

Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

**College of Business & Public Management
School of Criminal Justice & Public Administration**

Mission

The Master of Arts in Criminal Justice Program at Kean University has several related goals that are aligned with the Mission of the Department of Criminal Justice. The mission of the Department of Criminal Justice is to prepare students as criminal justice academics and professionals who will contribute to the community, profession and discipline through critical thinking, research and participation in the criminal justice system or academia. The Master of Arts program adds depth to the students existing knowledge and provides students with the tools necessary to strengthen their analytical skills and theoretical understanding of the varied and diverse areas within the criminal justice student with the expectation of students contributing to the advancement of knowledge within the academy.

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Students who graduate with a MA in Criminal Justice are expected to:

SLO1: Demonstrate in-depth theoretical knowledge of criminal justice.

SLO2: Critically analyze criminal justice research and methods.

SLO3: Apply theoretical ethics frameworks to critical issues in the criminal justice system.

SLO4: Effectively communicate, both orally and in writing, their understanding and analysis of criminal justice.

KU Student Outcomes: *Kean University graduates should be able to:*

1. Think critically, creatively and globally;
2. Adapt to changing social, economic, and technological environments;
3. Serve as active and contributing members of their communities; and
4. Advance their knowledge in the traditional disciplines and enhance their skills in professional areas.