

# Master of Science in Criminal Justice & Public Safety

## 36 credit hours

The MSCJPS is a course of study that requires the completion of (1) the core, (2) the electives, (3) the experiential requirement or mid-career option credit to total **36 credit hours**. All students must maintain a **3.0 cumulative GPA to be in good standing and graduate**.

EXPERIENTIAL COMPONENT: In order to be awarded the MSCJPS degree, students must obtain professionally relevant experience through an internship in SPEA-V 585. This requirement is automatically satisfied if a student is granted Mid-Career Option credit.

### CORE: (24 Credit Hours)

Dept	Course	Title	Credit
<b>Required of all students:</b>			
SPEA-J	<b>501</b>	Evolution of Criminological Thought and Policy (for criminal justice track)	3.0
<b>OR</b>			
SPEA-J	<b>528</b>	Risk Analysis for Public Safety (for public safety track)	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>502</b>	Research Methods in Criminal Justice & Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>582</b>	Criminal Justice Systems	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>682</b>	Planning and Management for Criminal Justice & Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>506</b>	Statistical Analysis for Effective Decision Making	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>581</b>	Public Safety Law	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>586</b>	Public Safety in the United States	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>600</b>	Capstone in Public and Environmental Affairs **	3.0

**\*\*NOTE: V600 cannot be taken until the V506 core course is completed. V600 is only offered as an in-person class and cannot be substituted or transferred in from another university. Plan your schedule accordingly!**

### Internship and Electives: (12 CREDIT HOURS)

A minimum of 3 credits of internship or mid-career credit are required. If 6 credits are earned the additional 3 credits are applied to the remaining electives.

SPEA-J	<b>585</b>	Internship or Mid Career Option Credit	1.0	6.0
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3 courses (9 credits) from one of the following groups:

Dept	Course	Title	Credit
<b>Criminal Justice</b>			
SPEA-J	<b>520</b>	Mapping and Analysis for Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>524</b>	Emergency Management	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>528</b>	Risk Analysis for Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>531</b>	National and Homeland Security in America	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>550</b>	Topics in Criminal Justice and Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>587</b>	Criminal Violation: Problems and Characteristics	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>588</b>	Law and Control in Society	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>666</b>	Criminal Justice and Public Safety Policy Evaluation	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>539</b>	Management Science	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>560</b>	Public Finance and Budgeting	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>561</b>	Public Human Resources Management	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>639</b>	Managing Government Operations	3.0
<b>Public Safety</b>			
SPEA-E	<b>520</b>	Environmental Toxicology	3.0
SPEA-E	<b>542</b>	Hazardous Materials	3.0
SPEA-E	<b>560</b>	Environmental Risk Analysis	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>501</b>	Evolution of Criminological Thought and Policy	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>520</b>	Mapping and Analysis for Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>524</b>	Emergency Management	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>531</b>	National and Homeland Security in America	3.0
SPEA-J	<b>550</b>	Topics in Criminal Justice and Public Safety	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>539</b>	Management Science for Public Affairs	3.0
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**\*\*Other courses may be approved by the Program Director\*\***