Master of Science in Criminology

Crime is a core issue in any society, and it’s a topic that is often clouded in mystery. It’s not easy to understand why people commit crimes, what an appropriate punishment should be, or how policymakers can change laws to prevent future crimes. UT Dallas is the perfect place to explore this field. The School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences offers a Master of Science (MS) in Criminology. This interdisciplinary, research-oriented program was the first of its kind offered in the state. Here you’ll study crime and justice in an urban setting and can take advantage of the program’s many partnerships with law enforcement and criminal justice agencies. Welcome to UT Dallas, the School of EPPS, and the Program in Criminology, where your future in justice begins.

Program Description
Students must complete 36 credit hours to earn a Master of Science in Criminology. This includes:

- 15 semester credit hours of required core courses
- 9 semester credit hours of CRIM electives
- 6 semester credit hours of non-CRIM electives
- 6 semester credit hours of additional electives OR independent study

All students must achieve at least a 3.0 grade point average in all coursework to graduate.

Career Paths
Criminologists are a natural fit for federal, state, and local criminal justice agencies. Graduate degrees in Criminology can lead to higher-level careers in law enforcement, corrections, courts and victim services. Some MS students will pursue law school while others will continue through the program to earn their PhD.

Admission Requirements
- Online Application
- Baccalaureate degree
- 3.2 undergraduate grade point average
- Combined GRE score of 300
- Three letters of recommendation
- Admission essay

Visit www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate for application and detailed admission steps.

Deadline
The Criminology graduate program accepts new graduate students only in the fall semester.

For official UT Dallas deadlines, visit www.utdallas.edu/enroll/apply/fees.php.

Contact
For questions regarding the application process and specific admission requirements, contact Graduate Program Administrator Katie Doctor at 972-883-4936 or by email at kdoctor@utdallas.edu.

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