

Thesis/Non-thesis Option:

After passing a comprehensive examination, students must choose to complete either a thesis or non-thesis option to finish their degree requirements. Those who choose a thesis option will be required to take six semester hours of coursework and to complete the requirement of the thesis.

Thesis Option Credit

CRJU 7001-Thesis Seminar	3hrs.
CRJU 7002-Thesis	3hrs.

Non-Thesis Option Credit (9 hrs.)

Students who choose a non-thesis option will be required to take the following courses:

CRJU 7003-Technology and CRJU	3hrs.
CRJU 7004-CRJU Program Evaluation	3hrs.



Department Requirements

Students must maintain a **B** or better in all courses.

Students must maintain an average of **B** every semester to remain in the program.

Students must take Thesis or Non-thesis courses **ONLY** after passing comprehensive examination.

Graduation Requirements

Core Courses	15hrs.
Specialty Courses	9hrs.
Comprehensive Examination	
Thesis/Non-Thesis Courses	6hrs.
Total:	30hrs.

Online M.S. in Criminal Justice:

The fully online M.S. in Criminal Justice is a 30 hour program with specialization in Law Enforcement and Corrections.

The Faculty:

Patrick Ibe, PhD Associate Professor — chair. Clark Atlanta University; Specialties: Political Science and Criminal Justice Administration

Rani George PhD Professor, University of Delaware, Specialties :Methods, Statistics, Evaluation Research.

Rodger-Claude Liwanga SJD Assistant Professor, Suffolk University Law School, Boston; Specialties: Law, Human Rights

Ifeoma Okoye PhD Associate Professor; Texas Southern Specialties: Homeland Security, Terrorism and Counter Terrorism, Criminology Theories and Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice

George Thomas PhD Professor—University of Delaware, Specialties: Quantitative Methods, Research Methodology, Substance Abuse, and Statistics Program Coordinator

Glenn Zuern Ph.D. Professor, University of Pennsylvania; Specialties: Corrections, Philosophy, and International Security.

Jonathan Odo Ph.D., Professor, Florida State University; Corrections, Methodology, Research Statistics

O. Oko Elechi Ph.D., Professor, Simon Fraser University; Specialties: Theoretical Criminology, Methodology and Statistics

Charles Ochie Ph.D., Oklahoma State University. Executive Director Graduate Programs/Professor; Specialties: Criminology, Offender treatment and re-entry

Jason Armstrong Ph.D. Walden University, Specialties, Law Enforcement, Security and Public Policy.

Application Deadline

Fall Semester— July 15

Spring Semester—November 15

Summer Semester—April 15

Financial Assistance

Acceptance into the graduate program does not presume that financial assistance will be awarded. All inquiries about financial aid should be to the Office of the Financial Aide at 229-500-4358 or the Graduate School 229-5002220

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Master of Science



**CRIMINAL
JUSTICE
ONLINE/IN-CLASS**

**College of Professional
Studies**

**Albany State
University**
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Introduction

The Masters of Science (M.S) degree program in Criminal Justice is designed to prepare students for professional careers within the criminal justice system. Theoretical, methodological and philosophical understanding of the criminal justice system is stressed during the matriculation process. As a result students are well prepared for careers in criminal justice. Those seeking advanced graduate education beyond the Master's degree level, will be able to compete successfully with graduates from other schools and disciplines. The M.S. in Criminal Justice program requires a 30 hours of classroom study and thesis research. In addition, all students must successfully complete a comprehensive examination. We also offer a fully online M.S. degree in Criminal Justice.

Philosophy

The philosophy and objectives embraced by the Institute are to educate students in such a way as to channel their talents and capabilities toward the enrichment of the community, state and the nation. Embracing this idea, the Institute strives toward the broad-based development of the individual to meet the technological and legal complexities of a modern democratic society.

Admissions Requirements

The admission requirements are the following:

- (1) Baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university;
- (2) Official transcripts;
- (3) Grade point average of 2.50;
- (4) Applicants whose undergraduate degree was not in criminal justice is required to complete 6 semester hours in undergraduate criminal justice courses;
- (5) Two letters of recommendations;

Master of Science In Criminal Justice

Program of Study:

Each student must complete **15** semester hours of Core curriculum requirements with B or better grade:

Core Courses

CRJU 5100	Foundations of Criminal Justice	3hrs.
CRJU 5110	Theory and Philosophy of CJ	3hrs.
CRJU 5400	Organization and Administration	3hrs.
CRJU 5600	Research Methods	3hrs.
CRJU 5610	Research Statistics	3hrs.

Specialty Areas:

In addition to core courses, students must complete **9** semester hours in one of the four specialty areas: Law Enforcement, Corrections, Forensic Sciences and Public Administration. Coursework six years or older cannot be applied to the Master of Science in Criminal Justice degree.

Law Enforcement Specialty - An emphasis on leadership, planning and the broader management function are the hallmarks of this concentration. Students are required to complete **9** hours from the following list of courses:

CRJU 6000	Survey of Policing & Law (Required)	3hrs.
CRJU 6100	Policing in a Democratic Society	3hrs.
CRJU 6110	Social Service Role of CRJU Person.	3hrs.
CJU 6120	Law Enforcement Operations	3hrs.
CRJU 6200	Law Enforcement Mgt & Planning	3hrs.

Corrections Specialty

Specialization in corrections will prepare students for careers as parole officers, corrections supervisors, prison administrators, and effective case workers in community-based treatment programs. Students are required to complete **9** hours from the following list of courses:

CRJU 6400	Foundations of Corrections ®	3hrs.
CRJU 6410	Administration of Psychological	3hrs.
CRJU 6420	Interviewing and Counseling	3hrs.
CRJU 6430	Rehabilitation and Treatment	3hrs.
CRJU 6440	Mgt of Correctional Institutions	3hrs.

Forensic Science Specialty

This concentration will also provide the necessary skills to students who wish to advance their career in the management of forensic science laboratories as directors and supervisors. Students are required to complete nine hours from the following list of courses:

FOSC 6001	Survey of Advanced FOSC ®	3hrs
FOSC 6008	Advanced DNA Technology	3 hrs.
FOSC 6009	Advanced Toxicology	3 hrs
FOSC 6012	Adv Trace and Trans Evidence	3 hrs.
FOSC 7000	Adv Ballistic and Assoc Tech	3 hrs.

Public Administration Specialty

This concentration prepares students with the managerial skills necessary to investigate and effectively manage organizational problems common to criminal justice programs. Students are required to complete **9** hours from the following list of courses:

PADM 5011	Public Admin Scope & Dev	3 hrs
PADM 5012	Legal & Ethical Environ in Pub. Admin	3hrs
PADM 5301	Introduction to Pub Budget	3 hrs
PADM 5261	Personnel Administration	3 hrs
PADM 5781	Introduction to Public Policy	3 hrs