Criminal Justice-Criminal Justice Corrections Option

Official Program Checksheet

Why Choose the Criminal Justice Corrections Option?

This option emphasizes areas of criminal justice other than law enforcement including adult institutions, probation, parole, and the prevention, treatment, and control of both youthful and adult offenders. Coursework is designed to introduce various components that make up the structure of institutional corrections, community corrections, and human service agencies working with deviant populations. Further emphasis is placed on interpersonal communication, crisis intervention, and working with special deviant populations.

This option includes certification of the minimum educational requirements for the position of state corrections officer as established by the Michigan Correctional Officers' Training Council. Similarly, the School of Criminal Justice offers a local Corrections Officer Training Academy that is designed to provide certification training for students wishing to work as a county jail corrections officer in Michigan.

Career Opportunities

The corrections track graduates are well positioned to work with the deviant populations at the federal, state, and local level. They are also prepared to work with juveniles and adults. Opportunities are available for detention/correctional officers; probation agents, parole agents, working within the court system, youth programs, residential treatment facilities, community corrections, and a wide array of human services agencies.

Admission Requirements

A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for admission into the corrections option.

General Education Requirements

All University General Education requirements can be found here: http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/academics/general-education/requirements/BA-BS.htm

Please consult this link for a complete listing of General Education Electives: http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/academics/general-education/courses/index.htm

Consult the official checksheet or program advisor for program specific General Education requirements.

Graduation Requirements

A 2.0 GPA is required for graduation.
More Information

For further information, please contact the School of Criminal Justice.

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