

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN JUSTICE POLICY (JPY) DEGREE PROGRAM

2009-2011
Catalog

A. Core courses required for all students (15 SCH)

- CRJ 5073 Research Methods (3 SCH)
- CRJ 5083 Quantitative Analysis (3 SCH)
- CRJ 5123 Justice Policy Formation and Implementation (3 SCH)
- CRJ 5133 Management of Justice Organizations (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6373 Crime Theory and Justice Policy (3 SCH)

- Students are expected to complete the majority of core courses prior to enrolling in elective courses. Normally, students should enroll in CRJ 5073 Research Methods and/or CRJ 5123 Justice Policy Formation and Implementation in their first two semesters, or as soon as offered thereafter.

B. Prescribed electives (9 SCH)

- CRJ 5053 History of Justice Policy Development (3 SCH)
- CRJ 5323 Program Evaluation: What Works, What Doesn't (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6103 Seminar on Topics in Theory of Crime and Justice (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6113 Advanced Research Applications (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6123 Seminar on Topics in Research Methods (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6203 Seminar on Topics in Corrections Policy (3SCH)
- CRJ 6213 Gender Issues in the Criminal Justice System (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6223 Ethics and the Practice of Social Control (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6233 Minorities in the Criminal Justice System (3SCH)
- CRJ 6303 Seminar on Topics in Policing and Crime Control (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6313 Survey of Best Practices in Policing (3SCH)
- CRJ 6353 Jury Trials in American Jurisprudence (3SCH)
- CRJ 6363 Paradigms of Justice Policy (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6403 Seminar on Topics in Law, Society and Justice Policy (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6503 Applied Policy Research (3 SCH)
- CRJ 6951, 3 Independent Study (1 or 3 SCH)
- CRJ 6961 Comprehensive Examination (1 SCH)

C. Free electives (6 SCH)

- Students may select an additional 6 hours of elective credits from outside the discipline. Outside electives must be chosen from designated courses in related UTSA graduate disciplines, with approval of the Graduate Advisor of Record (GAR)

D. Master's thesis or Justice Policy research project (6 SCH)

- Six semester credit hours of Master's Thesis or Justice Policy Research Project. Students may enroll in CRJ 6983, 6 Justice Policy Research Project, or CRJ 6991, 3, 6 Master's Thesis after 24 credit hours. CRJ 6983, 6 Justice Policy Research Project requires faculty supervision and approval of the final report by the Graduate Studies Committee. To enroll in one semester hour of Master's Thesis, a student must have already completed six semester hours in that course. CRJ 6991, 3, 6 Master's Thesis requires compliance with UTSA Thesis

Requirements and thesis defense. See Section IV of the Policies and Procedures of the Master of Science in Justice Policy Program for additional information.

E Comprehensive examination

- Comprehensive examination. Degree candidates are required to pass an oral or written comprehensive examination. The examination may be administered in the form of a presentation of the thesis or policy research project paper to a faculty committee. Candidates for the Master's degree may complete the comprehensive examination requirement in a successful proposal defense. Students must register for one semester credit hour of Comprehensive Examination for the semester in which the examination is to be taken, if they are not enrolled in other courses. See section IV of Policies and Procedures of the Master of Science in Justice Policy Program for additional information.