

Undergraduate and Graduate Internship Program

Our internship program is designed to provide an opportunity for students to connect theory with practice and further serve as an educational training opportunity for prospective Criminal Justice professionals through the mentorship and guidance of HCJPD. The purpose is to develop and retain innovative individuals who desire to make a difference in the youth. We also want students to gain practical experience to build a solid foundation for the future.

Our Mission

The Harris County Juvenile Probation Department is committed to the protection of the public utilizing intervention and strategies that are community-based, family-oriented and least restrictive while emphasizing responsibility and accountability of both parent and child.

Who can Apply

The Harris County Juvenile Probation Department accepts students at the undergraduate and graduate level that are interested in interning with the department for a specified period of time. Students accepted into the program will become familiar and knowledgeable with the function, organizational structure, policies and procedures of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department.

The student must be currently enrolled in a degree-seeking program at an accredited college or university. To qualify for an internship the student must be 21 years of age, pass a criminal background check, and submit to fingerprinting.

The internship must be done for class credit, requiring no less than 150 internship hours.

Other criteria include:

- Must be 21 years of age
- Must be eligible to work in the United States
- Must be enrolled in a university class that requires an internship for class credit
- Must obtain professor/advisor approval for the internship
- Must have good academic standing
- Must pass a criminal background check and fingerprinting process
- Must be willing to work with troubled youth
- Must have good communication skills
- Must be willing to participate in monthly trainings

- Must be willing to make a formal presentation to the executive team of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department at the conclusion of the program
- Must have reliable transportation

How to Apply

All of these steps must be completed before a student can be accepted into the program and begin interning at HCJPD. The fingerprinting process can take up to 2-3 weeks; please pay close attention to the deadlines and do not wait until the last minute.

Available Internship Tracks

- Criminal Justice
- Social Work
- Education
- Budget
- Computer Science/Information Technology
- Training & Staff Development

Contact Us

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