UCD Sutherland School of Law

MSc Criminology & **Criminal Justice**

(One Year Full-Time or Two Years Part-Time)

Introduction

Crime and punishment are issues of central importance to society. The UCD Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice aims to contribute to the development of criminal justice policy and practice and advance criminology as an academic discipline. The Institute brings together leading academics from across UCD and is the first centre of its kind in Ireland. Its members have conducted major research projects on a wide range of topics in the field of criminology and criminal

justice, including work on coercive confinement, prison violence and desistance from crime.

On completion of this programme, students will be able to understand and think critically about the intersections between sociology, psychology, law, politics and social policy that come to the fore in the study of criminology and criminal justice.

Programme Highlight

First centre of its kind in Ireland

The UCD Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice is the first centre of its kind in Ireland. The work of the Institute has been the focus of debates in parliament, legislative and policy initiatives and numerous reports in the media.

Programme Content and Structure

90 credits Taught Masters **30 credits**

Core modules?:

Students choose six of the following modules:

- Punishment, Prison & Public Policy
- Advanced Criminological Theory
- Victims
- Crime & Society
- Coercive Confinement

- Desistance and Rehabilitation
- Policing and Social Conflict
- Organised Violence and Society
- Law of Armed Conflict
- Gender, Peace, and Security

Programme offered in September and January. This programme can also be studied part-time - see www.ucd.ie/graduatestudies

60 credits

Taught Modules

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Please see online for a full list of modules.

Why study at UCD?



Graduate Education

graduate research students; structured PhDs Graduate Employability



Ranked no. 1 in Ireland in QS Graduate Employability ranking

12,000 graduate students; 17%



Global Careers

184 countries

Dedicated careers support; 2 year stayback visa to work in Ireland



Global Community 9,500 international students and



Global Profile

UCD Sutherland School of Law is ranked in the Top 100 Law Schools in the World

Bespoke Law School



The Sutherland School of Law offers a world-class university experience in a modern, state-of-the-art building



Course code: **B220**

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Career Opportunities

This programme provides enhanced knowledge and career opportunities for non-lawyers who wish to start or progress a career within the fields of policing, youth justice, prisons, probation and voluntary organisations. It also provides a good platform for doctoral studies and a possible academic career in what has become an area of substantial growth in universities around the world. Several UCD careers events are held throughout the year, including dedicated law careers fairs which are attended by top employers from Ireland, the UK and international markets.

In addition to the unrivalled Careers Network in UCD, Sutherland School of Law has its own dedicated faculty member with responsibility for careers.

Graduate Profile



Dr Ciara Molloy Service Coordinator for the Crime Victims Helpline

Apart from an obsession with true crime podcasts, undertaking the MSc in Criminology and Criminal Justice was a rather unexpected career move as my undergraduate degree was in an entirely different discipline (History and Political Science). Nevertheless, the decision to study this course proved both transformative and rewarding. The MSc offered me the opportunity to study diverse modules across disciplines such as Law, Criminology and Sociology and to network with other researchers and practitioners working in the criminal justice sector. I loved the MSc so much that I decided to pursue a PhD in Criminology in UCD, and following the completion of my doctorate, I began working as Service Coordinator for the Crime Victims Helpline (a NGO which provides information and emotional support to all those affected by crime). I find my current role meaningful and fulfilling and would never have discovered this career path were it not for the MSc.

Applicant Profile

- This programme is intended for applicants with an honours degree in any discipline. An upper second class honours, or international equivalent is required.
- Exemption may be given to those with significant and relevant, practical experience or those with a relevant graduate qualification.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 and 6.5 in reading and writing), or equivalent.

Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees. Please note that UCD offers a number of graduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on a UCD masters programme. Please see www.ucd.ie/global/scholarships for further information.

Related Masters

- LLM Criminology & Criminal Justice
- MSc International Law & Business
- LLM General
- LLM Intellectual Property & Information Technology

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