

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Department of Sociology

Programme Learning Outcomes

Master of Social Sciences in the field of Criminology

Upon completion of the programme, students:

1. should be able to apply advanced knowledge of research on criminological issues;
2. should be able to assess policy proposals and implementation strategies related to current developments in criminology;
3. should be able to conduct criminological analysis and research in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China, and in an international context;
4. should understand the working of agencies other than their own and of the criminal justice system as a whole;
5. should be able to distinguish between a scientific/professional approach to crime and deviance and how to identify;
6. should be able to lead and communicate criminological concepts and research in the context of the profession.

Mapping between Programme Learning Outcomes and University Educational Aims

Programme Learning Outcomes (PLOs)	University Educational Aims for TPg Curricula
On successful completion of the programme, students should:	Benchmarked against the highest international standards, the taught postgraduate curricula at HKU are designed to enable our students to develop their capabilities in:
Programme Learning Outcome 1 Know how to apply advanced knowledge of research on criminological issues	University TPg Educational Aim 1 Critical intellectual enquiry and acquiring up-to-date knowledge and research skills in a discipline / profession University TPg Educational Aim 2 Application of knowledge and research skills to practice or theoretical exploration, demonstrating originality and creativity
Programme Learning Outcome 2 Know how to assess policy proposals and implementation strategies related to current developments in criminology	University TPg Educational Aim 1 Critical intellectual enquiry and acquiring up-to-date knowledge and research skills in a discipline / profession

	University TPg Educational Aim 3 Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems
Programme Learning Outcome 3 Know how to conduct criminological analysis and research in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China, and in an international context	University TPg Educational Aim 1 Critical intellectual enquiry and acquiring up-to-date knowledge and research skills in a discipline / profession University TPg Educational Aim 2 Application of knowledge and research skills to practice or theoretical exploration, demonstrating originality and creativity University TPg Educational Aim 3 Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems
Programme Learning Outcome 4 Understand the working of agencies other than their own and of the criminal justice system as a whole	University TPg Educational Aim 3 Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems University TPg Educational Aim 5 Awareness of and adherence to personal and professional ethics
Programme Learning Outcome 5 Know how to distinguish between a scientific/professional approach to crime and deviance and how to identify	University TPg Educational Aim 1 Critical intellectual enquiry and acquiring up-to-date knowledge and research skills in a discipline / profession University TPg Educational Aim 2 Application of knowledge and research skills to practice or theoretical exploration, demonstrating originality and creativity University TPg Educational Aim 3 Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems
Programme Learning Outcome 6 Be able to lead and communicate criminological concepts and research in the context of the profession.	University TPg Educational Aim 4 Collaboration and communication of disciplinary knowledge to specialists and the general public University Educational Aim 6 Enhancement of leadership and advocacy skills in a profession