Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

The Master of Arts in Criminal Justice at Mount Mercy is designed for professionals working in the criminal justice system and preprofessionals who desire advanced knowledge and skills in the area of crime and justice. This graduate degree program is designed to enhance critical thinking, communication, and problem-solving skills. Graduates of the program will have the ability to serve in leadership roles and other essential positions within the criminal justice field by serving as evaluators of criminal justice practices and policies. Further, graduates will be a resource for evidence based practices within the criminal justice field. Graduates could also be prepared for admission to doctoral programs in criminal justice.

Degree Requirements

Core Courses

Total Hours		16
CJ 650	CJ Graduate Capstone	4
CJ 550	Research Methods for Criminal Justice	3
CJ 520	Statistics for Decision Making	3
CJ 515	Theories of Crime and Justice	3
CJ 510	Administration of Justice	3

Electives

18 Choose 6 of the following: 1 "Broken Windows": Community Partnerships for CJ 605 Public Safety CJ 610 The Impact of Social Inequities &Hum Rig CJ 615 Civil Liability in Criminal Justice CJ 620 International Policing CJ 625 Homeland Security CJ 630 Spcl Needs:Treatment Crim Justice System CJ 635 Victimology CJ 640 Decision-Making and Leadership in CJ CJ 645 Special Topics in Crime and Justice BA 500 Legal Environment Of Management BA 515 **Business Ethics** BN 500 Organizational Effectiveness BN 600 Strategic Human Resource Management BN 610 Quantitative Modeling For Decision Makng BN 630 Methods of Quality Management BN 640 Systems Theory & Organizational Design Methodology MF 503 Family Systems MF 524 Human Development and the Family MF 545 Micro-Counseling MF 550 Human Sexuality and Family Systems MF 602 The Cross-Cultural Family MF 605 Neuroscience for Marriage and Family Therapy MF 626 Psychopathology and the Family MF 655 Spirituality and the Family

MF 671	Therapeutic Techniques with Parents and Children	
Total Hours		18

Students may take up to 3 courses from the MBA, MSL, and/or MFT program.