

# Criminal Justice Studies

The Criminal Justice Studies minor provides students with a balanced, multi-disciplinary background in the nature of crime and the workings of the criminal justice system.

## Accomplished students

During the 2013-14 academic year our students:

- » Conducted research on language barriers in investigative interviews with ESL eyewitnesses
- » Participated in internships at several CJS-related sites like the District Attorney's Office of Alamance County
- » Received the Outstanding Criminal Justice student award
- » Participated in the Crime Studies Club, which sponsored a self-defense night

with the help of the Graham Police Department.

## Expert faculty

- » CJS faculty published in such academic journals as *Psychiatry*, *Psychology and Law*, *International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice* and *Applied Psychology in Criminal Justice*, as well as in the book *The Elderly Eyewitness in Court*. Students collaborated on three of these publications.

## Innovative Curriculum

- » New electives were approved and added to the Academic Catalog: Organized Crime, CSI Reality, Prison Nation, Juvenile Justice, Violence in Families, Comparative Justice Systems and Psychology and Law.

## Alumni success

- » Recent CJS alums are working in the National Security Administration, the NC Dept. of Corrections and law firms.
- » Recent CJS alums have been accepted to graduate and law schools at such institutions as Roger Williams University and Wake Forest University.

