

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for the Criminal Justice Masters program are reviewed for Fall semester entry only. All application material must be received before **February 1** for consideration for the following Fall semester, .

Application material includes:

- Application for Graduate Study at Michigan State University
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores for exam taken within last 5 years if overall undergraduate GPA is less than 3.2
- Personal statement of academic and professional goals
- Three letters of recommendation
- International students must also submit Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores for exam taken within the last 2 years

For application forms and complete instructions, please visit www.cj.msu.edu and click on Graduate On Campus.

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Criminal Justice Masters program at MSU provides students with analytic skills, an interdisciplinary knowledge base, and classroom and practical understanding of the settings where correctional, law enforcement and security policies are implemented. The program integrates theory and application through case materials and classroom guest speakers, as well as internship opportunities.

Individuals who wish to pursue a career in criminal justice research and teaching will have a strong foundation for advanced graduate studies based on the program's combined emphasis on research, critical issues and interdisciplinary theory.

The School of Criminal Justice was established in 1935 as an academic program providing courses for those seeking careers in law enforcement. The School of Criminal Justice has evolved to provide exemplary undergraduate and graduate programs in which students and faculty apply the theories and methods of science to understanding and solving critical policy issues in both the criminal justice and private security fields.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

To obtain a Masters of Science in Criminal Justice a student must complete a minimum of 30 credits of coursework as follows:

Plan A—with thesis

CJ 801—Crime Causation, Prevention, and Control
CJ 810—Proseminar in Criminal Justice
CJ 811—Design and Analysis in CJ Research
CJ 812—Criminal Justice Management Seminar
CJ 887—Quantitative Methods in CJ Research
CJ 899—Masters Thesis Research (six credits)
Two 800-level CJ electives * (six credits)
Approved elective

Plan B—without thesis

CJ 801—Crime Causation, Prevention, and Control
CJ 810—Proseminar in Criminal Justice
CJ 811—Design and Analysis in CJ Research
CJ 812—Criminal Justice Management Seminar
CJ 887—Quantitative Methods in CJ Research
CJ 896—Policy Analysis Under Conditions of Change
Two 800-level CJ electives * (six credits)
Approved electives (six credits)

*No more than three hours of Independent Study (CJ 890) will be allowed. Internship credit (CJ 894) will not count toward this requirement.

PROGRAM COST

Current tuition rates can be found at www.ctrl.msu.edu/COSTudentAccounts

Click on Resident or Non-Resident, then scroll to the Graduate Students section.

FREQUENTLY USED WEBSITES

Registrar's Office
www.reg.msu.edu
Tuition information, enrollment, academic calendar, student services.

Desire2Learn—D2L
www.d2l.msu.edu
Online course system

Financial Aid
www.finaid.msu.edu
Instructions for applying for aid, forms, calendar, calculator, etc.

Graduate School
www.grad.msu.edu
Graduate student resources

Controllers Office
www.ctrl.msu.edu/costudentaccounts
Tuition rates, fee payment schedule, deferred payment plan, etc.