

# **The ACJS Directory of Justice-Related Degree Programs Project**

## **Part II: Findings by Degree Level**

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## Executive Summary

The ACJS Directory of Justice-Related Degree Programs project originated from requests for such a directory received by the organization's national office. In response to these requests, in 2019 ACJS's national office published a request for proposals "to develop a directory of degree programs in criminology, criminal justice, and other justice-related disciplines throughout the United States and its territories," envisioning:

[The] development and maintenance of a national degree directory as one step on a path toward improving its institutional membership offerings and serving the membership with resources and information that can be used to support and strengthen criminal justice, criminology, and justice-related education both domestically and abroad. (ACJS, 2019)

The contract was awarded to the University of Cincinnati with Professors Bonnie Fisher and John Sloan serving as co-PIs. After an 18-month Covid-related delay, the Directory Team officially began its work in the summer of 2021 and submitted the completed Directory database to the ACJS Executive Director and members of the Executive Board in May of 2023.

Part I of the report provides to interested constituencies a detailed overview of the specific steps taken to create the Directory, including primary and secondary data used and their sources, how the data were manipulated and consolidated into a useable database, quality control and related checks used, and a top-line overview of the characteristics of justice-related degree programs (JRDPs) contained in the Directory database. Part II of the report, a supplementary document, contains a total of 16 tables – and take aways from them – that present the results of a series of crosstabulations of JRDPs degree level (associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral) by type of JRDP and classification of the postsecondary institutions (PSIs) housing them (e.g., two-year private non-profit, four-year public) for the following: (1) credit hours, including tables

for total credit hours, required credit hours, and elective credit hours, (2) type of degree awarded (e.g., AA, BS, MSCJ, Ph.D.), and (3) mode of program delivery, including in-person only, online only, hybrid programs, or combination programs.

In total, the Directory includes 1,673 two- and four-year public and private degree-granting PSIs at which 30 general classes of instructional programs translated to 2,350 JRDPs operating in the United States during the 2021-2022 academic year. These programs are incredibly wide-ranging and include degree programs that are based in the social sciences, philosophy, and law (e.g., criminal justice, criminology, law and society), the natural sciences (e.g., forensic science, criminalistics), and computer and information sciences (e.g., computer forensics, cybersecurity). That JRDPs encompass such a wide range of programs may well be unique in higher education, and potentially explains their popularity among students.

Both within and across JRDPs one finds incredible variability in the distribution of credit hours involving them. For example, one may earn a bachelor's degree in general criminal justice by completing a program in which all of the hours are required, one in which a large majority of hours are elective credits, or a program with about equal division between required and elective hours.

A host of different degrees are awarded by PSIs to students for completing the requirements of a JRDP. Traditionally available associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees like the AA, BA, MA, and PhD are awarded most often. But there are also many "other" degrees awarded as well, including but not limited to an associate of applied science (AAS), a bachelor of criminal justice (BCJ), a master's in forensic science (MSFS), or a doctor of criminal justice (DCJ) that is modeled after the PsyD in psychology or the DPA in public administration.

There is also wide variability in the mode of JRDP delivery within and across degree levels. For example, at the associate level, a combination of in-person only, online only, and hybrid was the most common mode. At the bachelor's level, in-person only was the modal delivery mechanism, but not by much. Similarly, at the master's level, in-person only mode of delivery was the most common. However, combined programs and online only programs were close behind which means greater access for many different kinds of students ranging from those looking for a “traditional,” in-person campus-based experience to those who are working full-time and have a busy family life. The flexibility in program mode of delivery at both the bachelor's and master's level explains the potential popularity of JRDPs. At the doctoral level, in-person only was – by a clear and convincing margin – used most often to deliver JRDPs to doctoral students.

JRDPs are also found at a host of different types of PSIs – two- and four-year; public and private; non-profit and for-profit. However, the vast majority of JRDPs are found at two- and four-year public and private, non-profit PSIs.

Finally, looking across JRDPs there are a dozen U.S. Department of Education Classifications of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes – out of as many as 40 possibilities – that represent nearly 95 percent of all JRDPs that were operating during 2021-2022. Included here, in descending order by number of programs, were the following: CJ/Safety Studies, CJ/Law Enforcement Administration, General Criminal Justice, CJ/Policing Science, Criminology, Laboratory Forensics (e.g., forensic science), Cyber/Computer Forensics, Legal Studies, Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy, Homeland Security, Corrections, and Crisis/Disaster Management.



## Introduction

This document, a supplement to *The ACJS Directory of Justice-Related Degree Programs Project: Methods* report, consists of six sections, beginning with this Introduction. Following it are four sections, each of which is devoted to a degree level of justice-related degree programs (JRDPs) beginning with associate degree programs, followed by bachelor's degree programs, master's degree programs, and finally, doctoral degree programs. In each section is a set of tables that present the results of crosstabulations of type of JRDP by classification of the postsecondary institutions (PSIs) housing the program for the following: (1) credit hour distributions within the program (total hours, required hours, elective hours), (2) type of degree awarded, and (3) mode of program delivery along with key takeaways from each of the tables found in a section. The 12 programs included in the tables represent 95% of all the JRDPs that were operating during the 2021-2022 academic year and appear in the Directory; the "other" type of JRDP combines information for the remaining 18 programs. The final section of the report contains a set of conclusions by the Directory Team about justice-related degree programming in the United States.

**ASSOCIATE-LEVEL JRDPs**

**Table 1.**

*Total Credit Hours for the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program Type and IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Associate Degrees<sup>d</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>c</sup> . Mean (SD) <i>N</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	58.5 (14.9) 2	--	--	40.0 (--) 1	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	36.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	--	30.0 (0.0) 2	27.0 (--) 1	--
Two-Year Public	29.9 (8.4) 9	32.6 <sup>d</sup> (11.9) 114	30.0 <sup>d</sup> (11.2) 36	31.5 <sup>d</sup> (11.9) 107	33.5 <sup>d</sup> (12.9) 179	44.5 (10.6) 24
Four-Year Private For-Profit	21.0 (--) 1	19.0 (4.6) 3	--	28.8 (8.6) 5	33.5 (3.2) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	31.0 (11.8) 3	25.2 <sup>d</sup> (6.4) 18	24.0 (--) 1	28.4 <sup>d</sup> (10.2) 16	28.7 <sup>d</sup> (7.1) 21	-- <sup>d</sup>
Four-Year Public	--	32.2 (7.4) 11	--	27.4 <sup>d</sup> (6.1) 14	27.3 <sup>d</sup> (10.3) 10	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	31.5 (6.4) 2	--	38.8 (3.3) 10	41.0 <sup>d</sup> (7.1) 2	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	36.0 (--) 1	26.0 (7.1) 2	--	25.0 <sup>d</sup> (7.6) 3	30.0 (6.5) 6	31.0 (--) 1
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	39.5 (9.2) 2	34.6 (16.2) 29	27.8 <sup>d</sup> (9.3) 5	33.3 (11.7) 48	22.8 <sup>d</sup> (9.7) 24	37.4 (13.1) 7
Overall	31.1 (9.0) 16	32.2 (12.5) 182	29.6 (10.8) 42	31.5 (11.1) 205	31.8 (12.1) 250	42.5 (11.4) 32

Table 1. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classification Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	-- <sup>d</sup>	61.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	54.5 (13.0) <i>4</i>
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	30.0 (--) <i>1</i>	36.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	31.5 (3.7) <i>6</i>
Two-Year Public	30.3 <sup>d</sup> (11.0) <i>220</i>	34.8 (8.9) <i>12</i>	42.6 (11.9) <i>18</i>	43.6 (9.5) <i>25</i>	27.0 (4.7) <i>5</i>	39.2 (13.9) <i>22</i>	33.0 (12.2) <i>771</i>
Four-Year Private For-Profit	15.0 (--) <i>1</i>	44.0 (--) <i>1</i>	36.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	30.0 (--) <i>1</i>	28.8 (8.7) <i>19</i>
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	27.3 <sup>d</sup> (4.5) <i>8</i>	42.0 (--) <i>1</i>	34.0 (2.8) <i>2</i>	30.0 (5.2) <i>3</i>	--	22.5 (2.1) <i>2</i>	27.9 (7.6) <i>75</i>
Four-Year Public	26.6 (9.6) <i>7</i>	--	--	--	--	25.3 (2.3) <i>3</i>	28.3 (7.9) <i>45</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	32.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	32.0 (--) <i>1</i>	37.3 (4.9) <i>16</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	28.1 (6.2) <i>15</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	34.4 (12.6) <i>28</i>	28.3 (6.7) <i>3</i>	47.0 (11.6) <i>7</i>	39.0 (12.7) <i>2</i>	31.0 (22.6) <i>2</i>	35.9 <sup>d</sup> (16.9) <i>8</i>	32.9 (13.5) <i>165</i>
Overall	31.0 (11.1) <i>265</i>	35.2 (10.4) <i>20</i>	42.5 (11.4) <i>29</i>	41.9 (10.0) <i>30</i>	28.1 (10.3) <i>7</i>	35.7 (14.0) <i>38</i>	32.4 (12.0) <i>1,116</i>

-- indicates an associate degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Degrees include Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing.

<sup>c</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>d</sup>There were 33 associate degree programs whose total hours were not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 1. Total Credit Hours for the Major – Associate Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Overall, the mean total hours for a JRDP major at the associate level was 34.2 hours (SD = 12.0, n = 1,116), or 11-12 three credit courses.
- Wide variability existed in the mean total hours for the major among associate-level JRDPs, with laboratory forensics and computer/cyber forensics having the highest total credit hours (M = 42.6, SD = 11.4, n = 61) and criminology having the lowest (M = 28.1, SD = 10.3, n = 7).
- Within JRDPs and across IPEDS Institutional Classifications, mean total credit hours needed for a specific major evidenced wide variability on the order of between three courses (nine semester hours of credits) and five courses (15 semester hours of credits). For example, on average CJ/police science programs required from five courses on average at four-year private for profit PSIs to about 11 courses on average at four-year primarily associate public PSIs.

**Table 2.**

*Total Required Credit Hours in the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program Type and IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Associate Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>c</sup> . Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	58.5 (14.9) 2	--	--	40.0 (--) 1	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	18.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	--	25.5 (6.3) 2	21.0 (--) 1	--
Two-Year Public	21.4 (5.9) 9	26.4 <sup>d</sup> (12.2) 114	24.3 <sup>d</sup> (10.9) 36	25.7 <sup>d</sup> (13.8) 107	27.1 <sup>d</sup> (12.5) 178	34.7 (15.7) 24
Four-Year Private For-Profit	21.0 (--) 1	16.0 (1.7) 3	--	19.2 (6.9) 5	26.0 (7.8) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	24.3 (10.4) 3	21.5 <sup>d</sup> (8.3) 18	21.0 (--) 1	22.1 <sup>d</sup> (10.3) 16	25.9 <sup>d</sup> (8.3) 21	-- <sup>d</sup>
Four-Year Public	--	23.6 (8.6) 11	--	20.4 <sup>d</sup> (10.2) 14	21.7 <sup>d</sup> (11.2) 10	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	31.5 (6.4) 2	--	38.1 (5.3) 10	32.5 <sup>d</sup> (3.5) 2	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	36.0 (--) 1	24.5 (9.2) 2	--	22.0 <sup>d</sup> (3.5) 3	29.0 (8.7) 6	31.0 (--) 1
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	33.5 (9.2) 2	27.5 (15.6) 29	24.8 <sup>d</sup> (11.9) 5	25.4 (13.4) 48	18.7 <sup>d</sup> (8.9) 24	29.0 (12.9) 7
Overall	24.4 (8.0) 16	26.1 (12.6) 182	24.3 (10.8) 42	25.3 (12.9) 205	26.0 (11.8) 249	33.3 (14.8) 32

Table 2. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Type of Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>b</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	-- <sup>d</sup>	61.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	54.5 (13.0) <i>4</i>
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	15.0 (--) <i>1</i>	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	21.5 (5.2) <i>6</i>
Two-Year Public	23.5 <sup>d</sup> (11.7) <i>220</i>	28.8 (8.0) <i>12</i>	40.3 (13.6) <i>18</i>	38.6 (12.3) <i>25</i>	24.0 (7.0) <i>5</i>	35.1 (15.9) <i>22</i>	26.7 (13.0) <i>770</i>
Four-Year Private For-Profit	15.0 (--) <i>1</i>	44.0 (--) <i>1</i>	21.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	22.4 (8.4) <i>19</i>
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	21.6 <sup>d</sup> (4.8) <i>8</i>	27.0 (--) <i>1</i>	34.0 (2.8) <i>2</i>	30.0 (5.2) <i>3</i>	--	22.5 (2.1) <i>2</i>	23.7 (8.4) <i>75</i>
Four-Year Public	19.3 (13.7) <i>7</i>	--	--	--	--	21.3 (2.5) <i>3</i>	21.4 (10.0) <i>45</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	32.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	29.0 (--) <i>1</i>	35.6 (5.6) <i>16</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	24.0 (--) <i>1</i>	26.9 (7.2) <i>15</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	27.7 (13.5) <i>28</i>	19.3 (14.5) <i>3</i>	44.9 (6.9) <i>7</i>	39.0 (12.7) <i>2</i>	31.0 (22.6) <i>2</i>	25.5 <sup>d</sup> (17.6) <i>8</i>	26.0 (13.9) <i>165</i>
Overall	23.8 (11.8) <i>265</i>	28.7 (12.3) <i>20</i>	39.8 (12.4) <i>29</i>	37.8 (11.8) <i>30</i>	23.4 (11.4) <i>7</i>	31.1 (15.3) <i>38</i>	26.3 (12.8) <i>1,115</i>

-- indicates an associate degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Degrees include Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing.

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**Table 2. Required Hours in the Major – Associate Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- As was the case with total hours required for the major, associate-level JRDPs also evidenced overall wide variability in required hours for the major ( $M = 26.3$ ,  $SD = 12.8$ ,  $n = 1,115$ ) and the range of required hours was from a low of 23.4 hrs. on average for the criminology major and 39.8 hrs. on average for the computer/cyber forensics major.
- Most ( $n = 7$ ) associate degree programs required an average of between 21 hours (seven required courses) and 27 hours (nine required courses) of required course credits in the major
- IPEDS Institutional Classifications of PSIs that offered associate-level JRDPs evidenced wide variability in required credit hours in the major, ranging from an average of about 21 hrs. (eight required courses) to a whopping 54 hrs. (18 required courses).
- Two-year private for-profit PSIs ( $n = 4$ ) offering JRDPs had the highest average required hours of credits in the major (54 credit hours) while four-year public PSIs that offered associate's degrees ( $n = 45$ ) had the lowest average hours of required credits in the major (21 credit hours)



**Table 3.**

*Total Elective Credit Hours in the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program Type and IPEDS Institutional*

*Classifications – Associate Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	0 (--) 2	--	--	0 (--) 1	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	18.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	--	4.5 (6.4) 2	6.0 (0) 1	--
Two-Year Public	8.4 (6.9) 9	6.3 <sup>d</sup> (7.1) 112	5.7 <sup>d</sup> (8.1) 36	5.7 <sup>d</sup> (6.8) 107	6.2 <sup>d</sup> (7.2) 178	9.7 <sup>d</sup> (11.5) 24
Four-Year Private For-Profit	0 (--) 1	3.0 (3.0) 3	--	9.6 (5.8) 5	7.5 (8.1) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	6.7 (6.1) 3	3.7 (4.7) 18	3.0 (--) 1	6.1 <sup>d</sup> (8.0) 16	2.8 <sup>d</sup> (4.1) 21	--
Four-Year Public	--	8.6 (7.4) 11	--	7.8 <sup>d</sup> (4.6) 14	5.6 <sup>d</sup> (4.7) 10	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	18.0 (25.4) 2	--	1.0 (1.9) 10	8.5 <sup>d</sup> (3.5) 2	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0 (--) 1	1.5 (2.1) 2	--	3.0 <sup>d</sup> (5.2) 3	1.0 (2.4) 6	0 (--) 1
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	6.0 (--) 2	6.6 (6.1) 29	3.0 <sup>d</sup> (4.2) 5	7.9 (8.6) 48	4.0 <sup>d</sup> (6.8) 24	9.8 <sup>d</sup> (12.4) 6
Overall	6.8 (6.2) 16	6.3 (7.1) 180	5.3 (7.7) 42	6.2 (7.2) 205	5.7 (6.8) 249	9.4 (11.4) 31

Table 3. (Contd.)

IPES Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	-- <sup>d</sup>	0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	0 (--) <i>4</i>
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	15 (--) <i>1</i>	12.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	10.0 (6.5) <i>6</i>
Two-Year Public	6.9 <sup>d</sup> (7.9) <i>220</i>	6.0 (5.6) <i>12</i>	2.2 (3.5) <i>18</i>	3.1 (7.0) <i>25</i>	3.0 (3.7) <i>5</i>	4.1 (5.6) <i>22</i>	6.2 (7.4) <i>768</i>
Four-Year Private For-Profit	0 (--) <i>1</i>	0 (--) <i>1</i>	15.0 (1) <i>1</i>	--	--	6.0 (--) <i>1</i>	6.5 (6.5) <i>19</i>
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	5.4 <sup>d</sup> (6.0) <i>8</i>	15.0 (--) <i>1</i>	0 (--) <i>2</i>	0 (--) <i>3</i>	--	0 (--) <i>2</i>	4.1 (5.7) <i>75</i>
Four-Year Public	7.3 (5.7) <i>7</i>	--	--	-- <sup>d</sup>	--	4.0 (4.6) <i>3</i>	7.2 (5.5) <i>45</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--	3.0 (--) <i>1</i>	3.9 (9.2) <i>16</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	0 (--) <i>1</i>	1.2 (2.7) <i>15</i>
4-Year Primarily Associate Public	6.9 <sup>d</sup> (9.5) <i>27</i>	9.0 (7.9) <i>3</i>	2.1 (5.7) <i>7</i>	0 (--) <i>1</i>	0 (--) <i>2</i>	10.4 <sup>d</sup> (15.8) <i>8</i>	6.5 (8.5) <i>163</i>
Overall	6.7 (7.9) <i>264</i>	6.5 (6.3) <i>20</i>	2.8 (4.9) <i>29</i>	2.6 (6.5) <i>30</i>	2.1 (3.3) <i>7</i>	5.2 (8.6) <i>38</i>	6.0 (7.4) <i>1,111</i>

-- indicates an associate degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Degrees include Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing.

<sup>c</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>d</sup>There were 39 associate degree programs whose elective hours were not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 3. Elective Hours in the Major – Associate Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Overall average elective hours in associate-level JRDPs was six credit hours ( $M = 6.0$ ,  $SD = 7.5$ ) or two courses.
- As was the case with total and required hours in the major, wide variability existed in overall average elective hours in JRDP majors ranging from an average low of 2.6 hours (cybersecurity and defense strategy) to an average high of 9.4 hours (laboratory forensics).
- Within JRDPs significant variability in elective hours by IPEDS Institutional Classifications for cybersecurity and defense strategy ( $M = 2.6$ ,  $SD = 6.5$ ,  $n = 30$ ) and other programs ( $M = 5.2$ ,  $SD = 8.6$ ,  $n = 40$ ) and across all JRDPs by IPEDS Institutional Classification particularly for two-year for-profit PSIs ( $M = 0$ ,  $SD = 0$ ,  $n = 4$ ), two-year private non-profit PSIs ( $M = 10.0$ ,  $SD = 6.5$ ,  $n = 6$ ), and four-year primarily associate public PSIs ( $M = 3.9$ ,  $SD = 9.2$ ,  $n = 16$ ).
- There is a noticeable presence of JRDPs in which there are no elective hours available in the major, ranging from < 1% of corrections, cj/law enforcement administration, and cj/safety studies programs, to 22.2 percent of criminology programs.

Percentage of JRDPs with no available elective hours:

• corrections:	--
• cj/law enforcement administration:	--
• cj/safety studies:	0.4%
• legal studies:	12.5%
• cj/police science:	1.0%
• general cj:	1.1%
• laboratory forensics:	3.2%
• homeland security:	15%
• cyber/computer forensics:	6.8%
• other:	7.5%
• cybersecurity and defense strategy:	13.3%
• criminology:	22.2%

**Table 4.**

*Type of Degrees Awarded in Justice-Related Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Associate Degrees*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program and Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Legal Studies			General CJ			Corrections			CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>b</sup>		
	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	2% <sup>e</sup> (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	3% <sup>e</sup> (2)	--
Two-Year Public	75% (3)	43% (3)	75% (6)	63% <sup>e</sup> (32)	48% (30)	72% (81)	88% (7)	94% (17)	80% (20)	46% <sup>e</sup> (21)	38% (30)	67% (73)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	14% (1)	--	4% (2)	2% (1)	--	--	--	--	7% (3)	3% (2)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	25% (1)	29% (2)	--	12% (6)	14% (9)	4% (4)	--	--	4% (1)	17% (8)	11% (9)	<1% (1)
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	6% (3)	14% (9)	6% (7)	--	--	--	9% (4)	9% (7)	5% (5)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	3% (2)	--	--	--	--	--	--	9% (10)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	13% (1)	--	2% (1)	1% (1)	--	--	--	2% <sup>e</sup> (1)	4% <sup>e</sup> (3)	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	14% (1)	13% (1)	14% (7)	18% (11)	15% (17)	13% (1)	6% (1)	16% (4)	20% (9)	33% (26)	18% (20)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (4)	100% (7)	100% (8)	100% (51)	100% (63)	100% (112)	100% (8)	100% (18)	100% (25)	100% (46)	100% (79)	100% (109)

Table 4. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program and Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>b</sup>			Laboratory Forensics			CJ/Police Science <sup>b</sup>			Homeland Security		
	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	1% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	< 1% (1)	--	--	10% (1)
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	1% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	25% (1)	--	--
Two-Year Public	68% (44)	61% (49)	82% (113)	50% <sup>e</sup> (2)	60% (6)	85% (17)	88% <sup>e</sup> (63)	84% (91)	85% (104)	25% (1)	50% (4)	80% (8)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	7% (6)	--	--	--	--	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--	--	13% (1)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	15% (10)	12% (10)	2% (2)	--	--	--	1% (1)	--	2% (2)	--	13% (1)	--
Four-Year Public	3% (2)	6% (5)	4% (4)	--	--	--	--	6% (6)	< 1% (1)	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	1% (1)	< 1% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	< 1% (1)	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	5% <sup>e</sup> (4)	1% (2)	--	10% (1)	--	--	--	--	25% (1)	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	14% (9)	5% (4)	12% (16)	50% <sup>e</sup> (2)	30% (3)	15% (3)	11% (8)	10% (11)	11% (14)	25% (1)	25% (2)	10% (1)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (65)	100% (81)	100% (138)	100% (4)	100% (10)	100% (20)	100% (72)	100% (108)	100% (123)	100% (4)	100% (8)	100% (10)

Table 4. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program and Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>b</sup>			Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>b</sup>			Criminology			Other		
	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	10% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	100% (1)	30% (3)	78% (14)	-- <sup>e</sup>	78% (7)	95% (19)	100% (4)	100% (2)	--	43% (3)	58% (7)	44% (15)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	10% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3% (1)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	10% (1)	6% (1)	100% (2)	11% (1)	--	--	--	--	29% (2)	--	32% (11)
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	14% (1)	8% (1)	3% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8% (1)	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8% (1)	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	40% (4)	17% (3)	--	11% (1)	5% (1)	--	--	100% (2)	14% (1)	17% (2)	18% (6)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (1)	100% (10)	100% (18)	100% (2)	100% (9)	100% (20)	100% (4)	100% (2)	100% (2)	100% (7)	100% (12)	100% (34)

Table 4. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Type of Degree Totals			
	Associate of Arts % (n)	Associate of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Total % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	< 1% (1)	< 1% (4)	< 1% (5)
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	< 1% (2)	< 1% (4)	< 1% (3)	< 1% (9)
Two-Year Public	68% (181)	61% (247)	76% (475)	69% (903)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	2% (5)	3% (13)	< 1% (1)	2% (19)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	11% (30)	8% (34)	4% (22)	7% (86)
Four-Year Public	4% (10)	7% (28)	3% (18)	4% (56)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	< 1% (4)	2% (12)	1% (16)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	< 1% (2)	3% (10)	< 1% (4)	1% (16)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	14% (38)	16% (66)	14% (88)	15% (192)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (268)	100% (407)	100% (627)	100% (1,302)

-- indicates a particular degree type was not offered by a program.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Programs may offer more than one type of degree. <sup>b</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>Other includes Associate of Applied Science, Associate of Applied Arts, Associate of Criminal Justice, etc. <sup>e</sup>There were 40 associate degree programs that had missing information about the type of degree awarded because the information was not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 4. Type of Degree Awarded – Associate Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- The modal associate’s degree type awarded across the JRDPs was Other (such as Associate of Applied Science; 48%, n = 627) followed by the Associate of Science (31%, n = 407) and an Associate of Arts (21%, n = 268).
- Within the three groups of associate degrees, two-year public PSIs awarded the largest proportion of all associate’s degrees of any type (69%, n = 903) and the largest proportion of each type of degree: Other (76%, n = 475), Associate of Arts (68%, n = 181), and Associate of Science (61%, n = 247).
- Within IPEDS Institutional Classifications, the Associate of Science degree was most common at JRDPs housed at five of the classifications (two-year private non-profit, four-year private for profit, four-year private non-profit, four-year public, and four-year primarily associate private non-profit); “Other” associate degree was most common at JRDPs at the remaining PSIs. No PSIs offering JRDPs had Associate of Arts as their most commonly offered degree.
- Within JRDPs, Associate of Arts was the modal type of degree only within criminology programs (50%) while “Other” was the modal type of degree within the remaining 11 JRDPs; Associate of Applied Science (AAS, not shown) constituted the bulk of these.



**Table 5.***Delivery Mode for Justice-Related Degree Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Associate Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Legal Studies				General Criminal Justice				Corrections			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	0	0	0	1% (2)	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	20% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	71% (5)	0	0	57% (4)	40% (2)	50% (1)	0	64% (113)	81% (21)	0	100% (1)	89% (16)
Four-Year Private For- Profit	0	50% (1)	0	0	0	0	0	2% (3)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	29% (2)	0	0	14% (1)	40% (2)	50% (1)	0	9% (16)	0	0	0	6% (1)
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	--	0	0	0	6% (11)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	0	0	0	1% (2)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0	50% (1)	0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	0	0	0	29% (2)	0	0	0	17% (29)	19% (5)	0	0	6% (1)
Totals	100% (7)	100% (2)	--	100% (7)	100% (5)	100% (2)	--	100% (176)	100% (26)	--	100% (1)	100% (18)

Table 5. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>d</sup>				CJ/Safety Studies <sup>d</sup>				Laboratory Forensics			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	<1% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	2% (2)	0	0	0	<1% (1)	0	0	0	6% (1)	0	0	0
Two-Year Public	58% (77)	0	0	46% (30)	78% (155)	8% (1)	100% (1)	65% (28)	56% (10)	0	100% (1)	92% (12)
Four-Year Private For- Profit	1% (1)	33% (2)	0	3% (2)	<1% (1)	31% (4)	0	2% (1)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	7% (9)	33% (2)	0	11% (7)	8% (15)	31% (4)	0	7% (3)	6% (1)	0	0	0
Four-Year Public	8% (11)	0	0	8% (5)	4% (7)	0	0	9% (4)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0	17% (1)	0	12% (8)	0	0	0	2% (1)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	0	31% (4)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	24% (32)	17% (1)	0	21% (14)	10% (19)	0	0	14% (6)	33% (6)	0	0	8% (1)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (132)	100% (6)	--	100% (66)	100% (199)	100% (13)	100% (1)	100% (43)	100% (18)	--	100% (1)	100% (13)

Table 5. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Policing Science <sup>d</sup>				Homeland Security				Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>d</sup>			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	0	0	0	1% (1)	9% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	9% (1)	0	0	0	10% (1)	0	0	0
Two-Year Public	88% (174)	0	0	69% (48)	55% (6)	0	0	75% (6)	50% (5)	100% (1)	0	67% (12)
Four-Year Private For- Profit	0	0	0	1% (1)	0	0	0	13% (1)	0	0	0	6% (1)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	2% (4)	100% (1)	0	7% (5)	9% (1)	0	0	0	10% (1)	0	0	6% (1)
Four-Year Public	2% (4)	0	0	4% (3)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0	0	0	1% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	8% (16)	0	100% (1)	16% (11)	18% (2)	0	0	13% (1)	30% (3)	0	0	22% (4)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (198)	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (70)	100% (11)	--	--	100% (8)	100% (10)	100% (1)	--	100% (18)

Table 5. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice Related degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>d</sup>				Criminology				Other			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	100% (5)	0	0	80% (20)	50% (2)	0	0	100% (3)	55% (11)	50% (1)	100% (1)	60% (9)
Four-Year Private For- Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5% (1)	0	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	0	0	0	12% (3)	--	--	--	--	5% (1)	50% (1)	0	0
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10% (2)	0	0	7% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0	0	0	7% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	0	0	0	8% (2)	50% (2)	0	0	0	25% (5)	0	0	27% (4)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (5)	--	--	100% (25)	100% (4)	--	--	100% (3)	100% (20)	100% (2)	100% (1)	100% (15)

Table 5. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications	Totals Delivery Mode				Total <sup>f</sup>
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid % (n)	Combined <sup>e</sup> % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	<1% (2)	--	--	<1% (3)	<1% (5)
Two Year Private Non-Profit	1% (8)	--	0	0	1% (8)
Two-Year Public	74% (473)	12% (4)	100% (3)	67% (301)	51% (781)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	<1% (3)	21% (7)	0	2% (9)	3% (19)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	6% (36)	24% (8)	0	8% (37)	12% (81)
Four-Year Public	4% (24)	0	0	5% (24)	7% (48)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0	3% (1)	0	<1% (4)	<1% (5)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0	15% (5)	0	0	<1% (5)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	14% (90)	24% (8)	0	17% (75)	25% (173)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (636)	100% (33)	100% (3)	100% (453)	100% (1,125)

-- Indicates an associate degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Associate degrees include Associate of Art, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There will be more degree delivery methods than total programs because each program can have up to four degree delivery methods <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>e</sup>There were 55 associate degree programs whose delivery mode for the major were not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 5. Mode of Program Delivery – Associate Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDPs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the most common delivery mode for associate degree programs was in-person (56%, n = 636) followed by a combination of in-person, online, and hybrid (40%, n = 453). Online only and hybrid only combined were just 3% (n = 36) of all associate degree program offerings.
- Within JRDPs but regardless of IPEDS institutional classification, the most common mode of delivery was as follows: legal studies (in-person only, 44% and combination, 44%); general CJ (combination, 96%); corrections (in-person only, 58%); CJ/law enforcement administration (in-person only, 65%); CJ/safety studies (in-person only, 78%); laboratory forensics (in-person only, 56%); CJ/policing science (in-person only, 73%); homeland security (in-person only, 32% and combination, 32%); cyber/computer forensics (combination, 49%); cybersecurity and defense strategy (combination, 83%); criminology (in-person only, 57%); and other (in-person, 54%).
- Seventy-four percent (n = 473) of in-person associate degree programs were found at two-year public colleges, as were 67% (n = 301) of the combined mode of delivering associate degrees.

## **BACHELOR-LEVEL JRDPs**

**Table 6.**

*Total Credit Hours for the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program and IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Bachelor's Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>e</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	53.3 (7.6) 3	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	63.6 (20.3) 5	59.7 (16.5) 6	84.0 (--) 1	76.4 <sup>d</sup> (23.3) 7	63.0 <sup>d</sup> (12.0) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	46.2 (12.5) 22	48.4 <sup>d</sup> (12.2) 81	--	45.9 (11.5) 124	47.9 <sup>d</sup> (13.6) 117	69.5 (20.3) 47
Four-Year Public	44.9 <sup>d</sup> (14.1) 16	46.1 <sup>d</sup> (10.0) 93	54.0 (8.5) 4	48.3 (15.8) 63	48.1 <sup>d</sup> (9.7) 94	68.4 <sup>d</sup> (24.0) 27
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	75.0 (--) 1	79.5 (6.4) 2	--	51.0 (--) 1	59.0 (--) 1	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	36.0 (0.0) 2	56.0 (28.3) 2	--	54.0 (8.5) 2	66.6 <sup>d</sup> (17.8) 6	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	73.3 (9.0) 4	--	63.0 <sup>d</sup> (15.7) 4	41.7 (13.0) 11	85.5 <sup>d</sup> (2.1) 2
Overall	47.8 (15.1) 46	48.6 (12.5) 188	60.0 (15.3) 5	48.2 (14.6) 204	48.6 (12.8) 235	70.0 (21.5) 76



Table 6 (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	All Others Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	53.3 (7.6) 3
Four-Year Private For-Profit	54.0 (--) 1	58.7 (18.2) 3	78.0 (--) 1	--	--	66.0 (17.8) 4	66.0 <sup>d</sup> (17.8) 34
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	44.5 (7.4) 30	47.0 (16.3) 14	65.8 (16.2) 12	63.7 (12.1) 18	41.0 (8.9) 29	50.9 (14.8) 27	49.9 <sup>d</sup> (15.2) 521
Four-Year Public	45.2 (9.1) 29	47.8 (9.4) 14	58.5 <sup>d</sup> (15.6) 22	69.0 (8.6) 6	42.4 (9.7) 47	49.0 (13.4) 35	48.9 (14.1) 450
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	90.0 (--) 1	--	--	74.0 (--) 1	--	--	72.6 (13.5) 7
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	56.0 (--) 1	84.0 (--) 1	81.0 (--) 1	51.0 (--) 1	--	70.5 (2.1) 2	61.3 (17.6) 18
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	53.3 (8.7) 3	75.0 (7.1) 2	49.0 (5.7) 2	83.0 (--) 1	42.0 (3.0) 3	51.6 (13.5) 5	55.4 (17.7) 37
Overall	46.3 (10.0) 65	51.1 (15.6) 34	61.4 (15.9) 38	65.5 (11.7) 27	41.9 (9.2) 79	51.4 (14.6) 73	50.5 (15.4) 1,070

-- indicates a bachelor's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Bachelor's degrees include Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>c</sup>According to the <sup>d</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash "identify alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>d</sup>There were 14 bachelor's degree programs whose total hours for the major were not publicly available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 6. Total Credit Hours for the Major – Bachelor’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDPs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the average total hours for the major in bachelor-level JRDPs was about 51 credit hours or 17 courses ( $M = 50.5$ ,  $SD = 15.4$ ,  $n = 1,070$ ).
- As was the case for the associate’s-level JRDPs, laboratory forensics ( $n = 141$ ) required the highest number of total credits for the major ( $M = 70.0$ ,  $SD = 21.5$ ,  $n = 76$ ) while criminology programs had the lowest total credit hours needed for the major ( $M = 41.9$ ,  $SD = 9.2$ ,  $n = 79$ ).
- JRDP bachelor’s programs at four-year primarily associate’s private for-profit PSIs had the highest average total credit hours needed for the major ( $M = 72.6$ ,  $SD = 13.5$ ,  $n = 7$ ) while JRDPs at four-year public PSIs had the lowest average total credit hours needed for the major ( $M = 48.9$ ,  $SD = 14.1$ ,  $n = 450$ ).

**Table 7.**

*Total Required Hours in the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program and IPEDS Institutional Classifications –*

*Bachelor's Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	38.0 (12.1) 3	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	37.4 (8.1) 5	35.3 (6.5) 6	42.0 (--) 1	43.9 <sup>d</sup> (11.0) 7	40.0 (11.8) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	35.2 <sup>d</sup> (12.6) 22	34.9 (12.2) 81	--	33.5 <sup>d</sup> (10.2) 124	35.0 <sup>d</sup> (12.2) 116	69.5 (20.3) 47
Four-Year Public	29.4 <sup>d</sup> (12.7) 16	30.1 <sup>d</sup> (10.8) 93	44.3 <sup>d</sup> (16.7) 4	31.0 (14.7) 63	30.6 <sup>d</sup> (9.7) 94	68.4 <sup>d</sup> (24.0) 27
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	66.0 (--) 1	75.0 (--) 2	--	33.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	35.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	36.0 (0.0) 2	47.0 (41.0) 2	--	54.0 <sup>d</sup> (8.5) 2	60.3 <sup>d</sup> (13.9) 6	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	56.0 <sup>d</sup> (3.6) 4	--	49.5 (16.5) 4	25.4 (13.3) 11	85.5 (2.1) 2
Overall	34.1 <sup>d</sup> (12.9) 46	33.6 <sup>d</sup> (13.0) 188	43.8 <sup>d</sup> (14.5) 5	33.7 <sup>d</sup> (12.3) 204	33.6 <sup>d</sup> (12.3) 234	58.2 <sup>d</sup> (21.8) 76

Table 7. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	All Others Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	38.0 (12.1) 3
Four-Year Private For-Profit	42.0 (--) 1	31.3 (11.7) 3	36.0 (--) 1	--	--	36.3 (5.7) 4	38.4 (9.1) 34
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	32.6 (9.3) 30	35.9 (10.3) 14	60.9 (17.6) 12	56.3 (13.9) 18	28.5 <sup>d</sup> (10.8) 29	42.0 <sup>d</sup> (15.3) 27	38.2 <sup>d</sup> (15.8) 520
Four-Year Public	26.2 (9.4) 29	34.9 <sup>d</sup> (10.2) 14	47.1 (15.3) 22	55.7 (18.9) 6	27.1 <sup>d</sup> (10.5) 47	34.8 <sup>d</sup> (16.4) 35	33.0 <sup>d</sup> (14.9) 450
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	90 (--) 1	--	--	74.0 (--) 1	--	--	64.0 <sup>d</sup> (21.7) 7
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	56.0 (--) 1	84.0 (--) 1	81.0 (--) 1	51.0 (--) 1	--	70.5 (2.1) 2	58.3 <sup>d</sup> (18.1) 18
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	31.3 (12.3) 3	71.0 <sup>d</sup> (1.4) 2	43.5 (2.1) 2	74.0 (--) 1	42.0 (3.0) 3	44.4 (12.8) 5	42.1 <sup>d</sup> (18.0) 37
Overall	31.1 (12.7) 65	38.6 <sup>d</sup> (15.2) 34	51.9 (17.3) 38	57.3 (14.6) 27	28.2 <sup>d</sup> (10.7) 79	39.2 <sup>d</sup> (16.2) 73	36.6 <sup>d</sup> (16.1) 1,069

-- indicates a bachelor's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Bachelor's degrees include Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS), etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs with JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>c</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles containing a slash identify "alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>d</sup>There were 38 programs for which the number of required hours in the major were not available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 7. Required Hours in the Major – Bachelor’s Degree Key Takeaways:**

- Across the JRDPs which offered a bachelor’s degree, the overall average for required hours in the major was 36.6 credits ( $SD = 16.1$ ,  $n = 1,069$ ) or about 12 required courses.
- Across JRDPs offering a bachelor’s degree, criminology programs had the lowest average required hours in the major ( $M = 28.2$ ,  $SD = 10.7$ ,  $n = 79$ ) while laboratory forensics had the highest average required hours in the major ( $M = 58.2$ ,  $SD = 21.8$ ,  $n = 76$ ). This roughly translates to nine required courses in criminology programs, but 19 required courses in laboratory forensics programs.
- Across the 12 JRDPs offering a bachelor’s degree program, seven (58.3%) of the programs had average required credits for the major in the 30s (range 31 – 39 credits); three (25%) JRDPs had averages in the 50s (range = 52 – 58); and among the two remaining programs, one (8.3%) had an average in the 40s ( $M = 43.8$ ,  $SD = 14.5$ ,  $n = 5$ ) and one (8.3%) had an average in the 20s ( $M = 28.2$ ,  $SD = 10.7$ ,  $n = 79$ ).
- Across the IPEDS institutional classifications, four-year public institutions had the overall lowest average required hours for JRDP majors ( $M = 33.0$ ,  $SD = 14.9$ ,  $n = 450$ ) or 11 required courses, while four-year primarily associate private for-profit PSIs had the highest average required hours in the major ( $M = 64.0$ ,  $SD = 21.7$ ,  $n = 7$ ) or roughly 21 required courses in the major.

**Table 8.**

*Total Hours of Elective Credits in the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program Type and Carnegie Classifications – Bachelor's Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	15.3 (15.5) 3	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	26.2 (15.6) 5	24.3 (11.5) 6	42.0 (--) 1	32.6 (19.9) 7	23.0 (5.7) 6	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	11.0 <sup>d</sup> (7.7) 22	13.5 (10.2) 81	--	12.2 <sup>d</sup> (9.2) 123	13.2 <sup>d</sup> (10.5) 116	8.9 <sup>d</sup> (12.7) 47
Four-Year Public	15.6 <sup>d</sup> (11.1) 16	15.9 <sup>d</sup> (7.1) 93	9.8 <sup>d</sup> (8.6) 4	17.2 <sup>d</sup> (8.4) 63	17.4 <sup>d</sup> (9.0) 93	14.2 <sup>d</sup> (16.7) 27
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	9.0 (--) 1	4.5 (6.4) 2	--	18.0 (--) 1	24.0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 1	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0 (--) 2	9.0 (12.7) 2	--	0 <sup>d</sup> (--) 2	6.0 (6.6) 6	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	17.3 (9.4) 4	--	13.3 <sup>d</sup> (13.5) 4	16.4 (4.7) 11	29.5 (22.0) 2
Overall	13.7 <sup>d</sup> (11.0) 46	15.0 <sup>d</sup> (9.0) 188	16.2 <sup>d</sup> (16.2) 5	14.5 <sup>d</sup> (10.4) 203	15.1 <sup>d</sup> (9.9) 233	11.3 (14.7) 76

Table 8. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	15.3 (15.5) 3
Four-Year Private For-Profit	12.0 (--) 1	27.3 <sup>d</sup> (13.3) 3	36.0 (--) 1	--	--	29.8 (14.0) 4	27.5 (13.5) 34
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	12.3 (6.6) 30	11.1 (9.5) 14	4.9 (5.6) 12	7.4 (7.9) 18	13.5 <sup>d</sup> (11.0) 30	8.8 (7.8) 27	11.8 (9.9) 520
Four-Year Public	19.0 (10.0) 29	12.9 (11.4) 14	11.2 (11.0) 22	13.3 (11.9) 6	15.1 <sup>d</sup> (7.8) 47	14.3 (11.4) 35	15.9 (9.7) 449
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0 (--) 1	--	--	0 (--) 1	--	--	8.6 (9.6) 7
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0 (--) 1	0 (--) 1	0 (--) 1	0 (--) 1	--	0 (--) 2	3.0 (5.9) 18
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	22.0 (6.9) 3	4.0 <sup>d</sup> (5.6) 2	5.5 (7.8) 2	9.0 (--) 2	0 (--) 3	7.2 (6.9) 5	13.3 (10.3) 37
Overall	15.4 (9.2) 65	12.5 <sup>d</sup> (11.4) 34	9.3 (10.5) 38	8.2 (8.9) 27	13.9 (9.4) 80	12.2 (11.1) 73	13.9 (10.5) 1,068

-- indicates a bachelor's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup> Bachelor's degrees include Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup> There were 153 PSIs with JRDPs not in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>c</sup> According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash "identify alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>d</sup> There were 39 bachelor's degree programs whose elective hours in the major were not available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 8. Elective Hours in the Major – Bachelor’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Wide variability existed in average elective hours for JRDP bachelor’s degrees offered across the IPEDS institutional classifications ( $M = 13.9$ ,  $SD = 10.5$ ), ranging from three credit hours (one course) at four-year primarily associate degree private non-profit PSIs ( $n = 18$ ) to about 28 credit hours (nine courses) at four-year private for profit PSIs ( $n = 34$ ).
- Within JRDPs, average elective hours for bachelor’s degree programs ranged from about two courses ( $M = 8.2$ ,  $SD = 8.9$ ) for cybersecurity and defense strategy programs to about five courses ( $M = 16.2$ ,  $SD = 16.2$ ) for corrections programs, with most programs’ ( $n = 8$ ) averages falling between 12 credit hours (four courses) and 15 credit hours (five courses).



**Table 9.**

*Type of Degrees Awarded in Justice-Related Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Bachelor’s Degrees*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Legal Studies			General CJ			Corrections			CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>b</sup>		
	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2% (3)	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	5% (1)	17% (4)	e	e	e	e	--	--	--	2% <sup>e</sup> (2)	4% (5)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	55% (12)	44% (10)	17% (1)	44% <sup>e</sup> (41)	41% (46)	23% (3)	e	20% (1)	e	75% (74)	54% (72)	--
Four-Year Public	46% <sup>e</sup> (10)	30% (7)	67% (4)	51% <sup>e</sup> (47)	49% (55)	69% (9)	e	80% (4)	e	22% (22)	36% (48)	38% (3)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	e	e	e	e	e	e	--	--	--	e	<1% (1)	e
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	e	4% (1)	17% (1)	1% (1)	<1% (1)	--	--	--	--	1% (1)	1% (2)	e
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	3% (3)	3% (3)	8% (1)	--	--	--	--	2% <sup>e</sup> (3)	25% (2)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (22)	100% (23)	100% (6)	100% (93)	100% (112)	100% (13)	--	100% (5)	--	100% (99)	100% (134)	100% (8)

Table 9. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>b</sup>			Laboratory Forensics			CJ/Police Science <sup>b</sup>			Homeland Security		
	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	1% <sup>e</sup> (1)	3% (4)	--	--	--	--	--	2% (1)	--	7% (1)	9% (2)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	65% <sup>d</sup> (66)	40% (58)	58% (7)	71% (5)	60% (44)	--	53% (16)	42% (17)	--	43% (6)	35% (8)	33% (1)
Four-Year Public	34% <sup>d</sup> (35)	51% (74)	17% (2)	29% <sup>e</sup> (2)	38% (28)	--	40% (12)	51% (21)	50% (1)	43% (6)	48% (11)	33% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	1% (1)	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	-- <sup>e</sup>	3% (4)	17% (2)	--	--	--	--	2% (1)	--	7% (1)	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	8% (8)	2% (3)	8% (1)	-- <sup>e</sup>	2% (1)	100% (1)	3% (1)	2% (1)	50% (1)	--	9% (2)	33% (1)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (102)	100% (144)	100% (12)	100% (7)	100% (73)	100% (1)	100% (30)	100% (41)	100% (2)	100% (14)	100% (23)	100% (3)

Table 9. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>b</sup>			Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>b</sup>			Criminology			Other		
	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	3% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5% <sup>e</sup> (1)	4% (2)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	33% (1)	34% (11)	--	67% (2)	69% (18)	--	39% (20)	48% (14)	17% (1)	38% <sup>e</sup> (8)	39% (20)	--
Four-Year Public	67% (2)	56% (18)	75% (3)	33% (1)	23% (6)	--	61% (32)	52% (15)	33% (2)	57% (12)	49% (25)	40% (2)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--	--	4% (1)	--	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	3% (1)	--	--	4% (1)	--	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--	-- <sup>e</sup>	4% (2)	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	3% (1)	25% (1)	--	--	100% (1)	--	--	50% (3)	--	4% (2)	60% (3)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (3)	100% (32)	100% (4)	100% (3)	100% (26)	100% (1)	100% (52)	100% (29)	100% (6)	100% (21)	100% (51)	100% (5)

Table 9. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Totals for Degree Type <sup>a</sup>			Totals % (n)
	Bachelor of Arts % (n)	Bachelor of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	<1% (3)	--	<1% (3)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	4% (24)	--	2% (31)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	46% (318)	--	49% (585)
Four-Year Public	40% (181)	45% (313)	44% (27)	43% (521)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	<1% (1)	1% (6)	--	<1% (7)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	1% (4)	1% (13)	5% (3)	2% (20)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	2% (9)	2% (16)	25% (15)	3% (40)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (453)	100% (693)	100% (61)	100% (1,207)

-- indicates a particular degree type was not offered by a program.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Programs may offer more than one type of degree. <sup>b</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>Other includes Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Criminal Justice, Bachelor of Applied Arts, etc.. <sup>e</sup>There were 18 bachelor’s degree programs that had missing information about the type of degree awarded because the information was not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and was treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 9. Type of Degree Awarded – Bachelor’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- The modal type of bachelor’s degree awarded across the JRDPs was a Bachelor of Science (57%, n = 693), followed by a Bachelor of Arts (38%, n = 453), and Other bachelor’s degrees such as a Bachelor of Applied Science or a Bachelor of Criminal Justice (5%, n = 61).
- Within the three groups of bachelor’s degrees, the largest proportion of JRDPs leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree (55%, n = 251) and a Bachelor of Science degree (46%, n = 318) were found at four-year private non-profit PSIs while the largest proportion of JRDPs leading to an Other degree (44%, n = 27) were housed at four-year public PSIs.
- Among the six different IPEDS Institutional Classifications of four-year PSIs, the vast majority of all JRDPs leading to a bachelor’s degree (92%, n = 1,106) were housed at four-year private non-profit PSIs (49%, n = 585) and four-year public PSIs (43%, n = 521).
- Ratio of Bachelor of Science degree offerings to Bachelor of Arts degree offerings among JRDPs:
  - Criminology 0.56:1
  - Legal Affairs 1:1
  - General CJ 1.2:1
  - CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. 1.3:1
  - CJ/Safety Studies 1.4:1
  - CJ/Police Science 1.4:1
  - Homeland Security 1.6:1
  - All Others 2.4:1
  - Corrections 5:0
  - Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy 8.71:1
  - Laboratory Forensics 10.4:1
  - Cyber/Computer Forensics 10.7:1

**Table 10.***Delivery Mode for Justice-Related Degree Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classification – Bachelor's Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Legal Studies				General Criminal Justice				Corrections			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	14% (2)	60% (3)	0	0	0	40% (4)	0	1% (2)	0	100% (1)	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	79% (11)	0	0	14% (1)	67% (6)	30% (3)	0	9% (16)	0	0	0	33% (1)
Four-Year Public	7% (1)	0	0	55% (16)	33% (3)	20% (2)	50% (1)	49% (89)	100% (3)	0	0	67% (2)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0	0	0	4% (1)	0	0	0	1% (2)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0	40% (2)	0	38% (11)	0	0	0	39% (70)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	0	10% (1)	50% (1)	1% (2)	--	--	--	--
Totals	100% (14)	100% (5)	--	100% (29)	100% (9)	100% (10)	100% (2)	100% (181)	100% (3)	100% (1)	--	100% (3)

Table 10. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>d</sup>				CJ/Safety Studies <sup>d</sup>				Laboratory Forensics			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	2% (2)	0	0	2% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	<1% (1)	43% (6)	0	0	1% (1)	31% (5)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	67% (87)	14% (2)	100% (1)	44% (20)	52% (88)	31% (5)	0	45% (17)	72% (28)	0	0	0
Four-Year Public	25% (32)	36% (5)	0	50% (23)	41% (70)	6% (1)	0	47% (18)	26% (10)	0	0	91% (19)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	<1% (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3% (1)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	2% (3)	0	0	0	1% (1)	31% (5)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	2% (3)	7% (1)	0	4% (2)	5% (9)	0	0	5% (2)	3% (1)	0	0	9% (2)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (129)	100% (14)	100% (1)	100% (46)	100% (169)	100% (16)	0	100% (38)	100% (39)	0	0	100% (21)

Table 10 (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Policing Science <sup>d</sup>				Homeland Security				Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>d</sup>			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	0	0	0	3% (1)	0	30% (3)	0	0	0	100% (1)	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	61% (17)	100% (1)	0	33% (11)	67% (8)	10% (1)	0	27% (3)	56% (5)	0	0	25% (7)
Four-Year Public	36% (10)	0	0	58% (19)	17% (2)	60% (6)	0	55% (6)	22% (2)	0	100% (1)	68% (19)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	3% (1)	0	0	0	8% (1)	0	0	0	11% (1)	0	0	0
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	0	0	100% (1)	67% (2)	8% (1)	0	0	18% (2)	11% (1)	0	0	7% (2)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (28)	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (33)	100% (12)	100% (10)	0	100% (11)	100% (9)	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (28)



Table 10. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>d</sup>				Criminology				Other			
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	21% (3)	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	63% (5)	50% (1)	0	67% (8)	53% (17)	0	--	28% (13)	41% (15)	43% (6)	0	19% (4)
Four-Year Public	25% (2)	0	0	25% (3)	38% (12)	100% (2)	0	72% (33)	49% (18)	21% (3)	0	71% (15)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	0	50% (1)	0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	13% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	14% (2)	0	0
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	0	0	0	8% (1)	9% (3)	0	--	0	5% (2)	0	0	10% (2)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (8)	100% (2)	0	100% (12)	100% (32)	100% (2)	0	100% (46)	100% (37)	100% (14)	0	100% (21)

Table 10. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Totals Delivery Mode				IPEDS Institutional Classification Totals
	In-Person Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Online Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Hybrid Only <sup>e</sup> % (n)	Combination <sup>e</sup> % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	<1% (2)	--	--	<1% (1)	<1% (3)
Four-Year Private For-Profit	1% (5)	34% (26)	0	<1% (3)	3% (34)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	59% (287)	25% (19)	20% (1)	22% (101)	39% (408)
Four-Year Public	34% (165)	25% (19)	40% (2)	56% (262)	43% (448)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	<1% (1)	3% (2)	0	1% (4)	<1% (7)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	2% (9)	12% (9)	0	17% (81)	10% (99)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	4% (20)	3% (2)	40% (2)	4% (17)	4% (41)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (489)	100% (77)	100% (5)	100% (469)	100% (1,038)

-- indicates a bachelor's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Bachelor's degrees include Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Applied Science, etc

<sup>b</sup>There will be more degree delivery methods than total programs because each program can have up to four degree delivery methods.

<sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional

Classifications. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash "identify alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely

related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>e</sup>There were 166 bachelor's degree programs whose delivery mode for the major was not publicly available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not sum to 100%

due to rounding.

**Table 10. Mode of Program Delivery – Bachelor’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDPs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the most common delivery mode for bachelor’s degrees was in-person only (47%, n = 489) closely followed by a combination of in person, online, and hybrid (45%, n = 469). A distant third was online only programs (7%, n =77). was in-person only (30%, n = 209). Less than one percent of programs (n = 77) were delivered in a hybrid only scenario.
- Public four-year PSIs delivered fifty-six percent (n = 262) of the combination mode of program delivery, forty percent of the hybrid only mode of deliver (n = 2), thirty-four percent (n = 165) of the in-person only mode, and one-quarter (n = 19) of the online only mode. Private non-profit PSIs housed fifty-nine percent of the in-person only mode of program delivery, one-quarter of the online only mode (n = 19), twenty-two percent of the combination mode (n = 101), and twenty percent of the hybrid only mode (n = 1).

**MASTER'S LEVEL JRDPS**

Table 11.

Total Credit Hours for the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program and IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Master's Degrees<sup>a</sup>

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	36.0 (--) <i>1</i>	33.4 (3.0) <i>5</i>	--	34.5 <sup>d</sup> (3.0) <i>4</i>	38.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	32.3 (2.9) <i>4</i>	31.9 (2.7) <i>15</i>	--	33.2 (3.6) <i>37</i>	31.9 (6.6) <i>20</i>	34.4 (5.1) <i>8</i>
Four-Year Public	37.2 (9.2) <i>6</i>	33.3 <sup>d</sup> (2.7) <i>52</i>	34.5 (2.1) <i>2</i>	32.9 <sup>d</sup> (2.7) <i>30</i>	32.4 (6.1) <i>39</i>	68.4 <sup>d</sup> (24.0) <i>20</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	32.0 -- <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	33.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	30.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--
Overall	35.3 (7.1) <i>11</i>	33.0 (2.7) <i>73</i>	34.5 (2.1) <i>2</i>	33.2 (3.2) <i>72</i>	32.3 (6.2) <i>61</i>	35.5 (8.1) <i>28</i>

Table 11. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	38.7 (4.6) 3	39.0 (--) 1	--	--	34.0 (2.8) 2	35.4 (3.5) 17
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	37.4 (10.3) 5	34.1 (2.7) 8	31.2 (2.1) 9	32.8 (3.3) 12	33.9 <sup>d</sup> (2.9) 7	35.4 (2.8) 14	33.2 (4.4) 139
Four-Year Public	33.2 (2.9) 17	36.0 (2.1) 5	31.9 (3.0) 20	31.3 (2.4) 7	33.1 <sup>d</sup> (3.0) 21	34.4 (6.1) 17	33.4 (4.9) 236
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	30.0 (--) 1	--	--	31.0 (1.4) 2
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	33.0 (--) 1	--	--	--	--	33.0 (--) 2
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	36.0 (--) 1	--	33.0 (--) 1	--	--	36.0 (--) 1	33.8 (2.9) 4
Overall	34.2 (5.4) 23	35.4 (3.2) 17	31.9 (3.0) 31	32.1 (2.9) 20	33.3 (2.9) 28	34.9 (4.6) 34	33.4 (4.7) 400

-- indicates a master's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Master's degrees include Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>c</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash "identify alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>d</sup>There were four master's degree programs whose total hours for the major were not publicly available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 11. Total Hours for the Major – Master’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRPDs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the average total hours needed for the master’s degree was 33.4 (SD = 4.7, n = 400) or 11 total courses.
- Across all JRPDs, laboratory forensics had the highest average number of credits needed for the master’s degree (M= 35.5, SD = 8.1, n = 28) while cyber/computer forensics had the lowest (M = 31.9, SD = 3.0, n = 31). These translate to about 12 and 10 total courses, respectively.
- Across the IPEDS Institutional Classifications, nearly 94% of all master’s programs were housed at two classifications: four-year public (59%) and four-year private non-profit (35%) and the average total credits needed for master’s level JRDPs housed at them were nearly identical at 33.4 and 33.2 credit hours, respectively.
- Across the IPEDs Institutional Classifications, the average total hours needed for a master’s degree ranged from a high of 35.4 credits (SD = 3.6, n = 17) at four-year private for-profit PSIs to a low of 31.0 credits (SD = 1.4, n = 2) at four-year primarily associate private for-profit PSIs.

Table 12.

*Type of Degrees Awarded in Justice-Related Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Master’s Degrees*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Legal Studies			General CJ			Corrections			CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>b</sup>		
	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	20% (1)	-- <sup>e</sup>	--	--	11% (5)	--	--	--	--	--	7% (4)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	20% (1)	50% (3)	50% (1)	22% (6)	22% <sup>e</sup> (10)	--	--	--	--	40% (8)	50% (27)	60% (3)
Four-Year Public	60% (3)	50% (3)	50% (1)	78% (21)	64% (29)	100 % (6)	--	100% (2)	--	55% (11)	43% <sup>e</sup> (23)	40% (2)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5% (1)	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (5)	100% (6)	100% (2)	100% (27)	100% (45)	100% (6)	--	100% (2)	--	100% (20)	100% (54)	100% (5)



Table 12. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>b</sup>			Laboratory Forensics			CJ/Police Science <sup>b</sup>			Homeland Security		
	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	2% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	33% (1)	17% (2)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	36% <sup>e</sup> (4)	29% (14)	25% (2)	--	28% (7)	33% (1)	22% (2)	20% <sup>e</sup> (3)	--	67% (2)	25% (3)	100% <sup>e</sup> (3)
Four-Year Public	55% (6)	63% <sup>e</sup> (30)	75% (6)	100% (3)	68% (17)	67% (2)	67% (6)	73% (11)	100% (1) <sup>e</sup>	--	42% (5)	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	9% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	6% (3)	--	--	4% (1)	--	11% <sup>e</sup> (1)	7% (1)	--	--	17% (2)	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (11)	100% (48)	100% (8)	100% (3)	100% (25)	100% (3)	100% (9)	100% (15)	100% (1)	100% (3)	100% (12)	100% (3)

Table 12. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program Degree(s) Awarded <sup>a</sup>											
	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>b</sup>			Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>b</sup>			Criminology			Other		
	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	3% <sup>e</sup> (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7% (2)	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	31% (9)	--	--	60% (12)	--	6% (1)	35% <sup>e</sup> (6)	--	75% (3)	39% <sup>e</sup> (12)	50% (1)
Four-Year Public	--	62% (18)	100% (2)	--	35% <sup>e</sup> (7)	--	94% <sup>e</sup> (15)	65% <sup>e</sup> (11)	--	25% (1)	52% (16)	50% <sup>e</sup> (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	5% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	3% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	--	100% (29)	100% (2)	--	100% (20)	100% (1)	100% (16)	100% (17)	--	100% (4)	100% (31)	100% (2)

Table 12. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Totals Degree Type <sup>a</sup>			Totals % (n)
	Master of Arts % (n)	Master of Science % (n)	Other <sup>d</sup> % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	1% (1)	5% (15)	--	4% (16)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	28% (27)	35% (106)	34% (11)	34% (144)
Four-Year Public	68% (66)	56% (168)	66% (21)	59% (255)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	1% (1)	<1% (2)	--	<1% (3)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	1% (1)	--	--	<1% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	1% (1)	3% (9)	--	2% (10)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (97)	100% (300)	100% (32)	100% (429)

-- indicates a particular degree type was not offered by a program.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Programs may offer more than one type of degree, for example an MA *and* an MS. <sup>b</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>Other includes Master of Applied Science, Master of Criminal Justice, Master of Applied Arts, etc.. <sup>e</sup>There were 43 master’s degree programs that had missing information about the type of degree awarded because the information was not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and was treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 12. Type of Degree Awarded – Master’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- The modal type of master’s degree available in JRDPs was the Master of Science (69.9%) followed by Master of Arts (22.6%) and Other type of master’s degree (e.g., Master of Criminal Justice, Master of Forensic Science; 7.5%).
- JRDPs at four-year public PSIs offered the greatest percentage of all three degree types: MA (68%), MS (56%), and Other (66%), followed by four-year private non-profit PSIs (28%, 35%, and 34% respectively). Together, those two classifications offered 93 percent of all types of master’s degrees.

Table 13.

*Delivery Mode for Justice-Related Degree Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Master’s Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Legal Studies				General Criminal Justice				Corrections			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	0	33% (1)	0	0	0	25% (4)	0	4% (1)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	50% (2)	33% (1)	0	50% (1)	21% (6)	25% (4)	0	20% (5)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	50% (2)	34% (1)	0	50% (1)	79% (23)	50% (8)	100% (1)	76% (19)	100% (1)	0	0	100% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (4)	100% (3)	0	100% (2)	100% (29)	100% (16)	100% (1)	100% (25)	100% (1)	0	0	100% (1)

Table 13. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>d</sup>				CJ/Safety Studies <sup>d</sup>				Laboratory Forensics			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	4% (1)	14% (4)	0	0	0	7% (1)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	52% (13)	54% (15)	0	43% (9)	30% (10)	47% (7)	0	23% (3)	11% (2)	100% (2)	100% (1)	43% (3)
Four-Year Public	40% (10)	32% (9)	0	57% (12)	67% (22)	47% (7)	0	77% (10)	89% (16)	0	0	56% (4)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	4% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	3% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (25)	100% (28)	0	100% (21)	100% (33)	100% (15)	0	100% (13)	100% (18)	100% (2)	100% (1)	100% (7)

Table 13. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Policing Science <sup>d</sup>				Homeland Security				Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>d</sup>			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	0	0	0	0	0	33% (1)	0	0	0	10% (1)	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	17% (1)	25% (2)	0	29% (2)	0	33% (1)	0	70% (7)	17% (2)	30% (3)	0	50% (4)
Four-Year Public	83% (5)	63% (5)	100% (2)	71% (5)	50% (1)	33% (1)	0	30% (3)	75% (9)	60% (6)	100% (1)	50% (4)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	0	0	0	0	50% (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	0	13% (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	8% (1)	0	0	0
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (6)	100% (8)	100% (1)	100% (7)	100% (12)	100% (3)	0	100% (10)	100% (12)	100% (10)	100% (1)	100% (8)

Table 13. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Program and Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>d</sup>				Criminology				Other			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9% (1)	0	0	0
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	63% (5)	83% (5)	0	25% (1)	7% (1)	67% (4)	100% (1)	14% (1)	27% (3)	55% (6)	50% (1)	50% (4)
Four-Year Public	38% (3)	17% (1)	0	75% (3)	93% (14)	33% (2)	0	86% (6)	64% (7)	46% (5)	50% (1)	50% (4)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (8)	100% (6)	0	100% (4)	100% (15)	100% (6)	100% (1)	100% (7)	100% (11)	100% (11)	100% (2)	100% (8)



Table 13. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Totals Delivery Mode				Totals <sup>f</sup>
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	1% (2)	11% (12)	0	<1% (1)	4% (15)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	26% (42)	46% (50)	38% (3)	35% (40)	35% (135)
Four-Year Public	70% (112)	42% (45)	62% (5)	64% (72)	60% (234)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	1% (2)	0	0	0	<1% (2)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	1% (2)	<1% (1)	0	0	<1% (3)
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (160)	100% (108)	100% (8)	100% (113)	100% (389)

-- indicates a master's degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Master's degrees include Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Applied Science, etc. <sup>b</sup>There will be more degree delivery methods than total programs because each program can have up to four degree delivery methods. <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classifications. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash "identify alternative or equivalent program titles" while those with "and" in the title "identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them." <sup>e</sup>There were 41 master's degree programs whose delivery mode for the major was not publicly available from the program's or institution's website or catalog and were treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 13. Mode of Program Delivery – Master’s Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDPs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the most common delivery mode for master’s degrees was in-person only (41%, n = 160) followed by a combination of in-person, online, and hybrid (29%, n = 113) and online only (28%, n = 108). Hybrid only programs were very unusual and a distant fourth (2%, n = 8).
- Public four-year PSIs delivered 70 percent (n = 112) of the in-person only mode of program delivery, 42 percent of the online only mode of delivery (n = 45), 64 percent of combination mode of delivery (n = 72) and 62 percent of the hybrid only mode of delivery (n = 5).
- Among JRDPs, only three of the 12 master’s level programs did not have in-person mode of delivery as the most common, including criminal justice/law enforcement administration, criminal justice/police science, and other programs (tied with in-person only).

## **DOCTORAL-LEVEL JRDPs**

**Table 14.**

*Total Credit Hours for the Major by Justice-Related Degree Program and IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Doctoral*

*Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program					
	Legal Studies Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	General CJ Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Corrections Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	CJ/Safety Studies <sup>e</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Laboratory Forensics Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	60.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	68.0 (--) <i>1</i>	--	69.0 (21.2) <i>2</i>	54.0 (10.4) <i>3</i>	--
Four-Year Public	--	80.3 (13.5) <i>13</i>	--	64.4 (20.6) <i>7</i>	57.0 (12.0) <i>5</i>	73.7 <sup>d</sup> (13.1) <i>3</i>
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--
Overall	--	78.1 (13.9) <i>15</i>	--	65.4 (19.4) <i>9</i>	55.9 (10.7) <i>8</i>	73.7 (13.1) <i>3</i>

Table 14. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>b</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program						IPEDS Institutional Classifications Totals Mean (SD) <i>n</i>
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Homeland Security Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup> Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Criminology Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	Other Mean (SD) <i>n</i>	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	60.0 (--) 1
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	78.0 (--) 1	--	--	--	--	63.7 (14.3) 7
Four-Year Public	62.3 (9.1) 3	54.0 (--) 1	--	85.0 (--) 1	73.9 <sup>d</sup> (22.0) 8	65.0 (8.7) 3	70.8 (17.2) 44
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Overall	62.3 (9.1) 3	66.0 (17.0) 2	--	85.0 (--) 1	73.9 (22.0) 8	65.0 (8.7) 3	66.7 (16.3) 52

-- indicates a doctoral degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Degrees include Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice, Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology, Doctor of Criminal Justice, Doctor of Criminology, etc.. <sup>b</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. They were treated as missing. <sup>c</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>d</sup>There were three doctoral degree programs whose total hours for the major were not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing.

**Table 14. Total Hours for the Major – Doctoral Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDP doctoral programs (n = 52) and IPEDS Institutional Classifications, the average total hours for the degree was ~67 hours (SD = 16), or about two years beyond the master's degree assuming the student takes 33 credit hours annually.
- Total hours beyond the master's degree ranged from a low of ~56 credit hours (cj/safety studies) to a high of 85 credit hours (cybersecurity and defense strategy).
- Across IPEDS Institutional Classifications, only three of the nine classifications offered a doctoral program (four-year for profit, four-year non-profit, and four-year public) and 85% (n = 44) were located at four-year public PSIs; these programs averaged ~71 total hours for the degree or just over two years of study beyond the master's degree.
- Four-year public PSIs also housed doctoral programs in eight of 12 JRDPs: general cj, cj/law enforcement administration, cj/safety studies, laboratory forensics, cj/police science, homeland security, cybersecurity and defense strategy, criminology, and other programs. Among these, general cj (30%, n = 13) was the most common followed by criminology (18%, n = 8).

Table 15.

*Type of Degree Awarded in Justice-Related Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Doctoral Degrees*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>a</sup>	Justice-Related Program Type of Degree Awarded														
	Legal Studies			General CJ			CJ/Law Enforcement Admin. <sup>c</sup>			CJ/Safety Studies <sup>c</sup>			Laboratory Forensics		
	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	8% (1)	--	25% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-- <sup>d</sup>	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	100% (1)	--	--	8% <sup>d</sup> (1)	--	--	17% (1)	--	33% (1)	50% (2)	--	50% (2)	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	83% (10)	--	75% (3)	83% (5)	--	67% (2)	50% <sup>d</sup> (2)	100% (1)	50% (2)	100% (1)	--	100% (3)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>e</sup>	100% (1)	--	--	100% (12)	--	100% (4)	100% (6)	--	100% (3)	100% (4)	100% (1)	100% (4)	100% (1)	--	100% (3)

Table 15. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>a</sup>	Justice-Related Program Type of Degree Awarded														
	CJ/Police Science <sup>c</sup>			Homeland Security			Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>c</sup>			Criminology			Other		
	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-- <sup>d</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	50% (1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (2)	--	--	50% (1)	--	--	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (8)	100% (1)	--	--	100% (2)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>e</sup>	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (2)	--	--	100% (2)	--	--	100% (1)	100% (1)	100% (8)	100% (1)	--	--	100% (2)



Table 15. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>a</sup>	Totals Degree Type			Totals % (n)
	PhD C.J. % (n)	PhD Crim. % (n)	Other <sup>b</sup> % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	4% (1)	--	5% (1)	3% (2)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	19% (5)	--	18% (4)	16% (9)
Four-Year Public	77% (20)	100% (10)	77% (17)	81% (47)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>c</sup>	100% (26)	100% (10)	100% (22)	100% (58)

-- indicates a particular degree type was not offered by a program.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classification. <sup>b</sup>“Other” includes Doctor of Criminal Justice, Criminology Doctorate, and all other designations. <sup>c</sup>CIP codes that include a slash in the title identify alternative or equivalent program titles. CIP codes that include “and” in the title identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them (National Center for Education Statistics, 2020). <sup>d</sup>There were eight doctoral programs that had missing information about the type of degree awarded because the information was not publicly available from the institution’s or program’s website. <sup>e</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 15. Type of Degree Awarded – Doctoral Programs Key Takeaways:**

- The modal type of doctoral degree awarded by JRDPs was a PhD in Criminal Justice (45%, n = 26) followed by other types of doctoral degrees (38%, n = 22), and finally a PhD in Criminology (17%, n = 10).
- The largest proportion of JRDPs awarding the doctorate were located at four-year public PSIs (81%, n = 47), followed by those at four-year private non-profit PSIs (16%, n = 9) and JRDPs located at four-year private for-profit PSIs (3%, n = 2).
- Across the JRDPs for which at least one doctoral program existed, the largest group of programs was associated with general cj (26%, n = 15) followed by criminology (17%, n = 10) and cj/law enforcement administration (16%, n = 9) and cj/safety studies (16%, n = 9).

**Table 16.***Delivery Mode for Justice-Related Degree Programs by IPEDS Institutional Classifications – Doctoral Degrees<sup>a</sup>*

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Legal Studies				General Criminal Justice				Corrections			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	--	--	--	--	0	50% (1)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	100% <sup>e</sup> (1)	0	0	0	9% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	--	--	--	--	91% (10)	50% (1)	0	100% (2)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (1)	0	0	0	100% (11)	100% (2)	0	100% (2)	--	--	--	--

Table 16. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Law Enforcement Admin <sup>d</sup>				CJ/Safety Studies <sup>d</sup>				Laboratory Forensics			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	0	100% <sup>e</sup> (2)	0	0	40% (2)	50% (1)	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	100% <sup>e</sup> (6)	0	0	100% (1)	60% <sup>e</sup> (3)	50% (1)	0	100% (1)	100% <sup>e</sup> (3)	0	0	100% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (6)	100% (2)	0	100% (1)	100% (5)	100% (2)	0	100% (1)	100% (3)	0	0	100% (1)

Table 16. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	CJ/Police Science <sup>d</sup>				Homeland Security				Cyber/Computer Forensics <sup>d</sup>			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	0	0	0	100% <sup>e</sup> (1)	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	100% <sup>e</sup> (4)	0	0	0	100% (1)	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (4)	0	0	0	100% (1)	0	0	100% (1)	--	--	--	--

Table 16. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Justice-Related Degree Program Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>											
	Cybersecurity and Defense Strategy <sup>d</sup>				Criminology				Other			
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Public	100% (1)	0	0	0	100% <sup>e</sup> (9)	0	0	0	100% <sup>e</sup> (2)	0	0	100% (1)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (1)	0	0	0	100% (9)	0	0	0	100% (2)	0	0	100% (1)

Table 16. (Contd.)

IPEDS Institutional Classifications <sup>c</sup>	Totals Delivery Mode <sup>b</sup>				Totals <sup>f</sup>
	In-Person Only % (n)	Online Only % (n)	Hybrid Only % (n)	Combination % (n)	
Two-Year Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two Year Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Two-Year Public	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Private For- Profit	0	17% (1)	0	0	2% (1)
Four-Year Private Non-Profit	10% (4)	50% (3)	0	13% (1)	15% (8)
Four-Year Public	90% (37)	33% (2)	0	88% (7)	84% (46)
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private For-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Private Non-Profit	--	--	--	--	--
Four-Year Primarily Associate Public	--	--	--	--	--
Totals <sup>f</sup>	100% (41)	100% (6)	0	100% (8)	100% (55)

-- indicates a doctoral degree program was not offered.

Notes: <sup>a</sup>Doctoral degrees include Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Criminal Justice, Doctor of Criminology, etc. <sup>b</sup>There will be more degree delivery methods than total programs because each program can have up to four degree delivery methods. <sup>c</sup>There were 153 PSIs that offered JRDPs not included in the IPEDS dataset and therefore did not have an IPEDS Institutional Classifications. They were treated as missing. <sup>d</sup>According to National Center for Educational Statistics (2020, p. 2), program titles that include a slash “identify alternative or equivalent program titles” while those with “and” in the title “identify programs that are so closely related that it does not make sense to separate them.” <sup>e</sup>There were 8 doctoral degree programs whose delivery mode for the major was not publicly available from the program’s or institution’s website or catalog and were treated as missing. <sup>f</sup>Detail may not add to 100% due to rounding.

**Table 16. Mode of Program Delivery – Doctoral Degrees Key Takeaways:**

- Across all JRDPs and IPEDS institutional classifications, the most common delivery mode for bachelor's degrees was in-person only (75%, n = 44) followed by a combination of in-person, online, and hybrid (15%, n = 8) and online only (11%, n = 6). No doctoral programs had hybrid only as their mode of delivery.
- Public four-year PSIs housed 90 percent (n = 37) of the in-person only mode of program delivery, 33 percent of the online only mode of delivery (n = 2), and 42 percent of the combination mode of delivery (n = 7).
- Among JRDPs, none of the 10 doctoral-level programs had in-person mode of delivery as the most common.



## Conclusion

The analyses and results reported above provide an overview of the state of justice-related degree programming in the U.S. during 2021-2022. What the tables reveal leads to the following conclusion on the part of the Directory Team: ***Both across and within them, Justice-Related Degree Programs vary considerably – sometimes, dramatically – in scope, distribution of credit hours, institutions housing them, and modes of delivering them to students.***

Across JRDPs, the scope of these programs is *very* wide, ranging from social science-based programs (e.g., criminology), to programs grounded in the natural sciences (e.g., forensic science) and computer and information science (e.g., cybersecurity and computer forensics). That JRDPs encompass such a wide range of programming may well be unique in higher education. It may also help explain why these majors are so popular among degree-seeking undergraduate and graduate students, with some 35,000 associate-level degrees awarded during 2021-2022 and over 58,000 bachelor's degrees awarded in 2020-2021 (National Center for Education Statistics, 2023; Digest of Education Statistics, 2022).

Across the programs, pursuing the major can lead to a variety of different degree types, both traditional and otherwise. For example, at the associate degree level many JRDPs are available as Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees that are effectively designed as “terminal” degrees for practitioners rather than as programs whose credits are intended to transfer to a four-year PSI.

Of course traditionally understood associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees like the AA, BA, MA, and PhD are awarded. But there are also many “other” degrees awarded as well including but not limited to an associate of applied science (AAS), a bachelor of criminal

justice (BCJ), a master's in forensic science (MSFS), or a doctor of criminal justice (DCJ) – modeled after the PsyD in psychology or the DPA in public administration.

JRDPs are also found at a variety of two-year and four-year PSIs including public, private non-profit, and private for-profit and delivered in multiple ways ranging from traditional “in-person” on-campus programs to hybrid programs that combine in-person and online modes of delivery. This level of flexibility may also be unique in higher education: A wide range of different programs available in a variety of formats at many different kinds of PSIs.

Within JRDPs, one also finds variability in credit hour distribution, type of degrees offered, PSIs housing particular programs, and modes of delivery. For example, one may earn a bachelor's degree in general criminal justice by completing a program with only required hours of credits; one with a large majority of elective credits in it; or a program with about equal division between required and elective hours. The same program may also be offered as leading to either one degree type or another, for example, criminology may be available as leading either to a Bachelor Arts or a Bachelor of Science depending on whether the student takes some number of methods and statistics courses. Of course traditionally understood associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees like the AA, BA, MA, and PhD are awarded. But there are also many “other” degrees awarded as well including but not limited to an associate of applied science (AAS), a bachelor of criminal justice (BCJ), a master's in forensic science (MSFS), or a doctor of criminal justice (DCJ) that is modeled after the PsyD in psychology or the DPA in public administration. Further, the “same program” (e.g., computer forensics) may ostensibly be offered at different classes of PSIs (e.g., a two-year public and a two-year private for profit) – despite variability in distribution of credit hours, type of degree awarded, and mode of program delivery.

Finally, there is variability in the mode of program delivery across degree levels. For

example, at the associate level, a combination of in-person only, online only, and hybrid was the most common mode. At the bachelor's level, in-person only was the modal delivery mechanism, but not by much. For master's programs, in-person only was the most common mode of delivery; however, well beyond in-person only, combined programs and online only programs were about equally used to deliver programs to students. At the doctoral level, in-person only was, by a clear and convincing margin, used most often to deliver JRDPs to doctoral students. Last, looking across JRDPs there are about a dozen or so CIP codes – out of as many as 40 possibilities – that represented over 95 percent of the JRDPs operating during 2021-2022.

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