

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number

or Degree Plan(s): BA and BS in Criminal Justice

State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

The Department of Political Science is proposing a BA and BS in Criminal Justice. This new degree is highly anticipated with the move of the CJ program to our department. The new major will have a B.A. (sophomore-level Spanish required) and a B.S. The current ACU degree is a B.S. in POLS with emphasis in Criminal Justice. A new degree plan has been submitted.

With regard to the language question, Spanish is a TCOLE (Texas Commission on Law Enforcement) requirement, either basic or advanced. We know it is of great advantage for our students to finish a B.A. with a Spanish requirement for the language, but our experience has also shown that some students will not complete this, so we will offer the B.S. also. Students can opt for a language other than Spanish.

Criminal justice degree programs at four-year institutions typically include coursework in policing, criminal courts, corrections, criminal procedure, criminal law, victimology, juvenile justice, statistics or research, and a special topics option. We are proposing several new offerings to ensure our degree reflects these.

No additional resources or teachers are needed for these additions to the CJ Program.

Circle the number that corresponds to the requested change. Degree plan changes are on the second page.

COUNCIL**

	Change to a Course	D e p t . / S c h o o l	C o l l e g e A c a d e m i c	D e a n s A c a d e m i c	T E C	U G E C	U U A C	G R A D	P r o v o s t	P r e s i d e n t
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I				I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I				I	I
3.	Content (substantive change)	A	A	A	I				A	A
4.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A	A				A	A
5.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I				I	I
6.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A				A	A
7.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I				I	I
8.	Course fee(s)	A	--	A	--				A	I
9.	From U to G or G to U	A	A	A	A				A	A
10.	Cross list with another dept: U or G level	A	A	A	A				A	A

11	Department of record	A	A	A	A				A	A
12	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A				A	A
13	New course — See Adams Center for packet. This change includes combining or splitting a course(s).	A	A	A	A				A	A

* Councils may request additional information about “Information” items. These items are approved as “Consent Agenda.”

**Courses offered only to students seeking teacher certification must go through the Teacher Education Council.

Note: When an academic unit does not have a council, the UGEC and/or UUAC will serve as its academic council, depending on the nature of the issue.

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	Change to a Degree Plan	Dept. / School	College Academic	College Academic Deans	TEC	COUNCIL			Provost	Faculty	President
						UGEC	UUAC	GRAD			
1.	University Requirements — Change in approved course content**	A	A	A	A				A	--	A
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements chart**	A	A	A	A				A	A	A
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements**	A	A	A	A				A	--	A
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu on the University Requirements chart**	A	A	A	A				A	A	A
5.	Major — Revision of major ♦ ‡	A	A	A	A				A	--	A
6.	Major — Adopt or change admission requirements	A	A	A	A				A	--	A
7.	Major — Add or discontinue	A	A	A	A				A	A	A
8.	GPA — Revise major or cumulative requirement	A	A	A	A				A	A	A
9.	Minor — Revise course selection	A	A	A	I				I	--	I
	Minor — Add or discontinue	A	A	A	A				A	--	A
10.	Degree — Add BA and BS in Criminal Justice	A	A	A	A				A	A	A
11.	Any change to a graduate degree program*	A	A	A	A				A	--	A

♦ A minimum of 30 hours is required for a major. A maximum is specified for each degree (e.g., BA, BS). The university minimum for elective hours is 6, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible.

‡ Program or course changes applying to any major that includes Teacher Certification will be reviewed by the college, the Teacher Education Council (TEC), and then the UUAC.

* All graduate degree plan changes must go through the Graduate Council.

** Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements (General Education) will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and corequisites, appeal to more than one or two majors, and "not narrowly focus on those skills, techniques, and procedures specific to a particular

occupation or profession” (SACS 2.7.3). Departments may request exceptions to the first three criteria.
Note: The Board of Trustees is informed when a major or degree is added or discontinued.

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Approval Chart for Academic Information Changes

	Change to the Catalog	D e p t . / S c h o o l	C o l l e g e A c a d e m i c	C o l l e g e A c a d e m i c D e a n s	U G E C	U U A C	G R A D	P r o v o s t	F a c u l t y	P r e s i d e n t	B o a r d o f T r u s t e e s
1.	General requirements for graduation including course requirements that are common to all majors for all degrees*	--	--	--	A			A	A	A	--
2.	Admission requirements	--	--	--	A			A	A	A	--
3.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	--	--	--	A			A	A	A	--
4.	Requirements for graduating with honors	--	--	--	A			A	A	A	--
5.	Other academic policy changes	--	--	--	A			A	--	A	

* The UUAC approved the clarification that “general requirements for graduation” means the seventeen items in the “General Requirements for Bachelor’s Degrees” section of the catalog.

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Curriculum/Catalog Changes Signature Page

Department/School Chair(s)



Signature

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College Academic Council(s)



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Dean(s)



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Teacher Education Council

Chair's signature

Approval date

General Education Council

Chair's signature

Approval date

Undergraduate Academic Council

Chair's signature

Approval date

Graduate Council

Chair's signature

Approval date

Provost

Signature

Approval date

<i>Faculty</i>	
<i>Chair of faculty senate</i>	<i>Approval date</i>

<i>President</i>	
<i>Signature</i>	<i>Approval date</i>

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BS)

BS: CRIMINAL JUSTICE (POLC)

UNIVERSITY Requirements

Please see the University Requirements section of this catalog
(page 39).

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

POLC 205 Introduction to Criminal Justice.....	3
POLC 250 Police Systems and Practices	3
POLC 320 Criminal Law	3
POLC 330 Domestic Violence.....	3
POLC 365 Search and Seizure	3
POLC 420 Law Enforcement Leadership	3
POLC 430 Evidence and Procedure	3
POLC 455 Professionalism and Ethics in Criminal Justice ..	3
POLC 499 Criminal Justice Internship (capstone course-writing intensive).....	3
TOTAL	27

¹ Hours (in parentheses) may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours

SUPPLEMENT FOR MAJOR

Political Science

POLS 225 National Government	(3) ¹
POLS 384 American Judicial Process.....	3
POLS 432 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights.....	3
POLS 487 Terrorism Studies	3

Sociology

SOCI 388 Crime and Delinquency.....	3
SOCI 415 Social Research (writing intensive).....	3
TOTAL	15

ELECTIVES

Choose electives, including from the following optional courses:

POLC 350
POLC 370
SOCI 355

Minimum 30

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS 72

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Statement of professional competence from internship sponsor

Exit interview

Minimum grade for each course in major C

Minimum GPA in major 2.25

Minimum GPA for graduation 2.00

Minimum advanced hours 33

Minimum total hours 128

*Courses numbered 0** do not count in
minimum hours required for degree.*

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BA)

BA→

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (POLC)

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MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

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POLC 330 Domestic Violence.....	3
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Foreign Language

SPAN 221, 222	6
(Language other than Spanish acceptable with permission of department chair)	

English

Sophomore (or higher) Literature	3
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TOTAL 24

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POLC 370
SOCI 355

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Exit interview	
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Minimum GPA for graduation	2.00
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