



Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology

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Course snapshot

Duration	Campus	Intakes
3 years full-time	Hawthorn and online	Semester 1 (March) Semester 2 (July)

The Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology is the first degree of its type in Victoria, focusing on both the causes of crime (criminology) and the fallout of crime (criminal justice).

You'll learn about local and global criminality, traditional approaches and responses to crime, and emerging trends and practices. You'll examine the international dimensions of criminal justice as well as the technological advances that impact the sector.

By the time you graduate, you'll have gained skills and knowledge in predicting the commission of crime, detecting and stopping criminal behaviour, and implementing effective and efficient criminal sanctions and rehabilitation of offenders.

Your future career

Graduates will advance possible future careers in state and federal policing, youth justice, adult corrections, investigators and support personnel at various government institutions dealing with corruption, financial crimes and money-laundering, case management at community corrections, police prosecutions, border control and immigration and intelligence agencies. A wide choice of co-majors are available to further tailor your degree for future careers in victim support, community engagement and domestic and international policy analysis.



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Scholarships

The Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship is awarded to students in recognition of academic excellence. Recipients will receive \$5000 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen degree, plus a one-off payment of \$2000 towards an international study experience.

Swinburne also offers scholarships to students from indigenous backgrounds, students suffering from financial hardship and students who have relocated from regional areas to study. For a full list of scholarships, including value and eligibility criteria, visit swinburne.edu.au/scholarships

Entry requirements

Guaranteed Entry ATAR: 60

Prerequisites

Completion of the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) or its equivalent, such as an interstate or international Year 12 qualification. A minimum VCE study score of 25 (or equivalent) in English or 30 in English as an Additional Language (EAL).

Non-year 12 entry

Completion or partial completion of an approved tertiary qualification (including certificates, diplomas, advanced diplomas, associate degrees and degrees). Additional performance criteria and prerequisite requirements may also apply. Students admitted to the course with prior tertiary studies that satisfy part of the academic requirements of this course may also be eligible for academic credit.

What next?

Apply or find out more at swinburne.edu.au/criminology or call us on +61 1300 794 328.



Skylar
Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology

"My number one piece of advice is to grab every opportunity that is presented to you, no matter how small. I completed an internship with IBAC (Independent Broad-Based Anti-Corruption Commission). While this was daunting in the beginning, I have gained experiencing in working in the field of corruption, investigation and managing complaints about police misconduct. This experience was so valuable in preparing me for post-university working life. As a result of my internship, I gained part time employment for my final year of study, leading to a full-time position after that."

Pathways to a degree

Pathways allow you to progress from one qualification to another. The first course acts as an entry requirement or even gives you academic credit for the second. So if you want this degree, Swinburne will get you there!

Diploma of Arts and Communication [UniLink]

Not sure if jumping straight into a degree is for you? Or worried about not getting the ATAR you need? Equivalent to eight units of study (usually one year full-time), this pathway diploma offers a more supportive style of learning and can provide a pathway to the second year of Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology.

Diploma of Justice [22594VIC]

A diploma is a vocational qualification that provides practical teaching and skills for work. Successful completion of a vocational qualification may help you to prepare for work, or progress into the second year of Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology.

Your career goal

Work within the justice industry fields such as case management, claims, client support work, investigation, loss prevention work, police custody, youth justice

Your current qualification

You have demonstrated capacity in literacy and numeracy to Level 4 of Australian Core Skills Frameworks →

You have completed Unit 3 and 4 with a minimum study score of 25 in English (or equivalent) or 30 in English (EAL) →

You have received ATAR 60 and completed the above English requirements (pre-requisites) →

Pathway diploma

Diploma of Justice →
12 months full-time
Move to bachelor degree with 8 units credit

Diploma of Arts and Communication (UniLink) →
8 months
Move to a bachelor degree with 8 units credit


Swinburne degree


Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology
3 years full-time


Campuses


Hawthorn	John Street, Hawthorn
Croydon	12–50 Norton Road, Croydon
Wantirna	369 Stud Road, Wantirna
Sarawak	Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia

Further information

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