



Pathway: Criminal Justice

Get the Facts:

A **Criminal Justice** major is for those individuals who aspire to be a police or corrections officer, an attorney, a crime scene investigator, governmental agencies including DEA agent, FBI agent, game law enforcement officer, immigration officer, and other related fields.

Workforce Trends:

Currently, the minimum requirement to become a Law Enforcement Officer is a POST certification. The Criminal Justice community is however, moving in the direction of requiring a minimum of an Associate Degree in addition to the POST certification.

Those that are technically inclined have a leg up in the industry as computer technology plays a large role in many criminal justice jobs.

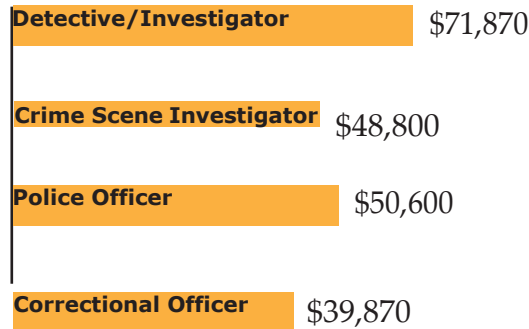
Criminal Justice is:

- High demand
- Medium wage

Occupation Outlook:



The Utah statewide annual median wage:



Sample Career Occupations:

- Police/Sheriff Officer
- Correctional Officer
- Police Detectives
- Forensics
- Security Guard
- Juvenile Corrections
- Pre-Law

College and Career:

There are a number of options for education and training beyond high school, depending on your career goals.

- WSU – BS Criminal Justice
- U of U – CP Criminology
- UVU – BS Criminal Justice; AS Criminal Justice
- SUU – BS Criminal Justice; AAS Criminal Justice
- DSU – BS/BIS Criminal Justice; AS Criminal Justice
- USU/E – AS Criminal Justice
- SLCC – AS Criminal Justice; AAS Criminal Justice
- SNOW – AS Criminal Justice

The AS degree also provides the first two years of education for those planning on transferring to a four-year institution with the intention of pursuing careers in areas such as Probation and Parole, Federal Law Enforcement and Forensics, or as background for the pursuit of degrees varying from Pre-Law to Sociology.