The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice prepares students for meaningful careers in criminology, justice policy, the law, criminal justice, and related fields, including professional research careers. We do this by applying multidisciplinary social science tools that predict and explain crime, as well as deepening the understanding of policies that improve our systems of justice. Our approach is experiential, and our methods for teaching are rooted in knowledge creation as a top-tier research program. Our goal is to create ethical problem solvers who are prepared to tackle important crime and justice issues facing society. Our educational goals for students include a commitment to identify and address the role of systemic racism and intersecting dimensions of oppression in the development and application of justice system policies and practices, crime and justice theory, and research.

The school offers a Master of Science degree in criminology and criminal justice and a PhD degree in criminology and justice policy. In addition, the school offers a JD/MS in criminology and criminal justice program and a JD/PhD in criminology and justice policy in conjunction with the School of Law.

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