

FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY

Criminal Justice 4+1 Program

The 4+1 program allows qualified students to complete their undergraduate course of study during a 4-year academic cycle, and a Master's degree in two semesters upon graduation. After conditional acceptance into the MS program and successfully completing all undergraduate requirements, the student will be eligible to matriculate into the Master's in Criminal Justice.

In addition to the academic and employment advantage of an advanced degree, there is also a costs savings. Students can complete the MS in 24 credits—a total of 8 courses, instead of the normal 10. The tuition for two undergraduate courses is waived, which reduces to total cost the combined degree.

Continuing your education with the MS in CRJ at Franciscan will allow you to sharpen your professional skills in a flexible yet comprehensive course curriculum.

Some of the key courses at the master's level include:

- **Law, Ethics, and the American Justice System**
- **Natural Law as the Foundation for Just Society**
- **Fraud and Forensic Accounting**
- **Community Initiatives in Criminal Justice**
- **Protection of Children in the Justice System**

A Thesis option is also available for students who desire to continue their education with a terminal degree.

Steps to the 4 + 1 Program:

1. Achieve Junior-Senior Status
2. Achieve a minimum 3.0 GPA
3. Contact the CRJ Program Director
4. Apply to the Graduate School
5. Upon Acceptance, Enroll in 6 Graduate Credits
6. Upon Graduation with your BS, Full Matriculation to the MS-CRJ

***Criminal Justice isn't a typical 9-to-5 job.
Your master's degree program shouldn't be typical either.***

In the 4+1 program you'll gain a solid foundation in natural law and Judeo-Christian moral tradition while also tailoring your course of study to align with your professional interests. Franciscan's programs in criminal justice are an intense examination of the justice system and its operations, with emphasis on all systematic, procedural, and substantive components common to the justice model.

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