

M.S. in Criminal Justice

What can I do with this major?



Related Industries and Career Titles

Search for position titles within multiple career industries.

Possible Position Titles

Air Marshal
CIA Analyst
Case Manager
Computer Forensics Investigator
Compliance Officer
Correctional Treatment Specialist
DEA Agent
Emergency Management Director
FBI Agent
Forensic Accountant
ICE Agent
Information Security Analyst
Juvenile Probation Officer
Paralegal
Secret Service Agent
Victims' Advocate

Industries

Business Management
Business Intelligence
Community Relations
Corrections (City, State & Federal)
Court Systems
Forensics
Education, Gov't. & Nonprofit
Human Resources Intelligence
Investigative Agencies
Law Enforcement (City, State & Federal)
Market Research
Medical Facilities
Retail Loss Prevention

What is a Master of Science in Criminal Justice?



The Master of Science in Criminal Justice is designed to prepare graduates of the program to provide leadership, critical thinking, and knowledge in the areas of criminological theory, program evaluation, and criminal justice administration. The curriculum provides for the development of skills in criminal justice planning, implementation, and evaluation to ensure that the management and administration of the criminal justice system is effective, efficient, and responsive to the needs of the community. Research methods and statistical analysis are also central elements in the curriculum.

Interested in discussing your career path possibilities?

Visit (402-S) or
Call (713-221-8980)
The [Career Development Center](#)

Professional Organizations

Affiliate yourself with groups to network and learn about the field

- ✓ *Professional Society of Criminal Justice Students (active chapter at UHD)*
- ✓ *Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society (active chapter at UHD)*
- ✓ *American Society of Criminology*
- ✓ *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences*
- ✓ *American Correctional Association*

Explore Career Specific Websites

www.criminaljusticedegreeschools.com/ | www.usajobs.gov/StudentsAndGrads | discovercriminaljustice.com/careers-for-students/ | www.ncjrs.gov/

Community Partnerships

Research local organizations that may offer field experiences/internships to students pursuing a Criminal Justice degree.

For students currently employed, consider opportunities within your organization or business by approaching your employer directly.

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SUMMARY

Bilingual student at University of Houston-Downtown pursuing Master of Science in Criminal Justice. Effective communicator with 3+ years' experience serving juveniles offenders. Hard-working and organized with strong attention to detail.

EDUCATION

University of Houston-Downtown, Houston, TX

Master of Science in Criminal Justice Candidate, December 2019

University of Houston-Downtown, Houston, TX

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, May 2014

Minor: Psychology

RELEVANT PROJECTS

University of Houston-Downtown, Houston, TX

Student Researcher, Spring 2014

- Investigated effects of police brutality on local community to be more aware of issues happening in today's society, and composed extensive research paper outlining findings.
- Researched types of human trafficking around the world and how it affects both females and males psychologically, physically and emotionally. Delivered an 8-page report.
- Analyzed the war on drugs and how it impacts the United States. Executed an 8-page report detailing discoveries.

INTERNSHIP

Harris County Juvenile Probation Department, Houston, TX

Juvenile Probation Officer Intern, Fall 2013

- Provided case management services to 50 at-risk youth and their families.
- Collaborated with juvenile probation officers to conduct home visits, interviews and investigations.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

The Allen House Residential Facility, Spring, TX

Case Worker, July 2014-Present

- Manage caseload of 25 juveniles by creating action plans and tracking program progression.
- Refer clients to community-based services such as substance abuse programs, family court, GED classes, community service restitution and victim services programs.
- Utilize computer software program to enter monthly case notes.
- Maintain confidentiality of sensitive client information

SKILLS

Language: Fluent in Spanish (speaking, writing, reading)

Computer: Proficient in Microsoft (MS) Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook; SPSS

Certifications: CPR, American Red Cross