

Department of Criminology, Law and Society
Request to Enroll in Dissertation Proposal Credits (CRIM 998)
Dissertation Form 1

Instructions: Prior to requesting enrollment in CRIM 998, students must identify a dissertation topic and have an acting dissertation chair who has agreed to work with the student as s/he develops the proposal. The acting chair must be a member of the graduate faculty in the Department of Criminology, Law and Society. Students must submit this form to the Graduate Director prior to the start of the semester in which they *first* enroll in CRIM 998.

Student Name: _____ **G #:** _____

Semester of 1st Enrollment in CRIM 998: _____ **Credit Hours Requested (min. of 3):** _____

Dissertation Topic

Please describe your dissertation topic and list your research question(s), if determined.

Student Responsibilities:

1) Students should familiarize themselves with university and departmental rules regarding dissertation proposal credits:

- <http://catalog.gmu.edu/content.php?catoid=15&navoid=1172#doctoraldegree>
- <http://cls.gmu.edu/programs/la-phd-cls>

For example, please note:

- Students may apply a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 credits of CRIM 998 to their degree. Students may enroll in more than 6 credits of CRIM 998, but only 6 will count toward the degree.
- Students must maintain *continuous enrollment* in CRIM 998 or CRIM 999 until they submit their dissertation. This means that once a student has enrolled in CRIM 998, s/he must enroll in CRIM 998 each fall and spring semester until the time s/he advances to candidacy and enrolls in CRIM 999.

2) Students must notify the Graduate Coordinator prior to every semester they intend to enroll in CRIM 998 in order to receive a CRN code, which they will use to process their own enrollment via Patriot Web.

Student Signature

I have read the instructions and the student responsibilities above.

Student Signature

Date

Department Signatures

Acting Dissertation Chair Signature

Acting Dissertation Chair Name

Date

CLS Graduate Director Signature

CLS Graduate Director Name

Date