COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CJU505 Reflective Adult Learner and Leadership - 4 credits
The premise of this course is leaders must have an understanding of who they are and why they are here. Students will devote considerable time to self-examination and reflection to gain greater awareness and understanding of who they are, and how their life and professional experiences influence their paradigms and leadership qualities. There is an emphasis on attitude and emotional intelligence and how they influence leadership effectiveness and results.

CJU584 Accessing Criminal Justice Research - 4 credits
This course familiarizes students with online academic and professional criminal justice leadership periodical indexes. Students will employ secondary research techniques in a criminal justice topic area of their choice. Students will evaluate and ethically report the body of research and informational landscape related to the topic in APA style. Students will learn to integrate knowledge navigation into academic, professional, and personal application. Students will also reflect on program objectives and personal learning and identify a direct link between the new knowledge they have acquired and their career field. Students will also begin steps to set up their final project (E-folio) due at the end of the master's program.

CJU520 Research Methods in Criminal Justice - 4 credits
This course will provide an understanding of the dynamics of problem-solving with special attention to research methodologies which result in finding creative and productive solutions.

CJU500 Administration of Criminal Justice - 4 credits
This course is a scholarly consideration of the concepts, principles, and analytical tools for effectively administering criminal justice agencies. Students will examine the critical application of strategic management skills in operational environments that are ever-changing, under intensive scrutiny by the public and media, and limited by legal, financial, and political constraints.

CJU545 Legal and Legislative Issues in Criminal Justice - 4 credits
Those in leadership positions find themselves with a greater duty to recognize and respond to legal issues. This course examines how law defines policy in areas impacting the business of criminal justice, including due process, civil rights, equal protection, employment law, civil liability, and criminal procedure. In addition to identifying emerging law, this class addresses the political science of public policy at jurisdictional levels, including the United States Supreme Court.

CJU502 Correctional Design - 4 credits
The philosophies, roles, and designs of juvenile corrections continue to evolve. This course expands upon the basics of institutional and community corrections by exploring modern research and trends in modern corrections. Students will address leadership, legal, political, and financial issues impacting the effectiveness of corrections in a society with increasing demands and expectations of the criminal justice system.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE
This Master of Arts program recognizes the importance of criminal justice professionals in the human services field.

The curriculum enables students to enhance professionalism, position themselves for leadership opportunities, and contribute to life transitions by building upon experience and previous study. Students in this program come with a wealth of experience including law enforcement, courts, corrections, military and social service, which will uniquely benefit each cohort.

Compared to undergraduate coursework, graduate study is more creative, self-directed, rigorous, practitioner-orientated and attentive to information literacy.

Collaborative learning with faculty and other students supports the foundation of Concordia University graduate programs that graduate learning is not just remembering information, it is constructing knowledge.

THE CONCORDIA ADVANTAGE
- Flexible – Online or blended program options
- Accelerated – Complete your program in 24 months or less
- Manageable – Attend class or online discussion just one night a week (always on the same night and time)
- Affordable – Competitively priced programs and convenient payment options
- Collaborative – Experience cohort-based learning with a small group of talented professionals who learn together for the duration of your program
CJU570 Applied Ethics in Criminal Justice - 4 credits
Students will be introduced to models of ethical decision making, including the vocational ethics of Christianity. The emphasis is on the interplay between historical methods of ethical decision making and the problems professionals face every day. This course will also examine relationships and responsibilities of criminal justice politics and the media, a critical review of tensions that exist and how effective relationships can be fostered.

CJU543 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership - 4 credits
This course examines stress from a leadership perspective by asking why and how employers should respond to mental health issues. Theory, research, and trends in employee assistance are discussed as students consider how employers can help prevent, mitigate, and respond to emotional issues impacting personnel on the job.

CJU596 Criminal Justice Capstone - 4 credits
The Capstone course is the concluding event of the program. This course assists students in synthesizing previous coursework and research leading to greater self-reflection, application to their career field, and an assessment of their learning throughout the duration of the program. The student will present and discuss the final M.A. Capstone E-folio.

APPLICATION PROCESS
For admission consideration, a student must submit:
1. Master of Arts application
2. Official transcript from the regionally accredited institution stating conferral of BA degree
3. Personal statement
4. Resume

TO APPLY
Applications are available at www.csp.edu/apply or by contacting the Office of Admission.

Email application materials to: onlineinfo@csp.edu.

TUITION AND FEES
This is a 36-credit program. For tuition and financial aid information, please call 888-859-0641 or visit online.csp.edu.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS
Students use their personal computer in this program. To begin the program, students must meet the requirements listed on the technology agreement. To view this agreement please visit www.csp.edu/admission/Graduate/Requirements

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