

**So, You Want to Be a....  
Detention Center Supervisor**

**Introduction**

Detention center supervisors provide direct supervision to staff responsible for the safety and security of pre- and post-adjudicated delinquents, status offenders, and juveniles transferred to adult court. Personnel responsibilities include assisting in the hiring of staff, the training and orientation of new employees, the assignment of work, performance management, and ensuring staff meet and maintain certification requirements and comply with policies and procedures.

**Education**

An undergraduate degree in a human services field, such as criminal justice, social work, or education, is required for a position as a Detention Center Supervisor.

**Other Requirements/Information**

- 2 years of experience working with at-risk youth. One year experience must be in a secure or residential treatment facility OR bachelor's degree in a human services field with 25 semester hours of coursework related to the human services field
- Complete and pass the juvenile justice officer basic training certification program
- Pass a criminal background check and drug screening test
- Pass the psychological test and sexual risk screening test
- Pass a physical
- Be a U.S. citizen and at least 20 years old
- Knowledge of institutional programming, treatment and rehabilitation modalities, adolescent behavior and development preferred

**For More Information**

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