**ACJS National Criminal Justice Month Awards**

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The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences’ National Criminal Justice Month Committee is accepting nominations for awards in recognition of National Criminal Justice Month events. Three plaques will be awarded to academic institutions for celebrations that focus on education and community engagement and for an overall program of the year. Efforts will be made to highlight the award winners on the ACJS website and in *ACJS Today*. For more information, visit [National Criminal Justice Month](#).

**Award Categories:**

1. **Education Award**  
   Recognizes a National Criminal Justice Month event for the educational impact on students and the community. Applications will be assessed on the event relevancy, quality, as well as the impact of the event (e.g., number of people in attendance).

2. **Community Engagement Award**  
   Honors a National Criminal Justice Month event that meaningfully involves the community on criminal justice issues. Typically includes student engagement with a local criminal justice agency.

3. **Program of the Year**  
   Awards an academic department that successfully showcases a variety of National Criminal Justice Month events. Departments that actively engage in multiple, diverse events will be considered.

*Note: Applications may be submitted for each category, but departments are only eligible to win one award per year. One winning department will be selected for each award.*

**Eligibility:**

- The nominator must be a current ACJS member.
- Events must have occurred in March 2024, during National Criminal Justice Month.

**Application Process:**

- Submit a letter describing the event(s) and the academic department’s background aligned with the award category.
- Include any supplementary materials to support the application, such as photos, video links, survey results, and letters of support from local criminal justice agencies.