“The MAJS program is the perfect mix of challenging and self-empowering, all conveniently packed into one calendar year. Each course... covers a wide array of topics within the justice studies realm, so you are guaranteed to find a specific area that you want to pursue. On top of the interesting courses, the professors are engaging and supportive and bring the material to life. Due to the small class sizes, I have been able to make close friendships within my class and lasting connections with the faculty and professionals in the field!” – Kristina Kallas (2019)

“The Master’s in Justice Studies Program was an invaluable experience. As a current law student and future attorney, I continue to rely on my knowledge and interpretive skills acquired during my time in the MAJS program... I firmly believe that the MAJS program provides students with an interest in law, justice, and related fields the language and tools to achieve success.” – Amy Oldenquist (2016)

“This program provided me with constant opportunities to challenge my own assumptions about the justice system in America. I believe this program helped to prepare me to continue my graduate studies in social psychology.” – Elizabeth Moschella (2016)
The Justice Studies Master’s (MA) Program offers you a challenging and hands-on environment to prepare for your dream career in justice.

Throughout your education, you will develop...

- Philosophical and theoretical understandings of justice
- Knowledge on the inner-workings and realities of laws and justice systems
- Skills related to the implementation of justice

Pursuing a Master’s in Justice Studies allows you to delve deeper into your academic interests, including...

- Law
- Crime
- Courts
- Corrections
- Policing
- Drugs
- Terrorism
- Homeland security
- Immigration
- Forensics
- Sexual violence
- And more

Having a master’s degree from a research university boosts your earning potential and allows you to become more employable when you transition into the workforce. With this degree, you can look forward to a dream career advancing justice. Graduates of this program become informed, engaged, and prepared to build a career in...

- Law
- Business
- Academia
- Criminal justice
- Advocacy
- Non-profit work
- Jobs throughout all levels of the government

The Justice Studies Program is proud to offer our master’s degree students unique and inspiring opportunities, including...

- One-Year Master’s in Justice Studies
- Paid Teaching Assistantships and Other Work Opportunities
- Theoretical and Research Skills Development
- Community Involvement
- Real-World Internships, and Thesis and Writing Experiences
- Increased Earning Potential

Working alongside experienced scholars and practitioners, you earn a Master’s degree in Justice Studies in just one year.

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Develop advanced theoretical and research skills to prepare you for the workplace.

Demonstrate your newly developed knowledge and skills through community-oriented projects offered throughout your education.

Complete your education and segue into your dream career by electing to complete a real-world internship or a thesis.

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