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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) <input type="checkbox"/> New Course <input type="checkbox"/> Course Prefix Change <input type="checkbox"/> Course Deletion <input type="checkbox"/> Course Revision <input type="checkbox"/> Course Number and/or Title Change <input type="checkbox"/> Catalog Description Change		
<u>Current</u> Course prefix, number and full title		<u>Proposed</u> course prefix, number and full title, if changing
2. Additional Course Designations: check if appropriate <input type="checkbox"/> This course is also proposed as a Liberal Studies Course. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (e.g., Women's Studies, Pan-African) <input type="checkbox"/> This course is also proposed as an Honors College Course.		
3. Program Proposals <input type="checkbox"/> New Degree Program <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Catalog Description Change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Revision <input type="checkbox"/> New Minor Program <input type="checkbox"/> Program Title Change <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> New Track		
<u>Current</u> program name		<u>Proposed</u> program name, if changing
BA-Criminology/Pre-Law Track BA-Criminology Minor-Criminology		
4. Approvals		Date
Department Curriculum Committee Chair(s)	See proposal 08-27a	
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College Curriculum Committee Chair	See proposal 08-27a	
College Dean	See proposal 08-27a	
Director of Liberal Studies *		
Director of Honors College *		
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Additional signatures as appropriate: (include title)		
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Part II Description of Curriculum Change (Changes in bold)

Summary of the Proposed Revisions

The Criminology Department no longer requires change of major students to have a 2.5 GPA in order to become Criminology majors or minors. Deleting the statement will inform students of this new policy.

Current Catalog Description

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To qualify for change of major, a student must be in academic good standing (2.00 cumulative GPA) *and* must meet any other requirements specific to the major. Criminology majors and all teacher certification programs have requirements beyond a 2.00 GPA.

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Students who wish to change their major to Criminology or Criminology Pre-Law, or to minor in Criminology, must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 at the time of application to be accepted formally by the department.

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Delete statement

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Minor–Criminology (1, 2)

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Required Courses:		
CRIM 101	Crime and Justice Systems (3)	3cr
CRIM 102	Survey of Criminology	3cr
CRIM 401	Contemporary Issues in Criminology	3cr
CRIM 403	Dilemmas in Criminology and Criminal Justice	3cr
Two additional CRIM electives, one chosen from Controlled Electives Group B and one from Group C. (4, 5)		6cr
<p>(1) Must have formal Criminology Department approval to be admitted to minor in Criminology.</p> <p>(2) Must have an overall 2.5 GPA to declare the minor.</p> <p>(3) Meets Liberal Studies Social Science requirement.</p> <p>(4) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 321 may be substituted for Group B elective.</p> <p>(5) For students in the Computer Science Information Assurance major, CRIM 323 may be substituted for Group C elective.</p>		

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List of Changes

Deleting catalog statements that require a 2.5GPA to change to a Criminology major or minor.

Rationale for the Revisions

Current Criminology majors and minors are not required to maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA to stay in the program. Transfer students are not required to have a 2.5 GPA to declare Criminology as their major, nor do current Criminology majors have to maintain a 2.5 GPA to stay in the program. The Department believes this is unfair to current IUP students to maintain a 2.5 GPA to process a change of major or minor, when transfer students and current Criminology students do not have that same requirement. Deletion of the 2.5 GPA requirement will ensure fairness and consistency of treatment to all students interested in becoming Criminology majors or minors.

Summary of the Proposed Revisions

The Criminology Department instituted a curriculum change beginning in Fall 2003. These current changes are designed to update and solidify minor revisions to that curriculum modification. The Department also found that many Criminology majors and minors are taking core courses when they are not prepared, due to non-existent prerequisites. These changes will correct this problem to ensure students are completing the correct sequences of courses (i.e. 100-level courses before 200-level, and 200-level before 300-level, etc.). Also, these changes may allow non-Criminology majors the opportunity to take classes in our department, besides CRIM 101, which is also a Social Science option. The Criminology Department would also like to change the course title and terminology of law enforcement to policing in CRIM 205 to broaden the scope of the class and be more reflective of the appropriate use and study of this field. Lastly, the Criminology Department adds CRIM 344 Terrorism as a Controlled Elective under Group B: Critical Issues in Criminology.

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Minor/Concentration:		15-21	Minor/Concentration:	
Free Electives:		9-15	Free Electives	
Total Degree Requirements:		120	Total Degree Requirements:	
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Other Requirements: Pre-Law interdisciplinary track 15-21 Seven courses, including at least one from each of the six areas: Business: ACCT 201, ACCT 202, BLAW 235 Economics: ECON 121, 122, 332 English: ENGL 212, 220, 310 History: HIST 320, 321, 346 Philosophy: PHIL 101, 222, 450 Political Science: PLSC 358, 359, 361		Other Requirements: Pre-Law interdisciplinary track 15-21 Seven courses, including at least one from each of the six areas: Business: ACCT 201, ACCT 202, BLAW 235 Economics: ECON 121, 122, 332 English: ENGL 212, 220, 310 History: HIST 320, 321, 346 Philosophy: PHIL 101, 222, 450 Political Science: PLSC 358, 359, 361	
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List of Changes

1. Course title and description change to CRIM 205.
2. Adding CRIM 344 as a Controlled Elective under Group B: Critical Issues in Criminology.

Part III. Implementation

1. This proposed revision will not affect students already in the existing program since they entered the program without the required 2.5 GPA or they had the 2.5 GPA upon changing majors or minors into Criminology. The proposed revision will only impact current IUP students who want to change their major or minor to Criminology.
2. Faculty resources are adequate to meet this change (See Item #4 below for more information). We offer required and elective courses every semester, including summers, so new classes will not need to be provided to meet this change.
3. All other resources are adequate to meet this proposed revision.
4. We expect there may be some increase in the number of students who become Criminology majors or minors, but there is no indication that the increase would exceed our ability to manage the students. We have flexibility in our class scheduling to accommodate any need for additional sections of required classes by reducing the number of electives, which we could do without hampering our students' abilities to make adequate progress toward degree completion. Also, although a high percentage of our classes are fully enrolled, there are always some seats still available each semester, into which students would be directed.

Part IV. Periodic Assessment

1. We will evaluate student learning from this proposed change in three ways. First, the Criminology Advising Center receives student input every semester in reference to course difficulties, academic probation issues, and availability. The Advising Center will continue to assess courses based on formal and informal student input they receive each semester. The Department's Undergraduate Curriculum Committee will assess student needs to determine if a new component should be added to the Department's Five Year Review to ensure departmental goals are met in reference to student learning. Lastly, the Five-Year Department Evaluation, which contains an external assessment conducted by the American Criminal Justice Society, will factor in student learning input into the assessment as part of each evaluation component.
2. The proposed change will be evaluated each semester and added to the Criminology Departments current five year curriculum review assessment.
3. The Criminology Advising Center will be primarily responsible for assessing this proposed change on a semester-by-semester basis. The Advising Center currently maintains course enrollment and overenrollment information. The Department's Five Year Review Committee conducts the necessary assessments for our department.

Part V. Not Applicable

Part VI. Letters of Support See proposal 08-21a

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