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Our Mission:

To educate students for a life of fulfillment and accomplishment.

To create and translate knowledge to meet global and societal needs.

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Faculty

Dean

Chester Britt, III, PhD, University of Arizona

Fields: Crime and Delinquency, Criminal Justice Systems, Quantitative Research Methods

Professors

Donna Bishop, PhD, State University of New York at Albany

Fields: Juvenile Justice, youth Policy, Criminological Theory

James Alan Fox, The Lipman Family Professor, PhD, University of Pennsylvania

Fields: Homicide, youth violence, quantitative methods

Jack Greene, PhD, Michigan State University

Fields: Policing, public service management, policy analysis, evaluation

Peter K. Manning, Brooks Professor, PhD, Duke University

Fields: Policing, Organizations, Regulation and legal Decision-making

Ineke Marshall, PhD, Bowling State Green University

Fields: Comparative criminology, survey methodology, race and crime

Ramiro Martinez, Jr., PhD, The Ohio State University

Jointly appointed with the Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Fields: Homicide, violence, Immigration and crime, race and ethnicity

Nikos Passas, PhD, University of Edinburgh

Fields: Terrorism, international and organized crime, white-collar crime, sociology of deviance

Simon Singer, PhD, University of Pennsylvania

Fields: Juvenile justice, sociology of law, theories of delinquency Associate Professors

Associate Professors

Natasha Frost, PhD, City University of New York's Graduate School and University Center

Fields: Punishment and social control, prisoner reentry, death penalty, sentencing

Ni He, PhD, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Associate Dean for Graduate Studies

Fields: comparative criminology, application of quantitative methods cross-national testing of crime theories

Wallace Sherwood, LL.M., Harvard Law School

Fields: Criminal Due Process, Criminal Procedure, Legal Philosophy

Jacob Stowell, PhD, University at Albany, SUNY

Fields: Communities and crime, temporal and spatial aspects of violence, immigration and crime

Brandon C. Welsh, PhD, Cambridge University

Fields: Crime and delinquency prevention, evidence based crime policy

Assistant Professors

Ekaterina Botchkovar, PhD, North Carolina State University

Fields: Theory testing, comparative criminal justice issues, gender and crime

Carlos A. Cuevas, PhD, Clinical Psychology, California School of Professional Psychology at Valliant International University

Fields: Sexual offenders, victimization, psychological assessment, family violence

Kevin M. Drakulich, PhD, University of Washington

Fields: Criminology, communities and neighborhoods, race and ethnicity, quantitative methods

Amy Farrell, PhD, Northeastern University

Fields: Race and justice, sentencing, gender and justice, policing

Gregory M. Zimmerman, PhD, University at Albany, SUNY

Fields: Criminological theories, criminal decision-making, application of quantitative methods

Research Faculty

Jack McDevitt, PhD, Northeastern University — *Associate Dean for Research; Director, Center for Criminal Justice Policy and Research; Director, Institute for Race and Justice*

Fields: Hate crimes, policing, program evaluation, and ethics in criminal justice

Glenn Pierce, PhD, Northeastern University — *Principal Research Scientist*

Fields: Firearms, criminal justice information systems, capital punishment, quantitative methods

Nicole Rafter, PhD, State University of New York — *Senior Research Fellow*

Fields: Gender and justice, biological theories of crime, crime and films.

The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Northeastern University prepares students for professional and research careers in criminal justice, criminology and related fields by applying multidisciplinary and comparative social science to understand, predict and explain crime and contribute to the development of public policy within urban communities. Using an active learning approach, the School seeks to develop its students intellectually and ethically, while providing them with a keen appreciation for the complexities of crime and public and private efforts to make communities safer and to ensure justice. The School offers a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice and a PhD degree in Criminology and Justice Policy.

The Doctor of Philosophy Degree

The doctoral program in Criminology and Justice Policy prepares students for academic careers as well as careers in research and policy development. The program is small and student-centered with the goal of graduating students for academic and policy placements. For full-time students it is expected that students entering the program with a bachelor's degree will be able to complete the program in five to six years, and students entering with a master's degree will be able to complete the program in four years.

In keeping with Northeastern's long-standing, practice-oriented approach to education, the PhD in criminology and Justice Policy includes two practicum courses. All students will be required to participate in a research practicum that will further prepare students to successfully complete their dissertation research. In addition, each student will choose between a teaching practicum and a policy practicum. Those students interested in pursuing academic careers will participate in a teaching practicum; students who are interested in research or policy careers will participate in a policy practicum that may be located off campus or at one of the School's research institutes.

Center for Criminal Justice Policy and Research

The mission of the Center for Criminal Justice Policy Research is to utilize strategic social science research methodologies in the endeavor to assist government agencies, educational institutions and members of the private sector with the development, enhancement, and implementation of contemporary criminal justice policies. Directed by Jack McDevitt, Associate Dean for Research in the College of Social Sciences and Humanities, the center provides agencies with data analysis and technical assistance in both policy and program evaluation areas in order to

develop and promote the most effective criminal justice programs and policies.

The center is funded primarily from external research grants and contracts. Recent contracts have been awarded to the Center by the National Institute of Justice, the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Office of Community Orientated Policing, the Boston Police Department, the Chelsea Police Department and The Boston Foundation.

The center has been involved in a wide variety of research projects, including:

- A study of workplace violence issues in Massachusetts communities.
- A national evaluation of School Resource Officer programs.
- Research sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Statistics to understand and improve hate crime reporting across the United States.

The Institute on Race and Justice

The Institute on Race and Justice brings together experts from Northeastern University's School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, School of Law, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Department of African American Studies, and School of Education to examine questions on race and justice facing urban communities. Through the leadership of the Institute's Steering Committee, the Institute works on projects toward the goal of conducting nationally recognized research and providing leadership on race and justice issues.

The mission of the Institute is to utilize strategic social science research methodologies to assist government agencies, educational institutions, and community stakeholders in the development of policy changes to advance the cause of social justice. The Institute was founded on the premise that academic institutions can work with communities to provide rigorous and objective information that can be used to influence policy changes that advance the cause of social justice. This research model attempts to enhance scientific inquiries with the input and experiences of community stakeholders who struggle with issues of racial injustice. The coupling of community practitioners and social scientists allows practitioners access to academic input while providing academics with more current and salient ideas about and data on issues in the field.

Admission to the PhD Program

Each candidate for the PhD program should complete the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice PhD admissions online at our website www.northeastern.edu/sccj and should submit:

- Completed application and application fee
- A statement of the candidate's current research interests or areas of interest in the field of Criminology and Justice Policy. This statement should outline these areas of interest, describe the candidate's current understanding of the interest area, and identify ways the candidate would like to deepen her/his understanding of these issues
- An example of written work from the candidate's graduate or undergraduate career
- Three letters of reference
(At least two of which must be from academic references)
- Official transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate schools attended
- Official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
(Please note GRE scores are only valid for five years.)
- International applicants must also submit TOEFL scores, translated transcripts and a completed Declaration and Certification Form

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Sample program of study for PhD in criminology and justice policy for students entering with a bachelors degree.

Fall Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
CRIM 7200 Criminology	3sh
CRIM 7202 Criminal Justice Process	3sh
CRIM 7204 Research and Evaluation Methods	3sh
CRIM 7205 Research and Evaluation Methods Lab	1sh
Total	10sh

Spring Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
CRIM 7206 Statistical Analysis	3sh
CRIM 7207 Statistical Analysis Lab	1sh
Law Related CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	10sh

Summer Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	6sh

Fall Semester Year 2	Credit Hours
CRIM7710 Criminology and Justice Policy I	3sh
CRIM7715 Multivariate Analysis I	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	9sh

Spring Semester Year 2	Credit Hours
CRIM7711 Criminology and Justice Policy II	3sh
CRIM7716 Multivariate Analysis II	3sh
CRIM7713 Advanced Research & Evaluation Methods	3sh
Total	9sh

Summer Semester Year 2
Prepare for Qualifying Exams

Fall Semester Year 3	Credit Hours
CRIM7718 Advanced Data Analysis or Qual. Methods in Spring	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	9sh

Spring Semester Year 3	Credit Hours
Qualitative Methods if you did not take CRIM7718 or Elective	3sh
CRIM7700 or CRIM 7702 Teaching or Policy Practicum	1sh
CRIM7704 Research Practicum	1sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	11 sh

Fall Semester Year 4
CRIM8960 Qualifying Exam Prep

Spring Semester Year 4
CRIM8960 Qualifying Exam Prep AND completion of Third Qualifying Examination

Fall Semester Year 5
CRIM9990 Dissertation

Spring Semester Year 5
CRIM9996 Dissertation Continuation

Total semester hours for program completion **64**
Successful completion of three qualifying exams and dissertation

The Master of Science in Criminal Justice

The Masters program is comprised of five required courses and two labs encompassing both substantive and technical skills. Additionally, students choose five elective graduate courses from offerings within the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. The course offerings afford students the flexibility to customize their own programs, which may include an Internship, Directed Study, or Master's Thesis.

All candidates for the Master of Science in Criminal Justice degree must successfully complete a minimum of thirty-two semester hours of credit in course work and pass a comprehensive examination. Full-time study allows for the completion of course work within an eighteen month period. To complete program requirements within this time-frame, full-time students must devote a substantial portion of their time outside of the classroom to academic study. Students who elect part-time study may carry a maximum of two courses per semester, one of which must be a core course. Close consultation with the Graduate School Director can help the part-time student determine a workable sequence of courses and the number of credits to be carried each semester. All degree requirements for both full- and part-time students must be completed within seven years from the date of enrollment.

Application Requirements

Each candidate for the MS program should complete the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice MS admissions application online at our website www.northeastern.edu/sccj and should submit:

- Completed application and application fee
- A statement of the candidate's reasons and personal goals in attending a Master's program including areas of interest and career goals.
- An example of written work from the candidate's undergraduate career
- Three letters of reference at least two of which must be from academic references.
- Official transcripts from all undergraduate schools attended
- Official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). Please note GRE scores are only valid for five years. Writing sample recommended.
- International applicants must also submit TOEFL scores, translated transcripts and a completed Declaration and Certification Form

Sample program of study for Master of Science Degree

18 Month model-master's thesis option

Fall Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
CRIM 7200 Criminology	3sh
CRIM 7202 Criminal Justice Process	3sh
CRIM 7204 Research and Evaluation Methods	3sh
CRIM 7205 Research and Evaluation Methods Lab	1sh
Total	10sh

Spring Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
CRIM 7206 Statistical Analysis	3sh
CRIM 7207 Statistical Analysis Lab	1sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	10 sh

Summer Semester Year 1	Credit Hours
(Choose one)	
CRIM8400 Internship 1 or CRIM8402 Internship 2	3sh
<i>OR</i>	
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	3sh

Fall Semester Year 2	Credit Hours
(Choose one Law course)	
CRIM 7208 Law and Society	3sh
CRIM 7232 Juvenile Law	3sh
CRIM 7224 Law and Psychology	3sh
CRIM 7244 Criminal Law & Procedure	3sh
<i>AND</i>	
CRIM 7990 Master's Thesis	6sh
Total	9sh

Total of 32 semester hours

Successful completion of comprehensive examination.

Sample program of study for Master of Science Degree

18-Month model-non-thesis option

Fall Semester Year 1

CRIM 7200 Criminology	3sh
CRIM 7202 Criminal Justice Process	3sh
CRIM 7204 Research and Evaluation Methods	3sh
CRIM 7205 Research and Evaluation Methods Lab	1sh
Total	10sh

Spring Semester Year 1

CRIM 7206 Statistical Analysis	3sh
CRIM 7207 Statistical Analysis Lab	1sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
CJ Elective Course	3sh
Total	10sh

Summer Semester Year 1

(Choose one)

CJ G Internship I or II	3sh
<i>OR</i>	
CJ G Elective Course	3sh
Total	3sh

Fall Semester Year 2

(Choose one to satisfy law requirement)

CRIM 7208 Law & Society	3sh
CRIM 7232 Juvenile Law	3sh
CRIM 7224 Law & Psychology	3sh
CRIM 7244 Criminal Law & Procedure	3sh
<i>AND</i>	
CJ G Elective Course	3sh
CJ G Elective Course	3sh
Total	9sh

Total of 32 semester hours

Successful completion of comprehensive examination.

Financial Aid

Several types of financial assistance are available for graduate students in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice and in the University. The four types of assistance described below are awarded by the School based on academic achievement.

Teaching Assistantships

Teaching assistants are expected to work twenty hours per week assisting faculty in undergraduate coursework. Assistantships provide a stipend, full tuition scholarship, and health insurance.

Research Assistantships

Should funding becomes available through faculty grants, research assistantships may be awarded. These awards require twenty hours of work per week and include a stipend, full tuition scholarship, and health insurance.

Graduate Student Scholarships

These awards grant tuition scholarships based on undergraduate academic achievement. Decisions on this type of merit-based financial aid are usually made at the same time admissions decisions are made.

This brochure must be used in conjunction with the Northeastern University's Graduate Student Handbook as well as the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice Policy and Procedures handbook available on our website.



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