

GRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: 2-28-24

From: Theodore Curry, Associate Chair and Graduate Program Coordinator,
Department of Criminal Justice & Security Studies

Through: Egbert Zavala, Chair, Department of Criminal Justice & Security Studies

Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

To: Martine C. Ceberio, Chair, Graduate Council



Proposal Title: Course changes to MS-CCJ program

The Department of Criminal Justice & Security Studies proposes a number of minor changes to the General Requirements of certain existing courses in the Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice Program. In one case (CRIJ 5399) the General Requirements stipulate the use of the wrong grading scale (i.e., using letter grades instead of P [progress]). In the other cases (CRIJ 5397, 5390, and 5361) the General Requirements create bottlenecks that hinder student progress toward graduation by requiring course sequencing that serves no real purpose and which would make certain students wait one or two semesters before taking a course they need to graduate.

COURSE CHANGE FORM

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All fields below are required

College : LA Department : Department of Criminal Justice & Security Studies

Effective Term : Fall 2024

Rationale for changing the course:

General requirements for this class contain bottlenecks that hinder progress toward graduation for students. Removing these general requirements will remove said bottlenecks. Students will still need departmental approval to enroll in this class

All fields below are required

Subject Prefix and number CRIJ 5361

Course Title Statistics in Intel & CJ

(Course descriptions are limited to 600 characters)

(Course titles are limited to 29 characters)

Change	From	To
General requirements	(Course or Test: CRIJ 5302 May not be taken concurrently.) and (Course or Test: INSS 2304 May be taken concurrently.) or (Course or Test: STAT 2480 May be taken concurrently.)	(Course or Test: CRIJ 5302 May not be taken concurrently.)

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Effective Term : Fall 2024

Rationale for changing the course:

General requirements for this class contain bottlenecks that hinder progress toward graduation for students. Removing these general requirements will remove said bottlenecks. Students will still need departmental approval to enroll in this class

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Subject Prefix and number CRIJ 5390

Course Title Capstone in Criminology/CJ
(Course descriptions are limited to 600 characters)
(Course titles are limited to 29 characters)

Change	From	To
General requirements	Course or Test: CRIJ 5300 CJ administration Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently. and Course or Test: CRIJ 5310 Theory Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently. and Course or Test: CRIJ 5315 CJ policy Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently. and Course or Test: CRIJ 5350 Program evaluation Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently.) and (Course or Test: CRIJ 5305 Proseminar Minimum Grade of B	[Blank. These general requirements will be removed in their entirety and not replaced.]

	May not be taken concurrently	

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Effective Term : Fall 2024

Rationale for changing the course:

General requirements for this class contain bottlenecks that hinder progress toward graduation for students. Removing these general requirements will remove said bottlenecks. Students will still need departmental approval to enroll in this class.

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Subject Prefix and number CRIJ 5397

Course Title Master's Thesis I

(Course descriptions are limited to 600 characters)

(Course titles are limited to 29 characters)

Change	From	To
General requirements	Course or Test: CRIJ 5305 (proseminar) Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently. and Course or Test: CRIJ 5310 (advanced theory) Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently. and Course or Test: CRIJ 5315 (seminar in CJ policy) Minimum Grade of B May not be taken concurrently.	[Blank. These general requirements will be removed in their entirety and not replaced.]

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Effective Term : Fall 2024

Rationale for changing the course:

General requirements contain an error. This is a Thesis II course. General requirements say that students must have a minimum grade of B in CRIJ 5397 (Thesis I) but this course is only graded with P (progress) and is not given a letter grade. And, students should not be allowed to take Thesis II concurrently with Thesis I (CRIJ 5397). Students will still need departmental approval to enroll in this class.

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Subject Prefix and number CRIJ 5399

Course Title Master's Thesis II

(Course descriptions are limited to 600 characters)

(Course titles are limited to 29 characters)

Change	From	To
General requirements	Course or Test: CRIJ 5397 Minimum Grade of B May be taken concurrently	Course or Test: CRIJ 5397 Minimum Grade of P May not be taken concurrently

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CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

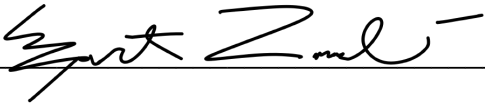
APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Course changes to MS-CCJ program

College: Liberal Arts Department: Department of Criminal Justice & Security Studies

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Egbert Zavala

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.



Signature

2-5-24

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa Chew

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

Signature

Date