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Put your mind to...
Criminal Justice



"NCI really can make dreams come true for those of us who dare to believe that nothing is impossible for us."



Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Commonwealth University takes its founding date of 1838 from the year the Medical College of Virginia was created as the medical department of Hampden-Sydney College. VCU's Monroe Park Campus began in 1917 as the Richmond School of Social Work and Public Health. In 1925, it became the Richmond division of the College of William and Mary; and in 1939, its name was changed to Richmond Professional Institute. It separated from William and Mary in 1962 to become an independent state institution. In 1968, MCV and RPI merged to become Virginia Commonwealth University. Today VCU is located on two downtown campuses in Richmond. It ranks among the top 100 universities in the country in sponsored research and enrolls 30,000 students in more than 195 certificate, undergraduate, graduate, professional and doctoral programs in 15 schools and one liberal arts college.

New College Institute

NCI is transforming lives—and our community—through education. By offering degree programs that meet local and statewide needs, NCI is elevating the quality of life for residents and providing employers with the talented workers they need. NCI does this by partnering with colleges and universities throughout the state to bring degree programs to Martinsville and Henry County. Through these partnerships, NCI offers the opportunity to complete bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as other professional development programs. NCI also works within the community to encourage and support individuals to complete their educational goals. Over time, NCI will be a catalyst for changing the educational culture of the region as well as revitalizing the area economically.

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Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Virginia Commonwealth University



CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The program in criminal justice is designed to give students both theoretical and practical knowledge that will prepare them for:

- 1) private- or public-sector employment in the area of criminal justice as it relates to law enforcement, investigations, juvenile justice, corrections, and the courts, and other helping professions, and/or,
- 2) further study in government, criminal justice, homeland security or law.

The knowledge and skills acquired through this course of study will enable students to continue their studies at law school or graduate school in a number of areas: criminal justice, homeland security, public administration, and sociology. Students also will be able to pursue employment opportunities in various fields, such as within the government at the local, state and federal levels in criminal justice to include law enforcement, public/private security, investigations, corrections, probation and parole, and the courts; intelligence; for-profit and nonprofit research and consultancy; and private sector employment with any business that requires criminal justice related expertise.

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COURSES

The undergraduate criminal justice program includes general education and major course requirements. The major coursework begins in the junior year and will be offered in partnership with NCI.

Students may complete general education course requirements at a community college or other accredited college or university. Students are encouraged to work closely with the criminal justice program coordinator to ensure transferability of courses to VCU.

Following completion of freshman and sophomore courses, students will complete major course requirements at NCI. Major course requirements are:

Year One

Fall

- CRJS 181 Justice System Survey
- CRJS 320 Principles of Criminal Investigations
- POLI 310 Public Policy
- POLI 320 Research Methods
- CRJS 367/HSEP 301 Terrorism

Spring

- CRJS 368/HSEP 302 Emergency Planning and Incident Management
- CRJS 300 Forensic Criminology
- CRJS 370 Criminalistics and Crime Analysis
- CRJS 373 Crime Scene Evidence: Law and Trial Procedures
- CRJS 260 Criminal Law

*The courses are taught in a cohort. All courses are taught during evenings and some on weekends.



Year Two

Fall

- CRJS 350 Evaluation and Treatment of the Offender
- CRJS 352 Crime and Delinquency Prevention
- CRJS 375/HSEP 320 The Intelligence Community and the Intelligence Process
- CRJS 463 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems
- CRJS 355 Foundations of Criminal Justice

Spring

- CRJS 330/HSEP 330 Legal & Constitutional Issues in Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness
- CRJS 480/HSEP 490 Senior Seminar
- CRJS 475 Case Studies in Criminal Procedure
- CRJS 378 Juvenile Justice Law and Process
- CRJS 432 Criminal Justice Organizations

Assumption: Before entering the program, the student has completed one year of a foreign language. In some cases, these courses can be completed as co-requisites.

REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students will apply to VCU as transfer students after completing general education requirements at a community college or other accredited college or university.

Consult the following links for information about VCU admissions and academic policies and regulations.

Admissions Offices:

<http://www.ugrad.vcu.edu/index.html>

Transfer Guide:

<http://www.ugrad.vcu.edu/admissions101/transfer/index.html>

FINANCIAL AID

Prospective students are encouraged to apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The VCU Financial Aid Office will use the FAFSA to determine financial need, develop a financial aid package, and issue a financial aid award letter.

Consult the following links for information about the FAFSA and VCU financial aid policies and programs.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):

www.fafsa.ed.gov

VCU Financial Aid Office:

<http://www.ugrad.vcu.edu/admissions101/financing/financial-aid.html>

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