in the nature of crime and the workings of the criminal justice system.

Accomplished students
During the 2013-14 academic year our students:
» Conducted research on language barriers in investigative interviews with ESL eyewitnesses
» Participated in internships at several CJS-related sites like the District Attorney’s Office of Alamance County
» Received the Outstanding Criminal Justice student award
» Participated in the Crime Studies Club, which sponsored a self-defense night with the help of the Graham Police Department.

Expert faculty
» CJS faculty published in such academic journals as Psychiatry, Psychology and Law, International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice and Applied Psychology in Criminal Justice, as well as in the book The Elderly Eyewitness in Court. Students collaborated on three of these publications.

Innovative Curriculum
» New electives were approved and added to the Academic Catalog: Organized Crime, CSI Reality, Prison Nation, Juvenile Justice, Violence in Families, Comparative Justice Systems and Psychology and Law.

Alumni success
» Recent CJS alums are working in the National Security Administration, the NC Dept. of Corrections and law firms.
» Recent CJS alums have been accepted to graduate and law schools at such institutions as Roger Williams University and Wake Forrest University.