



## Master Forensics, Criminology and Law (English Track)

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# What information will you get?

- **Goal, rationale and main features of the Master FCL**
- **Programme**
- **Admission**
- **Practical aspects**
- **Career perspectives**

## Features education

- Most interdisciplinary master within the faculty of law
- Social relevance and topicality
- Problem based learning
- Electronic learning environment



# Learning goals

- **Developments and causes of crime**
- **Insight in role of legal practitioners and administration of criminal justice**
- **Importance of forensic science and disciplines**
- **Contextual understanding**



# Multidisciplinary approach of crime and administration of justice

- Law (rules of evidence)
- Psychology
- Criminology
- Criminalistics
- (Bio-) medical science
- Accountancy
- Psychiatry



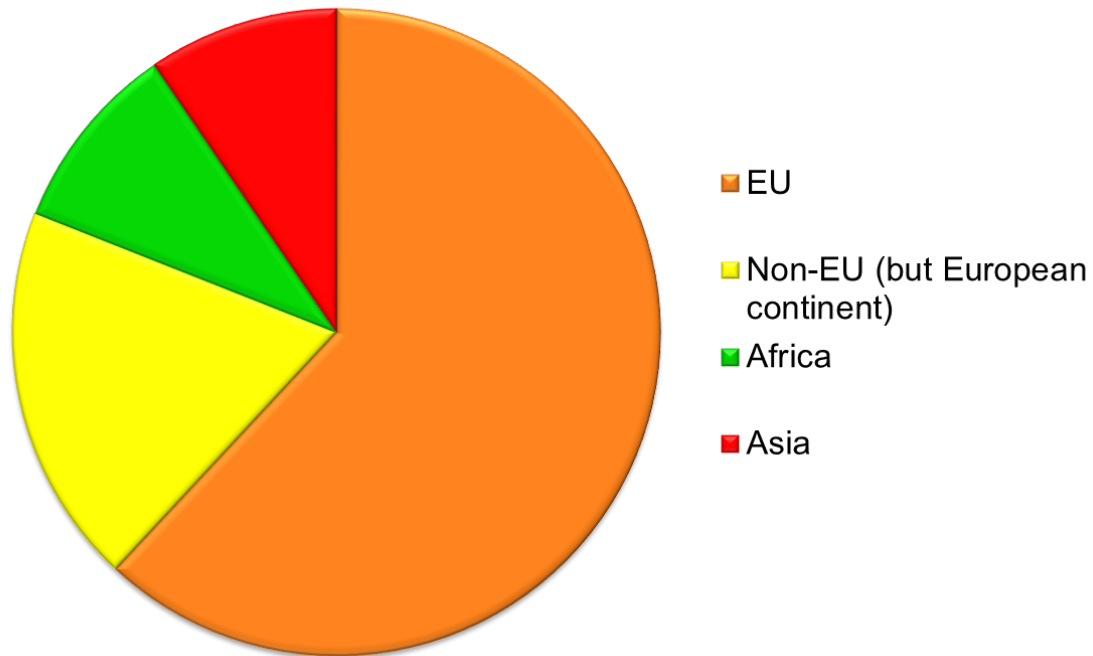
# English track

- Started in February 2011;
- 30-40 students a year from various countries;
- Primarily meant for foreign students but also Dutch students can apply;



# 21 different nationalities ...

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# Revised program starting 1-9-2019

## Main reasons:

- **Align the format of the Dutch and English track;**
- **Create more possibilities for students to select a more tailor-made program**

**Needs to be approved by the faculty council**



# Format revised program

## Four mandatory courses

- Criminological Perspectives
- Advanced Criminal Procedure
- Evidence
- Psychology and Law

## Minimum of two courses out of the following list:

- Forensic Psychopathology
- Forensic DNA
- Organisational Crime
- European Criminal Law
- International Criminal Law

## Two electives (free choice)



# Career perspectives

- Legal professions (lawyers, prosecutors, judges)
- Management positions in public bodies
- Private security industry
- Research and teaching
- Police and inspectorates
- Forensic professions;



## Entrance Exam and admission

- Entrance Exam, **except** for those with an academic Bachelor or Master degree in Law or Criminology + TOEFL or IELTS
- Admissable are:
- Bachelors University College
- Bachelors or Masters in: European Studies, Psychology, Sociology or Social Studies, or in any other forensic related academic science

# Entrance Exam

- **Test yourself whether you qualify! Know what kind of reading you can expect.**
- **For those with no legal background extra study will be indispensable!**
- **See website for literature and case law to prepare for the entrance exam**
- **Written open book exam: main test is whether the applicant can identify legal problems, can apply legal knowledge by solving a case study, and has sufficient writing skills.**
- **Possibility for taking the test online under supervision if living further than 200 Km from Maastricht**

## Research honours track

- For a limited number of ambitious master students with a research interest.
- It allows these students to acquire research as well as presentation and writing skills in addition to the regular master programme
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