

## What can I do with an administration of justice certificate/degree?

After a student has earned a degree/certificate of achievement in administration of justice, he or she should be well prepared to enter and successfully complete an academy program or go directly into entry-level employment as a civilian.

In the San Francisco Bay Area, salaries range from approximately \$45,000 to \$80,000 or more in law enforcement; \$35,000 to \$65,000 or more in corrections, \$35,000 to \$70,000 or more in probation and parole and up to \$105,000 or more in the judicial system.

Direct expenditure for each of the major criminal justice functions (police, corrections, judicial) has been increasing. This means more jobs and better paying jobs.

## When are classes offered?

Most courses are taught in the day, but some evening and weekend courses are also available.

## How long will it take to earn a certificate/degree?

Generally, students take two years to complete the A.S. degree and all the courses required for the certificate.

## Where can I get more information?

Call department chairperson, John Sinsel, (925) 685-1230, ext. 2304 or visit the college website:

or visit:

[www.dvc.edu/ct](http://www.dvc.edu/ct)

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## What is the administration of justice program?

Administration of justice is the field of study dealing with law enforcement, corrections and the judicial system. Within each of these broad areas, the program prepares students for employment either as a civilian or as a sworn officer of the law.

As an administration of justice student, you will gain an in-depth understanding of the many different fields of employment available under this broad category. You can prepare for successful completion of an approximate 22-week academy program to become a sworn officer in the many various government agencies, or you can prepare for one of the many entry-level civilian positions also available.

Students will learn about :

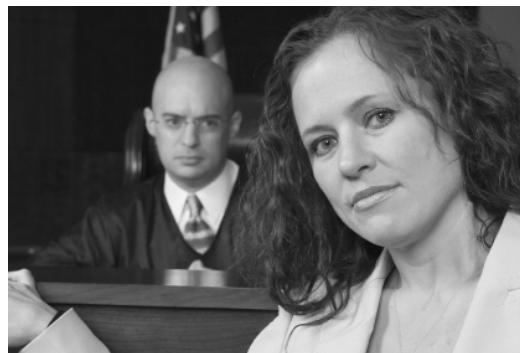
- criminal law and criminal procedure,
- the elements of corrections,
- police-community relations,
- collection and evaluation of criminal evidence,
- the interviewing and counseling process,
- areas of individual special interest, which may include traffic control, crime lab, criminal investigation, juvenile procedures, patrol procedure, weaponless defense and firearms, correctional philosophy, report writing and current issues.

## Why study administration of justice?

Those who work in the field of administration of justice enjoy an exciting and dynamic career working with people and serving the community. The field is both stimulating and challenging offering excellent pay, retirement benefits and job security.

**Law enforcement study prepares students for a career as a:**

- Police Officer
- Sheriff
- California Highway Patrol Officer (CHP)
- Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent (FBI)
- Drug Enforcement Administration Agent (DEA)
- Secret Service Agent
- US Border Patrol Agent
- Fish & Game Warden
- Customs Agent



**Corrections study prepares students for a career as a:**

- Correctional Officer
- Parole Officer
- Probation Officer
- Youth Counselor
- Prison Warden
- Criminologist

**A pre-law specialization prepares students for further study towards the advanced degree required to become a:**

- Lawyer
- District Attorney
- Public Defender
- Defense Lawyer
- Prosecutor
- Judge
- Bailiff