INVESTIGATIONS

Master of Science (Online Only)



Hands-on Application

Case studies, research projects, and available internships deliver a student-centered approach to learning that will fully engage you and ensure that you can hit the ground running when you enter the field as an investigator.

Be one of the first to help redefine the criminal justice field

The University of New Haven's M.S. in Investigations is the first degree of its kind in the nation — and you can be one of the first to bring this degree's unique focus to the fields of criminal investigations, financial crimes investigations, cybercrime investigations, and digital forensic investigations. Whether you are looking to enter the public law enforcement sector or bring your knowledge and skills to the private sector, the M.S. Investigations degree can be customized to fit your needs.

A superb academic foundation with a strong research component

Housed within the Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, the program brings together esteemed faculty from our Forensic Science, Criminal Justice, and Investigations programs. Thirty graduate credits are required for the degree, which combines courses in criminal justice, forensic science, investigations, and legal studies to provide a comprehensive education in the highly specialized area of Investigations.

The academic objectives of the program are:

- Comprehension of standard investigations policies and procedures
- Comprehension of the tools and tests available to forensic scientists
- Knowledge of the legal issues and environment of investigations
- Knowledge of management of investigations and investigative functions
- Knowledge of the various specialized types of investigations
- Knowledge of the emerging research about the most effective investigative techniques

Choose your concentration

The program supports three areas of concentration:

Criminal Investigations

• Digital Forensics Investigations • Financial Crimes Investigations

These concentrations represent the major categories of employment for investigators and are designed to prepare you to enter or advance in these alternative career paths. The degree provides core knowledge to sit for certification exams such as the CFE (Certified Fraud Examiner), CFCI (Certified Financial Crimes Investigator), CCCI (Certified Cyber Crime Investigator), CAMS (Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist), and others.

Career Placement for M.S. Investigations graduates

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the demand for investigators is expected to increase.

We anticipate very strong employment for the program's graduates, as the vast majority of our students are working professionals already employed in some aspect of public or private investigations and complete this program to advance their careers.

Curriculum

- 30 graduate credits are required for completion.
- 21 credits in required courses, 9 credits in electives
 (Required courses can be modified based on career path or work experience.)
- At this time, most courses are online only, with limited seated course offerings.
 This may change based on enrollment requests for seated courses.

Criminal Investigations Concentration

- This degree is designed to allow students to network with professionals, explore
 career options, and focus studies in death investigations, cold case investigations,
 international crime, Title IX, civil rights investigations, financial crime, cybercrimem
 and digital forensic investigations.
- This is NOT a Crime Scene Investigation degree, which would be the Forensics Technology, M.S. program.

Digital Forensics Investigations Concentration

 This degree is designed to provide students with the knowledge and competencies to prepare for the IAFCI Digital Forensics Certification Board (DFCB), Certified Cyber Crimes Investigator (CCCI), and other national and international certifications.

Financial Crimes Investigations Concentration

 This degree is designed to provide students with the knowledge to prepare them for the following certification exams: IAFCI Certified Financial Crimes Investigator (CFCI), Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS-educational partner), ACFCS Certified Financial Crimes Specialist (CFCS), AICPA's Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF), ACFE Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), and other national and international certifications.

Course Length

- 15-week (full semester term) format
- 7.5-week mini-term (MT) format in either an MT1 or an MT2 session
- 6.5-week summer term format

Time to Completion

- 12 months (3 semesters), 18 months (4 semesters), or 24 months (6 semesters)
- The average time to degree completion is 18 months. All core courses are offered each term.
- · Special topics, electives, and focused areas of study are offered based on demand.

Sample Courses

Criminal Investigations Concentration

- CJST 6631 Investigations I
- INVS 6607 Supervising & Managing the Investigative Unit & Process
- CJST 6651 Criminal Procedure
- INVS 6614 Survey of Forensic Science
- INVS 6690 Contemporary Topics in Investigations
- INVS 6632 Advanced Investigations 1
- INVS 6633 Advanced Investigations 2

Digital Forensics Investigations Concentration

- CJST 6631 Investigations I
- CJST 6603 Internet Vulnerabilities & Criminal Activity
- CJST 6651 Criminal Procedure
- LSTD 6620 Regulation & Occupational Fraud
- INVS 6690 Topics in Investigations
- CJST 6600 Computer Crime: Legal Issues & Investigative Procedures
- CJST 6604 Network Security Data Protection & Telecommunications

Financial Crimes Investigations Concentration

- CJST 6631 Investigations I
- LSTD 6620 Regulation & Occupational Fraud
- CJST 6651 Criminal Procedure
- INVS 6601 White Collar Crime Analytics
- INVS 6690 Topics in Investigations
- CJST 6630 Investigating Financial Crimes
- CJST 6600 Computer Crime: Legal Issues & Investigative Procedures

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