Learning Outcomes

Upon graduation from this program, students should be able to:

• Describe and summarize crime rates, trends, and patterns, and apply foundational knowledge of criminological theories devoted to explaining crime. This objective coincides with goals #1, #2, and #3 of the Graduate School, by teaching students core disciplinary knowledge, and requiring its application and communication.

• Describe organizational structures, processes, and challenges of criminal justice institutions, and analyze past and current criminal justice policies and evidence-based practices. This objective coincides with goals #1, #2, and #3 of the Graduate School, by teaching students core disciplinary knowledge, and requiring its application and communication.

• Apply the foundations of contemporary ethical practices and effective leadership in the criminal justice profession. This objective coincides with goal #5 above of the Graduate School by requiring students to learn and engage in ethical research and practice in criminal justice.

• Employ advanced knowledge in social science research and applied statistical methods, specifically focused on criminal justice issues. This objective coincides with goals #2 and #4 of the Graduate School, by teaching students social science research methods, and requiring their use in studying criminal justice topics.

• Demonstrate advanced knowledge of criminal procedure. This objective coincides with goal #1 of the Graduate School, in that it emphasizes the learning of core disciplinary knowledge in criminal justice.