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Policing & Public Safety

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Let's hear about the Laurier Programs in general

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A NEW PARADIGM

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- Public and private safety has undergone many changes over the past decades
  - The lines between public & private are blurred
- Society is much more complex
  - Increased globalization, technology, demographics, politicization, polarization
- Increased expectations for accountability and the move towards professionalization
- A shift from just training (certification) to education (accreditation)

CANADIAN CONTEXT

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Emergency Management

National Security

Public Safety Canada

Countering Crime

Border Strategies

OUR PROGRAMS

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- **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Policing**
- **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Policing/Criminology** (Part-Time, Online)
- **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Policing/?** (Full-Time, Online/In-Class)
  - The **minor** is open to any Laurier student taking a BA at any campus
- **Bachelor of Arts – Public Safety** (Part-Time, Online)
- **Master of Public Safety & Graduate Diploma in Public Safety**
  - Countering Crime
  - National Security
  - Border Strategies
  - Emergency Management
  - GIS & Data Analytics (Graduate Diploma only)

BA - Policing

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- Part-Time, Online, 6 week courses.
- Only available to current/retired sworn police officers.
- Total of 20 credits required:
  - Receive credit transfer for completing Ontario Police College; and
  - Receive credit transfer for specialized police training.
- Police course instructors are "Pracademics"
  - Have minimum of Graduate degree and
  - Extensive work experience in the subject matter

BA IN POLICING/?

- Combination **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Policing/Criminology** program is unlike any other in Canada.
- Combining a **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Policing/Other** (offered online) with another BA program in Waterloo or Brantford – such as
  - Psychology, Forensic Psychology
  - Criminology,
  - Business & Computer Sciences
  - Health Studies, or
  - Religion and Culture
- Enhances the breadth and depth of your knowledge by expanding perspectives and experiences.

GIVES YOU OPTIONS FOR A CAREER

BA IN PUBLIC SAFETY

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Public Safety
- Designed as a 2 + 2 program
  - A two year college diploma is an approved discipline (75% GPA)
  - Leverage this in to a 4 yr. Honors degree
- Program is delivered completely online, in a part-time format
  - Allows you to continue working while working towards your degree
  - Three intakes per year
- An interdisciplinary program
  - You'll take courses from leadership, political science, health services, as well as specialized public safety courses.
- Costs?
  - ~ $679.36 plus any incidental fees/course

MPS – Public Safety

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- Part-Time, Online, 13 week courses.
- Admission requirements = 4 yr. undergraduate degree with a minimum GPA of 73%
- MPS program consists of:
  - 6 Core courses
  - 2 Specialized course in one of the 4 public safety pillars
- Graduate Diploma program consists of:
  - 2 Core courses
  - 2 Specialized course in one of the 4 public safety pillars or GIS & Data Analytics
- Public Safety course instructors are "Pracademics"
  - Have minimum of Graduate degree and
  - Extensive work experience in the subject matter
- MPS cost is approx. $27,000 (~$3,400 per course, pay as you go)

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Let's hear about the Security Applications

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Why Laurier for Security?

- The interdisciplinary nature of the courses and programs at WLU will provide a diverse and applicable content field for security practitioners.
- The four pillars of public safety are reviewed with the general practitioner in mind
- Online learning provides accessibility for the security manager and practitioner alike to access materials whenever and wherever
- Our team is comprised of academic advisors, instructional designers, faculty members with real-world experience and expert online learning staff who have designed and evaluated our curriculum.
- We have the ONLY BA- Public Safety & Master of Public Safety programs in Canada that address all four pillars of public safety.

Why Laurier for Security?

- *ASIS Connects* recently had several application technologies mentioned in their newsletters, including blockchain, OSINT, cryptocurrencies, GIS, biometrics (facial recognition), social media analysis, and LPRs, to name but a few. All these new technologies – the how and why – are discussed throughout the BAPs and MPS degrees
- Notable curriculum inclusions such as courses on critical infrastructure, social media and crime, cybercrime, and information security will provide security managers and practitioners with up-to-date knowledge and understanding of the depth and breadth of these security issues
- Included across many courses is the relevance of the physical elements of crime merging with the digital elements of crime and the impact this convergence is having upon small and medium businesses

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BAPS203: Critical Infrastructure
- Legal, Political, and Economic History of CI within Public Safety Canada
- Four Pillars of Public Safety explained
- CI cases, legal and policy precedents, business continuity planning
- The role of public and private protection services for CI in Canada
- CI in Canada: airports, bridges, power plants, railways, roadways, etc.

BAPS416: Information Security
- CNSS Security Model and Security Professionals and the Organization
- Legal, Ethical, and Professional Issues in Information Security
- Planning for Security (Governance, Policies, Standards, and Practices)
- Risk Management, Security Technology, and Business Continuity
- Cryptography, Project Management, and Future Threats

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- An Honours Bachelor of Public Safety degree can provide the security manager with an opportunity to directly ladder into the Master of Public Safety degree option.
- Leverage your industry-specific certifications and knowledge such as the CPP, PSP, PCI, and/or APP into a formal educational credential to round-out your higher-education experience
- The value of your certifications will assist you in further exploring the How, What, When, Where, and Why of the public safety and security convergence

- **Make Laurier a part of your professional and personal development!**

QUESTIONS?

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BA- Public Safety Program Info:
https://www.wlu.ca/programs/human-and-social-sciences/undergraduate/public-safety-ba/index.html

MPS Program Info:
https://online.wlu.ca/masters-public-safety