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“I participated in the ride along program with College Police and got to talk in person with FBI agents and military attorneys. These experiences have helped me get a better understanding of the types of careers available to me.”
—Alena Goodman, MiraCosta College student

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ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

The Administration of Justice Program at MiraCosta gives students both the theoretical and hands-on experience needed to establish a career in administration of justice. Administration of Justice is the study of the structure, functions, laws/procedures, and decision-making processes of those agencies that deal with the management of crime—the police, prosecutors, courts, and correctional facilities. With flexible courses that meet days, evenings, weekends and online, students can take courses in law enforcement, corrections, private security, and other related fields. Students may take courses in administration of justice to prepare for a major in criminal justice, criminology or law enforcement, or to fulfill general education requirements. Courses are also of interest to professionals working in law enforcement, corrections, or other related fields.

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

Certificates of Achievement quickly prepare students for immediate employment in specific administration of justice career areas.

- Law Enforcement

Associate Degrees in Administration of Justice are offered to provide students with the hands-on knowledge and skills to secure a career in the field. An associate degree requires completion of a Certificate of Achievement and general education courses specified in the MiraCosta College catalog.

Transfer Degree
- Administration of Justice for Transfer

Career Education Degree
- Law Enforcement

For more information about associate degrees and certificates, please contact the Counseling Department at 760.795.6670.

INDUSTRY WAGES & JOBS AVAILABLE

Student wages Before and After taking courses in Administration of Justice:

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WHO IS HIRING?

Top employers in the San Diego Region hiring for administrative justice-related jobs include:

- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection
- U.S. Border Patrol
- U.S. Department of Justice
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- U.S. Marshals
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
- County of San Diego
- Probation
- Parole
- Corrections
- Sheriff’s Department
- Corrections Corporation of America
- Carlsbad Police Department
- Oceanside Police Department
- San Diego Police Department
- California Highway Patrol

"As a veteran, I am extremely pleased at how well MiraCosta has welcomed vets and their family. I am especially impressed with the Administration of Justice Program and how it prepared me for transfer to a four-year institution and for the law enforcement career I have."

—Thomas Sudnick, MiraCosta College student

"The Administration of Justice courses offered at MiraCosta College gave me my first real and practical look at the criminal justice system. Before taking the ADM courses, I had always considered attending law school and wanted to be a prosecuting attorney. However, I had no family members or friends that went to law school, so I wasn’t sure what to expect. To this date, even after completing my undergraduate studies at Cal State University, San Marcos and graduating law school from Thomas Jefferson, this was the most enjoyable and useful course [ADM 100] I had ever taken."

—Angelo Reyes, Esq., employed by the San Diego Public Defender’s Office