

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In French

Dissertation/Graduation Project : **YES** - Internship : **YES**

Activities in English: **NO** - Activities in other languages : **NO**

Activities on other sites : **NO**

Main study domain : **Criminologie**

Organized by: **Faculty of Law and Criminology (DRT)**

Programme acronym: **CRIM2M** - Francophone Certification Framework: 7

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CRIM2M - Introduction

Introduction

Introduction

The School of Criminology provides specialized multidisciplinary training which allows to understand crime in all its complexity. The training focuses on several disciplinary areas: criminal law and criminal practices; psychological processes involved in the transition to the crime; social factors acting out and social mechanisms of creation of criminal law and the conditions of its application; study of human behavior in its interaction with biological, social and psychological dimensions.

Your profile

- Are you interested in issues of deviance;
- you plan to perform duties in the field of prevention and repression of crime;
- you place the individual at the center of your concerns and you want to be socially useful;
- you are looking for a training that prepares you for the response on the ground.

Your future job

Fields of action of the criminologist are:

- the Courts (federal and local) and prisons;
- the youth welfare: social service courts, facilities for children in care teams in the community, etc.;
- the prevention services created under security contracts and society;
- the Mental Health and Addiction;
- the social assistance to individuals (remand prisoners, detainees, victims, etc..) in the homes of justice in victim services, etc.;
- the research.

Your programme

The master offers:

- an interdisciplinary approach to deviance from the norm (sociology, law, psychology and biology);
- a specialized training in legal matters in connection with the crime and the penalty;
- an applied learning intervention: Maintenance behaviors, conflict management and crisis situations, etc.;
- extensive methodological tools;
- an internship in the field;
- the possibility of a part of your master abroad.

Specializations

The Master in Criminology offers a Professional focus "criminology of the intervention" and a Research focus. The professional focus interdisciplinary in critical criminology is dedicated to students from the Université catholique de Lille who come to follow courses during a quadrimester at UCLouvain as well as to students from UCLouvain who will go on an exchange stay at the Université catholique de Lille.

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Learning outcomes

The goal of the master is to offer the students the theoretical and methodological resources to understand criminality and penalty and, more generally, deviance and social control.

- **Concevoir et réaliser un travail de recherche de nature transdisciplinaire** (mémoire), mettant en œuvre une démarche scientifique et méthodologique rigoureuse, pour approfondir une question de recherche inédite relative aux usages du pénal et aux situations-problèmes qui intéressent la criminologie.
 - Formuler une question de recherche complexe.
 - Rendre compte de l'état des connaissances sur cette question.
 - Construire et mettre en œuvre un dispositif méthodologique rigoureux et pertinent en vue d'y répondre.
 - Concevoir et réaliser, le cas échéant, une recherche empirique quantitative et/ou qualitative, en mobilisant les outils d'analyse adéquats.
 - Analyser et interpréter les résultats.
 - Développer un esprit de synthèse et formuler des conclusions.
 - Faire preuve, de manière générale, d'un recul critique tant sur son propre travail que sur les connaissances qui y sont mobilisées.
 - **Communiquer, dialoguer, collaborer et tenir la fonction d'interface** avec les différents acteurs impliqués dans une situation donnée.
 - Communiquer, à l'oral et à l'écrit sur des sujets complexes (des informations, des idées, des conclusions, des pistes d'actions concrètes, ainsi que les connaissances et principes sous-jacents) de façon claire, structurée, argumentée selon les standards de communication spécifiques au contexte et en adaptant sa présentation au public visé et aux intentions poursuivies.
 - Dialoguer de manière respectueuse et constructive avec des interlocuteurs variés (tant d'un point de vue socio-culturel, qu'au départ de leur fonction, de leurs champs d'action et de leur domaine disciplinaire d'expertise) en faisant preuve de capacité d'écoute, d'ouverture d'esprit, d'empathie, de distanciation et d'assertivité.
 - Reconnaître et prendre en considération la diversité des points de vue et des modes de pensée, remplir la fonction d'interface ou de médiateur entre des points de vue contrastés et gérer de manière constructive les conflits dans un souci éthique.
 - Interagir et collaborer efficacement au sein d'une équipe pluridisciplinaire et avec différents acteurs en réseaux impliqués dans une situation donnée.
 - En langues étrangères* (néerlandais ou anglais) communiquer à l'oral et à l'écrit de façon claire, cohérente, argumentée et avec aisance sur des sujets d'ordre général ou relatifs au domaine d'études ; Percevoir les différences et similitudes entre la culture cible (relative à la langue concernée) et la culture d'origine ainsi qu'utiliser des stratégies appropriées pour établir le contact avec des locuteurs de la culture cible.
- * Niveau B2 du cadre européen commun de référence.
- **Agir** de manière professionnelle, **en acteur critique et responsable**, animé par une éthique, et soucieux d'un apprentissage continu.
 - S'engager, décider et agir de manière responsable dans le respect du cadre et du contexte de travail, de la déontologie et des valeurs éthiques.
 - Agir de manière autonome dans le respect d'autrui en faisant preuve du sens des responsabilités et en étant capable de prendre et d'assumer des décisions.
 - Identifier et intégrer, de manière autonome, les nouvelles connaissances et compétences nécessaires pour pouvoir appréhender rapidement de nouveaux contextes et situations.
 - Intégrer une logique d'évaluation et d'apprentissage continu nécessaire pour évoluer dans son environnement social et professionnel.
 - Faire preuve de tolérance, d'ouverture d'esprit et assumer ses doutes.

Programme structure

The programme of the Master in Criminology is built around core courses mainly taught in the first year, on the basis of which students are invited to take the research or professional focus in the second year, as described above, for a total of 120 credits.

The **program of the first year** of the master consists of:

- courses and practical exercises of core (compulsory) (distributed throughout the year);
- a course in English or Dutch;
- the accompanying seminar (2nd semester).

The **program of the second year** of the master consists of:

- a course in English or Dutch;
- a **choice of focus**, accounting for 30 credits (5 courses of 6 credits, spread over 2 semesters):
 - professional focus in criminology purpose of the intervention,
 - professional focus interdisciplinary in critical Criminology (in partnership with the Université catholique de Lille)
 - the research focus,
- **professional internship** of 300 h and its accompanying seminar (1st semester);
- the **dissertation**

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [90.0]

- Mandatory
- ✘ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2024-2025
- ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
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- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Year

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○ Psychological Tools

○ LCRIM2103	Criminal Psychology	Jérôme Englebert	FR [q1] [45h+15h] [6 Credits] 🌐
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				Year	
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LANGL2623	Professional Integration Seminar for Criminologists	Nathalie Heiderscheid (coord.) Jean-Paul Nyssen	EN [q1] [30h] [3 Credits]		x

o Apprenticeship in criminology

LCRIM2221	Stage et séminaire de supervision du stage		EN [q1] [300h+30h] [12 Credits]		x
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o End of Study Thesis in Criminology

LCRIM2222	Seminar and thesis supervision	Sonja Bitzer Chloé Branders Fabienne Brion Christian-Paul De Valkeneer Xavier De Weirt Marie-Sophie Devresse Jérôme Englebert Vincent Francis Christophe Jan273.125 837 0 0 1 8.503 29.173 cm -1 0 0 -1 0 0 cm 0 0 m 8.503 0 1			
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LIST OF FOCUSES

The specialised subject: interdisciplinary in critical criminology is dedicated to students from the Université catholique de Lille who come to follow courses during a quadrimester at the UCLouvain as well as to students from the UCLouvain who will go on exchange to the Université catholique de Lille.

- > [Professional Focus : Criminological Intervention](#) [en-prog-2024-crim2m-lcrim210s]
- > [Research Focus](#) [en-prog-2024-crim2m-lcrim230a]
- > [Professional Focus : interdisciplinary in critical Criminology](#) [en-prog-2024-crim2m-lcrim220s]

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS : CRIMINOLOGICAL INTERVENTION [30.0]

The professional focus is considering the actual and current issues in criminological intervention, with the assistance of field professionals involved in the formation of criminologists and mobilizing their skills in a practical setting.

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○ Content:

○ Criminology of Intervention

Two courses from the following :

⊗ LCRIM2302	Clinical Approaches of Conflicts' and crisis' situations ■	Christophe Janssen	FR [q1] [30h] [6 Credits] 🌐
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


✂ LCRIM2501	In-Depth psycho-analytical Perspectives in criminology 🟡	Antoine Masson	PR [q1] [30h] [6 Credits] 🌐		x
✂ LCRIM2502	Critical Perspectives in clinical Criminology 🟡	Jérôme Englebert	PR [q2] [30h] [6 Credits] 🌐		x
✂ LCRIM2503	Foucauldian Perspectives in Criminology 🟡	Fabienne Brion	PR [q2] [30h] [6 Credits] 🌐		x
✂ LCRIM2504	Marxist Perspectives in Criminology 🟡	Fabienne Brion Marie-Sophie Devresse	PR [q1] [30h] [6 Credits] 🌐		x

RESEARCH FOCUS [30.0]

- Mandatory
- ✘ Optional
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- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

[Click on the course title to see detailed informations \(objectives, methods, evaluation...\)](#)

Year

				Year	
				1	2
✘ ECRIM5001	Radicalisations, identités et reconnaissance		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5002	Lutte contre les atteintes criminelles aux droits de l'Homme: consensus et efficience des instances internationales		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5011	Considérations criminologiques sur les différences culturelles		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5012	Grands courants en anthropologie		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5013	Crime et littérature		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5014	Art et Crime		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5015	Conscience sociale et conscience morale		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5016	Victimologie, psychotraumatisme et questions identitaires		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5021	Séminaire d'épistémologie en criminologie		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5022	Approche critique des sciences forensiques		FR [q2] [] [1 Credits] 	x	x
✘ ECRIM5023	Perspectives critiques en criminologie clinique		FR [q2] [] [2 Credits] 	x	x

Alternatives

> [Master \[120\] in Criminology](https://uclouvain.be/en-prog-2024-crim2m-programme) [<https://uclouvain.be/en-prog-2024-crim2m-programme>]

MASTER [120] IN CRIMINOLOGY

- Mandatory
 - ✘ Optional
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 - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
 - Activity with requisites
 - 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
 - 🚫🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
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o One focus from the following

o Research Focus (30 credits)

o Content:

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

The training added to some students depending on the program followed previously :

- **Belgian university bachelor degree** (law, psychology and other programs): maximum additional training 15 credits
- **Belgian non-university bachelor degree:**
 - Social worker assistant in law, in psychology, administrative sciences and public administration
Adding more training (15 to 30 credits)
 - Nursing, Nursing, Mental Health and Psychiatry, Educator specialized in psycho-educational support, Communication, Social Counselor, Social Ecology, Human Resource Management
Adding more training (30 to 60 credits)
- **Belgian Master degree of non-university higher education:** maximum additional training 15 credits (to be defined at the time of admission).
- **undergraduate degree from a foreign university**
access to application file. A maximum of 60 credits of additional training can be added to your program.
Subject to acceptance of the dossier.
- **You have professional experience of at least five years in criminology sector**
access to file, access via the valuation of acquired experience (VAE). A maximum of 60 credits of additional training can be added to your program.
Subject to acceptance of the dossier.

The access for students of the High Schools were revised under the Decree "Paysage". This joint proposal from the Universities of the French Community of Belgium must be validated by the Academy of Research and Higher Education (ARES).

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● LECRI1502

Introduction to Forensic Science

Sonja Bitzer

Course prerequisites

The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

These activities are also identified **in the detailed programme**: their title is followed by a yellow square.

Prerequisites and student's annual programme

As the prerequisite is for CU registration purposes only, there are no prerequisites within a programme year. Prerequisites are defined between CUs of different years and therefore influence the order in which the student will be able to register for the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the jury validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures its coherence, meaning that it may:

- require the student to combine registration in two separate CUs which it considers necessary from a pedagogical point of view.
- transform a prerequisite into a corequisite if the student is in the final year of a degree course.

For more information, please consult the [Academic Regulations and Procedures](#).

Prerequisites list

- LANGL2423** "English Communication Skills for Students in Criminology" has prerequisite(s) LANGL1823
- LANGL1823 - English receptive skills for students in criminology
- LANGL2623** "Professional Integration Seminar for Criminologists" has prerequisite(s) LANGL2423
- LANGL2423 - English Communication Skills for Students in Criminology
- LCRIM2109** "Droit de l'exécution des peines" has prerequisite(s) LECRI1504 OU LECRI1504B
- LECRI1504 - Elements of Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure
 - LECRI1504B - Elements of procedure law
- LCRIM2200** "Mémoire" has prerequisite(s) LECRI1503 ET LECRI1507
- LECRI1503 - Introduction to Criminology
 - LECRI1507 - Practical Research Seminar in Criminology
- LCRIM2221** "Stage et séminaire de supervision du stage" has prerequisite(s) (LECRI1504 OU LECRI1504B) ET LCRIM2101 ET LCRIM2107 ET LCRIM2110 ET LCRIM2111 ET LCRIM2301
- LECRI1504 - Elements of Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure
 - LECRI1504B - Elements of procedure law
 - LCRIM2101 - Qualitative methodology in Criminology and practical exercises
 - LCRIM2107 - Protection of Youth : Institution and Practices
 - LCRIM2110 - Police Law and Practice
 - LCRIM2111 - Quantitative methodology in Criminology and practical exercises
 - LCRIM2301 - Psychological and sociological Interviewing
- LCRIM2222** "Séminaire d'accompagnement du mémoire" has prerequisite(s) LECRI1507
- LECRI1507 - Practical Research Seminar in Criminology
- LCRIM2302** "Approches cliniques des situations de conflits et de crises" has prerequisite(s) LECRI1508 ET LCRIM2301
- LECRI1508

- LCRIM2104 - Criminal Sociology
- LCRIM2106 - Penology
- LCRIM2107 - Protection of Youth : Institution and Practices
- LCRIM2108 - Criminology and Psychiatry and practical exercises

LCRIM2307 "Droit des victimes et victimologie" has prerequisite(s) (LECRI1504 OU LECRI1504B) ET LECRI1508

- LECRI1504 - Elements of Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure
- LECRI1504B - Elements of procedure law
- LECRI1508 - Introduction to general clinical and criminological Psychology

LCRIM2308 "Approche interdisciplinaire de la sécurité" has prerequisite(s) LCRIM2101 ET LCRIM2111 ET LCRIM2106 ET LCRIM2110

- LCRIM2101 - Qualitative methodology in Criminology and practical exercises
- LCRIM2111

All Bachelor

Access based on application

Subject to approval of application

Additional training to be determined depending on the program followed previously: maximum 60 credits

Every holder of a foreign Master

Access based on application

Subject to approval of application

Additional training to be determined depending on the program followed previously: maximum 60 credits

Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

Access based on application.

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Adults who wish to enhance their professional experience or personal achievements in the field of criminology (justice houses, police, prisons, crime prevention...) will apply to the Admission Commission of the School of Criminology by submitting a VAE file.

Candidates must be able to justify at least 5 useful years of personal and/or professional experience, including successful years of higher education. For more information, please visit <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/drt/ecri/vae.html>.

They will be able to accede to the Master in Criminology with the addition of additional teaching determined according to the previous course (maximum 60 credits). For more information, visit <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/drt/ecri/mon-programme-de-cours.html>.

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Admission of students holding a non-Belgian degree

1. Conditions of admissibility of an application for admission to the Master's degree in criminology

The admission file of students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree (minimum 3 years) **in Europe** will only be examined by the Admissions Commission of the School of Criminology if the student has obtained at least 60% (or 12/20) average for all successful academic years.

The admission file of students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree (minimum 3 years) **outside Europe** will only be examined by the Admissions Committee of the School of Criminology if the student has obtained at least 65% (or 13/20) of average for all successful academic years.

This admissibility criterion is strictly applied.

2. Eligibility criteria

Academic level of the candidate

There is no universal rule because of the great diversity of backgrounds and institutions of origin. In general, however, typical cases of refusal are significantly longer than the norm for undergraduate and graduate students. Profiles with marked deficiencies in fundamental subjects for the Master in Criminology such as criminal law, sociology, clinical psychology, methodology are also typically refused.

The jury decides on the admissibility of candidates on the basis of the elements emerging from their entire file, the quality of the training followed and/or the subjects seen in the field of human and social sciences.

The admissions jury determines admissibility on the basis of the dossier and, if it deems it necessary, an individual interview.

Holders of a Master's degree in specialised criminology have direct access to the Master's degree programme in criminology with an in-depth focus.

Holders of a master's degree in criminology with a thorough purpose have direct access to the master's programme in criminology with a specialised purpose.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

- Adults wishing to enhance their professional experience or personal achievements in the field of criminology are invited to visit <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/drt/ecri/vae.html>.

