

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY

Master of Science in Criminal Justice

The Department of Criminal Justice offers the Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice. The graduate program provides advanced examination of critical issues regarding crime and justice. Students in the program develop and apply their knowledge and understanding of criminology, criminal justice, and social justice to solve problems in the criminal justice system.

Course work allows emphasis in policing, corrections, probation and parole, juvenile delinquency, and criminal justice research. Students have a choice of multiple electives that fit their interests. Courses provide a broad foundation in the social sciences, with emphasis on sociology, psychology, and law. The program culminates with an advanced internship practicum or a thesis.

Sample Two-Year Curriculum

Year 1_Fall			Credit Hours
CJ 5350	Research Design in CJ		3
CJ Law	Law/Pub Policy (CJ 5318, 5340, 5343, 5345)		3
CJ 5801	Research Foundations		3
Year 1_Spring			
CJ 5XXX	Elective 1		3
CJ 5381	Qualitative Research Methods in Criminal Justice		3
CJ 5880	Seminar: Advanced Topics in Criminology		3
Year 2_Fall			
CJ 5879	Seminar: Public Policy Issues in Criminal Justice		3
CJ 5380	Quantitative Research Methods		3
CJ 58XX	Elective 2		3
Year 2_Spring			
CJ 5881	Advanced Research Analysis & Application		3
CJ Project	CJ 5855, 5899, or 5989		3
Total			33