As CJRC interns, students gain experience in crucial aspects of social science research and practice, including working with primary and secondary data related to offenders/offenses, victimization, mental health, law enforcement and/or criminal justice processes. Students learn various techniques in qualitative and quantitative analysis and the ways these are used to measure organizational success, develop funding sources and impact public policy. This is an outstanding opportunity for OSU undergraduates to gain valuable, practical experiences for graduate/professional school and future careers in the field. CJRC maintains a commitment to finding students from diverse backgrounds who share a common passion for social science research and a dedication to academic excellence.

Our interns:

- Typically, junior or senior-level students
- Interns must make a minimum one-semester commitment, with work hours varying between 10-20 hours per week, depending on the agency
- Interns have the opportunity to earn academic credit in sociology internship and/or research.
- Interns must register for Soc. 3191 or related divisional course and be in good standing. See the sociology academic advising staff for details.
- Students placed with the assistance of the CJRC have interned with: Correctional Institution Inspection Committee, Columbus Police Department, FBI, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, Ohio Department of Public Safety, Franklin County Sheriff’s Office, Office of Criminal Justice Services, Ohio Public Defender, Ohio Department of Homeland Security, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Delaware County Reentry, and Ohio Department of Youth Services to name a few. We have contacts with all aspects of the criminal justice and law enforcement systems at all levels of government.
- Matched students’ majors include: Sociology, Criminology, Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Psychology, Actuarial Science, Math, Geography, Public Affairs, National Security Studies, International Studies, Political Science, History, English, Women's Studies, Arabic, Spanish, French, Journalism, Social Work, Agriculture and Pre-Law concentrations. All students from all backgrounds with an interest in criminal justice practice and research are welcome.

For further information on the CJRC Undergraduate Internship Program, please contact:
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Agencies that Regularly Accept Interns and Participate with OSU’s Cooperative Efforts

Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (institutions and Ohio Parole Authority)
Ohio Department of Public Safety
Ohio Emergency Management Agency
EMA – Ohio Emergency Operations Center
Ohio Office of Homeland Security
Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Franklin County Sheriff's Dept.
Columbus Police Department
Office of Criminal Justice Services
Ohio Public Defender
Ohio Department of Homeland Security
Delaware County Prosecutor’s Office
Delaware County Sheriff’s Office/Reentry
Ohio Department of Youth Services (probation and facilities)
The Southern District of Ohio - US Probation Department
Ohio Department of Health
Ohio State Patrol
Ohio State University Campus Police
Franklin County Coroner's Office
Federal Department of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)
Correctional Institution Inspection Committee (CIIC)
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
US Secret Service
Oriana House Network
Alvis House Network