Driving Change in the Field of Criminal Justice
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Alpha Phi Sigma
The national criminal justice honor society, Alpha Phi Sigma, recognizes MCJ for its academic excellence and the Nu Mu chapter was chartered May 2012 at Boston University. Alpha Phi Sigma is the only criminal justice honor society certified as a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and affiliated with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

Sloan Consortium Award
A decade of innovation and unwavering quality led to the Sloan Consortium Award for Excellence in Institution-Wide Online Education in 2010.

USDLA Award
In 2011, Boston University was awarded the U.S. Distance Learning Association Award for 21st Century Best Practices.

NEASC
As part of Boston University, Metropolitan College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), one of six nationally recognized accrediting agencies.

Accreditations, Rankings & Honors

Boston University’s MCJ online program is ranked #2 by U.S. News & World Report Best Online Graduate Criminal Justice Program.

Boston University also places 37th in the U.S. News & World Report rankings of global universities. Other honors include:

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Founded in 1839, Boston University is an internationally recognized private research university with more than 30,000 students participating in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. BU consists of 17 schools and colleges, along with a number of multidisciplinary centers and institutes that are central to the University’s research and teaching mission.

Boston University was founded on the ideals that it would be one of the first all-inclusive universities as well as a leading private research and teaching institution. BU celebrates its diversity by carrying the exclusive title of being the first university to open all its divisions to female students in 1872 and the first coeducational medical college in the world in 1873. The University proudly lists Martin Luther King, Jr. among distinguished alumni, as well as the first woman to earn a PhD, the first woman admitted to the bar in Massachusetts, the first Native American graduate with a doctorate in medicine, and the first African-American psychiatrist in the nation.

Boston University is the fourth largest private university in the United States and was recently ranked by Times Higher Education as one of the top 100 universities in the world.

Boston University has become the most recent member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), an elite organization of 62 leading research universities in the United States and Canada, founded in 1900. BU is the fourth university to be invited into the AAU since 2000, joining Boston’s Harvard, MIT, and Brandeis.
Metropolitan College, one of Boston University’s 17 degree-granting schools and colleges, was established in 1965. The College demonstrates excellence in teaching and research, with over 60 undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs, offered full-time and part-time in convenient evening, online, and blended formats. There are over 25,000 Metropolitan College alumni worldwide.

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In today’s society of escalating crime, fraud, and terrorism, the criminal justice field needs forward-thinking leaders. These are individuals who know that the best decisions are informed decisions. A true visionary in this field looks at all of the sociological factors, considers a vast amount of research, and applies the data. That’s why Boston University’s Master of Criminal Justice (MCJ) online program is designed to be intentionally broad yet laser-focused in its resolve to build the critical mindset of future leaders.

The full scope of criminal justice services can be more effective when contributing professionals have a broad understanding of the varied yet integrated roles. In a world where everyone wants to be an expert at something, criminal justice leaders are called to broaden their specialized expertise of an entire system. That fact makes this a practical yet rigorous academic experience.

MCJ Program Overview
Designed for the working professional.
• Take 10 courses (40 credits) to complete the program.
• Focus on 1 course at a time and complete the program in as few as 20 months.
• Enjoy a break between each semester.
• Choose from 6 start dates per year in spring, summer, or fall.
• Learn anywhere, anytime with tech support available 7 days a week.

Leaders in the Field and in the Classroom
Metropolitan College’s distinguished faculty members impart decades of research and field experience into their courses. Our faculty teaches you to stimulate your thought process through questioning and writing. Once you learn to become a critical thinker, you cannot turn it off, and this is the constant frame of mind you need, to drive change in a profession that runs 24/7 around the world.
Curriculum

Cybercrime Investigation & Cybersecurity Concentration and Graduate Certificate

Cybercrime is a global concern that impacts every industry. Today’s complex criminal justice field demands versatile leaders who are equipped to handle various issues related to cybercrime. Cybersecurity job postings grew 91% from 2010 to 2014, three times as fast as IT jobs overall, according to a 2015 report by labor market consultants Burning Glass Technologies. BU’s graduate programs in Cybercrime Investigation & Cybersecurity are ideal for law enforcement officers, computer science-related personnel, and business professionals.

An Investigative Curriculum

Boston University’s Metropolitan College delivers an intensive MCJ curriculum. In just 10 courses, students can master the foundational theories of social control, gain a thorough understanding of criminal activity and behavior, and learn about the emerging issues in law enforcement, the judicial system, and corrections.

Our full-time faculty continually updates each course with fresh, relevant content. We’re committed to consistently delivering on our promise of providing a practical program that explores current trends and prepares professionals to become data-driven and future-focused leaders.

Required Core Courses
(6 Courses/24 Credits)

- MET CJ 602 Criminology
- MET CJ 625 Victimology
- MET CJ 632 White-Collar Crime
- MET CJ 702 Analytical Methods
- MET CJ 703 Research Methods
- MET CJ 831 Criminal Justice Administration

Electives
(6 Courses/24 Credits)

- MET CJ 610 Cybercrime**
- MET CJ 631 Youth Crime Problems
- MET CJ 650 Terrorism
- MET CJ 701 Crime and Punishment
- MET CJ 710 Applied Digital Forensic Investigation**
- MET CJ 725 Forensic Behavior Analysis
- MET AD 612 COO-Public Emergency Management
- MET AD 642 Project Management*
- MET AD 643 Project Communications Management*
- MET AD 715 Quantitative and Qualitative Decision-Making
- MET CS 684 IT Security Policies and Procedures**
- MET CS 693 Digital Forensics and Investigations**

*Prerequisites may be required. **Concentration Requirements: Cybercrime Investigation & Cybersecurity (4 courses/16 credits)

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Courses Overview

MET CJ 602 Criminology
Explore the interdisciplinary scope of criminology, including sociological, biological, political, psychological, and economic explanations for crime.

MET CJ 625 Victimology
Study crime victims and their plight, the relationships between crime victims and other social groups and institutions.

MET CJ 631 Youth Crime Problems
Analyze policy issues, delinquency prevention programs, violent offenders, dispositional alternatives, and crimes against youth.

MET CJ 632 White Collar Crime
Examine the nature of corporate and white-collar crime, including detection, deterrence, and criminal liability sanctions, as well as, the social and legal changes.

MET CJ 650 Terrorism
Discuss domestic and international terrorism and the underlying ideology, history, reasons, and causes of terrorism, as well as, counter terrorism.

MET CJ 701 Crime and Punishment
Forge a strong notion of various criminal justice professionals and their roles in the application of ethical actions as they pertain to issues of social justice. Grad Prereq: upper-level or graduate standing.

MET CJ 702 Analytical Methods
Consider the use of quantitative data in analyzing the criminal justice system, and learn the role statistical analysis plays in planning and policy development.

MET CJ 703 Research Methods
Learn the practice, theory, ethics, techniques, and philosophy of social science research, with a special focus on criminal justice.

MET CJ 725 Forensic Behavioral Analysis
Examine how the law and mental health intersect, as well as, how forensic psychologists use science to form expert opinions to help the court address cases and issues.

MET CJ 610 Cybercrime
Develop strategies to address the causes, victimization, legal issues, control strategies, and societal costs of computer crime in the criminal justice field.

MET CJ 831 Criminal Justice Administration
Examine the complexities facing today’s criminal justice leadership, ranging from terrorism and cybercrime to politicization and privatization.

Grad Prereq: upper-level or graduate standing
Course offerings are subject to change.
This program utilizes the highest level of distance learning technology available today. This stimulating online learning program is structured around four learning environments: Internet, Home, Small Groups, and Work.

**Internet**
*Accommodates your demanding work and home life*
The program’s online learning space, Online Campus, is the center of the learning experience. Here, you will access course information, communicate with your instructor and fellow learners, take quizzes, post assignments, and view grades, all from the convenience of your home or office. This highly interactive educational platform uses the highest quality multi-media to make your learning experience as engaging as it is effective. Online Campus provides a framework for the highest quality of communication and interaction among you, your instructor, and your fellow learners.

**Home**
*Learning that fits your lifestyle*
For your convenience, all printed materials and textbooks for the program are delivered to your home prior to the beginning of each course. Course materials, including textbooks, are ordered online. To ensure that you remain completely up to date, course schedules of upcoming classes are also made available online.

**Small Groups**
*A small group Facilitator will successfully guide you through each of your classes in the program*
In each class, you will be part of a small group of approximately 15 other professionals from around the world with whom you will participate in discussions and group-learning activities. Your group is also a valuable place to share ideas and network.

**Work**
*Practical knowledge for your future*
The program blends professional experience with scholarly achievement to give you the knowledge and skills to set you apart. Your workplace will provide you with a source of research, case studies, and policy analysis. The Master of Criminal Justice online program combines a foundation in the liberal arts with interdisciplinary studies in fields related to criminal justice so that you cover every angle of the industry.

**Help Desk Support**
*Everyone needs a little help sometimes, and we are here to give it*
We have built this master’s degree program around your lifestyle and learning needs. Since many of our students work off hours, our technical support desk is always ready to give you computer and software help. No matter your technical question or level of computer skill, you can talk to a live technical support specialist, available 7 days a week.

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Boston University’s Master of Criminal Justice online program runs on the Blackboard Learn platform. If your computer does not have the proper hardware or software, Blackboard Learn may run slowly or not at all.

We want to ensure you have the best possible online learning experience. It is recommended that you check your current system configuration prior to using Blackboard Learn on your computer.

If you need assistance finding your system configuration, please check out the minimum hardware and software requirements, please contact your Enrollment Advisor:

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Boston University's Metropolitan College offers comprehensive financial assistance services to help you meet your educational goals, including loans and scholarships. We also provide information to help students make thoughtful decisions about options for financing a Boston University education.

For some additional guidance on personal money management and loan repayment, including workshops and online resources, we encourage you to visit Boston University's Smart Money 101 website.

There is no cost to apply for financial assistance, and you may qualify for a student loan regardless of your income.

To learn more about applying for financial assistance, please visit us online or contact:

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Criminal Justice Leadership is a Collective Force. So is our Faculty.

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