

Minor

Law and Justice

Online Program

Program Overview

The minor in Law and Justice (LAJ) is designed to complement a number of different majors at CWU and prepare students for professional opportunities in the criminal justice system and/or entry into graduate or law school.

It retains the humanistic emphasis of the liberal arts while assisting students to prepare for graduate school, careers in law enforcement, corrections, paralegal professions and the practice of law following law school.

The Law and Justice minor gives students flexibility in choosing courses within the LAJ core and upper division LAJ electives in areas such as policing, legal studies, corrections, and mediation that match students educational careerl goals.



Program Requirements

I. Required Courses: Select three LAJ course from the following list (12-13 credits)

LAJ 300 - Administration of Criminal Justice.....	4
LAJ 302 - Criminal Procedure.....	4
LAJ 303 - Introduction to Criminal Law.....	4
LAJ 400 - Research methods in Criminal Justice.....	4
OR SOC 363 - Methods of Social Research.....	5
OR PSY 300 - Research Methods in Psychology....	5
LAJ 401 - Ethics, Diversity, and Conflict in Criminal Justice..	4
LAJ 420 - Community and Social Justice.....	4
LAJ 451 - Crime in America.....	4

II. Upper-Division CWU LAJ Elective Courses: (12 credits)

Select three (3) upper-division courses

LAJ 311 Family Law.....	4
LAJ 316 Introduction to Paralegal Studies.....	4
LAJ 317 Introduction to Civil Practice.....	4
LAJ 324 Correctional Law.....	4
LAJ 326 Correctional Counseling.....	4
LAJ 327 Community Corrections.....	4
LAJ 331 Investigation.....	4
LAJ 332 Police Community Relations.....	4
LAJ 333 Police Personnel Administration.....	4
LAJ 334 Issues in Policing.....	4
LAJ 342 Juvenile Justice Process.....	4
LAJ 350 Criminal Justice and the Media.....	4

(list continues on the following page).



II. Continued....Select Three Upper-Division CWU LAJ Courses : (12 credits)

LAJ 353 Great American Trials.....	4
LAJ 402 African Americans and the Constitution.....	4
LAJ 403 Sexual Minorities, the Law, and Justice.....	4
LAJ 410 Legal Writing.....	4
LAJ 426 Advanced Correctional Counseling.....	4
LAJ 440 Basic Mediation.....	4
LAJ 450 Report Writing.....	4
LAJ 453 Domestic Violence Issues.....	4
LAJ 455 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems.....	4
LAJ 459 Current Issues.....	4
LAJ 460 Terrorism.....	4
LAJ 470 Victimology.....	4

Total 24-25 credits

Admission Requirements

The standards for admission to the LAJ minor are based on overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.25. The LAJ Department reserves the right to modify these requirements in special cases or as the needs of the department change. For application instructions please refer to the following web address

<http://www.cwu.edu/law/admissions>.

Application Process

Meet CWU's General Education requirements through a Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA), bachelor's degree, or equivalent from any state accredited college or univeristy. Students who have not completed a two-year transfer degree (but intend to) must complete the requirements for the degree within one calendar year or within 45 credits after admission to the LAJ pro

Apply for admission to Central Washington University online at <http://www.cwu.edu/admissions/online-admissions>. Please submit official electronic or hard copy transcripts from all colleges or universities attended to Admissions.

Graduation Requirements

A minimum grade of C- must be earned in all courses used to fulfill the requirements of the minor, in addition to the university GPA requirements that apply to all CWU major programs.

A minimum of 180 quarter credits is required for a baccalaureate degree. CWU allows a maximum of 135 quarter (90 semester) credits to transfer from regionally accredited four-year institutions, including no more than 105 quarter (70 semester) credits of lower-division (100-200 level) coursework from a regionally accredited community college.

The general education program must be completed as defined in the University catalog. For a list of CWU General Education Requirements view <http://www.cwu.edu/~acadadv/BasicBreadth.php>. Students holding the appropriate academic transfer associate degree will have met the general education program requirements.

To find a list of transfer course equivalencies see

<http://www.cwu.edu/registrar/transfer-equivalencies-policies>.

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