

Criminology, Law and Society, Master of Advanced Study

The Master of Advanced Study (M.A.S.) in Criminology, Law and Society, the first online degree program at the University of California, prepares professionals for leadership positions in criminal justice and the legal professions. The curriculum emphasizes theoretical and practical applications central to crime and its control, social policy, and the law. In keeping with one of the main tenets of the School of Social Ecology, students approach topics from a multidisciplinary perspective.

Program Details

This program is ideally suited for professionals interested in obtaining positions in or currently working in the criminal justice or legal fields and who are seeking a graduate degree for career advancement. The program consists of 52 units of course work which is completed sequentially in two years (6 quarters). An optional one-week in-residence introductory course is scheduled right before fall quarter. In lieu of a thesis, students are required to take a capstone course. In addition to the capstone course, students take two other required courses (CRM/LAW C214 and CRM/LAW C215) and choose from elective courses to fulfill the remaining 40 units. The M.A.S. is awarded upon completion of 13 courses (52 units).

Course Requirements

A. Complete:

CRM/LAW C214	Research Methods
CRM/LAW C215	Applied Statistics
CRM/LAW C218	Social Problems, Law, and Policy

B. Complete 40 units of electives, selected from:

CRM/LAW C210	Introduction to Criminology, Law and Society
CRM/LAW C211	Legal Institutions and Society
CRM/LAW C212	Police, Courts, and Corrections
CRM/LAW C213	Crime and Social Deviance
CRM/LAW C216	Public Policy, Crime, and Criminal Justice
CRM/LAW C217	Leadership
CRM/LAW C219	Hate Crime
CRM/LAW C221	Sentencing and Corrections
CRM/LAW C224	Organizational Perspectives on the Legal System
CRM/LAW C238	White-Collar Crime
CRM/LAW C242	Crime Hotspots
CRM/LAW C250	Preventing Errors of Justice
CRM/LAW C253	Cybercrime, Cybersecurity, and Society
CRM/LAW C254	Immigration in the US: Economic, Fiscal, and Social Outcomes