Criminology M.A.

The graduate program in Criminology leads to the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree. This degree requires 36 hours for students completing a thesis, project, or internship and 39 hours for students selecting the additional coursework option.

The academic goal of the program is to provide students with a comprehensive, in-depth understanding of crime: why it occurs, how it is measured, and how it might be controlled. An additional goal is to help students develop the knowledge and skills needed to attain successful careers in the criminal justice system or to advance in their current careers.

Undergraduate courses may not be used to fulfill degree requirements.

Degree Requirements

Courses

For CRIM 5331, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5331
For CRIM 5336, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5336

Six hours selected from the following core courses:

For CRIM 5133, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5133
For CRIM 5338, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5338.

Master’s Option

Students may select this option or the Coursework Master’s Option.

Master’s Options Courses

Choose ONE of the following courses.

Additional Information

Students choosing one of these three options must select nine hours of electives from Criminology and/or other relevant disciplines with approval of and academic adviser for a total of 36 hours.

Coursework Option

Students may choose the option below in place of a master’s thesis, project, or internship.

Coursework Master’s Option courses

Additional Information

Students selecting the coursework option must take 15 hours of electives from Criminology and/or other relevant disciplines for a total of 39 hours.

Students may not enroll in this course until they have completed at least 24 hours of their degree plan.

Available Criminology Electives

Criminology Electives:

For CRIM 5135, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5135
For CRIM 5332, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5332
For CRM 5335, the following may be substituted: SOCI 5335.

Additional Information

Courses from the core course list not utilized to fulfill the core requirement may be used as electives.