

Criminal Justice



PROGRAMS OF STUDY: ♥ B.A. in Criminal Justice

Why study Criminal Justice at Maryville College?

Are you looking for a stimulating career that provides the opportunity to serve others? Maryville College's program of study in criminal justice prepares students to become professionals, researchers and educators in a wide variety of contexts. The College's proximity to the Blount County Justice Center and Courthouse, its network of alumni in law and public service, and its partnerships with several non-profits give students unique and frequent opportunities to experience various processes and see justice from multiple perspectives.

What can you do with this major?

There is a demand for qualified criminal justice professionals, and the demand is increasing, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Environmental protection officers, park rangers and counselors of juveniles are fields open to graduates with criminal justice degrees. Additionally, federal agencies, such as the Secret Service, Homeland Security, Border Patrol and Federal Probation and Parole, are seeking graduates with criminal justice backgrounds. Other related fields include public health, social work and city and state policy researchers.



MARYVILLE COLLEGE WORKS is a comprehensive career preparation program that is integrated into the College's four-year liberal arts curriculum.

Key components include assessment, advising, networking and professional experiences.

OUR PARTNERS INCLUDE:



- ♥ Blount County Justice Center
- ♥ Blount County Sheriff Department
- ♥ Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- ♥ Haven House Domestic Violence Services
- ♥ Maryville Police Department



- ♥ Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI)

MEET A STUDENT

Grace Gass '19

Hometown: Greeneville, Tenn.

Grace's fascination and intrigue with crime shows, documentaries and movies fed her interest in the criminal justice field. Maryville College launched its major in criminal justice during Grace's freshman year, and she was instantly hooked after taking a few classes.

"I looked forward to every class, assignment and lecture offered," she said. "After interning with the Tennessee Bureau



of Investigation this past summer, I was able to expand my knowledge and enrich my understanding of several departments within the bureau. Now as a senior, I am fully confident that I made the right decision for my major, and I am hopeful as to where it will take me."

MEET GRADUATES

Kendyhl and Ruben Rodgers '15

Currently: Deputies, Blount County Sheriff's Office

With several family members in law enforcement, the Rodgers brothers found joining the Blount County Sheriff's Department to be an ideal step in their career paths. Both were members of the Fighting Scots football team and peer mentors/student leaders for the College's Cooper Success Center. Today, their career aspirations include the FBI and DEA; Kendyhl is also considering the ATF. They credit the College's academics, athletics, community and leadership



opportunities with preparing them for success in their profession.

"I always wanted to make a difference in others' lives and find ways to help people," Kendyhl said. "This career field helps me fulfill both."

ON CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES



THE MARYVILLE COLLEGE CRIMINAL MINDS student organization hosts guest speakers and plans field trips and other learning and

discussion opportunities for all students who share an interest in crime, criminals and the criminal justice system.

