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SUBJECT: Pre-Law Program Curriculum

TO: Dr. Ron Juliette, Co-Chairperson  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

FROM: Dr. Arthur H. Martel  
Director of the Pre-Law Program

*Arthur H. Martel*

DATE: October 7, 1988

I am responding to your memorandum of September 27, 1988, concerning the rationale for the curriculum changes in the Pre-Law Program. The Departments of Criminology and Philosophy have provided the rationale. Their responses are attached.

These courses have been in place for a number of years. However, the previous director did not implement the decision of the Pre-Law Board.

We would like to have these changes incorporated into the University Catalog as soon as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

MEMO

SUBJECT: Substitution of CR 357 (Law, Social Control and Society) for  
CR 101 (General Administration of Justice)

TO: Art Martel, Director  
Pre-Law Program

FROM: Robert J. Mutchnick, Chair *RJM*  
Dept. of Criminology

DATE: October 4, 1988

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As per your request of this day, this memo is written to clarify the reasons for replacing CR 101 (General Administration of Justice) with CR 357 (Law, Social Control and Society).

A number of years ago when the Department of Criminology revised its undergraduate curriculum one of the considerations it included was how the changes would impact on the pre-law program. The courses included in the pre-law program were studied and found to be in need of updating. The Department of Criminology, because of a shift in focus and the addition of several faculty were able to offer a course entitled Law, Social Control and Society. This course is far more analytical in nature than CR 101 and directly relates the development of law to society. It is the belief of the faculty of the Department that this course is better suited for the pre-law program than is the over-view of the justice system.

It is our hope that we can prepare students in the pre-law program to be creative thinking individuals. This is in keeping with the Liberal Studies Program objectives.

Date: October 4, 1988

Subject: Pre-Law Interdisciplinary Minor: Philosophy of Law Course

To: Art Martel, Director Pre-Law Board  
Economics Department

From: Sharon Montgomery,<sup>SM</sup> Chairperson  
Philosophy & Religious Studies Department

Art, as I mentioned on the phone, our decision to change one of our Pre-Law courses from PH 327 American Philosophic Thought to PH 450 Philosophy of Law stems from the following rationale:

At the time we made that decision we realized that PH 450 would be more appropriate than PH 327 but we had no one to teach it. Subsequently we hired Andrew Altman (AY 82) whose specialty was Philosophy of Law. So we initiated the change (AY 82 or AY 83) and it was approved by the Pre-Law Board. Andy left IUP in AY 85 but, in the meantime, Vincent Ferrara's interest in Philosophy of Law was developing. In F87 Vincent spent his sabbatical at Georgetown Law School studying legal theory. He taught PH 450 in S88 and subsequently published in that area. We remain convinced that PH 450 is the more appropriate course and Vincent will offer it at least every other semester.

It is also worth noting that, although PH 327 still exists, PH 327 is not in the current IUP catalogue because it has not been taught in the last 5 years. We presently have no one interested in teaching it.

I hope this information proves useful to you in your discussions with the Curriculum Committee. Thanks for the call and please let me know the outcome.

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March 21, 1988

Dr. Ronald A. Juliette  
Chairman, University Wide Undergraduate  
Curriculum Committee (UWUCC)  
Communications Media Department  
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Dear Dr. Juliette:

On behalf of the Pre-Law Board, I am requesting approval of course changes for the Pre-Law Program. We would like to replace:

- CR 101 General Administration of Justice  
with
- CR 357 Law, Social Control, and Society  
and
- PH 327 American Philosophic Thought  
with
- PH 450 Philosophy of Law

I have enclosed a copy of the old program as well as a copy of the suggested revised program.

These revisions are being requested on the grounds that these new courses are more consistent with the overall objectives of the program.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Arthur H. Martel  
Director of the Pre-Law  
Program

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Enclosures

OLD PROGRAM

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

PRE-LAW MINOR - 21 HOURS

Each course below carries three semester hours credit. The pre-law student must earn credits in at least one Program course in each Program department other than his department of major affiliation. The remaining three hours are chosen from any of the six departments.

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| Business          | AG 201 Accounting Principles I<br>AG 202 Accounting Principles II<br>AD 235 Introduction to Business Law                             |
| Criminology       | <u>CR 101 General Administration of Justice</u><br>CR 210 Criminal law<br>CR 260 Criminal Procedure and<br>Admissibility of Evidence |
| Economics         | EC 121 Principles of Economics I<br>EC 122 Principles of Economics II<br>EC 332 Government and Business                              |
| English           | EN 213 American Literature: Beginnings<br>to the Present<br>EN 220 Advanced Composition I<br>EN 310 Public Speaking                  |
| History           | HI 320 History of England to 1688<br>HI 321 History of England, 1688 to<br>Present<br>HI 346 Recent U.S. History                     |
| Philosophy        | PH 101 General Logic: Methods of<br>Critical Thinking<br>PH 222 Ethics<br><u>PH 327 American Philosophical Thought</u>               |
| Political Science | PS 358 Judicial Process<br>PS 359 Constitutional Law and Civil<br>Liberties<br>PS 361 Modern Political Thought                       |

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