Graduate Program in Criminal Justice

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| 1. Mastery of oral communication skills | A) Students will demonstrate effective communication  
B) Students will demonstrate professionalism in communication. | a) Self-assessment of oral communication. (pre/post-test)  
b) UAC recommended and MCJ approved oral communication rubric. | a) Majority of students show 20% improvement from pretest to post-test  
b) 85% of students will perform at or above 80% | a) New graduate student orientation/thesis defense or oral exit examination  
b) Thesis defense or oral exit examination | a) Graduate coordinator and oral exit examination chair  
b) Oral examination committee |
| 2. Mastery of written communication. | A) Students will demonstrate a mastery of the mechanics and conventions of effective writing  
B) Students will demonstrate the ability to analyze, synthesize, and integrate information in their writing. | a) Self-assessment of written communication. (pre/post-test)  
b) Graduate education level recommended and MCJ approved writing rubric | a) Majority of students show 20% improvement from pretest to post-test  
b) 85% of students will perform at or above 80% | a) New graduate student orientation/thesis defense or oral exit examination  
b) Written thesis or written component of comprehensive examination | a) Graduate coordinator and oral exit examination chair  
b) Thesis or written examination committee |
| 3. Mastery of advanced knowledge of the criminal justice system. | A) Students will demonstrate an understanding of criminal justice theories, processes, practices, and policies.  
B) Students will demonstrate integration and application of knowledge to substantive contemporary criminal justice issues. | a) Successful completion of core classes.  
b) Successful completion of thesis or comprehensive examination | a) 80% of students successfully complete their core courses with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher  
b) 80% of students successfully complete their thesis or comprehensive examination | a) at the end of each semester  
b) at the end of each semester | a) Graduate coordinator  
b) Graduate coordinator, thesis committee chair, or comprehensive examination committee members |