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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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Contact our Coordinator of Advising, Recruitment, and Retention Andy King at andy@olemiss.edu to set up an appointment to talk more about the program, your interests and needs, and your future.



CORE CLASSES (BOTH EMPHASES)

CJ 600: Criminal Justice Administration

Analyzes the structures, functions, and operations of criminal justice agencies. Reviews existing organizational theory and examines the application of these theories within agencies of criminal justice. Discusses criminal justice processes occurring in organizational environments that are influenced by historical, social, political, legal, and economic factors.

CJ 601: Criminal Justice Statistics

Reviews essential statistical analysis techniques that can be used in criminal justice and related agencies.

CJ 602: Criminal Justice Research Methods Overview of research methods used in social science research, including research design, measurement, and data collection.

CJ 624: Theories of Criminal Behavior

Provides overview of current knowledge on causes of crime. Reviews major theories of crime causation using an interdisciplinary perspective with emphasis on integration and application of knowledge to criminal justice policy and practice.

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Degree Culmination: Criminal Justice Capstone (IN BOTH EMPHASES)

All students must complete the CJ 693: Capstone Course. This class is 3 credit hours. Students review, research, and evaluate a criminal justice, emergency management, or homeland security policy or issue resulting in a systematic review paper. Students must complete this course with a grade of B- or above.

Criminal Justice Leadership Emphasis Classes

Students choose a minimum of three (3) of the following courses for the Criminal Justice Leadership track. Each course is 3 credit hours.

CJ 671: Communications for Criminal Justice Leaders

This course is intended to address communication in the criminal justice system. Specific focus and attention will be devoted to criminal justice practitioners in their day-to-day communications in general and interactions with the public, styles of communication, report writing, and communicating with diverse populations.

CJ 672: Conflict Resolution and Decision-Making

This course is intended to provide an overview of how to engage in effective conflict resolution tactics and improve communications with victims, witnesses, subjects, and other members of the public from a criminal justice perspective. Specific focus and attention will be devoted to identifying and mastering emotions, mastering the story, promoting positive behavior, achieving rapport, controlling your response, and taking perspective.

CJ 673: Criminal Justice Evidence-Based Decision-Making

This course is intended to address criminal justice policies, and the methods of evaluation that can increase the accountability of the criminal justice system and its actors and promote effective crime prevention strategies. Specific focus on mass incarceration, sex offender laws, supermax prisons, faith-based prisoner reentry programs, transfer of juveniles to adult court, domestic violence mandatory arrest laws, drug courts, gun laws, community policing, private prisons, etc.

CJ 674: Budgeting and Finance

This course is intended to examine financial decision-making in criminal justice agencies. Specific focus and attention will be devoted human decision-making, capital budgeting decisions, concept of risk, time value of money, discounting, rate of return, and profitability/index method.

CJ 676: Principles of Leadership

This course is intended to investigate decision-making processes in criminal justice agencies as it pertains to leadership. Specific focus and attention will be recruitment, training, continuing education requirements, performance evaluation, fair employment practices, termination, and allocation of personnel.

CJ 678: Diversity and Inclusion

This course is intended to address diversity and inclusion issues that will impact criminal justice agencies both internally and externally. Specific focus and attention will be devoted to multiculturalism; group dynamics, communication, and social interaction; dealing with diverse population that come into contact with criminal justice agencies, and the impact of diversity and inclusion on criminal justice training and policies.

CJ 679: Special Topics in Criminal Justice Leadership *

This course is intended to address various aspects of ethical organizational behavior at the individual, group, and organizational level. Specific focus and attention will be devoted to topics such as information in the media, sexual harassment, cultural appropriation, and how to practice the ethical problem-solving.

CJ 680: Personnel Management*

This course is intended to provide an in-depth exploration into key management and policy issues facing public



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Homeland Security & Emergency Management Emphasis Classes

Students choose a minimum of three (3) of the following courses for the Homeland Security and Emergency Management program option. Each course is 3 credit hours.

CJ 630: Seminar in Homeland Security Operations

Examines security theories, research, and practice related to the administration of security operations. Reviews topics such as risk assessment, risk prevention, and protection of assets, with particular emphasis on the role of criminal justice and security systems.

CJ 631: Seminar in Emergency Management

The course will analyze the duties and responsibilities of the emergency manager and the role of federal, state, and local government in the emergency management process, and its relationship to the criminal justice system.

CJ 632: Seminar in Extremism and Terrorism

Examination of underlying ideologies, history, reasons, and causes of extremism and terrorism, including both domestic and international, and counterterrorism strategies.

CJ 634: Emergency Response Management Policy and Planning

Reviews risk assessment and mitigation for effective emergency management policy planning and response.

CJ 636: Critical Infrastructure Security

Review of U.S. counterterrorism policies and practices for the security of U.S. major critical infrastructures, including transportation and border security.

CJ 642: Cyber Crime and Cyber Security

Overview of current issues surrounding the technical, social, and legal aspects of cybercrime and security from a policy perspective. Includes review of concepts and issues of cybercrime and cybersecurity, such as security issues in computer systems, networks, and applications.

CJ 641: Transnational Crime

Analyzes the effects of globalization, international and transnational crime, and recent trends and developments in criminal justice from an international and transnational perspective.

CJ 651: Special Topics in Emergency Management & Homeland Security*

Course content varies to cover current research on issues, problems, or controversies in emergency management or homeland security.

CJ 649: Independent Study*

*May be taken 2 times with a different topic.





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