

Study Programme

Academic year 2025-2026

Faculty of Law and Criminology Master of Science in Criminological Sciences

Language of instruction: Dutch Programme version 11

1	General	Courses			24 (credits
Nr	Course		CRDT F	Ref MT1	Session	Study
1	B000540	Crime Prevention Lieven Pauwels Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	1	A:1	120
2	B000400	Penology Louis Favril Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	1	A:1	120
3	B000476	Criminal Policy	4	1	A:1	120
4	B001645	Internship Antoinette Verhage Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	12	1	A:J	360
2	Elective	Courses			18 (credits

Subscribe to 18 credit units from no less than 1 and no more than 2 from the following list. Subject to approval by the faculty.

2.1 Elective Courses Criminological Sciences

Subscribe to no less than 10 and no more than 18 credit units from the following list, with no less than 10 credit units with reference a.

edu: These courses appear in the educational master's programme. Students who have followed these three courses successfully, can after obtaining the Bachelor's degree, enter directly into the educational Master's programme.

Nr Course		CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1 B001647	Selected Issues: Cybercrime, Technology and Surveillance [en] Valerie Verdoodt Department of Interdisciplinary Study of Law, Private Law and Business Law	5	а		A:2	150
2 B001774	Selected Issue: Offender reintegration Louis Favril Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а			150
3 B001652	Selected Issues: Drug Policy [en] Charlotte Colman Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		A:2	150
4 B001648	Selected Issues: European and International Migration Law and Policy [en] Thomas Spijkerboer Department of European, Public and International Law	5	а		A:2	150
5 B001649	Selected Issues: Financial and Economic Crime [en] Jelle Janssens Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		B:1	150
6 B001650	Selected Issues: Organised Crime [en] Jelle Janssens Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		B:1	150
7 B001653	Selected Issues: Critical Criminology and the Criminal Justice System I [en] Tom Decorte Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		A:2	150
8 B001654	Selected Issues: Critical Criminology and the Criminal Justice System II [en] Tom Decorte Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		A:2	150
9 B001651	Selected Issues: Sexual Offending, Prostitution and Human Trafficking [en] Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5	а		A:2	150
10 B001773	Selected Issue: Spatiotemporal criminology	5	а			150
11 B000169	Study of Specific Criminal Offences Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	5			A:2	150

12 B001792	Academic Grant Writing [en, nl] Christophe Vandeviver Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	B:1	120
13 B000255	Chemical Criminalistics Christophe Stove Department of Bio-analysis	4	A:2	120
14 B001499	Forensic Psychology Lize Verbeke Department of Developmental, Personality and Social Psychology	4	A:2	120
15 B001529	Forensic Medicine Evy De Boosere Department of Diagnostic Sciences	4	A:2	120
16 B000906	Historical Criminology	4		120
17 B001044	International Criminal Law Gert Vermeulen Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	C:1ª	120
18 B000622	Medical Criminalistics Evy De Boosere Department of Diagnostic Sciences	4	A:2	120
19 B001164	Private Security and Police Studies Pieter Leloup Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	2:2	120
20 B001163	Public Police Studies	4		120
21 B000965	Children's Rights Wendy De Bondt Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law	4	A:2	120
22 H002169	Powerful Learning Environments Bram De Wever Department of Educational Studies	6 edu		180
23 H002176	Introduction to Teaching Methodology: Social Sciences Tony Valcke Department of Political Sciences	6 edu		180
24 H002172	Reference Internship: Social Sciences Tony Valcke Department of Political Sciences	3 edu		90

2.2 Elective courses UGent / study programmes in Criminological Sciences offered by other universities

Subscribe to no more than 8 credit units from another master's programme . Subject to approval by the faculty. Students can take these elective courses from one of the following master's programmes of Ghent University: economic sciences, political sciences, public administration, psychology, philosophy, sociology, history, communication sciences, law, pedagogical sciences, from a Master in Criminological Sciences from an university of the Flemish community or from the Ghent University Elective Course List.

3 Master's Dissertation				18	18 credits	
Nr Course		CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1 B001646	Master's Dissertation	18		1	A:J	540
	Tom Decorte Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law					

Teaching

When a course is not taught (solely) in the programme's language of instruction, the effectively used languages are indicated in square brackets following the cours name, using the following ISO codes:

cs: Czech el: Greek fr: French nl: Dutch pt: Portuguese sl: Slovene da: Danish en: English it: Italian no: Norwegian ru: Russian sv: Swedish	cs: Czech	el: Greek f	fr: French	nl: Dutch	pl: Polish pt: Portuguese ru: Russian	sh: Kroatian/Serbian sl: Slovene sv: Swedish	zh: Chinese
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Semester

Semesters are indicated by their number (1 or 2); semester 3 represents the summer period and J indicates a course spanning semesters 1 and 2. When a capital letter precedes a semester number, the course has multiple offerings. The letter indicates the offering concerned. When a semester is shown in brackets, the course in not offered this year in the specific offering. The offering frequency and first year of offering are indicated by the following codes:

a: bi-annually	c: annually, from 2026-2027	f: annually, from 2027-2028	i: annually, from 2028-2029
b: tri-annually	d: bi-annually, from 2026-2027	g: bi-annually, from 2027-2028	j: bi-annually, from 2028-2029
	e: tri-annually, from 2026-2027	h: tri-annually, from 2027-2028	k: tri-annually, from 2028-2029