Criminal Justice Department

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Degree/Specializations Offered

Master of Arts in Criminal Justice (MACJ)
Master of Arts in Criminal Justice (MACJ) with specialization in:
Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation
Investigative Criminology
Victimology

Certificate Offered

Crime Analysis

Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice is an interdisciplinary social science involving the study of crime and societal responses to it. The MACJ program emphasizes the application of theory and research to criminal justice policy and practice. We hope to instill in students a responsibility to integrate and evaluate conceptual and empirical contributions to the field of criminal justice. The mission of the criminal justice department is to produce graduates who approach their roles in the criminal justice field with knowledge, empiricism, innovation, humanism, and with a deep concern for justice issues faced by offenders, victims, citizens, and governmental and private agents affected by and charged with responding to crime. Graduates are prepared for positions and advancement as practitioners, administrators, victim advocates, and/or research analysts in law enforcement, courts, corrections, social service, and research agencies at the private, county, state, and federal levels. The MACJ program provides foundation for understanding organizational relations in criminal justice, the ability to critically analyze and evaluate criminal justice policy and practice, and the necessary skills to conduct methodologically sound research in specialized areas in criminology and criminal justice. The program is designed to accommodate professionals in the criminal justice field who desire graduate education for advancement purposes as well as students entering upon completion of their bachelor's degree. The specific objectives of the criminal justice master's program are to:

- Develop in students the knowledge, insight, critical thinking skills, values and ethical consciousness essential to becoming responsible practitioners, researchers, and leaders in criminal justice.
- Provide comprehensive, rigorous, analytic, focused study of crime and justice issues with emphasis on the application of theory and research in criminal justice to criminal justice initiatives, policies, and practices.
- Provide a strong foundation in criminology, research methods, statistics, organizational theory, criminal justice ethics, issues of diversity in criminal justice, and broad-based analysis of the criminal justice system with focus on law enforcement, the adjudication process, and corrections.
- Prepare students for positions and advancement in law enforcement, courts, corrections, social service, and research agencies in private, county, state, and federal agencies.

Admission Requirements

Degree-seeking applicants will be accepted into the program fall quarter only. Applicants for other quarters will be considered on a case by case basis or as non-matriculating students. Admission to the MACJ program is competitive and the file review is holistic. Applicants' academic history, graduate exam

performance, motivation, aptitude for graduate education, personal goals, and professional experiences will be considered.

Applicants are required to send the following documents for consideration:

- Completed Application for Graduate Admission and a non-refundable $55 application fee (waived for Seattle University alumni)
- Evidence of a four-year equivalent baccalaureate degree in criminal justice or related social, behavioral, or physical science from a regionally accredited academic institution. Applicants with an undergraduate degree in a field outside of these disciplines may be considered with 45 quarter (30 semester) credits of related course work or significant supervised work/volunteer experience as outlined on the MACJ Supplemental form.
- Minimum GPA of 3.00 as calculated from official transcripts of all post-secondary institutions attended in the last 90 quarter/60 semester credits of the bachelor's degree, including any transfer credits earned during this time, and any post-baccalaureate course work. In special cases, those with less than a 3.00 GPA may be admitted with a probationary status based upon other criteria.
- Undergraduate introductory statistics course with a grade of C or above. Applicants who do not meet this criterion may be considered on a case by case basis for provisional admission.
- Statement of purpose (maximum 3 pages) discussing background, interests, and reasons for wanting to pursue a master's degree in criminal justice
- If the GPA for the applicant's last 90 credits/60 semester credits is below 3.00, submit official scores for the Graduate Record Examination (G.R.E.). Only scores from the past five years will be accepted. No application for admission will be considered prior to receipt of official scores from Educational Testing Services.
- Three letters of recommendation from academic and/or professional references who have evaluated academic work/supervised their practical experience and are able to assess potential as a graduate student. Letters must be forwarded to graduate admissions in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature across the flap.
- Writing sample (for example, an undergraduate paper)
- Professional résumé or curriculum vita. Special consideration will be given to applicants with prior work, internship, or volunteer experience in the criminal justice system.
- If English is not the applicant's native language, official English proficiency scores meeting the university's entrance requirements must be submitted. See policy 2008-01 in Admissions Policies for details.
- Select candidates will be scheduled for an interview.

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

The MACJ curriculum consists of 55 Credits: Eighteen 3-credit courses and one 1-credit course. Students will take ten foundation courses (28 credits) and nine elective courses (27 credits):

I. Foundation Courses:

28 credits, including:

CRJS 501 **Criminal Justice Theory** **3**
CRJS 502 **Advanced Criminological Theory** **3**
CRJS 503 **Law and Social Control** **3**
CRJS 504 **Organizational Theory and Analysis in Criminal Justice** **3**
CRJS 505 **Criminal Justice Ethics and Decision Making** **3**

CRJS 506	**Statistical Analysis**	**3**
CRJS 507	**Statistics Lab**	**1**
CRJS 508	**Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 510	**Theory and Research in Policing, Courts, Corrections**	**3**
CRJS 590	**Criminal Justice Capstone Seminar**	**3**

II. Elective Courses

Choose 27 credits from the following: 27

CRJS 511	**Criminal Justice Legislation and Policy**
CRJS 512	**Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**
CRJS 513	**Race, Ethnicity and Justice**
CRJS 514	**Investigative Criminology and Offender Profiling**
CRJS 515	**Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior**
CRJS 516	**Theories and Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation**
CRJS 517	**Advanced Crime Assessment**
CRJS 518	**Contemporary Issues in Victimology**
CRJS 519	**Violence and Victimization**
CRJS 520	**Restorative/Community Justice**
CRJS 521	**Feminist Criminology**
CRJS 555	**ATF Practicum (1)**
CRJS 556	**Forensics Practicum (1)**
CRJS 557	**Trial Skills Practicum (1)**
CRJS 591-593	**Special Topics Seminar**
CRJS 595	**Internship**
CRJS 596	**Independent Study**
CRJS 597	**Teaching Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 598	**Research Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 599	**Thesis (1 to 3)**
COUN 510	**Fundamental Counseling Skills**
COUN 511	**Counseling Theories (4)**
COUN 513	**Counseling Diverse Populations**
PUBM 531	**Public Budgeting**
PUBM 572	**Administrative Law**

With no more than two courses from the following:

The courses below are joint undergraduate/graduate courses. Students may take up to two (6 credits) to fulfill MACJ elective course requirements.

CRJS 522	**Issues in Contemporary Law Enforcement**
CRJS 523	**Punishment and Social Theory**
CRJS 526	**Terrorism and Homeland Security**
CRJS 550	**The Psychopath**
CRJS 560	**Forensic Anthropology**
CRJS 565	**Crime Scene and Medicolegal Death Investigation**

NOTE: Students who have previously taken CRJS 522, 523, 526, 550, 560, or 565 at the undergraduate level as CRJS 422, 423, 426, 450, 460, or 465 may choose to apply the course(s) as MACJ electives (6 credits maximum–3 credits per course) but may not take additional joint courses OR may choose not to apply the course(s) and instead take up to 6 credits joint undergraduate/graduate courses not previously completed at the undergraduate level.

III. Comprehensive Examination

Students have the option of taking the comprehensive exam OR completing a Master's Thesis. The comprehensive examination may be taken as soon as the foundation courses and comprehensive exam readings are completed. The exam must be completed prior to the last quarter of the program. The exam includes questions based on the MACJ foundation curriculum and comprehensive examination reading list. A student may retake the comprehensive exam once. Students planning to take the comprehensive examination must make an appointment to do so with the criminal justice department chair. The comprehensive exam will be offered fall and spring quarters. Students retaking the examination will be required to answer questions only in areas not passed in the first exam.

IV. Thesis Option

Students planning to go on to a PhD program or who are interested in completing an independent research project may select the thesis option in lieu of completing the comprehensive exam. Students wishing to pursue this option must obtain approval from the department chair by submitting a thesis proposal and identifying a thesis chair and committee. The thesis committee must include at least two criminal justice faculty members and one external member with expertise in an area relevant to the thesis topic. The proposal must include:

- Importance of research to the field of criminal justice
- Literature Review
- Method

Students completing the thesis must enroll in CRJS 599 (1-3 credits per quarter). Students may first register for thesis credit after completing the MACJ foundation courses and receiving departmental approval. A copy of the completed version of the thesis should be given to all members of the thesis committee. The thesis requires a formal defense which involves oral examination/response to questions by the thesis committee.

Minimum credits required for the degree 55

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts in Criminal Justice with Specialization in Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation

The MACJ with Specialization in Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation curriculum consists of 55 Credits: Eighteen 3-credit courses and one 1-credit course. Students will take ten foundation courses (28 credits), four specialization area courses (12 credits) and five elective courses (15 credits):

I. Foundation Courses

28 credits, including:

CRJS 501	**Criminal Justice Theory**	**3**
CRJS 502	**Advanced Criminological Theory**	**3**
CRJS 503	**Law and Social Control**	**3**
CRJS 504	**Organizational Theory and Analysis in Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 505	**Criminal Justice Ethics and Decision Making**	**3**
CRJS 506	**Statistical Analysis**	**3**
CRJS 507	**Statistics Lab**	**1**
CRJS 508	**Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**

CRJS 510 **Theory and Research in Policing, Courts, Corrections** **3**
CRJS 590 **Criminal Justice Capstone Seminar**..... **3**

II. Specialization Area Courses

12 credits, including:

CRJS 511 **Criminal Justice Legislation and Policy**..... **3**
CRJS 512 **Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**..... **3**
CRJS 515 **Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior** **3**
CRJS 519 **Violence and Victimization** **3**

III. Elective Courses

Choose 15 credits from the following: 15

CRJS 513 **Race, Ethnicity and Justice**..... **3**
CRJS 514 **Investigative Criminology and Offender Profiling**..... **3**
CRJS 516 **Theories and Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation**
CRJS 517 **Advanced Crime Assessment**
CRJS 518 **Contemporary Issues in Victimology**
CRJS 520 **Restorative/Community Justice**
CRJS 521 **Feminist Criminology**
CRJS 555 **ATF Practicum (1)**
CRJS 556 **Forensics Practicum (1)**
CRJS 557 **Trial Skills Practicum (1)**
CRJS 591-593 **Special Topics Seminar**
CRJS 595 **Internship**
CRJS 596 **Independent Study**
CRJS 597 **Teaching Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 598 **Research Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 599 **Thesis (1 to 3)**
COUN 510 **Fundamental Counseling Skills**
COUN 511 **Counseling Theories (4)**
COUN 513 **Counseling Diverse Populations**
PUBM 531 **Public Budgeting**
PUBM 572 **Administrative Law**

With no more than two courses from the following:

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CRJS 522 **Issues in Contemporary Law Enforcement**
CRJS 523 **Punishment and Social Theory**
CRJS 526 **Terrorism and Homeland Security**
CRJS 550 **The Psychopath**
CRJS 560 **Forensic Anthropology**
CRJS 565 **Crime Scene and Medicolegal Death Investigation**

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IV. Comprehensive Examination

Students have the option of taking the comprehensive exam OR completing a master's thesis. The comprehensive examination may be taken as soon as the foundation courses and comprehensive exam readings are completed. The exam must be completed prior to the last quarter of the program. The exam includes questions based on the MACJ foundation curriculum and comprehensive examination reading list. A student may retake the comprehensive exam once. Students planning to take the comprehensive examination must make an appointment to do so with the criminal justice department chair. The comprehensive exam will be offered fall and spring quarters. Students retaking the examination will be required to answer questions only in areas not passed in the first exam.

V. Thesis Option

Students planning to go on to a PhD program or who are interested in completing an independent research project may select the thesis option in lieu of completing the comprehensive exam. Students wishing to pursue this option must obtain approval from the department chair by submitting a thesis proposal and identifying a thesis chair and committee. The thesis committee must include at least two criminal justice faculty members and one external member with expertise in an area relevant to the thesis topic. The proposal must include:

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Minimum credits required for the degree 55

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts in Criminal Justice with Specialization in Investigative Criminology

The MACJ with Specialization in Investigative Criminology curriculum consists of 55 Credits: Eighteen 3-credit courses and one 1-credit course. Students will take ten foundation courses (28 credits), four specialization area courses (12 credits) and five elective courses (15 credits):

I. Foundation Courses

28 credits, including:

CRJS 501	**Criminal Justice Theory**	**3**
CRJS 502	**Advanced Criminological Theory**	**3**
CRJS 503	**Law and Social Control**	**3**
CRJS 504	**Organizational Theory and Analysis in Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 505	**Criminal Justice Ethics and Decision Making**	**3**
CRJS 506	**Statistical Analysis**	**3**
CRJS 507	**Statistics Lab**	**1**
CRJS 508	**Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 510	**Theory and Research in Policing, Courts, Corrections**	**3**
CRJS 590	**Criminal Justice Capstone Seminar**	**3**

II. Specialization Area Courses

12 credits, including:

CRJS 514 **Investigative Criminology and Offender Profiling** **3**
CRJS 515 **Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior** **3**
CRJS 516 **Theories and Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation** **3**
CRJS 517 **Advanced Crime Assessment** **3**

III. Elective Courses

Choose 15 credits from the following: 15

CRJS 511 **Criminal Justice Legislation and Policy**
CRJS 512 **Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**
CRJS 513 **Race, Ethnicity and Justice**
CRJS 518 **Contemporary Issues in Victimology**
CRJS 519 **Violence and Victimization**
CRJS 520 **Restorative/Community Justice**
CRJS 521 **Feminist Criminology**
CRJS 555 **ATF Practicum (1)**
CRJS 556 **Forensics Practicum (1)**
CRJS 557 **Trial Skills Practicum (1)**
CRJS 591-593 **Special Topics Seminar**
CRJS 595 **Internship**
CRJS 596 **Independent Study**
CRJS 597 **Teaching Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 598 **Research Assistantship (1 to 3)**
CRJS 599 **Thesis (1 to 3)**
COUN 510 **Fundamental Counseling Skills**
COUN 511 **Counseling Theories (4)**
COUN 513 **Counseling Diverse Populations**
PUBM 531 **Public Budgeting**
PUBM 572 **Administrative Law**

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CRJS 522 **Issues in Contemporary Law Enforcement**
CRJS 523 **Punishment and Social Theory**
CRJS 526 **Terrorism and Homeland Security**
CRJS 550 **The Psychopath**
CRJS 560 **Forensic Anthropology**
CRJS 565 **Crime Scene and Medicolegal Death Investigation**

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V. Thesis Option

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Minimum credits required for the degree 55

Degree Requirements:
Master of Arts in Criminal Justice with Specialization in Victimology

The MACJ with Specialization in Victimology curriculum consists of 55 Credits: Eighteen 3-credit courses and one 1-credit course. Students will take ten foundation courses (28 credits), four specialization area courses (12 credits) and five elective courses (15 credits):

I. Foundation Courses

28 credits, including:

CRJS 501	**Criminal Justice Theory**	**3**
CRJS 502	**Advanced Criminological Theory**	**3**
CRJS 503	**Law and Social Control**	**3**
CRJS 504	**Organizational Theory and Analysis in Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 505	**Criminal Justice Ethics and Decision Making**	**3**
CRJS 506	**Statistical Analysis**	**3**
CRJS 507	**Statistics Lab**	**1**
CRJS 508	**Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 510	**Theory and Research in Policing, Courts, Corrections**	**3**
CRJS 590	**Criminal Justice Capstone Seminar**	**3**

II. Specialization Area Courses

12 credits, including:

CRJS 518	**Contemporary Issues in Victimology**	**3**
CRJS 519	**Violence and Victimization**	**3**
CRJS 520	**Restorative/Community Justice**	**3**
CRJS 521	**Feminist Criminology**	**3**

III. Elective Courses

Choose 15 credits from the following: 15

CRJS 511	**Criminal Justice Legislation and Policy**
CRJS 512	**Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**
CRJS 513	**Race, Ethnicity and Justice**
CRJS 514	**Investigative Criminology and Offender Profiling**
CRJS 515	**Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior**
CRJS 516	**Theories and Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation**
CRJS 517	**Advanced Crime Assessment**
CRJS 555	**ATF Practicum (1)**
CRJS 556	**Forensics Practicum (1)**
CRJS 557	**Trial Skills Practicum (1)**
CRJS 591-593	**Special Topics Seminar**
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CRJS 523	**Punishment and Social Theory**
CRJS 526	**Terrorism and Homeland Security**
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IV. Comprehensive Examination

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V. Thesis Option

Students planning to go on to a doctorate program or who are interested in completing an independent research project may select the thesis option in lieu of completing the comprehensive exam. Students wishing to pursue this option must obtain approval from the department chair by submitting a thesis proposal and identifying a thesis chair and committee. The thesis committee must include at least two criminal justice faculty members and one external member with expertise in an area relevant to the thesis topic. The proposal must include:

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- Literature Review
- Method

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Minimum credits required for the degree 55

Certificate in Crime Analysis

The Certificate in Crime Analysis is designed to meet the growing demand for criminal justice professionals with applied quantitative and analytic skills. The curriculum provides the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to perform as entry-level crime analysts in Federal, State, and local criminal justice agencies. The certificate also prepares students for a broader role as intelligence analysts.

Crime analysts typically perform detailed statistical analyses of crime data, prepare periodic reports on criminal activity and trends, identify emerging crime patterns, and communicate their findings to a variety of internal and external audiences. They may analyze a wide variety of data including arrests, convictions, known criminal associates, and other criminal intelligence data, in order to explore relationships and identify patterns and correlations in support of investigative efforts. These data come from diverse sources, including existing agency databases, financial and telecommunications records, and the Internet. Crime analysts must be skilled in manipulating data and creating relational databases that can accommodate a wide variety of data formats and sources.

Crime analysts may also be called upon to design and execute managerial and administrative studies forecasting personnel, budgeting, and other resource needs. They may also conduct citizen surveys of crime victimization, satisfaction with police services, and perceptions of departmental performance. They need to have broad knowledge in law enforcement operations, criminological theory, statistics, research methods, and relevant computer technology. They need good critical thinking skills, logic and reasoning ability. Finally, effective writing and presentation skills are essential for crime analysts.

Admission Requirements

Applicants will be accepted into the program Fall quarter. Exception to the Fall quarter admissions policy will be made on a case by case basis. Applicants' academic history, motivation, aptitude for post-baccalaureate education, personal goals, and professional experiences will be considered. The specific admission requirements are identical to those for the MACJ program.

Certificate Requirements

The Certificate in Crime Analysis is a one-year program consisting of 25 credit hours. The program can be completed on a full- or part-time basis, with part-time students completing in two years. All students enrolled in the certificate program take a series of required foundation courses (19 credits), and elective courses (6 credits) on data management and analysis, terrorism, and intelligence analysis.

I. Foundation Courses: 19 Credits

CRJS 502	**Advanced Criminological Theory**	**3**
CRJS 506	**Statistical Analysis**	**3**
CRJS 507	**Statistics Lab**	**1**
CRJS 508	**Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 517	**Advanced Crime Assessment**	**3**
CRJS 524	**Crime Mapping**	**3**
CRJS 525	**Data and Intelligence Analysis in Criminal Justice**	**3**

II. Elective Courses: 6 credits

CRJS 512	**Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice**	**3**
CRJS 515	**Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior**	**3**
CRJS 522	**Issues in Contemporary Law Enforcement**	**3**
CRJS 526	**Terrorism and Homeland Security**	**3**
ECIS 566	**Data Management in Business**	**3**
ECIS 567	**Data Mining for Business Intelligence**	**3**
ECON 566	**Economics and Business Forecasting**	**3**

NOTE: Up to 10 (of the 25) Certificate in Crime Analysis credits (with the CRJS prefix only/excluding ECIS 566, ECIS 567, ECON 566) will apply to the MACJ degree if a student completing the certificate program is admitted to the MACJ degree program upon completion of the certificate program. MACJ graduates and MACJ current students who wish to complete the Certificate in Crime Analysis in addition to the MACJ degree may count up to 10 credits of CRJS courses included in the MACJ degree program toward the Certificate in Crime Analysis.

Criminal Justice Courses

CRJS 501 Criminal Justice Theory 3
Critical analysis and comprehensive overview of contemporary practices, procedures, and problems in the processing of offenders through the juvenile, police, courts, and corrections agencies of the criminal justice system. Emphasis on the examination of interrelationships between the agencies. Special attention is focused on current and important issues in the various criminal justice agencies, research conducted in criminal justice, and the impact of policy on the criminal justice system.

CRJS 502 Advanced Criminological Theory 3
Examination of classic and contemporary theoretical explanations of crime from multiple criminological perspectives including classical, biological, psychological, and sociological theories. Analysis of crime patterns and crime correlates and substantive focus on the application of such theories to criminal justice agencies, community, and society.

CRJS 503 Law and Social Control 3
Study of theory and research on the nature of law and legal institutions. Investigation into the functions and effects of informal and formal social control mechanisms, the use of law to impact social change, the relation of law to ameliorate social conflict, and an empirical investigation into the effectiveness of law.

CRJS 504 Organizational Theory and Analysis in Criminal Justice 3
Application of organizational theory to micro and macro level interactions and structures in the criminal justice system. Focus on classical, neo and post-classical models of organization and how they impact the creation or subversion of roles, norms, procedures, and goals in police, courts, and corrections. Examination of the interaction of public and private institutional cultures on resource allocation. Social psychological analysis of workplace power differentials and institutional/actor goal and procedure conflict and deviance.

CRJS 505 Criminal Justice Ethics and Decision Making..... 3
Exploration of ethical dilemmas faced by professionals in law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Examination of discretionary power in criminal justice agencies and different stages of the criminal justice process. Seminar discussion of/reflection on decision making and ethical scenarios in criminal justice contexts.

CRJS 506 Statistical Analysis 3
Objective of course is for students to develop statistical reasoning skills and to choose appropriate quantitative techniques for analyzing research questions in criminal justice. Topics include the examination of the basic concepts and measures in statistical analysis, probability theory, statistical inference, and bivariate and multivariate analyses, correlational relationships, t-tests, ANOVA, and regression.

CRJS 507 Statistics Lab 1
Objective of course is for students to learn the techniques of performing quantitative analyses with SPSS and then apply these quantitative techniques to interpret current criminal justice research.

CRJS 508 Advanced Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice 3
Current methods and techniques for conducting research in criminal justice including research design, sampling, survey research, field research, and program evaluation. Students will design and execute their own research projects on a topic of current need of exploration in the criminal justice field, analyze findings, and summarize their research project in a formal written paper.

CRJS 510 Theory and Research in Policing, Courts, Corrections 3
Review and seminar discussion of key research findings in policing, courts, and corrections. Students will be required to focus on/complete a project in a specific area in criminal justice.

CRJS 511 Criminal Justice Legislation and Policy 3
Examination of the institutional and societal influences on how policies are identified, prioritized and created; how and why policies become codified. Focus on the effect research has on policy creation and/or policy amendment. Special attention to/critical analysis of the impact of particular policies on the criminal justice system such as three strikes laws, amber alerts, mandatory domestic violence prosecution, felony voting legislation, minimum sentencing guidelines, sexually violent predator laws, determinate sentencing, etc.

CRJS 512 Qualitative Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice 3
Logic and techniques of qualitative research design, methods, and techniques including content analysis, focus groups, case studies, interviewing, field work observation, participant observation, and ethnography in deviance, criminology, and criminal justice. Focus on ethical considerations, access challenges, data collection design and analysis, visual documentation and application of qualitative database technology.

CRJS 513 Race, Ethnicity and Justice 3
Examination of roles of race and ethnicity in crime and justice. Focus on the differing experiences of racial/ethnic groups as they come into contact with the various agencies of the criminal justice system, racial disparity and discrimination in the criminal justice system, and the impact of criminal justice policy and practice on racial/ethnic minorities. Discussion of contemporary issues in race, ethnicity, and justice such as racial profiling, the impact of felony voting laws on racial minorities, and the ways in which cultural stereotypes about race/ethnicity shape policies and practices at the different stages of the criminal justice process (police, courts, corrections). Students will critically evaluate crime policy to identify meaningful solutions to increase social justice.

CRJS 514 Investigative Criminology and Offender Profiling 3
This course explores the use of profiles in criminological theory and criminal justice practice with focus on profiling violent crimes. Examination of the differences between the types of crimes and criminals, what criminal profiling is, who does it, and how is it done. It will expose profiling as a science, profession, art, or media myth, consider the ethical issues of profiles when they are used in police investigations and the prediction of dangerousness. The course is intended to provide students with a general understanding of the theory and purpose of criminal profiling and focused review of the scholarly literature on profiling. The course is not intended to teach students how to become "profilers," but as an introduction to the theory and practice of profiling, the scientific literature on criminal profiling, and to engage students in critical discussion of the use of profiles in the criminal justice system.

CRJS 515 Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior 3
Examination of research on criminal behavior and crime types. Seminar discussion of the ways in which theories of criminal behavior and typology research has been applied in the criminal justice system in criminal investigation, adjudication process, correctional management and treatment, victim services, public safety, risk assessment, and prediction of dangerousness.

CRJS 516 Theories and Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation 3
Study, process, and theory of investigation and crime scene processing. Focus on (1) investigation: the rhetoric and reality, (2) the methodologies for analysis of case files and investigative follow-up activities, (3) methods of developing leads from physical and circumstantial evidence, (4) the processes used in interviewing witnesses and suspects, and (5) differences in specialty investigations, and (6) assessment of the application of crime scene processing techniques and the theoretical constructs of critical thinking of inductive (analysis) and deductive (synthesis) reasoning necessary to develop and understand those actions taken by the offender at the scene of a crime.

CRJS 517 Advanced Crime Assessment 3
Overview of the history, theory, and practice of crime assessment and crime analysis. Examination of the systematic analysis of theories and data pertaining to criminal behavior, law enforcement, corrections, and criminal justice services including the identification of crime trends, patterns, statistical profiling and linkage analysis, intelligence operations, problem solving and intervention planning. Focus on the application of criminological and criminal justice theory, research, and data to crime assessment and criminal justice.

CRJS 518 Contemporary Issues in Victimology 3
Victimology involves the scientific study of physical, emotional, and financial harm people suffer because of criminal activities and the role of the victim in the criminal justice system. This course examines research in victimology with attention to the impact of crime on victims, measuring crime through victimization, the social and psychological harm resulting from different types of crime, the victim-offender relationship, gender issues in understanding victimization and offender-victim dynamics, victim rights movement, public perception of victims and social reaction to victimization, the role of the victim in the criminal justice process, and crime prevention and personal safety.

CRJS 519 Violence and Victimization 3
Examination of theories and research on aggression, violence, and victimization with attention to the gender correlates and dynamics of violence and victimization. Seminar discussion of the ways in which conceptions of masculinity and femininity are imbedded in notions of violence and victimization and how gender constructs, law, language, policy, practice shape the nature of violence and victimization and its criminal justice response.

CRJS 520 Restorative/Community Justice 3
Review of theory and research in restorative and community justice. Focus on restorative justice initiatives that provide an alternative framework for dealing with crime in which victim needs are central, offenders are held accountable, and the government is a secondary player in the process of restoring victims, offenders, and communities to a state of wholeness. Discussion of the impact of restorative justice initiatives in the criminal justice system in the United States and around the world.

CRJS 521 Feminist Criminology 3
Examination of feminist theories and research in feminism and criminology. Historical and contemporary overview of the study of gender, victimology, and criminological theory, gender issues in criminal justice, and the application of feminist theory to the study of crime and the criminal justice system. Students will critically evaluate the role of gender in victimology and criminology, the value and effectiveness of conventional policies within the criminal justice system in the context of gender disparity, misogyny, and women's oppression.

CRJS 522 Issues in Contemporary Law Enforcement 3
Seminar on current issues in contemporary law enforcement. Topics addressed in the course include: The politics of law enforcement, police brutality, the impact of administrative interventions on police discretion, and police strategies such as problem-oriented policing, "hot spot" patrols, paramilitary units, and the criminal investigative process. Jointly offered as an undergraduate/graduate course. Maximum of 6 credits/two undergraduate-graduate courses permitted to fulfill MACJ elective requirements.

CRJS 523 Punishment and Social Theory 3
Exploration of the major social theories of punishment, historical and contemporary penological practices, and the death penalty and the modern execution process. Focus on society's justification for punishment as a response to crime and the function and meaning of punishment in modern society. Jointly offered as an undergraduate/graduate course. Maximum of 6 credits/two undergraduate-graduate courses permitted to fulfill MACJ elective requirements.

CRJS 524 Crime Mapping 3
Students will learn foundational skills in spatial analysis and crime mapping. Introduction to the use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to map and analyze crime patterns. In addition to practical work with GIS the course will address underlying spatial theories of crime as well as available data sources for exploring relationships such as Census data and other sources of socioeconomic and criminal justice related data.

CRJS 525 Data and Intelligence Analysis in Criminal Justice 3
Students will be provided with a practical introduction to intelligence analysis as it relates to criminal justice. Topics covered include the history and function of intelligence in law enforcement, the primary methods of intelligence gathering, analysis, and dissemination, and common law enforcement databases. Students will learn about the application of criminal intelligence methods to current problems faced by Federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies.

CRJS 526 Terrorism and Homeland Security..... 3
An examination of the complex concepts and issues associated with global terrorism, U.S. homeland security, and the role of law enforcement; the events leading to the terror attacks on September 11, 2001, and those events before and after that date leading to the developing concepts and principals commonly associated with homeland security. Topics include historical overviews of U.S. and international terrorism, international and domestic terrorism issues, a framework of how the U.S. government has chosen to deal with homeland security and terrorism, the nature of executive level decision-making regarding homeland security issues, legal considerations, natural disasters and homeland security, and the costs of securing America.

CRJS 550 The Psychopath 3
Study of psychopathy and its relevance to crime, violence, and the criminal justice system. Exploration of the origin and dynamics of psychopathy with focus on forensic assessment, prediction of dangerousness, and how scientific and popular conceptions of psychopathy shape criminal justice policy and practice. Jointly offered as an undergraduate/graduate course. Maximum of 6 credits/two undergraduate-graduate courses permitted to fulfill MACJ elective requirements.

CRJS 555 ATF Practicum 1
This is a practicum opportunity facilitated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. Students are provided with an inside look at the roles and responsibilities of ATF special agents and the range of units within the agency. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 556 Forensics Practicum 1
This is a practicum opportunity associated with the Seattle University Law School that exposes students to the interaction between the attorney and the expert witness. Students work with/assist third-year law students enrolled in the Seattle University Law School Forensics course to prepare, research, interview, depose, and engage in cross and direct examination of expert witnesses in civil and criminal cases. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 557 Trial Skills Practicum..... 1
This is a practicum opportunity associated with the Seattle University Law Clinic. Students work with law students and faculty to prepare, play a role, and present in a mock trial. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 560 Forensic Anthropology 3
Overview of skeletal biology and its application to medico-legal death investigation. Study of the human skeleton including the individual bones, the major anatomical landmarks, and the range of human variation. Focus on the human skeleton in a medico-legal context including locating covert burials, processing outdoor scenes, determination of biological profile, trauma analysis, cause and manner of death, postmortem interval and methods of positive identification. The course is not designed to make students forensic anthropologists but rather to impart an overall understanding of the discipline and an appreciation for its contributions to forensic science. Jointly offered as an undergraduate/graduate course. Maximum of 6 credits/two undergraduate-graduate courses permitted to fulfill MACJ elective requirements.

CRJS 565 Crime Scene and Medicolegal Death Investigation 3
In-depth look into crime scene and medicolegal death investigation. The manners, mechanisms, causes of death, and post-mortem changes, and wound interpretation are explored. The students will learn how to apply postmortem conditions to criminal investigations to confirm or refute evidence of wrongful deaths. The course will emphasize crime scene search, recognition of physical evidence, techniques and methods for collection, preservation and transmission for laboratory analysis of evidence, and the courtroom presentation of investigators actions at the crime scene. A component of this course will involve development of/participation in a mock crime scene investigation. Jointly offered as an undergraduate/graduate course. Maximum of 6 credits/two undergraduate-graduate courses permitted to fulfill MACJ elective requirements.

CRJS 590 Criminal Justice Capstone Seminar 3
Seminar discussion of program course content areas including major research findings and classic readings in criminal justice. Opportunity for discussion, analysis, and reflection, and synthesis of program content areas and key readings in criminal justice required for the comprehensive examination.

CRJS 591-593 Special Topics Seminar ..... 1 to 3
Courses will be offered covering a range of special topics addressing specific issues or research in the criminal justice.

CRJS 595 Internship ..... 1 to 3
Field experience in a criminal justice agency. Students are required to complete 50 hours per credit which may include training. Internships must be approved by the agency supervisor and department chair. Requirements include 50 hours per credit, reflection log, agency and student self evaluation, and synthesis paper. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 596 Independent Study ..... 1 to 3
Directed reading or student-directed project involving some aspect of research, theory, or practice in criminal justice. Students interested in completing an independent study project must submit written proposal to the supervising faculty member. Independent study projects are approved by the department chair on a case by case basis.

CRJS 597 Teaching Assistantship ..... 1 to 3
Students may be considered for a teaching assistantship that involves assisting a faculty member with a specific course. To be considered for a teaching assistantship, the student must have completed the course at an exceptional level. The teaching assistantship, depending on the course, includes assistance with grading, one-one work with students, facilitating seminar discussions, and other course-related tasks. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 598 Research Assistantship ..... 1 to 3

Students may be considered for a research assistantship that involves working with faculty on a research project and/or conducting research in the community. To be considered for a research assistantship, the student must have completed CRJS 506-507-508. The research assistance may involve one or more research-related tasks including literature review, data collection, data entry, data analysis, report-writing, and presentation of findings at professional conferences. The research assistantship may be linked to the thesis option if the student is involved in extensive faculty-related research that requires preliminary work prior to/or beyond the thesis project. CR/F grading mandatory.

CRJS 599 Thesis ..... 1 to 3

Students may register for the thesis after completing the MACJ foundation courses. Students wishing to pursue this option must obtain approval from the department chair by submitting a thesis proposal and identifying a thesis chair and committee. The thesis committee must include at least two criminal justice faculty members and one external member with expertise in an area relevant to the thesis topic. The proposal must include: (1) Importance of research to the field of criminal justice, (2) Literature Review, (3) Method. The thesis will involve conducting original research and/or theoretical analysis of a criminal justice issue that makes a unique contribution to the criminal justice literature. Students may register for 1-3 credits per quarter and may complete a total of 3 thesis credits.