Department Mission

The goals of the School of Criminal Justice at Texas State include:

- preparing competent and responsible public servants for roles in criminal investigation and apprehension, agency administration, prosecution and correctional services
- preparing graduates with advanced theoretical knowledge and research skills in criminal justice for leadership roles in academic, public policy and administrative positions

The School of Criminal Justice pursues these goals in the context of a broad university curriculum that provides a foundation of knowledge necessary to function in a challenging world.

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The faculty in the Texas State certificate program in intelligence analysis provided me with techniques and insight on how to effectively research, investigate and analyze topics related directly to my career. It opened the door for a career in intelligence for me.

– Sidney Brown, Security Analyst and Social Communications Manager at Stratfor

The program prepares students for analytical-oriented careers by cultivating critical thinking skills, problem-solving abilities, cultural awareness sensitivity and technical knowledge.
Why choose Texas State?
Unique features of the program are its rigor and concentration in intelligence analysis training and its practical approach to producing intelligence/crime analysis products and briefing papers. Students will develop problem-solving skills through the practical analysis of real-world case studies and simulation exercises that deal with intelligence and security issues.

Because of its multidisciplinary approach, this graduate-level certificate program is ideal preparation for doctoral study in international relations, political science, psychology, public administration, public policy, history, criminal justice or related fields.

Course Work
The graduate certificate in intelligence analysis requires 15 semester hours. To meet the diverse skill requirements that are unique to this multidisciplinary program, course work includes a wide range of elective courses from disciplines including computer science, criminal justice, history, psychology and geography. These electives may be customized to suit the individual student’s needs or those of the sponsor for whom the student works as an intelligence analyst.

Faculty
Exceptional faculty and ongoing research enable the School of Criminal Justice to provide courses in areas of study such as policing, corrections, law, juvenile crime, female offending, environmental criminology, criminological theory, and management and organization. The School also offers a variety of specialized courses in crime analysis, statistics, quantitative and qualitative data analysis and administers a number of institutes and centers, including the Center for Geospatial Intelligence and Investigation and the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT) center.

Career Options
Career possibilities for graduates with a certificate in intelligence analysis include positions in security or intelligence organizations and government agencies such as homeland security, drug enforcement or border security. Graduates also find positions in federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, as well as private companies that produce analytic products for governments and corporations.

Important Deadlines*
Admissions
Fall: June 15
Spring: October 15
Summer: April 15
Summer midterm: June 1
Applications will continue to be considered on a space-available basis after the deadline.

How to Apply
For information regarding admission requirements and submission instructions, please visit: gradcollege.txstate.edu/apply
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