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1. **Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

In BA Criminology major:

* Removal of POSC and PSY electives.
* Move CRIM 3183 Institutional Corrections, CRIM 3193 Community Corrections and CRIM 3223 Police and Society from required course options to elective options.
* Move CRIM 4103 Criminal Justice Systems from an elective to a required course.
1. **Effective Date**

Fall 2022; Bulletin year 2022-2023

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

We would like to remove the Political Science and Psychology course options because they do not align with the program-level assessment goals of the undergraduate Criminology program. We also want to encourage our students to take classes within their field of study before taking classes outside of the department given the wide variety of criminology courses we regularly offer within our department.

Institutional Corrections and Community Corrections are specialty areas within the discipline of Criminology rather than an essential or core criminology topic. It fits more appropriately as an elective within the curriculum than a required course. In addition, we currently have 9 required courses for Criminology undergraduate students and we would like to reduce this to allow students to take more electives of their choosing.

Police and Society is a specialty area within the discipline of Criminology rather than an essential or core criminology topic. It fits more appropriately as an elective within the curriculum than a required course. In addition, we currently have 9 required courses for Criminology undergraduate students and we would like to reduce this to allow students to take more electives of their choosing.

Criminal Justice Systems provides students with a detailed overview of the branches of the criminal justice system, including policing, courts, and corrections. Within these sections, students learn about the actors and processes when an individual gets involved with the criminal justice system. Additionally, this course provides students the opportunity to critically think about how the processes within the criminal justice system look for individuals across gender, age, race, and class as well as what this looks like across types of crime and delinquency. This course is foundational for a Criminology/Criminal Justice degree, and intersects with all other important aspects of the field, including theory, methods, and policy.

**Bulletin Changes**

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CURRENT

**Major in Criminology**

**Bachelor of Arts**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
| See University General Requirements for Baccalaureate degrees (p. 47) |  |
| **First Year Making Connections Course:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| SOC 1013, Making Connections Sociology | **3** |
| **General Education Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| See General Education Curriculum for Baccalaureate degrees (p. 84)**Students with this major must take the following:***Twelve hours in Social Sciences (Required Departmental Gen. Ed. Option), including one of the following:**GEOG 2613, Introduction to Geography POSC 2103, Introduction to U. S. Government PSY 2013, Introduction to Psychology**SOC 2213, Introduction to Sociology* | **35** |
| **Language Requirement:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| Foreign Language*Refer to Foreign Language Requirement in College of Liberal Arts and Communication.* | **0-12** |
| **Major Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| CRIM 1023, Introduction to Criminal Justice | 3 |
| CRIM 2263, Criminal Evidence and Procedure **~~OR~~**~~POSC 3683, Criminal Law and the Constitution~~ | 3 |
| ~~CRIM 3183, Institutional Corrections~~ **~~OR~~**~~CRIM 3193, Community Corrections~~ | ~~3~~ |
| ~~CRIM 3223, Police and Society~~ |  ~~3~~ |
| CRIM 3263, Criminology | 3 |
| CRIM 4103, Criminal Justice Systems |  3 |
| CRIM 4243, Social Justice | 3 |
| CRIM 4323, Applied Research | 3 |
| SOC 3383, Social Statistics | 3 |
| SOC 4293, Methods of Social Research | 3 |

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| **Electives (select 21 hours from the following):**CRIM 2043, Community Relations CRIM 2253, Criminal InvestigationCRIM 2263, Criminal Evidence and Procedure*~~If not used for major core course requirement.~~* CRIM 3183, Institutional Corrections  CRIM 3193, Community Corrections CRIM 3223, Police and Society CRIM 3323, Juvenile Delinquency CRIM 3423, Serial Homicide~~CRIM 4103, Criminal Justice Systems~~ CRIM 4503, Special TopicsCRIM 460V, Independent Study CRIM 4703, InternshipHIST 3583, History of Law Enforcement ~~POSC 3113, American Municipal Government POSC 3143, State and Local Government~~~~POSC 3683, Criminal Law and the Constitution~~*~~If not used for major core course requirement.~~* ~~POSC 4633, Environmental Law and Administration PSY 3413, Adolescent Psychology~~~~PSY 2233, Abnormal Psychology~~ SOC 2223, Social Problems SOC 3273, Social Stratification SOC 3293, Self and Society SOC 3353, Minority Groups SOC 3463, Collective BehaviorSOC 4003, Perspectives on Death and Dying SOC 4063, Sociology of DisastersSOC 4073, Sociology of Family Violence **OR**SW 4213, Introduction to Interpersonal Violence SOC 4203, Social DevianceSOC 4233, Social Organization SOC 4243, Social TheorySOC 4253, Rural SociologySOC 4263, Terrorism as a Social Movement SOC 4273, World Population and Society SOC 4283, Qualitative Data AnalysisSOC 4333, Sociology of Youth Subcultures SOC 4363, Environmental SociologySW 3323, Substance Abuse: Intervention and Treatment SW 3343, Child Abuse and Neglect | ~~21~~ 24 |
| **Sub-total** | **48** |
| **Electives:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| Electives | **22-34** |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **120** |

PROPOSED

**Major in Criminology**

**Bachelor of Arts**

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| See University General Requirements for Baccalaureate degrees (p. 47) |  |
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| SOC 1013, Making Connections Sociology | **3** |
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| **Major Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| CRIM 1023, Introduction to Criminal Justice | 3 |
| CRIM 2263, Criminal Evidence and Procedure  | 3 |
| CRIM 3263, Criminology | 3 |
| CRIM 4103, Criminal Justice Systems |  3 |
| CRIM 4243, Social Justice | 3 |
| CRIM 4323, Applied Research | 3 |
| SOC 3383, Social Statistics | 3 |
| SOC 4293, Methods of Social Research | 3 |

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| **Sub-total** | **48** |
| **Electives:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| Electives | **22-34** |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **120** |

**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Year 1** |
| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
| **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** | **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** |
| SOC 1013 | FYE Making Connections | 3 | Yes | ENG 1013 | English Composition II | 3 | Yes |
| ENG 1003 | English Composition I | 3 | Yes |  | FINE ARTS: Music, Visual, orTheater | 3 | Yes |
| BIOL1003/1001 | Biological Science and Lab | 4 | Yes | PHSC1203/1201 | Physical Science and Lab | 4 | Yes |
| MATH 1023 | College Algebra | 3 | Yes | SOC 2213 | Introduction to Sociology | 3 | Yes |
| CRIM 1023 | Intro to Criminal Justice | 3 | Major | PHIL 1103 | Intro to Philosophy | 3 | Yes |
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| **Total Hours:** | 16 | **Total Hours**: | 16 |
| **Year 2** |
| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
| **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** | **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** |
|  | Foreign Language: Elementary I | 3 | Major |  | Foreign Language: Elementary II | 3 | Major |
| GEOG 2613 | Introduction to Geography | 3 | Yes | HIST 2773 | U.S. History since 1876 | 3 | Yes |
| POSC 2103 | Introduction toU.S. Government | 3 | Yes | SOC 4293 | Methods of Social Research | 3 | Major |
| 3000/4000 | Major Elective | 3 | Major | CRIM 3262 | Criminology | 3 | Major |
| CRIM 2263 | Criminal Evidence andProcedure | 3 | Major |  | Any Level General Elective | 3 | Yes |
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| **Total Hours:** | 15 | **Total Hours**: | 15 |
| **Year 3** |
| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
| **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** | **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** |
|  | Foreign Language: Intermediate I | 3 | Major |  | Foreign Language: Intermediate II | 3 | Major |
| SOC 3383 | Social Statistics | 3 | Major | CRIM 4243 | Social Justice | 3 | Major |
| CRIM 4103 | Criminal Justice Systems | 3 | Major | 3000/4000 | Major Elective | 3 | Major |
| 3000/4000 | Major Elective | 3 | Major | 3000/4000 | Major Elective | 3 | Major |
|  | Any Level General Elective | 3 | Yes |  | Any Level General Elective | 3 | Yes |
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| **Total Hours:** | 15 | **Total Hours**: | 15 |