Justice
Serving and Protecting

Analyzing evidence, investigating crimes, working with troubled juveniles and working with criminal offenders are some of the duties of individuals employed in the criminal justice field. The Justice program provides the education, knowledge and skills used to fight crime, protect the public, and work within the court and corrections systems. The program offers courses that focus on the needs, operations and administration of the criminal justice system.

You can choose from four concentration areas in the Justice program:
- Law enforcement
- Probation and parole
- Corporate and homeland security
- Corrections

“State and local agencies encourage applicants to take courses or training related to law enforcement subjects after high school.”


Designed in conjunction with leaders in the field from the Philadelphia region, the Justice program provides essential knowledge to those new to or already working in the criminal justice field. Faculty bring their field experiences into the classroom, giving you firsthand knowledge and insight into criminal justice careers.

The skills you learn in the Justice program prepare you for the following careers:
- state trooper or municipal police officer
- corrections officer
- parole officer
- homeland security investigator
- private security manager
- private investigator
- youth detention counselor

With a Justice degree, you will benefit from a range of skills:
- know the role and importance of the law and evidence in legal proceedings
- understand the interrelationship among police, courts and the correctional process
- learn how to work with troubled youth and apprehend juvenile offenders

Career Paths
The Justice program offers you a number of options and advantages to fit your educational needs:
- enter the workforce after graduation
- transfer to a four-year college or university after earning your associate’s degree
- earn an academic certificate in Justice
The program offers courses for employees of the Philadelphia Police Department and the Philadelphia Department of Corrections and their immediate family members onsite at the Philadelphia Police Academy with the following benefits:

- Philadelphia Police Academy graduates are eligible to receive up to 15 credits toward a Justice degree
- Philadelphia Prison Training graduates are eligible to receive up to six credits toward a Justice degree

You can also pursue an A.A.S. in Justice online through the College’s Distance Education option.

**Salaries**
Correctional Officers – $39,050*
Police and Sheriff’s Patrol Officers – $53,210
Probation Officers – $46,530
Youth Counselors – $41,320


**Areas of Study**
Justice offers four separate and distinct concentration areas: Police, Corrections, Probation and Parole, and Corporate and Homeland Security. Within these areas, the program offers courses such as Criminal Investigation, Criminal Evidence and Procedure, Juvenile Justice, Criminal Law, Organized Crime, Introduction to Terrorism, Police Operations and American Correctional Institutions.

**College Information**
Visit the College website at www.ccp.edu to find out about:
- **Academic Programs**
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- **Admissions Process**
  www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/admissions_process.php
- **Transfer Agreements**
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- **College Life**
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- **Directions to the College**
  www.ccp.edu/site/locations/main.php

**Admission to the College**
Prospective students are strongly encouraged to apply early prior to the start of a term in order to complete the appropriate steps for enrollment. For more information about admission to the College and important dates, including open house information, visit our website at [www.ccp.edu](http://www.ccp.edu), call 215-751-8010 or email [admissions@ccp.edu](mailto:admissions@ccp.edu).