HOUSTON CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE PLAN
MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS) IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
CATALOG YEAR: 2025-2026

NAME: _____ **H#:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Candidates for a Master of Science in Criminal Justice must complete a total of at least 36 credit hours along with the following requirements:

- No more than 6 semester hours transferred from another college or university
- No grade below a "C"
- Cumulative GPA of at least 3.00

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	HOURS
	CORE REQUIREMENTS	3
CRMJ 5301	Ethics of Police, Courts, and Corrections	3
CRMJ 5302	Administrative and Management Development in Criminal Justice	3
CRMJ 5303	Constitutional Law in Criminal Justice	3
CRMJ 5304	Faith-Based Leadership and Crime Response	3
CRMJ 5305	Policy Development and Community Policing	3
CRMJ 5306	Advanced Criminological Theory	3
	CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS In addition to the core requirements, students can choose to complete either a general concentration consisting of eighteen (18) hours of coursework OR select two of the nine-hour concentrations listed below to fulfill their degree plan requirements (Human Trafficking, Thesis, Electives). Students must declare their concentration(s) when filing their degree plan with the Office of Academic Records. **General Concentration (Choose 6 courses/18 credit hours from the following course options)** CRMJ 5307 Advanced Penology CRMJ 5308 Conflict Resolution for Mental Crisis Intervention CRMJ 5309 Victimology and Child Exploitation CRMJ 5310 Crime and Problem Mapping CRMJ 5311 International Terrorism CRMJ 5312 Serial and Mass Casualty Offenders CYSC 5313 Legal Regulations, Compliance, and Investigation CYSC 5316 Digital Forensics **Human Trafficking Concentration (9 hours)** CRMJ 5313 Advanced Human Trafficking Research CRMJ 5309 Victimology and Child Exploitation CRMJ 5314 Human Trafficking Investigation and Demand Mitigation **Thesis Concentration (9 hours)** CRMJ 5315 Research Methods in Criminal Justice CRMJ 5316 Thesis Research and Writing I CRMJ 5317 Thesis Research and Writing II CRMJ 5001 Thesis Defense **Elective Concentration (9 hours)** Any nine (9) credit hours of coursework not previously taken chosen from the list above	18
	TOTAL HOURS FOR DEGREE	**36**

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS ON THE DEGREE PLAN. THIS DEGREE PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL RECEIVED & PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS.

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STUDENT SIGNATURE **DATE**

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DEAN OF COLLEGE **DATE**

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ACADEMIC ADVISOR **DATE**

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