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Curriculum Proposal Cover Sheet - University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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Check all appropriate lines and complete information as requested. Use a separate cover sheet for each course proposal and for each program proposal.

1. Course Proposals (check all that apply)

New Course Course Prefix Change Course Deletion
 Course Revision Course Number and/or Title Change Catalog Description Change

<i>Current Course prefix, number and full title</i>	<i>Proposed course prefix, number and full title, if changing</i>
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2. Additional Course Designations: check if appropriate

This course is also proposed as a Liberal Studies Course. Other: (e.g., Women's Studies, Pan-African)
 This course is also proposed as an Honors College Course.

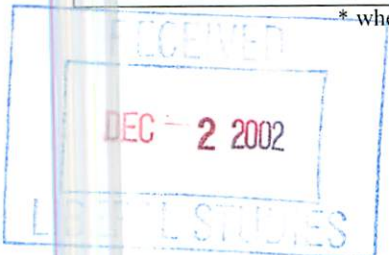
3. Program Proposals

New Degree Program Program Title Change Program Revision
 New Minor Program New Track

<i>Minor - Criminology</i>	<i>Proposed program name, if changing</i>
<i>Current program name</i>	

4. Approvals		Date
Department Curriculum Committee Chair(s)	<i>Jamie S. Martin</i>	11-08-02
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College Curriculum Committee Chair	<i>Gary [Signature]</i>	11/13/02
College Dean	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/13/02
Director of Liberal Studies *		
Director of Honors College *		
Provost *	<i>Mark [Signature]</i>	11/25/02
Additional signatures as appropriate: (include title)		
UWUCC Co-Chairs	<i>Gail Sechrest</i>	3/11/03

* where applicable



II. Description of the Curriculum Change

1) New Catalog Description – Not applicable for minor

Minor – Criminology (1) (2)

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Required Courses:

CRIM 101 – Crime and Justice Systems	3 sh (3)
CRIM 102 – Survey of Criminology	3 sh
CRIM 401 – Contemporary Issues in Criminology	3 sh
CRIM 403 – Dilemmas in Criminology and Criminal Justice	3 sh

Two CRIM electives, one chosen from Group B (4)
and one chosen from Group C (5) 6 sh

GROUP B: Critical Issues in Criminology

CRIM 354	White Collar Crime	3 sh
CRIM 374	Environmental Crime and Justice	3 sh
CRIM 384	Violence and Victimology	3 sh
CRIM 394	Crime and Delinquency Prevention	3 sh

GROUP C: Diversity Issues in Criminology

CRIM 410	Race, Ethnicity, Social Structure, and Crime	3 sh
CRIM 450	Women and Crime	3 sh
CRIM 470	Comparative Study of Justice	3 sh

- (1) Must have formal criminology department approval to be admitted to minor in Criminology.
- (2) Must have an overall 2.5 GPA to declare the minor.
- (3) Meets Liberal Studies (Social Science) requirement.
- (4) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 321 Cybersecurity and Loss Prevention, may be substituted.
- (5) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 323 Cybersecurity and the Law, may be substituted.

2) Summary of Changes

a) Table Comparing Old and New Curriculum

Old		New	
Minor – Criminology (1) (2)	18	Minor – Criminology (1) (2)	18
Required Courses:		Required Courses:	
CRIM 102 Survey of Criminology	3sh	CRIM 101 Crime and Justice Systems	3sh (3)
CRIM 210 Criminal Law	3sh	CRIM 102 Survey of Criminology	3sh
CRIM 300 Theory of Complex Criminal Justice Organizations	3sh	CRIM 401 Contemporary Issues in Criminology	3sh
CRIM 306 Criminological Research Methods	3sh	CRIM 403 Dilemmas in Criminology and Criminal Justice	3sh
CRIM 400 Theoretical Criminology	3sh	Two additional CRIM electives, one chosen from Controlled Electives Group B and one from Group C	
CRIM 401 Contemporary Issues in Criminology	3sh		3sh (4) (5)
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		3) Meets Liberal Studies (Social Science) requirement.	
		4) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 321 Cybersecurity and Loss Prevention, may be substituted for Group B elective	
		5) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 323 Cybersecurity and the Law, may be substituted for Group C elective.	

b) Summary List of All Associated Changes for Criminology Minor

1) Departmental Changes –

- a) Removal of four courses from Minor Required List:
 - i) CRIM 210 – Criminal Law
 - ii) CRIM 300 – Theory of Complex CJ Organizations
 - iii) CRIM 306 – Criminological Research Methods
 - iv) CRIM 400 – Theoretical Criminology
- b) Addition of four courses to Minor Required List:
 - i) CRIM 101 – Crime and Justice Systems
 - ii) CRIM 403 – Dilemmas in Criminology and Criminal Justice
 - iii) One course from Controlled Elective Group B and one from Group C

3) Rationale for Changes

1) Rationale for changes to minor required courses

- a) Removal of four required courses:
 - i) CRIM 210 Criminal Law is being removed from the minor required courses. Given the diverse interests of our minors this course is too narrowly focused to be an effective requirement.
 - ii) CRIM 300 is being replaced in the minor required list by the more general CRIM 101.
 - iii) CRIM 306 is being removed from the minor required list as most disciplines have their own specialized methods course.
 - iv) CRIM 400 is being removed from the minor course. Students pursuing the minor will receive coverage of criminological theories in CRIM 102. A second theory course will no longer be required of minors.
- b) Addition of four minor required courses:
 - i) CRIM 101 is being added to the minor required course list to insure that students have an overview of the criminal justice system.
 - ii) CRIM 403 is being added to the minor required course list. This course is developed to provide students with the opportunity to consider issues such as the use of deadly force, the use of certain investigative techniques, and the appropriateness of the death penalty in a classroom setting prior to facing them in real life.
- c) Two additional CRIM courses: one from Controlled Elective Group B and one from Group C. This requirement is included to insure that students pursuing the minor complete courses that focus on both critical issues in criminology and diversity issues in criminology, while permitting them the freedom to choose from among seven courses.

III: Implementation

- 1) **Effect on students in the existing program.**
In the transition period, we will continue to regularly offer the courses they are required to complete. Further, we will accommodate students with unique problems on an individual basis. We anticipate a minimum number of problems, and none that we cannot resolve in the students best interest.
- 2) **Effect on teaching loads**
The revised curriculum will have no effect on teaching load. No additional faculty will be needed beyond the number currently in the department, provided that the three permanent faculty positions currently held by temporary faculty since recent retirements are retained. These positions should be converted as soon as possible for the continued support of our program.
- 3) **Effect on resources**
The revised curriculum will not require additional resources.
- 4) **Effect on enrollments**
We do not anticipate any negative impact on enrollments.

IV. Periodic Assessment

- 1) The Criminology Department Curriculum Committee [DCC] will be maintained as a standing committee. The DCC is responsible for evaluating all proposed course additions, deletions, and changes, and making recommendations to the faculty.
 - v. Annual assessment: The final meeting of the year will include an assessment of curriculum changes during the academic year.
 - vi. Five-year review: The DCC will be responsible for a comprehensive review of the curriculum as part of the Department's five-year review. The comprehensive review will include:
 1. Review of all changes, additions, and deletions during the five-year period.
 2. "Exit" surveys of graduating seniors. The surveys will most likely be distributed at the final scheduling meeting* for the senior class. The surveys have not been developed, but will address issues such as:
 - a. Need for coverage of new or different aspects of the discipline

* Due to the number of majors (currently about 1000), the Criminology Department schedules group meetings, organized by class year, to distribute registration materials and to present class specific information about scheduling and graduation requirements. We expect to distribute the questionnaires during both fall and spring meetings for graduating seniors.

- b. Perceived strengths of the undergraduate curriculum
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- vii. Group discussions with faculty members. The discussions will most likely take place at a faculty meeting convened for this purpose. Topics will include, but not be limited to:
 - 1. Need for coverage of new or different aspects of the discipline
 - 2. Perceived strengths of the undergraduate curriculum
 - 3. Perceived weaknesses of the undergraduate curriculum
- viii. Surveys of the course offerings (available on-line) of similar programs.

V. Course Proposals – begin on page 25