The Master of Science in Criminology curriculum uses students' previous knowledge and experience as a foundation for an advanced analysis of criminal behavior. Students are encouraged to use a particular criminological issue they are passionate about as an area of study and research throughout the program.

The degree requires the successful completion of a total of 36 credit hours of graduate-level courses. Classes can be taken online or at a variety of Regis University’s campus locations.

**Foundational Major Requirements (36 credit hours)**

**MSCR 604 Contemporary Issues in Criminology (3 credit hours)** This course examines the current state of criminology based on global research and practical applications, including public safety, terrorism, organized crime, urban crime, victimology, restorative justice, crime prevention, and other existing and emerging issues.

**MSCR 605 Criminal Psychopathology (3 credit hours)** The criminal mind will be explored in this course, with emphasis on criminal behavior patterns, factors that influence criminal behavior, and the pathology of criminal behavior. Changing environments and demographics related to crime will also be examined.

**MSCR 694 Research Analysis and Application (3 credit hours)** This course provides an overview of social science research methods employed by criminologists, including diagnostic and analytical tools, research design and evaluation methods, and innovative thinking.

**MSCR 620 Leadership Principles in Criminology (3 credit hours)** Examines contemporary leadership theories and models and explores multiple examples and case studies within Criminology. Specific areas of discipline, system collaboration, teamwork, stakeholder perceptions, and leadership ethics will be discussed.

**MSCR 660 Cyber Criminology (3 credit hours)** Examines crimes committed using computer technology. Discusses strategies, tactics, and collaboration involved in combating cybercrime and cyber-criminals. Discusses future trends in digital crime and criminological theories.

**MSCR 625 Ethical Conduct and Positions of Power (3 credit hours)** Through case studies, readings, and interactive discussions, students in this course will examine the contemporary ethical standards and conduct of those in leadership positions. Conflicts of interest, authoritative power and abuse, political influence, trust relationships and violations of trust, and other dilemmas faced by those in positions of power will be explored.

**MSCR 640 Transnational Collaboration in Combating Crime (3 credit hours)** From a global perspective, this course examines the multinational efforts to fight organized crime, economic crime, cyber crime, terrorism, human trafficking, and drug dealing. In addition, population migratory trends, transnational cooperation, and super-national policies will be discussed.

**MSCR 650 Contemporary Crime Policy: Current and Future Need (3 credit hours)** This course explores existing crime policy and examines how emerging crime trends, cultural diversity, resources, and other influential factors are affecting the development of future policy change.

**MSCR 652 Strategic Planning, Implementation and Evaluation (3 credit hours)** The goal of this course is to understanding how to create and evaluate successful policy. Research methods will be used to identify criteria for effective policy making and development, implementation, and policy evaluation.

**MSCR 654 New Strategies: Crime Prediction and Prevention (3 credit hours)** This course analyzes emerging crime prediction and prevention techniques. Strategies to safeguard public and private property as well as families, employees, and customers will be explored with the goal of reducing the risk of crime in the public and private sector.

**MSCR 680 Rapid Decision Making (3 credit hours)** Models that enable timely decision-making in time of crisis will be examined in this course. Case studies will be used to consider the proper organization of limited knowledge, refine critical thinking skills, and develop clear communication of decisions.
MSCR 696 Capstone Project (3 credit hours) In this project, students will apply lessons and knowledge gained throughout the program to their specific area of criminology research. The directed research project will focus on integrating appropriate theory and data to shed new light on a subject of choice.

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