Institutional Scholarship

Saint Joseph's University offers a 25% tuition scholarship to all new graduate degree applicants currently pursuing a master's degree in Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Homeland Security, and Environmental Protection and Safety Management. The 25% tuition discount only applies to on-campus program applicants currently working in the following fields:

- Law enforcement - local, state, police, federal personnel
- Fire safety personnel (firefighters)
- Emergency services personnel (EMT)
- Corrections and parole officers

* This discount does not apply to students enrolled in online courses or online master's degree programs.

Please contact the Graduate Criminal Justice and Public Safety Department for more information, 610-660-1269.

Financial Aid

Students applying for financial assistance through Saint Joseph's University must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). In order to be eligible for federal financial assistance, the applicant must be enrolled on a half-time basis (at least six credits per semester) and be a United States citizen or permanent resident. Current tuition rates are available by visiting sju.edu/gradtuition.

When I was looking for a program that would build on my background in pollution response with the Coast Guard, several co-workers highly recommended environmental protection and safety management at Saint Joseph’s. The program allows students to mix with a broad community of people who share the goal of making the world a safer and better place to live. The faculty are superb and the courses are both interesting and useful. My graduate experience has enabled me to do my job more effectively and to better serve the American people.

- Amy M. Beach ’03
  Lieutenant, U.S. Coast Guard

The criminal justice program at Saint Joseph's University epitomizes all that the law enforcement community strives for; justice, integrity, knowledge and commitment to public service. The proud Jesuit tradition of being a person for others is personified by the entire SJU community.

- Matthew B. McDonald ’76, ’08
  Training Supervisor, MAGLOCEPS Regional Information Sharing System

Be the person who makes a difference.

Get the master’s with magis.
Magis is a Jesuit principle that inspires us to think broader, dig deeper and work harder — not just for ourselves but for others.

The Criminal Justice and Public Safety Institute at Saint Joseph’s University is driven to create leaders committed to professional achievement through education, training, and research. In the spirit of Jesuit ideals, we create a learning community where each individual student will be challenged to “look beyond,” develop a restlessness that seeks more and can offer more, and embraces the power of transformative social justice—being men and women with and for others.

Graduate Programs with Magis

M.S. in Criminal Justice prepares students to serve as chiefs of police, intelligence officers, restorative justice coordinators, community mediators, federal law enforcement agents, and affiliate university and college faculty members. Concentrations include: administration, intelligence and crime analysis, behavior management and justice, behavior analysis, probation, parole and corrections, federal law enforcement, and criminology.

M.S. in Public Safety Management develops the administrative and functional expertise of police, fire, emergency management and other government officials involved in providing public safety services at federal, state and local levels. The program imparts practical decision-making and problem solving skills for students to advance as leaders.

M.S. in Homeland Security prepares graduates to respond effectively to threats against our country, our citizens and our resources from terrorism and natural catastrophic events. Students will be able to examine strategies, develop effective communication skills and execute efficient plans, and learn about contemporary issues of terrorism, which affect public and private sectors of our society. Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will be able to identify threats and the critical infrastructure protection needed to preserve and protect our nation’s borders.

M.S. in Environmental Protection and Safety Management concentrates on environmental management issues for individuals who work in private, non-profit or government agencies. The curriculum meets professional goals of those working in both the public sector such as the Environmental Protection Agency, state and local Departments of Environmental Protection, as well as FEMA or PEMA.

Behavior Analysis Post Master’s Certificate or Concentration in M.S. Criminal Justice
Saint Joseph’s University offers a Behavior Analyst Board Certified (BACB) approved curriculum. Students who complete the designated course of study meet the requirements to take the Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) Examination. Behavior Analysis is offered as a concentration within the Criminal Justice master’s program or as a post master’s certificate.

Graduate Certificate Programs

Behavior Analysis*
Criminal Justice*
Environmental Protection
Safety Management

*Available at the post-master’s level only.

Convenience and Flexibility

Master’s degrees, certificates and graduate certificates are offered at Saint Joseph’s University’s main campus and online.

Career Advancement

Graduates of Saint Joseph’s University’s criminal justice and public safety degree and certificate programs have sought advancement in the following career areas:

- Corporate Safety and Security
- Emergency Services Personnel
- Environmental, Health and Safety Director
- Federal Law Enforcement Agencies
- Fire and Safety
- Corrections: Parole and Probation
- Public Safety – municipal, state, federal, and private industry
- State Police

Admissions Information

To apply, visit sju.edu/gradapply

- Visit sju.edu/grad to learn more about the program, faculty, and admission requirements.
- Join us for a graduate program open house. Details about upcoming events can be found at sju.edu/gradvisit
- Apply online at sju.edu/gradapply
- Connect with us! Have a question or want to talk about your professional goals with a program advisor? We’re happy to help.