Bachelor of Arts in Justice

The Bachelor of Arts in Justice is an interdisciplinary program that prepares students for engaged citizenship; scholarship; justice careers in private and public organizations; and advanced studies in criminology, law, criminal justice, social research, and public administration. Those graduates with records of high achievement in the justice undergraduate program are prepared to pursue advanced education in graduate, law and professional degree programs at the University of Alaska Anchorage and other universities. Graduates who receive a BA in Justice have the specialized knowledge and skills required for the evaluation, administration and improvement of police, court, and correctional policies and organizations.

Admission Requirements

• Satisfy the Application and Admission Requirements for Baccalaureate Programs (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/admissions/undergraduate).

• Complete JUST A110, JUST A200, and JUST A201 with a minimum grade of D.

Graduation Requirements

• Satisfy the General University Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements).

• Complete the General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements/gers).

• Complete the Major Requirements below.

Major Requirements

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Select two of the following: 6

- JUST A334 Police and Society
- JUST A374 The Courts
- JUST A384 Contemporary Corrections

Complete 18 credits of Justice or Legal Studies electives; 12 credits must be upper division

* Legal Studies (LEGL) courses fulfill the Justice elective requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Justice except where the student has elected a Legal Studies minor or major. Legal Studies courses cannot be used (counted twice) to meet both the requirements of the Legal Studies minor or major and the BA in Justice. Only 6 credits of JUST A490 may be counted toward the Justice electives required for the BA in Justice.

All Justice majors must complete a university-approved minor in another discipline. Specific requirements for minors are listed in this catalog.

All Justice majors must also take the Justice Exit Examination. There is no minimum score required for graduation.

A total of 120 credits is required for the degree, of which 42 credits must be upper division.

Honors in Justice

The Justice Center awards departmental honors for outstanding achievement in the study of Justice. Students majoring in Justice are eligible to graduate with Justice honors upon satisfactory completion of all of the following requirements:

1. Meet the requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Justice.
2. Earn a 3.20 or above cumulative GPA, and a 3.50 or above Justice major GPA.
3. Complete a Justice GER integrated capstone, e.g. JUST A460 or JUST A463, with a grade of A.
4. Notify the Justice undergraduate program coordinator, in writing, of the intent to graduate with Justice honors at the time of or before submittal of an Application for Graduation.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Justice will be able to:

- Explain the essential principles of justice research and evaluate the results of social science research.
- Assess and critique the different theoretical perspectives in criminology.
- Evaluate the historical and contemporary philosophies of justice.
- Describe processes of justice policy development and the requirements of evidence-based policy making.
- Synthesize the history and development of the institutions of government forming the sources of American law and the social, economic and cultural forces that influence the development of law.