

# JUSTICE STUDIES (M.A.)

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SW 897	Special Topics in Social Work and Social Welfare (must be approved by Justice Studies)	2 or 3
SW 979	Social Work and the Law	3
SOC 820	Sociology of Drug Use	4

## Description

The Master of Arts degree program in Justice Studies (MAJS) provides a broad understanding of justice, crime, and law. It provides tools for reasoned appraisal of how the justice system works and what policies underlie it. The program familiarizes students with legal and justice ideas, justice institutions, and legal processes. It draws on a variety of disciplines, subjects, and research methodologies for its core knowledge. Our students work closely with faculty with established reputations as scholars, teachers, and practitioners.

## Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate critical thinking and analysis of justice studies concepts and literature.
- Effectively communicate Justice Studies concepts and research.
- Present and interpret quantitative and qualitative data.
- Demonstrate the technical skills and ethical skills that are appropriate for a practitioner (internship/project option) or researcher (thesis option) working in the justice field.

## Requirements

### Degree Requirements

The master of arts in justice studies requires that students complete a minimum of nine courses (36 credit hours) in justice studies from the following list:

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
JUST 830	Theories of Justice	4
JUST 901	Pro-seminar: Introduction to Justice Studies	4
JUST 905	Quantitative Research Methods	4
JUST 907	Applied Research Methods	4
Select one of the following:		
SOC 815	Criminological Theory	4
or JUST 865	Special Topics	
SOC #880	Social Conflict	4
SOC 921	Crime and Conflict	
or JUST 865	Special Topics	
<b>Concluding Experience</b>		
Select Option A or B from the below:		8
Option A:		
JUST 897	Culminating Project	4
JUST 950	Internship	
Option B:		
JUST 899	Masters Thesis	4
<b>Electives</b>		
Select two courses if taking JUST 899 or two courses plus JUST 950 if taking JUST 897		8
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>

### Electives

Code	Title	Credits
EDUC 867	Students, Teachers, and the Law	4
EDUC 897	Special Topics in Education (must be approved by Justice Studies)	1-4
EDUC 951	Laws and Regulations Affecting the Education of Students with Disabilities	4
EDUC 967	School Law	4
EDUC 968	Collective Bargaining in Public Education	4
HDFS 876	Children, Adolescents and the Law	4
HDFS 894	Families and the Law	4
HIST 809	United States Legal History Special Topics (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4
HIST #949	Colloquium in United States History (must be approved by Justice Studies)	3
JUST 801	Graduate Seminar in Justice Studies	4
JUST 950	Internship	4
JUST 995	Reading and Research	1-4
POLT #801	Courts and Public Policy	3
POLT #808	Administrative Law	3
PSYC 954	Advanced Seminar in Social Psychology (must be approved by Justice Studies)	4