

On-Line Degree Completion Program

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) on-line Criminal Justice degree program is specifically designed for individuals who have completed a two year degree (or equivalent) and would like to pursue a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice. This type of program is referred to as a Degree Completion Program.

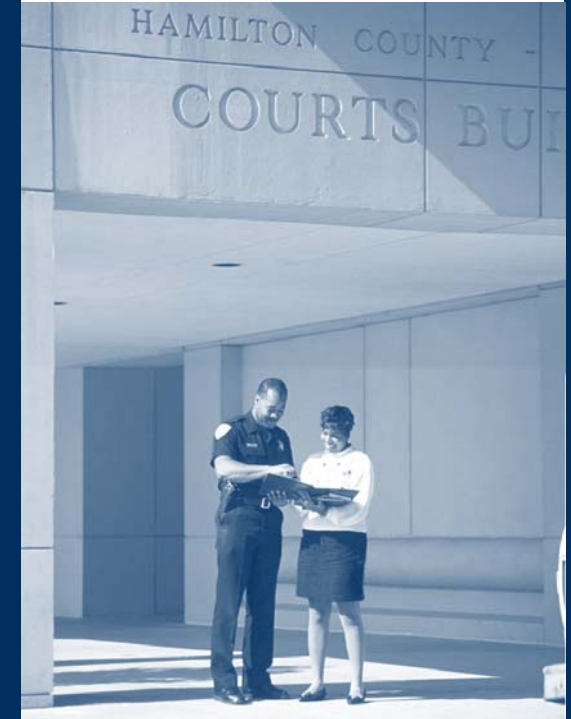
It assumes you have completed your general education requirements and introductory courses in sociology, psychology and criminal justice. It also requires that you complete an additional 12 hours of upper division courses from a four year institution, though you may be able to meet this requirement by using The Individualized Education Program which allows you to receive college credits for work experience and work related training. The remainder of the program courses, including all major requirements, is offered completely on-line by UTC. The curriculum is delivered completely in web-based format via the Blackboard (Bb) course management system, allowing you to enjoy the convenience and flexibility of a distance learning format.

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Distance Education

UTC's distance education programs are designed to provide high quality courses and services in a flexible learning environment. We recognize that many quality students wish to earn a B.S. degree, but have other obligations that prohibit them from moving to Chattanooga to earn a degree.

Courses in the online program have been modified specifically for web-based delivery. All course materials and requirements of the degree program are identical to the face-to-face program offered on-site at UTC. The material is simply delivered in a different format. Courses are taught by full-time faculty members who teach the same courses face-to-face at UTC. Students experience on-line courses with the same quality and rigor expected in a face-to-face course.

The UTC Continuing Education department also provides support to distance learning students and can help with admission, advisement, registration, and other services.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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www.utc.edu/CriminalJustice/crimjonlinecompletion.php

Is Distance Learning for Me?

Distance learning can be a wonderful alternative for many students, including those who work shift work or who live too far away from a four year institution to complete a degree program. You will need access to a computer and the Internet. You also need to have basic computers skills.

On-line courses are asynchronous, meaning that students complete their work at different times throughout the day and week. For the most part, all students are not on-line at the same time. On-line courses are NOT independent study courses. They are NOT self-paced. They require a daily and/or weekly time commitment which includes on-line interaction with faculty and other students in the class.

Online courses require at least as much, if not more, time and commitment than traditional face-to-face courses. Students who enjoy working independently and who have good time management skills often excel in on-line courses, but this delivery method is not for everyone.



How does the program work?

The program is designed for individuals who have some college experience and/or a two year degree from a community college. If you are interested in the program we encourage you to contact us even if you have not met all entry level requirements so that we can help you plan ahead.

The program is organized around a cohort model, meaning that courses will be offered in regularly scheduled intervals. This will require careful planning to ensure that courses are taken so that pre-requisites are met and so that all graduation requirements are satisfied.

The program assumes that students will take two courses per semester, including summers. Students will complete the degree program in 3 years if they take all courses in sequence. If you do not feel you can take 6 hours a semester, you may participate in the program; however, it obviously will take longer and require careful planning with respect to scheduling.

How do I get started?

You will have to be admitted to UTC prior to starting the program. You also will need to complete an application to be admitted to the on-line program.

This information is available on our website:
www.utc.edu/CriminalJustice/crimjonlinecompletion.php