



Why study Criminology at FSU?

FSU's College of Criminology & Criminal Justice is the premier institution for learning how to become a leader in shaping America's response to crime. Only here can students learn from some of the nation's most prominent scholars who inspire intellectual curiosity and encourage achievement of personal aspirations.

Enrolled students' ability to conduct research alongside the nation's **#1 ranked criminology faculty for productivity** offers an educational experience second to none as they challenge popular perceptions of the causes, consequences and control of crime.

Ranked among the best in the country, the College's master's program emphasizes the importance of scientifically rigorous research that informs public policy.

Admission Requirements

- Completed FSU online application
- Official transcripts for all prior university or college work to verify degree completion
- GPA of at least 3.25 for undergraduate upper division work
- GRE score between 148 and 160 on the verbal and quantitative portions of the exam
- Three letters of recommendation from professors familiar with your academic qualifications
- A 300- to 500-word personal statement describing your background, career goals and interest in the fields of criminology and criminal justice
- International students whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and score at least 600 on the paper-based test, at least 250 on the computer-based test, or at least 100 on the Internet-based iBT TOEFL test.

Financing Your Experience at FSU

There are several ways to get help financing your education: scholarships, financial aid, military benefits, and agency tuition reimbursement plans.

Go to criminology.fsu.edu for details and helpful links.

- Free application for student financial aid: fafsa.ed.gov
- College scholarships: criminology.fsu.edu
- Military benefits: veterans.fsu.edu

Visit www.criminology.fsu.edu today to learn more.

Coursework

The College offers both Master of Science (M.S.) and Master of Arts (M.A.) degrees for students interested in studying Criminology. Students can choose either **the coursework-only option**; the **area paper option** in which a directive committee supervises the preparation of the area paper, a high-quality literature review and critique that is focused on a subject that the student is particularly interested in investigating; or the **thesis option**, where a major professor and supervisory committee assist the student in completing the thesis, a report of original research that is typically based on secondary analysis of an existing dataset.

The College also offers a **Joint Master's Degree with Public Administration**, which prepares students for careers in criminal justice management, and the **Joint Master's Degree with Social Work**, which is designed for students who want to gain expertise in work with forensic clients.

Visit www.criminology.fsu.edu to review more detailed course information.

Graduate Advising Team

The College of Criminology & Criminal Justice graduate advising team is prepared to assist prospective and current students every step along the way.

Contact the College today to schedule a visit, learn more about the master's program or request more information at crimgradprogram@fsu.edu.

Application Deadlines

Fall Semester: July 1, Spring Semester: November 1

