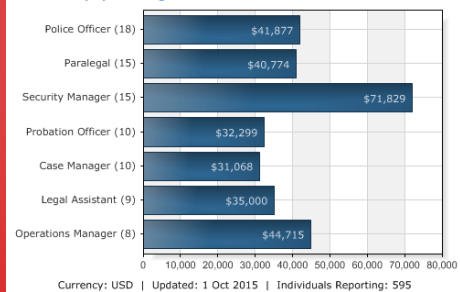


Criminal Justice Careers

- ▶ Pursuing a career in criminal justice has many advantages because there are so many options. One can pursue a career in any of the 3 components of the criminal justice system, whether it be law enforcement, the courts, or corrections.
- ▶ Someone can also choose to pursue a criminal justice career at the local, state, or national level.

Median Salary by Job - Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS / BSc), Criminal Justice (United States)



- ▶ According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics:
 - ▶ The job outlook for private investigators is projected to grow 21% from 2010-2020.
 - ▶ The job outlook for police officers and detectives is projected to grow 7% during the same time period.

Career Focus: Police Officer

Possible Job Duties:

- ▶ Patrol certain areas, respond to calls, make arrests, issue warnings or tickets, testify in court cases, provide first-aid, make traffic stops

Standard Qualifications:

- ▶ Being a U.S. citizen, at least 21 years of age, having no felony convictions, able to meet physical and medical qualifications,
- ▶ Certain agencies have other specific qualifications and requirements. For example, some agencies require officers to have at least a high school diploma while others require an associate or bachelor degree.



Career Opportunities in Criminal Justice



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Careers in the Criminal Justice System

<u>Career Title</u>	<u>Area of C.J. System</u>	<u>Career Overview</u>
Police Officer	Law Enforcement	Police officers are responsible for enforcing the law, preventing crime, investigating crimes that have been committed, reaching out to the community, and writing police reports.
DEA Agent	Law Enforcement	Agents from the Drug Enforcement Agency are responsible for enforcing the United State's laws concerning controlled substances. DEA agents are responsible for gathering and analyzing evidence related to drug-offenses, and also partake in
Correctional Officer	Corrections	General correctional officers are responsible for processing new prisoners, ensuring the security of the prison or jail, and to reduce
Probation Officer	Corrections	The duties of probation officers depends on the court's sanction imposed on criminals. They are often involved in investigating the offender's history before the court decides on the sanction, supervising offender's that are placed on probation, and tracking
Attorney	Court System	The duties of a criminal attorney are primarily to provide legal counsel for and act as an advocate for their client. Defense attorneys defend suspected criminals, and prosecutors try to prove a suspect's guilt.