Criminal Justice A.A.

The Criminal Justice program leads to the Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree and is a joint degree program with John Jay College of Criminal Justice. The program offers a comprehensive general education and provides a solid foundation necessary to continue pursuit of a Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice and many other fields. The program requirements contain the foundation courses in Criminal Justice such as, but not limited to, Criminology, Policing and Corrections. The scope of courses in the program are in line with BMCC's mission to provide its students with a firm foundation of knowledge and skill that will enable them to graduate, continue their education, and pursue the career of their choice and/or seamlessly transfer to John Jay's bachelor's degree program in Criminal Justice.

### Specialized Skills
- Attention to Detail
- Critical Thinking
- Computer Skills
- Cross-cultural Understanding

*Specialized Skills* may be obtained or enhanced during the course of the student's learning experience. Specialized Skills are defined and provided by NACADA: The Global Community for Academic Advising [www.nacada.ksu.edu](http://www.nacada.ksu.edu)

### Articulation Agreements
- **Alfred University**
  - B.A. in Criminal Justice Studies
- **Metropolitan College of New York**
  - B.A. in Emergency Management & Business Continuity
- **Mercy College**
  - B.S. in Criminal Justice
- **John Jay College of Criminal Justice / CUNY**
  - Multiple B.A. and B.S. options

### Other Transfer Options
- Monroe College
- Pace University
- St. John's University
- St. Peters University
- SUNY University at Albany
- St. Francis College
- Columbia University
- Hunter College/CUNY
- Baruch College/CUNY

### Career and Salary Possibilities*

- **Police Officer** ($32,000–$87,000)
- **Bailiff/Court Officer** ($41,171–$92,161)
- **Paralegal** ($30,000–$68,000)
- **Lawyer** ($51,000–$184,000)
- **Detective/Criminal Investigator** ($37,000–$108,000)
- **Police Dispatcher** ($26,577–$58,338)
- **Victim Advocate** ($25,000–$46,000)
- **Corrections Officer** ($28,566–$63,679)
- **Private Investigator** ($45,740–$79,000)
- **Court Administrator** ($33,000–$80,000)
- **FBI Agent** ($38,000–$120,000)
- **Probation Officer** ($31,000–$70,000)

*Career and Salary Possibilities* are not guaranteed. Additional education, training or experience may be required and salary ranges may vary depending on location, industry and education level. Career and salary data provided by Career Coach.

### Certifications and Professional Development
- Paralegal Certificate
- Notary Public
- Microsoft Office Professional
- Social Media for Business
- Professional Writing

These and other [Certifications and Professional Development](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce) options offered by the Center for Continuing Education and Workforce Development. [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce)

### Professional Organizations
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- American Society of Criminology
- National Criminal Justice Association
- American Sociological Association

### Helpful Career Links
- BMCC Career Center [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/career](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/career)
- Internships and Experiential Learning [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/experiential](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/experiential)