

**SERGEANT  
JAMES L. BUTLER**  
Chief Humane Officer,  
Community Outreach &  
Protective Services Section



*“My degrees obtained from Simpson have permitted me the opportunity to cultivate a leadership role in my personal and professional endeavors. The education, experience, knowledge and exposure to other colleagues in the Master of Arts Program in Criminal Justice has allowed me to understand that leaders in today’s organizations simply do not command excellence, they must first build excellence.”*



**GINA GREGOIRE**  
Residential Officer,  
Department of  
Correctional Services

*“The skills I have developed challenge me to critically analyze policies and procedures within the workplace, which will benefit myself and my employer.”*

*“The department has developed an academically rigorous Masters program for which students are highly satisfied and faculty are highly committed to providing both undergraduate and graduate students a high-quality education.”*

**- DR. CHARLES KATZ**  
Arizona State University

**- DR. LISA SAMPLE**  
University of Nebraska, Omaha

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## CAMPUS LOCATIONS

Graduate education core coursework is taught fully online.

**Indianola Campus**  
701 North C Street  
Indianola, IA 50125

**West Des Moines Campus**  
1415 28th Street, Suite 250  
West Des Moines, IA 50266

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# MASTER OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE



DO YOUR CAREER  
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A photograph of Stacy Hartsfield, a woman with dark hair, wearing a red button-down shirt, standing in front of a window with a view of a building.

**STACY HARTSFIELD**  
Social Worker,  
Lutheran Services in Iowa

## ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM

Students who complete their undergraduate studies at Simpson College have an opportunity to receive advanced standing in the MACJ program. Advanced standing is achieved by successfully completing graduate coursework during the junior and senior year as an undergraduate student at Simpson.

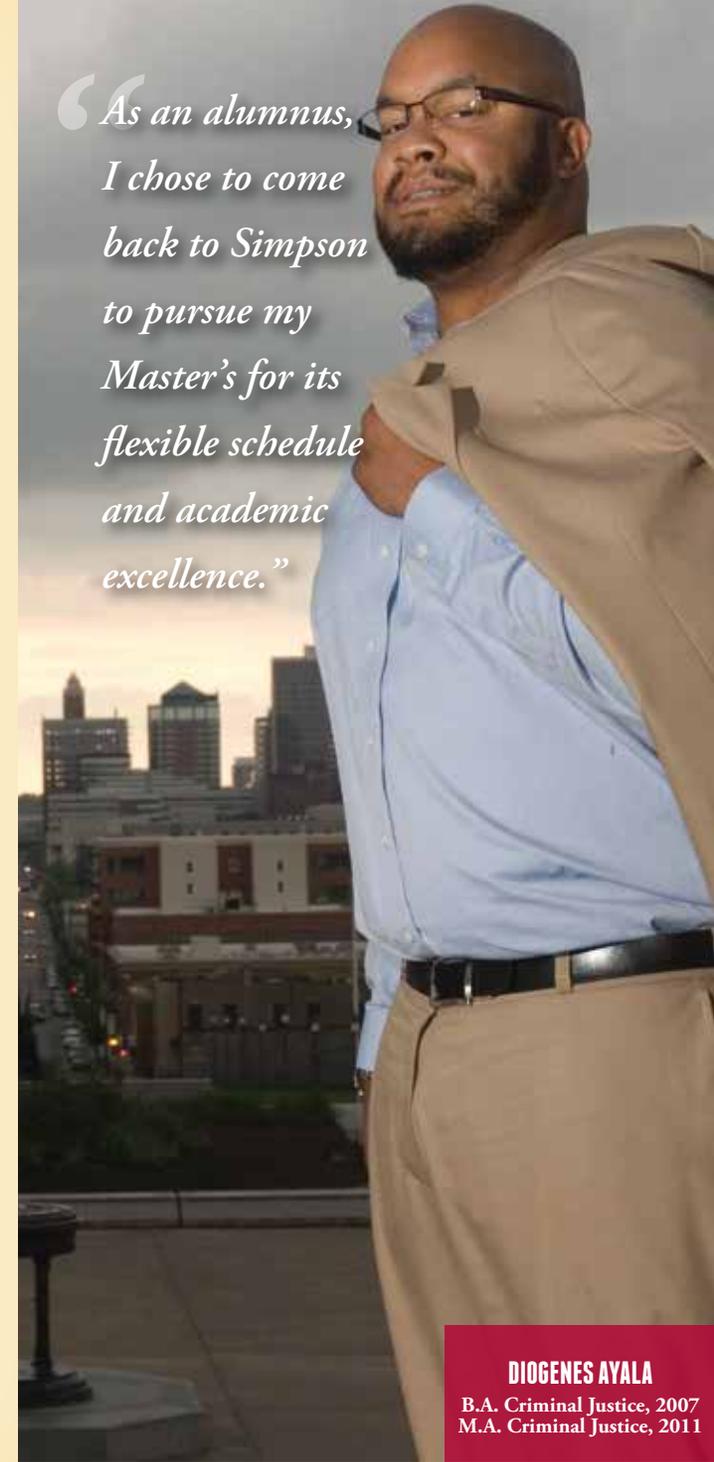
## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The MACJ consists of core classes and elective classes. All classes, as of Fall 2018, are offered in the fully online format. Some elective courses can be taken in the hybrid format.

## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must have earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. The application process includes the following:

1. Complete the graduate application for admissions at [www.simpson.edu/macj](http://www.simpson.edu/macj)
2. Submit official transcripts from all colleges previously attended. Forms for ordering transcripts are available through the MACJ advisor or on our website
3. Provide 3 letters of recommendation and a current resume
4. Complete the MACJ professional statement
5. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

A photograph of Diogenes Ayala, a man with glasses and a beard, wearing a light blue shirt and a tan jacket, standing on a balcony with a city skyline in the background.

*“As an alumnus,  
I chose to come  
back to Simpson  
to pursue my  
Master’s for its  
flexible schedule  
and academic  
excellence.”*

**DIOGENES AYALA**

B.A. Criminal Justice, 2007  
M.A. Criminal Justice, 2011

## THE PROGRAM

Students in Simpson’s MACJ program will develop a greater understanding of the criminal and juvenile justice process, the causes and conditions that contribute to criminal behavior, the relevant issues in law enforcement, administrative challenges, the adjudication process and the correctional system. Social justice, fairness and integrity in professional responses to others are consistent themes in all MACJ classes.