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**DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY**  
**" Distance Learning Graduate Degree Program"**

## DISTANCE LEARNING DEGREE COURSES



### The University of Leicester

The University of Leicester is one of the UK's leading research and teaching universities. The University was founded as a University College in 1921 and granted a Royal Charter in 1957. The University currently has 18,005 students including 8,514 at postgraduate level. The University has been ranked by the Financial Times in the UK's top twenty universities, for three consecutive years since 2001.

The University is committed to producing research and teaching of the highest quality, to promoting undergraduate and postgraduate studies through campus-based and distance-learning programmes and to developing close collaboration with local, regional and international communities.

### The Department of Criminology

The Department of Criminology was set up in 2004. While building on the success of its previous work as the Centre for the Study of Public Order and the Scarman Centre. The new Department's research activities have been broadened to cover a wider range of criminological topics, with an emphasis on exciting new areas of study such as the development of community policing in the former Soviet Union,

defining and managing risk and security post 9/11, and identifying and dealing with crime in rural, urban and international settings.

The Department has established a global network of academic and practitioner partners, including links with: the Norwegian Police University, Gulf State University; Hong Kong University, Institute of Forensic Studies at the University of Malta, the Law Academies in Omsk and Volgograd (Russia), and Kiev and Kharkov (Ukraine). We maintain frequent contacts with experts throughout Europe, the United States and Asia, and recently visitors and students have been welcomed from such countries as Australia, Bahrain, the Baltic States, India, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Slovenia, South Africa, Uganda, and the USA.

### The Ecuadorian British Ecuadorian Chamber Of Commerce

The British-Ecuadorian Chamber of Industry and Commerce was founded in Quito on 10 March 1989 in the presence of government representatives from Britain and Ecuador. The Chamber is an organization founded to promote commerce, investment and cultural relations between Great Britain and Ecuador.

Leicester University has appointed the Chamber as its representative throughout the Andean Pact region of Latin America and the association between the University and the Chamber has been recognised by the British Embassy.

### Distance Learning Postgraduate Degrees

The Department of Criminology offers distance learning degrees in the following key areas:

#### CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The M.Sc course aims to develop and refine students' detailed knowledge and understanding of explanations of crime and the justice system. In addition the programme provides a wide-ranging examination of the extent, effects and explanations of crime, examines the criminal justice process including the police, courts and prison and analyses methods of crime prevention and control. It also offers the student the opportunity to undertake supervised research in the direct area of professional relevance. This course is accredited by the UK Law Society and the UK Bar council and has been designed to complement the formation of students and professionals alike e.g. Lawyers, Judges, Police, Armed forces and Prison Management officials.

#### COMMUNITY SAFETY

This M.Sc course is to provide professionals with detailed knowledge and understanding of the key social theories and debates surrounding community safety. Topics such as racism, criminal behavior and victimiza-

tion are analyzed and assessed, and the applications of social, political and criminological theories are examined in depth. The degree also introduces research skills to evaluate the effectiveness of community safety initiatives. This course has been developed in response to needs by Lawyers, Armed forces, Police, Community leaders, Social leaders and City officials.

### **POLICE LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT**

In an era when policing worldwide is increasingly becoming the responsibility of local and city police forces who employ private companies and civilian specialists, traditional law enforcement agencies face increased responsibilities for managing staff and resources, devising and implementing plans, accounting for budgets, and a host of other duties. These tasks require skill and knowledge that have not been traditional components of police and military training programs. Equally most other management courses focus on issues relevant to the private sector and do not take into account the public service dimensions that are central to policing. This course bridges the gap between principles and requirements of policing as a public service and the techniques, principles and ethics of contemporary management. This course is offered as an M.Sc level course.

### **SECURITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

This innovative area of study is offered to students and professionals, from the public and private sectors, to develop detailed knowledge of different aspects of crime, risk and managing security in organizations. An understanding will be developed in a range of theoretical models that explain why and how people commit crime, how to analyze and assess security risk and how to manage these issues. As part of the courses students will also learn how to design, conduct and critically appraise effective research within these areas. The courses on offer are designed to allow students and professionals, from all sectors, to provide practical and theoretical benefits that can be applied to a wide range of professional careers. This subject area can be studied at two different levels:

- M.Sc in Security and Risk Management
- Foundation Degree in Security and Risk Management

### **Postgraduate Degrees at Leicester**

The following guidelines have been provided to orient the applicant into the benefits of a postgraduate M.Sc degree:

- A distance learning M.Sc course in any of the above areas is normally studied over 2 years.
- All books and course materials will be supplied by the University of Leicester and Internet access is available to the University library, personal tutors, communication with fellow students and your individual dissertation supervisor.

- To achieve the degree in two years by distance learning a student would normally be required to dedicate between 10 to 12 hours per week for personal study.
- If a student needs advice or support, they can contact the Department of Criminology (preferably via email) and they will receive personalized assistance.
- During the period of registration, students may attend up to three study schools held at the University of Leicester (recommended but optional for distance learning students).
- All degree courses start in April and October of each year, and to enroll on a course prospective students need to have filled out an application form, paid the relevant fees and been accepted on to the course by the University of Leicester, no later than 28 February and 31 August of each year.
- To apply for an M.Sc degree a student will need to present: an English Language Proficiency Certificate (ELTS Minimum 6.5 or TOEFL 580 – both available in Ecuador); have evidence of a first or second class degree from an accepted Ecuadorian or International University; or appropriate professional qualifications; and two professional references.
- In the event that an applicant does not possess adequate academic qualifications but has extensive professional experience in the field of interest, the student may be accepted on to the M.Sc programme after successfully completing a written assessment.



### **Foundation Degree at Leicester**

A Foundation Degree course is a flexible, stand alone, academically and industrially recognized qualification, with a qualification time of between two and four years. This course provides both working and new professionals with a solid grounding in the field of security and risk manage-

ment. Many students who graduate with a Foundation Degree in Security and Risk management are encouraged to study for an M.Sc in other fields offered by the Department of Criminology (such as the M.Sc in Security and Risk Management). The foundation degree offers the following benefits:

- A cost effective and flexible way of improving your knowledge and career.
- No need to leave your job to gain an international qualification.
- Access to a course which was designed by the Department of Criminology and the National (UK) Security Industry Training Organization (SITO) to present, evaluate and resolve real issues facing today's security industry world wide.
- Develop professional and management skills in the industry.
- Develop new ideas, techniques and apply new technology to successfully resolve, manage security and risk events.
- To provide the ability to critically analyze and communicate complex security and risk issues.
- Ideal for professionals who want to enter into a new career or expand their management skills and knowledge of the challenges facing today's industry.

To apply for the Foundation Degree the prospective student will need to present evidence of an International or Ecuadorian secondary high school graduation certificate (Ecuadorian Bachiller), or a recognized professional qualification, in addition, applicants will need to be proficient in English language (ELTS Minimum 6.5 or TOEFL 580 – both available in Ecuador). The application process is designed to be flexible, if you feel that you do not have sufficient qualifications but do have experience within the security industry, police, armed forces or a similar profession we will be pleased to consider your application.

All books and course materials will be supplied by the University of Leicester and Internet access is available to the University library, personal tutors, communication with fellow students and your individual dissertation supervisor.

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### Costs for April 2006

The programmes outlined have the following costs\*:

M.Sc Programme:	USD (\$)	12,500
Foundation Degree:	USD (\$)	4,000

\*These prices are subject to change due to variations in international currency exchange rates.

### Next Steps

Contact Commercial Officer Daniela Moncayo or Chamber Manager Diego Gordon for an interview to guarantee your place on the next UNIVERSITY of LEICESTER postgraduate degree course.

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