

Master of Public Administration with specialization in Criminal Justice

39 credits

Program Description

Graduates of the Master of Public Administration with specialization in Criminal Justice will be trained to administer, design and evaluate service programs within the components of the Criminal Justice System related to prevention, security, protection and investigation of crime and delinquency.

Program Objectives

Graduates of the specialization will be trained to administer, design, and evaluate service programs within the components of the Criminal Justice System related to the prevention, security, protection, and investigation of crime and delinquency.

1. Professionals prepared to assume a multiplicity of roles as analyst, evaluators and planners in the field of Criminal Justice: as critical thinkers, agents of change and innovation and as active participants in the process of formulating public policy.
2. Professionals prepared with a broad and deep knowledge of the philosophy, theories and skills applicable to the field of criminal justice, capable of interpreting and imparting knowledge about this field among their co-workers and citizens in general, who promote the application of ethical principles and administrative efficiency.
3. Professionals with a deep conceptual understanding of the foundations of the theory of the Criminal Justice System with respect to philosophical and public policy aspects, comprehensive planning, with sensitivity to recognize the problems that affect this system and use different skills, techniques and alternatives to produce changes aimed at achieving efficiency and effectiveness.

Program sequence will be available at the time of enrollment.

The language of instruction and program delivery modality are subject to availability.

Program Curriculum

Core Courses		
Course	Title	Credits
MSPA 500	Theory, Practice and Change in the Administration of Public Policy	3
MSPA 505	Computer Education for Public Administrators	3
MSPA 510	Research and Quantitative Methods in Public Administration	3
MSPA 520	Administrative Law and Ethics	3
MSPA 530	Planning and Evaluation: Theories, Methods, and Techniques	3
MSPA 540	Seminar: Planning, Development and Evaluation of Human Resources	3
MSPA 550	Fiscal Resources Management	3
Total		21
Specialization Courses		
Course	Title	Credits
CRJU 500	Foundations, Practice and Changes in the Administration of the Criminal Justice System	3
CRJU 520	Philosophy of Punishment	3
CRJU 565	Seminar: Program Design and Evaluation in the Criminal Justice System	3
CRJU 715	Seminar: Special Situations in the Administration of Correctional Programs	3
MSPA 710	Research Seminar for Public Administration	3
Total		15
Electives (Select one course – 3 credits)		
Course	Title	Credits
CRJU 575	Criminal Treatment and Rehabilitation Programs	3
CRJU 600	Seminar: Crime, Victims and Society	3
CRJU 630	Organization and Administrative Techniques of the Police System	3
CRJU 640	Addiction: Legal and Psycho-Social Aspects	3
CRJU 730	Criminality, Crime Control and Criminal Justice	3
Total		3
Total credits		39