M.P.A. / M.S. IN CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE DUAL DEGREE

Overview
The College of Arts & Sciences’ Department of Political Science and Department of Sociology offer a dual Master of Public Administration (MPA)/Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice (MSCCJ) degree. This program provides provide students with an interest in both criminal justice and public administration an opportunity to obtain two degrees in an accelerated fashion.

Masters of Public Administration (MPA) program prepares public service officials in government and nonprofit organizations, as well as develops management skills essential to public and nonprofit organizations oriented towards a diverse metropolitan environment.

The M.S. in Criminology and Criminal Justice provides training in fundamentals of the criminal justice system and criminological theory, as well as foundational training in research methods and statistics.

Admission Requirements
Admission requirements include:
- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- Demonstration through undergraduate academic record the academic competence to complete a rigorous graduate program
- A cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 and/or a GPA of 3.0 in the last 60 credits of upper division undergraduate coursework and/or 3.0 in graduate coursework
- Three letters of recommendation

International Students (in addition to the above requirements): A passing score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or IELTS or successful completion of the Intensive English Program offered by DCIE.

Curriculum Requirements
The dual MPA/MSCCJ program requires a total of 60 credits, comprised of MPA and MSCCJ core courses, the 3-credit MPA Internship and the 6-credit MSCCJ Completion Track (either an internship with an accompanying paper, or a comprehensive exam and preparation, or Master’s thesis).

Students may elect to combine their MPA Internship (400 hours) and MSCCJ Internship (300 hours, plus writing an internship research paper) into one year-long experience that combines elements of both programs with faculty approval.

MPA Requirements:
- Core Courses 24 credits
- Specialization Courses 12 credits
- Internship 3 credits.

MSCCJ Requirements:
- Core Courses 15 credits
- Completion Track 6 credits

Course Requirements for the MPA/MSCCJ Dual Degree:

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MPA Specialization Courses
Students select an additional four courses from those listed below, with at least one course from each of the subfields:

### Organizational Management and Leadership
- **POL 619** Introduction to Game Theory for Political Science
- **POL 624** Non-Profit Organizations: Law, Policy, and Management
- **POL 635** Comparative Legal Systems
- **POL 654** Politics and Ethics
- **POL 696** Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy, and Law

### Organizational Security Management
- **POL 687** Illicit Trade in the Global Economy

### Equity, Ethics, and Legal Issues in Public Administration
- **POL 626** Administrative Law
- **POL 57** Ethical and Managerial Issues in Government, Business, and Non-Profit Organizations
- **POL 696** Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy, and Law

### Equity and Diversity in Public Administration

### Issues in Judicial Politics

### Issues in Public Policy and Administration
- **POL 625** Comparative Public Policy and Administration
- **POL 634** Applied Policy Analysis
- **POL 658** From Electronic Government to Digital Governance
- **POL 696** Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy, and Law

### Bureaucratic Politics

### Money, Power, and Politics in American Cities

### MPA Internship
- **POL 66** Public Service Internship

### MSCCJ Core Courses
- **SOC 670** Theories in Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **SOC 673** The Criminal Justice System
- **SOC 677** Criminology and Public Policy
- **SOC 609** Social Statistics
- **SOC 610** Advanced Research Methods

### MSCCJ Completion Track: Non-Thesis or Thesis Option
- **SOC 791** Graduate Internship and Paper (Comprehensive exam and preparation OR MS Thesis)
- **SOC 810** Master’s Thesis

### Total Credit Hours
60

## Sample Plan of Study

### Year One

#### Fall
- **POL 601** Budget and Financial Management and Administration
- **POL 622** Introduction to Graduate Public Administration
- **SOC 609** Social Statistics
- **SOC 673** The Criminal Justice System
  
  **Credit Hours** 12

#### Spring
- **POL 610** Statistics for Politics and Public Administration
- **POL 646** Public Policy Process and Implementation
- **SOC 670** Theories in Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **SOC 610** Advanced Research Methods
  
  **Credit Hours** 12

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### Year Two

#### Fall
- **POL 647**  
  Human Resource Management in Public Service  
  3
- **POL 671**  
  Government and Business  
  3
- **SOC 791 or 810**  
  Graduate Internship and Paper  
  or Master's Thesis  
  6

#### Spring
- **POL 606**  
  Organizational Dynamics and Management  
  3
- **POL 656**  
  Public Service Internship  
  3
- **SOC 677**  
  Criminology and Public Policy  
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#### Summer
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