

MASTER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE (MCJ)

Student Learning Outcomes

Master of Criminal Justice students, upon graduation, are expected to:

- Formulate administrative principles and practices like those used in criminal justice agencies.
- Assess theories relating to crime causation and criminality.
- Explain the interdisciplinary nature of the criminal justice system.
- Produce scholarly criminal justice related research.
- Evaluate criminal justice operational problems that affect the delivery of criminal justice related services.
- Employ critical thinking, advanced writing, and verbal communication skills.

MCJ Degree Requirements

- **Thesis Option:** The completion of 30 hours of course work, which includes CJ 699 Thesis.
- **Capstone Option:** The completion of 30 hours of course work, which includes CJ 693 Capstone.
- Complete all required coursework while maintaining no less than a "B" (3.0) average.
- No more than two grades of "C" in the plan of study will count for credit. If a student receives more than two grades of a "C," the student must form a plan of completion, to include regularly scheduled performance check-ins with the MCJ Program Coordinator.
- At least 85% of the semester hours required for the degree must be earned at Washburn University.
- Maintain continuous enrollment each regular semester (fall and spring). A minimum of one (1) semester hour of graduate work will constitute continuous enrollments.
- Unless an earlier deadline is stipulated by the instructor of the course, incompletes must be completed by the end of two consecutive semesters which excludes the summer session, otherwise a grade of "F" will be recorded. Incompletes in the capstone or thesis course will remain I's until the capstone or thesis project is completed.
- Complete all program requirements within seven (7) years of the date of entry into the MCJ degree program.

Program Requirements

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Core Courses | | 15 |
| CJ 600 | Seminar in Criminal Justice Systems | |
| CJ 602 | Criminal Justice Research | |
| CJ 605 | Ethics in Criminal Justice | |
| CJ 610 | Corrections in the United States | |
| or CJ 620 | Role of Law Enforcement in the United States | |
| CJ 625 | Seminar In Criminological Theory | |
| Capstone or Thesis | | 6 |
| CJ 693 | Capstone Experience | |
| or CJ 699 | Thesis | |
| Electives | | 9 |
| Select nine credit hours from the following: | | |

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| CJ 604 | Seminar in Criminal Justice Organization and Management |
| CJ 630 | Seminar in Correctional Administration |
| CJ 635 | Organized and White Collar Crime |
| CJ 640 | Seminar in Legal Issues in Law Enforcement |
| CJ 645 | Comparative Criminal Justice Systems |
| CJ 650 | Seminar in Community Corrections |
| CJ 655 | Seminar in Juvenile Justice And Delinquency |
| CJ 660 | Seminar in Operational and Staff Planning |
| CJ 675 | Problems & Practices in Judicial Administration |
| CJ 670 | Seminar in Correctional Law |
| CJ 680 | Seminar in Staff Development |
| CJ 685 | Special Topics - Criminal Justice |
| CJ 690 | Directed Readings - Criminal Justice |
| CJ 692 | Analytical Research and Statistics |
| Total Hours | 30 |