



**Cybercrime and
Homeland Security**

Social Services

Criminal Investigation (Cyber)

Leadership

Prevention services

Assessment

Reporting

Field Experience

Administration

Social Services Employers

Immigration and naturalization services

Insurance agencies

Other nonprofit organizations

Police Departments

Social Services Strategies

Seek volunteer or internship positions in areas relating to homeland security and cybercrime.

Learn to work well with people of diverse backgrounds. Study a second language for increased marketability.

Maintain a blemish-free driving and criminal record.

Gain firearms and self-defense training for some areas.

Obtain a master's degree in criminal justice or business for upper-level positions in facilities.

Technology

Legal assistance

Criminal Investigation

Administration

Computer Attacks (Hackers)

Networking

Technology Employers

Government agencies:

- Department of Social Services
- Department of Justice
- Department of Treasury
- Department of Defense

Organizations

Law firms

Corporate legal departments

Public interest law organizations

Self-employed

Technology Strategies

Develop strong research, computer, and writing skills.

Join a research group and learn to use software packages for research positions.

Seek opportunities to become familiar with the legal system.

Familiarize yourself with cyber network and perhaps start building a network .

Become familiar with intruder techniques when analyzing attacks.

Law Enforcement

Patrolling

Investigating

Court security

Surveillance

Loss prevention

Forensic

Law Enforcement Employers

City/County Government Organizations:

- Police departments
- County sheriff departments
- Crime Prevention

State Government Organizations:

- State troopers
- Crime laboratories

Federal Government Organizations:

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI)
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)
- Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)
- Department of Homeland Security
- Postal Service
- Federal Marshals
- Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks
- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- National Parks Service
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, Explosives
- Armed services

Airports and other transportation facilities

Crime laboratories

Colleges and universities

Banks and retail organizations

Law Enforcement Strategies

Volunteer to work in a police department or campus safety department.

Develop strong interviewing, researching, writing, and computer skills.

Learn to work well with people of diverse backgrounds and develop multicultural competency.

Study a “mission critical” language as those are in high demand by the federal government.

Become familiar with the government application process. Seek assistance from your campus career center.

Many federal law enforcement agencies primarily hire candidates with experience (e.g., military, law enforcement, or other areas). Research entry requirements for the agencies that interest you.

For a career in Forensics:

- Complete an internship in a crime laboratory to gain experience in the forensic application of science.
- Consider earning a master’s degree in Forensic Science or related discipline for increased opportunities.

Cyber Crime and Homeland Security General Information

Most entry-level positions for cybercrime and homeland security majors reside with law enforcement, social service opportunities, and technology.

The Cybersecurity industry is growing rapidly every day. This major will continue to grow.

Obtain experience through volunteer, practicum, or internship opportunities.

Internet security is a rapidly growing area with a wide variety of career opportunities. Supplement coursework with computer science and technology courses to gain entry into this field.

Conduct informational interviews and job shadow with professionals in fields of interest to learn more about opportunities.

Stay up to date on advancements in your field by reading professional journals and related literature, joining professional organizations, attending conferences, and networking with others.

Be prepared to complete physical and psychological testing, fitness evaluations, and other evaluative tools for entry into law enforcement and related careers.