MA (CRIMINOLOGY)

Overview

The MA (Criminology) is offered on a full-time basis running over 12 months or part-time basis running over 24 months.

Postgraduate Diploma in Criminology

Candidates who pass at least 60 credits of taught modules may elect to exit the programme and be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Criminology. (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdcrim/)

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

Programme Requirements
Full-time

Code	Title	Credits
Students take **90** credits.		
Part I		
Students take **60** credits as follows – all listed core modules (**20** credits) and **40** credits of elective modules:		
Core Modules		
CR6010	Research Design and Methods	10
CR6012	Critical Perspectives on Criminology	10
Elective Modules		
Students take modules to the value of **40** credits from the following:		40
CR6001	Terrorism and Organised Crime (10)	
LW6544	Criminology: Core Theories, Context and Critique (10)	
LW6560	Law of Cybercrime (10)	
LW6670	International Child Justice (10)	
SC6639	Feminist Epistemologies: Feminisms, Sexuality and Society (10)	
SS6814	Disability, Mental Health and Social Justice (10)	
SS6815	Sustainability, Climate Justice and Eco-Social Policies (10)	
SS6816	Migration, mobilities and social policy (10)	
SS6817	Childhood, Youth and Society (10)	
SS6818	Culture, creativity, well-being and social justice (10)	
LW6545	Penology (10)	
SC6643	Sociology of Science, Technology and Medicine (10)	
SC6642	Social Theory and Climate Justice (10)	
SC6644	Im/mobilities: forced migration and belonging (10)	
SC6645	Alcohol and Society: Use, Regulation and Harms (10)	
Part II		
Students take **30** credits as follows:		
Core Modules		
CR6006	Dissertation on Criminology	30
Total Credits		**90**

Part-time

Code	Title	Credits
Students take **90** credits.		
Part I - Year 1		
Students take **40** credits as follows - all listed core modules (**20** credits) and **20** credits of elective modules:		
Core Modules		
CR6010	Research Design and Methods	10
CR6012	Critical Perspectives on Criminology	10
Elective Modules		
Students take modules to the value of **20** credits from the following:		20
CR6001	Terrorism and Organised Crime (10)	
LW6544	Criminology: Core Theories, Context and Critique (10)	
LW6560	Law of Cybercrime (10)	
LW6670	International Child Justice (10)	
SC6639	Feminist Epistemologies: Feminisms, Sexuality and Society (10)	
LW6545	Penology (10)	
SS6814	Disability, Mental Health and Social Justice (10)	
SS6815	Sustainability, Climate Justice and Eco-Social Policies (10)	
SS6816	Migration, mobilities and social policy (10)	
SS6817	Childhood, Youth and Society (10)	
SS6818	Culture, creativity, well-being and social justice (10)	
SC6643	Sociology of Science, Technology and Medicine (10)	
SC6642	Social Theory and Climate Justice (10)	
SC6644	Im/mobilities: forced migration and belonging (10)	
SC6645	Alcohol and Society: Use, Regulation and Harms (10)	
Part I - Year 2		
Students take modules to the value of **10** credits from the following:		20
Elective Modules		
CR6001	Terrorism and Organised Crime (10)	
LW6544	Criminology: Core Theories, Context and Critique (10)	
LW6545	Penology (10) [1]	
LW6560	Law of Cybercrime (10)	
LW6670	International Child Justice (10)	
SC6639	Feminist Epistemologies: Feminisms, Sexuality and Society (10)	
LW6545	Penology (10)	
SS6814	Disability, Mental Health and Social Justice (10)	
SS6815	Sustainability, Climate Justice and Eco-Social Policies (10)	
SS6816	Migration, mobilities and social policy (10)	
SS6817	Childhood, Youth and Society (10)	
SS6818	Culture, creativity, well-being and social justice (10)	
SC6643	Sociology of Science, Technology and Medicine (10)	
SC6642	Social Theory and Climate Justice (10)	
SC6643	Sociology of Science, Technology and Medicine [1]	
SC6644	Im/mobilities: forced migration and belonging (10)	

SC6645	Alcohol and Society: Use, Regulation and Harms (10)	
Year 2 - Part II		
Students take **30** credits as follows:		
Core Modules		
CR6006	Dissertation on Criminology	30
Total Credits		**90**

[1] Not available in 2023/24

Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for MA in Criminology (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Understand the field of criminology, its historical development, its current scope and its related methodologies;
- Identify the major theories of crime, define their key concepts and ideas and understand their relevance to the study of Irish society;
- Critique aspects of the use of the issues of crime and deviance in contemporary society and the issues posed by the manner of their representation in the media and to evaluate current issues and debates in these areas;
- Understand the principles and practices of punishment in its many facets, the issues and problems raised by their current applications and the alternatives that have been proposed;
- Understand the principles and practices of social research and be able to apply them in research in criminology.