Faculty

The Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology consists of 10 full time faculty members. One of these faculty members serves as Director of the Institute and Chair of the department. The faculty represents a broad base of academic and professional expertise.

College of Arts and Humanities Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology

Full Time Faculty:

Charles Onochie Ochie, Sr., Ph.D.

Professor and Chair

Oklahoma State University

Specialties: Criminology, Social Deviance, Corrections, Social

Psychology and Specialized Topics

George Thomas, Ph.D.

Professor

University of Delaware

Research and Grants Coordinator, Graduate Program

Coordinator

Specialties: Methods, Statistics, Evaluation Research, Drugs and

Alcohol, and Technology

Rani George, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

University of Delaware, DE

Research and Grants Coordinator

Specialties: Statistics, Methods, Evaluation Research

Patrick Ibe, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

Clark Atlanta University

Specialties: Criminology, Juvenile Delinquency, the Court System and Corrections, Specialized Topics, and Policy Analysis

Glenn Zuern, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

Criminology, Indiana University of Pennsylvania Specialties: Corrections, Philosophy, and International Security

Walter Bowers, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor

Public Safety, Capella University, Minneapolis MN Undergraduate Coordinator, Program Coordinator Specialties: Law Enforcement, Corrections and Criminology

Marlene M. Ramsey, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor

Capella University, M.S., Albany State University Certified Crime and Intelligence Analyst, California State University at Stanislaus

Specialties: Crime

Part Time Faculty:

Darrin Lewis Abner, M.S.

Criminal Justice Studies, Albany State University Specialties: Criminal Justice, and Law Enforcement

Emmett Griswold, M.S.

Criminal Justice, Albany State University Specialties: Corrections, and Criminal Justice

Evaristus Obinyan, Ph.D.

Criminology, University of South Florida Specialties: Theoretical Criminology, Research Methodology and Statistics

Robert Lewis, M.S.

B.A., Political Science, Fort Valley State University M.S., Divinity, Interdenominational Theology Center, Specialties: Communications

O. Oko Elechi, Ph.D.

Criminology, Simon Fraser University Specialties: Restorative Justice, and Corrections

Henrietta Markette, M.S.

Sociology concentration in Corrections, Valdosta State University

Specialties: Criminology

Jonathan Odo, Ph.D.

Criminal Justice, Florida State University Specialties: Criminology

Wendell Cofer, M.S.

Criminal Justice, Columbus State University Specialties: Law Enforcement

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Criminal Justice Degree Program



Introduction

The Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology offers minors in Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology; an online Certificate of Biomedical Forensic Science, Bachelor degree programs in Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology and a Masters degree program in Criminal Justice including a full Master of Science degree completely online. These degree programs prepare students for professional employment in various social science professional fields, including the criminal justice system, Forensic Science, and for graduate studies in criminal justice, Law, Psychology and Sociology. The curriculum is both broad and flexible enough to permit students to pursue course work in a wide variety of social sciences and criminal justice topics cutting across law enforcement, courts, corrections, research and policy analysis, and planning operations. Students are encouraged to take internships in criminal justice, forensic science, social service, and/or human service agencies.

The Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology has also established two plus two programs that permit students at selected two-year colleges to transfer to the baccalaureate program at Albany State University without the loss of credits. Credits from other state institutions are transferable also. These degree programs are multidisciplinary in nature and incorporates courses from other social sciences areas like political science and law.

Mission

The Mission of the Albany State University Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology is to forge strategic links between professional criminal justice and Forensic Science agencies, academic research, education of the students, and promotion of justice. This provides for enhancement of criminal justice agencies, criminal justice research, and students' education. Flowing from this enhancement is the strengthening of the community and the overall quality of life within the University service area. Service to the community, development of students, and the advancement of criminal justice are also the goals of the Institute. The Institution's Mission and goal completion will be advanced by its continuing commitment to quality education, service to criminal justice professionals and the community, and the continued development of the Institute through research and modernization.

Facility

The Department is located in the Catherine Marie Hartnett Building. The building is a state of the art facility with an auditorium that seats 150 people, a computer lab, satellite hook up for distance learning, mock courtroom, forensic science laboratories, student lounge, and modern classrooms and offices. Ample student parking is available and the building is accessible to students with disabilities. The campus library, bookstore, student activity center, and track are all within short walking distance from the Criminal Justice Building. The Forensic Science program offered in the department is accredited by AAFS and the only one of its kind in the state of Georgia.

Admissions Requirements

Admission applications should be turned in no later than July 1 for students wishing to attend fall semester. In terms of financial aid and admittance to the university the earlier the process is initiated the better. Students should send a completed application to the Admissions office along with a \$20 non-refundable application fee. Applications can be obtained from: Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, Albany State University, 504 College Drive, Albany, Georgia, 31705, or online at www.asurams.edu.

Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements



- Students must consult with their assigned Academic Advisor before the end of the academic school year
- Students must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or above
- · Students must pass both parts of the Regent's examination
- Students must take the Area Concentration Achievement Test (ACAT)
- Students must complete 125 hours

It is the responsibility of the students to become familiar with all degree requirements.

Possible Careers In Criminal Justice

Law Enforcement

Federal

Air Safety Officer Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Special Agent Customs Inspector/Import Specialist/Special Agent Deputy U.S. Marshal

Diplomatic Security Special Agent

DEA Special Agent

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Fish and Wildlife Services Special Agent Border Patrol Agent/Crime Investigator

Internal Revenue Criminal Investigator

Department of Labor Compliance Investigator

Navy Investigative Service

Park Police

Secret Service Agent Securities Compliance Investigator

State

Deputy Sheriff State Police

Courts-Corrections

Attorney/Judge
Bailiff/Court Clerk/Court Reporter
Domestic Violence Counselor
Legal Assistant
Research Analysis/Statistician

Case Worker/Child/Youth/Adult Counselors

Corrections/Parole/Probation Officers Warden/Deputy Warden/Educational Officer

Private Security

Retail/Commercial/Institutional/ Industrial Security/Secret Agent/ Protective Specialist/Investigator

Agencies

United States Military State Crime Laboratory Drug Enforcement Administration Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms U.S. Customs Service

Financial Assistance

Please contact the Financial Aid office at 229-430-4650 for more information.

Selected Criminal Justice Courses

CRJU 2210	Introduction	to	Criminal	Law	and	Procedure

CRJU 3530 CJ Ethics and Professionalism

CRJU 2900 Criminology

CRJU 2700 Police Community Relations

CRJU 2800 American Correctional

CRJU 4210 Philosophy of Law and Punishment

CRJU 4520 Drugs and Crime

CRJU 4610 Internship

CRJU 4620 Special Topics

CRJU 4630 Race, Gender and the CRJ System

CRJU 4530 Comparative Criminology **CRJU 4650** Court Systems in the USA

Departmental Objectives

Albany State University is committed to academic excellence in conjunction with career opportunities. The Department of Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology emphasizes career preparation along with academic achievement. Our overall goal is to produce graduates who will become educators, legal scholars, top law enforcement professionals, Psychologists and Sociologists. Recruiters and speakers from a wide range of agencies are routinely asked and invited to lecture and make presentations. Courses are designed to provide students insight and awareness of career opportunities in Criminal Justice, Psychology and Sociology.