

Juvenile Justice, PhD

Doctorate of Juvenile Justice Degree Program Requirements

Prerequisite Courses

Necessary for admission, not counted in program hours		
JJUS 5312	Foundations of Juvenile Justice	3
JJUS 5376	Theories of Delinquency	3
JJUS 5394	Research Methods	3
JJUS 5396	Applied Statistical Methods and Computing	3
Total Hours		12

Required Support Courses

JJUS 7165	Seminar in Professional Development	1
JJUS 7392	Advanced Research Methods I	3
JJUS 7395	Advanced Research Methods II	3
JJUS 7396	Advanced Statistical Techniques I	3
JJUS 7397	Advanced Statistical Techniques II	3

Required Substantive Courses in Juvenile Justice

JJUS 7311	Juv Just Issu Pract	3
Select 6 additional credit hours from the list of courses below:		6
JJUS 7363	Comparative Juvenile Justice Systems:A Cross Cultural Perspective ¹	
JJUS 7365	Seminar on Juvenile Corrections ¹	
JJUS 7374	Race, Ethnicity, Gender and Juvenile Justice	
JJUS 7376	Seminar on Juvenile Processing by Police and Courts ¹	
JJUS 7378	Legal Aspects of Juvenile Justice ¹	
JJUS 7386	Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation ¹	

Required Delinquency Theory Courses

JJUS 7367	The Juvenile Offender and Youth Gangs	3
JJUS 7389	Advanced Seminar in Crime and Delinquency Theory	3
JJUS 7388	Youth Victimization	3

Elective Courses

Select four of the following:		12
JJUS 7363	Comparative Juvenile Justice Systems:A Cross Cultural Perspective ¹	
JJUS 7364	Management and Administration	
JJUS 7365	Seminar on Juvenile Corrections ¹	
JJUS 7366	Drugs, Youth and Society	
JJUS 7369	Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences	
JJUS 7374	Race, Ethnicity, Gender and Juvenile Justice ¹	
JJUS 7371	Special Topics in Juvenile Justice	
JJUS 7376	Seminar on Juvenile Processing by Police and Courts ¹	
JJUS 7378	Legal Aspects of Juvenile Justice ¹	
JJUS 7385	Prevention and Treatment of Crime and Delinquency	
JJUS 7386	Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation ¹	

Dissertation - Total Hours

JJUS 8191	Dissertation	18
JJUS 8391	Dissertation I	
JJUS 8392	Dissertation II	
JJUS 8393	Dissertation III	
JJUS 8394	Dissertation IV	

Total Hours		61
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¹ These courses can be used in either Substantive Courses in Juvenile Justice or as an elective course.

Caution: while the course is usable in two areas (Juvenile Justice and Electives), be sure you *do not* place a course in more than one area and follow the course schedule to determine which areas you should fill first.

Doctorate of Juvenile Justice Degree Sequence

First Year

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
JJUS 7392		3 JJUS 7311	3
JJUS 7396		3 JJUS 7395	3
JJUS 7367		3 JJUS 7397	3
Total		9 Total	9

Total Hours: 18

Second Year

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
JJUS 7165		1 JJUS 7388	3
JJUS 7389		3 Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)	3
Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)		3 Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)	3
Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)		3	
Total		10 Total	9

Total Hours: 19

Third Year

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours	Summer	Hours
Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)		3 JJUS 8391		3 JJUS 8392	3
Substantive Course in Juvenile Justice or Elective (select one from list)		3 JJUS 8392		3 JJUS 8393	3
		JJUS 8393		3 JJUS 8394	3
Total		6 Total		9 Total	9

Total Hours: 24

Name	Unit
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Total Semester Credit Hours: 61

Marketable Skills

Marketable skills, as defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30TX Plan (<http://www.60x30tx.com/>), include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills that are valued by employers, and can be either primary or complimentary to a major. Marketable skills are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities.

Ph.D. Juvenile Justice

Degree Skills

1. Effective application of juvenile delinquency theories
2. Critical analysis and problem-solving
3. Management and leadership of workforce and clients
4. Effective research design

5. Policy development and program evaluation
6. Ability to work with diverse individuals and communities with issues related to juvenile justice and social justice

Concentration Skills

1. Empirical research (data collection, analyses, and scientific publication)
2. Specialists in knowledge related to Criminal Justice and Juvenile Justice
3. Ideological adaptability with evolving knowledge

Co-curricular and Extracurricular Skills

1. Time management
2. Teamwork
3. Pedagogical effectiveness
4. Academic assessment
5. Good judgment and work ethic
6. Cultural competency and awareness of diversity issues
7. Resourcefulness