

Criminology

Master of Science

Description

The **Master of Science in Criminology** (MSCrim.) degree program prepares professionals for careers in the justice system, policing, government agencies, and NGOs.

CU's program is multidisciplinary, combining elements of advanced study in criminal justice topics with other cognate areas such as leadership, sociology, and technology.

Carolina University also has strong partnerships with Sheriff's Offices in NC and TN which have resulted in a number of collaboration opportunities including internships.

Admissions Requirements

- A bachelor's degree or equivalent from a recognized college or university
- GPA of 2.7 or higher
- Official transcripts from all previously attended schools
- Completed application with Carolina University

Graduation Requirements

- The maximum time limit to complete the program is four years or 150% of the credits, whichever the student reaches first.
- A minimum of 18 credit hours must be completed at CU.
- Up to 50% of the required credit hours can be transferred.
- Graduation is contingent upon the completion of 36 hours of prescribed courses with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.

Degree Requirements

Project/Thesis Requirement: 3 or 6 credits.

Each student must complete a substantial individual project.

There are two different ways to satisfy this requirement.

Completion of a Master's Thesis.

- Student must find a thesis advisor – (preferably the second semester into the program)
- Student must prepare thesis proposal and obtain written approval for the thesis prior to course registration

Completion of an internship in an approved professional setting.

- Student must identify and seek approval for a professional workplace to complete the internship.

- Student and employer must complete internship documentation.

Elective Selection:

Course electives must be from MBA, MS Data Science, MA Leadership or MS Computer Science or other 600/700 level courses.

Courses

Professional Core

[CJU 602 - Criminal Law and Policy](#)

3 Credit Hours

[CJU 604 - Sentencing](#)

3 Credit Hours

[CJU 607 - Cybercrime](#)

3 Credit Hours

[CJU 610 - Immigration and Criminal Justice](#)

3 Credit Hours

[CJU 611 - Advanced Criminological Theories](#)

3 Credit Hours

[JUS 700 - International Human Rights](#)

3 Credit Hours

[JUS 701 - The American Legal System](#)

3 Credit Hours

[JUS 705 - Criminal Justice Administration](#)

3 Credit Hours

[JUS 710 - Evidence-based Practices in Law & Justice](#)

3 Credit Hours

[JUS 725 - Legal Theory](#)

3 Credit Hours

Electives

12 Credit Hours

Master's Thesis/Project

[RES650 - Master's Thesis/Project I](#)

3 Credit Hours

[RES655 - Master's Thesis/Project II](#)

3 Credit Hours