

MASTER OF SCIENCE CRIMINAL JUSTICE



GRADUATE STUDIES



Program Description

The Master of Science (MS) in Criminal Justice prepares graduates for advancement in justice-related professions, particularly in administrative and management level positions in law enforcement, corrections and juvenile justice. It provides graduates with in-depth knowledge of criminal justice agencies as they relate to the law, the courts and the public. For those aspiring to positions as police chiefs, sheriffs, law enforcement commanding officers, superintendents or commanding officers of corrections agencies, positions with the FBI, ATF or other federal law enforcement agencies and those interested in pursuing research or a doctoral degree, this is an ideal course of study. Additional information is available at <http://www.fgcu.edu/CAS/CJMS/>

Admissions Requirements

- FGCU graduate application
- Official academic transcripts from every college or university attended
- Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) official scores
- GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal aspiration statement (300-500 words)
- Interview
- International students must have a satisfactory score on the TOEFL exam (minimum score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based) for students from countries where English is not the primary language

Satisfaction of minimum University and program requirements does not guarantee admission to a graduate program. Applicants should check with the program for the most up to date admission requirements prior to commencing the application process.

Application Deadlines

Fall – March 15
Spring – November 1

Graduate Full-Time Student Cost of Attendance

Expenses	Florida Resident	Non Florida Resident
Tuition and Fees	\$6,720	\$23,412
Books and Supplies	\$1,200	\$1,200
Room and Board	\$9,672	\$9,672
Estimated Total Cost	\$17,592	\$34,284

The in-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$373.38 per credit hour. The out-of-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$1,300.66 per credit hour. Tuition & Fees figures are based on a graduate student taking 9 graduate credit hours per term for 2 terms (Fall & Spring). For more details, visit: fgcu.edu/Graduate/Financing-graduate-studies

Program Details

Credit Hours Required in Major – 36 Credit Hours

Program Core (21 credits)

- CCJ 5476 Mgmt & Admin of Justice (3)
- CCJ 6485 Criminal Justice Policy (3)
- CCJ 6606 Social Constructs of Crime (3)
- CJE 6168 Media and Community Relations CJ (3)
- CJL 5320 Legal Aspects of CJ Management (3)
- PAD 6227 Public Budgeting (3)
- PAD 6417 Public Personnel Admin (3)

Thesis Option (6 credits)

- CCJ 6707 Adv Quantitative Research (3)
- CCJ 6971 Thesis in Criminal Justice (3)

Integrated Project Option (6 credits)

- CCJ 6709 Advanced Qualitative Research (3)
- CCJ 6974 Project in Criminal Justice (3)

Restricted Electives in Major (9 credits)

Select from additional 5000-6999 courses with any of the following prefixes: CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, DSC except courses graded on an S/U scale.

~Above is a brief preview of the program content at the start of the 2019-2020 academic year. Information regarding program requirements and admissions are specific to a student's catalog year. This information is corrected or adjusted as needed. For more details, please review the University Catalog. <http://www.fgcu.edu/catalog/>

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