

TWO (2) YEAR POST CYCLICAL PROGRAM REVIEW FOLLOW-UP REPORT

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

PROGRAM	IQAP REVIEW DATE	SENATE APPROVED
School of Criminal Justice -School of Criminology and Criminal Justice -Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Program	January 23, 2019	September 13, 2019
This report was approved by Senate on April 8, 2022		

PROGRESS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATION	% COMPLETE	RESPONSIBLE MEMBER/UNIT	STATUS IF NOT COMPLETED, PLEASE PROVIDE PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE
#1 Articulate the tenets of the NU Strategic Plan and the School's Self Study Academic Planning. Strengthen these aspects in course and program planning and materials	100%	School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	The School continues to offer a course on Indigenous Legal Issues and include Indigenous issues and topics related to the justice system in many of its course offerings including women, suicide, correctional system, policing, parolees, implementation of the Gladue decision and mental health. The School had planned to investigate developing a course with the Chair of Indigenous Studies on Indigenous health, wellness and the role of the justice system, but insufficient faculty and the advent of COVID-19 pandemic has interrupted progress. The School has included the newly approved and required course CRJS 3436 Racialization of the Politics of Judicial Typcasting

#2 Refresh the School's vision and mission statements to also include Indigenization, equity and inclusivity beyond the presentation of topics and guest speakers in these areas.	100%	School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice is committed to the mission of the university to focus on Indigenization. Efforts to support this mission include course development (ex. Indigenous Legal Studies, Vulnerable Populations) and guest lectures. A number of the faculty are actively engaged in research that includes focus on Indigenous people and the criminal Justice system, and has involved consultation with various Indigenous organizations/groups/offices (ex. Enji giigdoyang, and the Office of Indigenous Initiatives.
#3 Change the name of the School to the School of Criminal Justice to better reflect its actual Program and streams.	100%	School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	At the ARCC meeting of February 11, 2022 the following motion was passed and is currently scheduled to be tabled at the next ACC on February 25, 2022: <i>"That the Education and Professional Studies Executive recommend to the Academic Curriculum Committee that the School of Criminology & Criminal Justice be renamed as the School of Criminal Justice"</i>
#7 Consider offering a major or a minor in Criminal Justice which would be available to students in other programs across the Arts and Science Faculties.	100%	School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	The School currently offers a minor in Legal Studies available to students in other departments and Schools. The School currently offers a Major in Criminal Justice. Students are not able to do a double major with Criminal Justice as one of the majors because of the sheer number of required courses that the students in Criminal Justice are required to take. Students may take a second degree in Criminal Justice that can be completed in approximately 18 months to 2 years.
#17 Revise the Vulnerable Populations (CRJS 3356) course to be a core requirement.	100%	School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	At the ARCC meeting of February 11, 2022 the following motion was passed and is currently scheduled to be tabled at the next ACC on February 25, 2022: that the course CJRS 3356 be added to the Policing and Corrections streams as a required course.
#27 - Revise grad student placement protocol	0%	Graduate Committee Sociology	This decision will need to be made by the Graduate committee for the Applied Sociology MA which has yet to be done.
#31 - Make a decision on the physical space of the School	0%	Administration	Repeated requests have been submitted by the department without response from Administration.

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS TO DATE

In efforts to modernize the School, a number of initiatives have been made. For example, the ACC and Senate approved a new pathway (2 years college/2 years Nipissing) for Police Foundations and Community and Justice Services diploma graduates into the BA Honours Criminal Justice (Policing and Corrections Streams respectively). New courses have been developed including CRJS 2127 Interpreting Criminal Justice Research for students in the Policing and Corrections streams which is better suited to their needs. Other changes in line with IQAP recommendations include the creation of a new course: CRJS 3436 Racialization and the Politics of Judicial Typecasting and making CRJS 3356 Vulnerable Populations a required course for Policing and Corrections students. A summary of the changes are as follows:

Removing courses and replacing them with courses more in line with their applied needs:

Removing:

- From the courses required by all students regardless of stream: Remove: SOCI 2126 Introduction to Sociological Research Methods and SOCI 2127 Quantitative Research Methods
- From the required courses in the Corrections stream: Remove CRJS 3086 Law & Society and CRJS 3087 Law & Society II
- From the required courses in the Policing stream: Remove CRJS 3086 Law & Society and CRJS 3087 Law & Society II

Adding:

- From the courses required by all students regardless of stream: Add CRJS 3436 Racialization and the Politics of Judicial Typecasting.
- From the required courses in the Criminal Justice stream: Add CRJS 2126 Interpreting Criminal Justice Research and to the Criminal Justice Electives list, Add: CRJS 3086 Law & Society and CRJS 3087 Law & Society II and Add CRJS 3046 Interpersonal Communications in Criminal Justice and require one less elective from the Electives list (from 45 to 42).
- From the required courses in the Corrections stream: Add CRJS 2126 Interpreting Criminal Justice Research and CRJS 3356 Vulnerable Populations and to the Corrections Elective list add: CRJS 3046 Interpersonal Communications in Criminal Justice and require one less elective.
- From the required courses in the Policing stream: Add CRJS 2126 Interpreting Criminal Justice Research and CRJS 3356 Vulnerable Populations and to the Policing Electives list add CRJS 3046 Interpersonal Communications in Criminal Justice.
- From the required courses in the Criminology stream: Add SOCI 2126 Introduction to Sociological Research Methods, SOCI 2127 Quantitative Research Methods and CRJS 4466 Program Policy Evaluation and to the Criminology Electives list add: CRJS 3046 Interpersonal Communications in Criminal Justice

LIST OF ACTION ITEMS LEADING UP TO NEXT REVIEW

CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS/NEXT STEPS – PLEASE ADD CONCLUDING SUMMARY REGARDING NEXT STEPS

The School will continue to modernize its course offerings to attract additional students to the program. Next steps include consulting with the Chair of Indigenous Studies to develop a new course on Indigenous health, wellness and the role of the justice system. The School will strive to ensure that its courses are up-to-date and in line with those offered at other comparable schools. Finally, the School will continue to investigate the possibility of offering more online courses,