

## MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2015 MEETING OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

**Location:** Gardiner 104

**Present:** Simona Bertacco (chair), Bill Cunningham, Maria Delane, Paul Himes, Dwain Pruitt, Edna Ross

**Absent:** Matt Church, Changbing Hu, Charlie Zhang

**Guests:** Chemistry: Christy Rich; Criminal Justice: Ginger Brown, Michael Losavio, Gennaro Vito; Philosophy: David Owen; Political Science and Paralegal Studies: Tamara Reid McIntosh, Rodger Payne  
Psychology: Richard Lewine, Alison Sommers; Women's and Gender Studies: Nancy Theriot; Associate Dean for Graduate Education Wendy Pfeffer

The meeting was convened at 2:01 PM.

The minutes of the August 18, 2015, meeting were unanimously approved.

**01-15F:** Consideration of this submission was tabled at the department's request because a representative was not available.

**02-15F:** The Department of Criminal Justice proposed to revise its doctoral program's core curriculum. CJ 703 and CJ 748 will be consolidated as one course (CJ 748) and CJ 752, "Advanced Research Methods," will be added to the core requirements. The number of core hours will not be changed. The proposed change received the support of Associate Dean Pfeffer and was **APPROVED** by the Curriculum Committee.

**03-15F:** The committee **APPROVED** changing CJ 748's title from "Seminar in Criminal Justice Program Evaluation" to "Seminar in Criminal Justice Program Planning and Evaluation" and revision of the course description to read as follows: "This course features: introduction to the theory and practice of criminal justice planning, their strengths and weaknesses, the application of social scientific research methods to determine the effectiveness of criminal justice programs, analysis of reports of evaluative research and the preparation and analysis of evaluation research reports."

**04-15F:** The Department of Political Science proposed the addition of POLS 310, "Policy, Community, and Service." The committee applauded the syllabus' thoroughness, but concerns were raised about language in the syllabus that describes the course as a capstone experience. Dr. Payne explained that the course has been offered in the past and that the draft syllabus reflected the course's content and nature when last offered. As POLS 310, however, it will not be a capstone course. The committee **APPROVED** the creation of POLS 310 pending submission of a revised syllabus that removes all of the language referencing the course as a capstone experience. A slight modification also needs to be made to the CIF to reflect the required service learning hours.

**05-15F:** The Paralegal Studies program proposed the creation of an independent study option for students pursuing the AA in Paralegal Studies. Prof. Reid McIntosh noted that the content of the course will vary based on a given student's area of interest. The possibility for variety was reflected in the sample syllabus, which did not offer a reading list. The committee **APPROVED** the creation of PARA 395, "Independent Study for Paralegals," pending the submission of a syllabus with a sample reading list and revision to the CIF to reflect that students will be spending hours in the field, not in classroom lecture as the CIF currently reflects.

**06-15F:** The committee **APPROVED** the addition of PARA 327, "Evidence for Paralegals," formalizing its regular offering. The course has previously been offered as a special topics course.

**07-15F:** The committee **APPROVED** several proposed changes to PSYC 400. Its new title will be "Psychology Research and Public Communication." It will now be a 3-credit course instead of a 1-credit course. Students will receive letter grades. A course prerequisite was added (PSYC 201, 301-302 and consent of the instructor) and the course received a CUE designation.

**08-15F-014-15F:** The Department of Chemistry proposed the revision of course descriptions and/or prerequisite changes for the following organic chemistry courses: CHEM 341-344, CHEM 515, CHEM 545, and CHEM 547. The changes were made to clarify language, to make sure that curricular changes made since the original course descriptions were written were reflected, etc. The committee **APPROVED** all the proposed changes.

- **CHEM 341:** "Basic principles of organic chemistry: structure and geometry of molecules and consequential physical, chemical, and spectroscopic properties; chemical reactions, mechanism, and synthetic applications; industrial and biological examples." Prerequisites: Completion of CHEM 202 and 209.
- **CHEM 342:** "A continuation of the basic concepts and principles of modern chemistry. Topics include equilibrium, thermodynamics, kinetics, electrochemistry, nuclear chemistry and/or descriptive chemistry of the elements." Prerequisite: Completion of CHEM 341.
- **CHEM 343:** "Techniques of modern organic chemistry: synthesis, mechanistic studies, identification of unknowns by chemical and spectroscopic methods, special projects." Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or completion of CHEM 341.
- **CHEM 344:** "Techniques of modern organic chemistry: synthesis, mechanistic studies, identification of unknowns by chemical and spectroscopic methods, special projects." Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or completion of CHEM 342.
- **CHEM 515:** "Note: Credit may not be applied to an advanced degree in Chemistry. Descriptive and theoretical chemistry of the elements." Prerequisites: CHEM 342 and concurrent enrollment in or completion of CHEM 441 or CHEM 465.
- **CHEM 545:** "Note: Credit may not be earned in both CHEM 545 and CHEM 645 or in both CHEM 545 and CHEM 445. Credit may not be applied toward an advanced degree in Chemistry. Chemistry of amino acids, peptides, proteins, carbohydrates, nucleotides and nucleic acids; methods of analysis and laboratory synthesis; enzyme properties, kinetics, ligand binding." Prerequisite: CHEM 342.

**15-15F:** Dr. Nancy Theriot presented the Department of Women's and Gender Studies' proposed 3+3 track. The College of Arts and Sciences was approached by Brandeis School of Law about a partnership in which A&S departments would develop major tracks for students interested in legal study that would allow them to complete their undergraduate programs using first-year law courses. Successful students would then proceed into the second year of law school and would earn a BA and a JD in a total of six years. WGST's proposed law track differs from its other tracks in that it substitutes completion of first-year law courses for the required completion of a minor or concentration (18 to 21 hours) and the completion of additional elective credits. The committee **APPROVED** WGST's proposed 3+3 track. The proposed curriculum is appended to these minutes.

**16-15F:** Dr. David Owen presented the Department of Philosophy's proposed 3+3 track. Philosophy's proposed curriculum substituted law courses for philosophy courses currently required in the major and would require PHIL majors completing the 3+3 program to take the PHIL capstone course during either the second or third year of law school as one of the two electives outside of the law school that law students

are allowed to take. The committee **APPROVED** Philosophy's proposed 3+3 track. The proposed curriculum, edited to correct an error made in the original submission, is appended to these minutes.

**17-15F:** Drs. Michael Losavio and Gennaro Vito presented the Department of Criminal Justice's proposed 3+3 program. CJ's proposal removed courses in criminal procedure and criminal law from their requirements as that content will be taken in law courses. The committee **APPROVED** Criminal Justice's proposed 3+3 curriculum.

During its discussions, the committee raised concerns that students interested in pursuing one of the 3+3 programs will need very clear communications about these programs' requirements and about what one's "exit strategy" options would be if one were to decide not to complete law school.

The committee also communicated that it wishes for all departments submitting proposed curricular changes or innovations to submit brief cover memoranda explaining the nature of and rationale behind the change to help guide the committee in its review of proposals.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Dean for Curriculum and Governance  
Prepared September 25, 2015

College of Arts and Sciences  
Curriculum Committee  
September 25, 2015  
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**AGENDA**

- 1) Approval of Minutes of August 18, 2015, Meeting
- 2) New Business (available on the Curriculum Committee's Sharepoint site)
  - 01-15F: Addition of PLAN 380, "Special Topics in Urban Planning"
  - 02-15F: Proposed Change to the Criminal Justice Ph.D. Program
  - 03-15F: Proposed Change to CJ 748 (title and description)
  - 04-15F: Addition of POLS 310, "Policy, Community, and Service"
  - 05-15F: Addition of PARA 395, "Independent Study for Paralegals"
  - 06-15F: Addition of PARA 327, "Evidence for Paralegals"
  - 07-15F: Change to PSYC 400 (description, credit hours, prerequisite, grading system, CUE designation)
  - 08-15F: Change to CHEM 341 (description)
  - 09-15F: Change to CHEM 342 (description)
  - 10-15F: Change to CHEM 343 (description and prerequisite)
  - 11-15F: Change to CHEM 344 (description and prerequisite)
  - 12-15F: Change to CHEM 515 (description and prerequisite)
  - 13-15F: Change to CHEM 545 (description)
  - 14-15F: Change to CHEM 547 (description)
  - 15-15F: Proposed new WGST 3+3 Program with Law School
  - 16-15F: Proposed new PHIL 3+3 Program with Law School
  - 17-15F: Proposed new CJ 3+3 Program with Law School

## Bachelor of Arts in Women's and Gender Studies (3+3 Program)

Major: WGST

Degree: BA

Unit: [College of Arts and Sciences \(AS\)](#)

Department: Women's and Gender Studies

**Departmental Admission Requirements:** Admission to the B.A. in Women's and Gender Studies (WGS) requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 and a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on courses in the major. The Application for Major form can be found on the A&S Advising Center web site: <http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/advising/apply>.

Completion of this degree requires work to be submitted for the department's Learning Outcomes Measurement. For details, contact the department.

### General Education

	Hours
<a href="#">General Education Requirements</a>	34

All degrees require the completion of the University-wide General Education Program (link provided above). Some General Education requirements may be met in the requirements for the major or supporting coursework, in which case additional electives may be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

### Arts & Sciences Programmatic Requirements

	Hours
General 101: A&S Orientation	1
Foreign Language (completion of the intermediate level of a single foreign language)	12
Electives in Humanities or Natural Sciences (in addition to courses counted toward General Education; 6 hours must be at 300 level or above)	9
WR—two approved courses at the 300 level or above (may be incorporated into other degree requirements)	
Total	22

### Department of Women's and Gender Studies

	Hours
WGST 201	3

WGST 401	3
WGST 500 (CUE)	3
WGST Social Sciences electives: Select 3, of which 1 must be at 400+ level (total of 9 hours): WGST 300, 301, 312, 313, 323, 324, 331, 332, 333, 343, 344, 347, 348, 349, 355, 364, 391, 392, 394, 410, 411, 414, 415, 458, 460, 512, 513, 530, 531, 532, 533, 535, 538, 540, 543, 547, 556, 558, 584, 591, 591	9
WGST Humanities electives: Select 3, of which 1 must be at the 400+ level (total of 9 hours): WGST 203, 207, 303, 320, 325, 326, 340, 342, 345, 346, 360, 373, 375, 380, 381, 390, 393, 395, 520, 522, 523, 560, 571, 582, 593, 594	9
Elective in Women/Gender and Race/non-majority - Choose 1 from the following: WGST 342, 343, 344, 346, 347, 348, 349, 380, 390 (some titles; consult department), 391 (some titles; consult department), 410, 512, 513, 540, 543, 545, 547, 582, 591 (some titles; consult department), 593 (some titles; consult department)	3
Elective in Women/Gender History - Choose 1 from the following: WGST 331, 332, 333, 391 (some titles; consult department), 513, 530, 531, 532, 533, 545, 584, 591 (some titles; consult department)	3
Elective in WGST 300 or above	3
Total	36

#### Law School Courses

	Hours
1L Courses	30
Total	30

	Hours
Minimum Total	121

Culminating Undergraduate Experience (For students admitted Summer 2014 or later)

WGST 500 (CUE)	3
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NOTE: Only 40 hours in the major department may be applied toward the Bachelor of Arts degree.  
At least 50 of the total minimum hours required must be at the 300 level or above.

## Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy (3+3 Law Track)

Major: PHIL

Degree: BA

Unit: [College of Arts and Sciences \(AS\)](#)

Department: Philosophy

**Departmental Admission Requirements:** Admission to the B.A. in Philosophy (PHIL) requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 and a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on courses in the major. The Application for Major form can be found on the A&S Advising Center web site: <http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/advising/apply>.

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	Hours
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### Arts & Sciences Programmatic Requirements

	Hours
General 101: A&S Orientation	1
Foreign Language (completion of the intermediate level of a single foreign language)	12
Electives in Natural Science or Social Sciences (in addition to courses counted toward General Education; 6 hours must be at 300 level or above)	9
WR—two approved courses at the 300 level or above (may be incorporated into other degree requirements)	
Total	22



Department of Philosophy

	Hours
PHIL 301 and 303	6
PHIL 311 or 412	3
PHIL 321	3
PHIL 341, 356, 357, 528, 536, 537, 540 (select one; may be taken during 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> year of law school)	3
PHIL 308, 317, 328, 331, 350, 521, 522, 524, 531, 535, 538 (select one; may be taken during 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> year of law school)	3
PHIL 318, 319, 516, 518, 519, 557 (select one; may be taken during 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> year of law school)	3
PHIL 502 (Capstone Seminar; taken during 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> year of law school)	3
Electives in Philosophy at 300 level or above	3
Total	27

### Supporting Courses

	Hours
Electives	17
Total	17

### Law School Courses

	Hours
LAW 838	3
LAW Upper Division Writing Requirement	3
LAW electives	15
Total	21

	Hours
Minimum Total	121

### Culminating Undergraduate Experience (For students admitted Summer 2014 or later)

Requirement fulfilled by completing PHIL 502	(3)
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NOTE: Only 40 hours in the major department may be applied toward the Bachelor of Arts degree. At least 50 of the total minimum hours required must be at the 300 level or above.

TO: Dean Kimberly Kempf-Leonard, College of Arts and Sciences  
Dean Susan Duncan, School of Law  
A&S Curriculum Committee

C: Associate Dean Julia Dietrich, Undergraduate Education, College of Arts and Sciences  
Assistant Dean Dwain Pruitt, Curriculum and Governance, College of Arts and Sciences

From: Gennaro Vito, Chair, Department of Criminal Justice  
Virginia Brown, Advising, Department of Criminal Justice

Re: 3+3 option for Criminal Justice Majors

Date: August 5, 2015

The faculty of the Department of Criminal Justice have approved the participation of our students in cooperation or department in the 3+3 option for criminal justice majors. This option will allow high-performing students to take the first year of law school in completion of their requirements for a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.

The attached schedules show how a criminal justice major would arrange their courses is to take advantage of this option. It is a mix of direct required course substitution, given that there is overlap between our required courses and those of the law school, course credit for criminal justice electives and course credit for general electives.

This does require early counseling and advising of our students so that they may begin to arrange their schedules accordingly. We will also need to formalize and incorporate the admission guidelines for this program with law school admissions.

While this may only benefit a few students each year, it is an excellent opportunity to help them with their professional goals. Please let us know what further you may need from us to make this successful.

### **Criminal Justice 3+3 Program (BS)**

This program was approved for students entering the university in the 2016-2017 catalog year. For more information about catalog year, go to [Catalog Year Information](#). at p. 436.

#### **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (3+3 Program)**

Major: CJ

Degree: BS

Unit: [College of Arts and Sciences \(AS\)](#)

Department: Criminal Justice

Flight Plan for Criminal Justice (BS)

**Departmental Admission Requirements:** The Application for Major form can be found on the A&S Advising Center web site: <http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/advising/apply>.

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**General Education**

	Hours
<a href="#">General Education Requirements</a>	34

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**Arts & Sciences Programmatic Requirements**

	Hours
General 101: A&S Orientation	1
Foreign Language (completion of the intermediate level of a single foreign language)	6-8
Electives in Humanities or Natural Sciences (in addition to courses counted toward General Education; 6 hours must be at 300 level or above)	6
WR—two approved courses at the 300 level or above (may be incorporated into other degree requirements)	6
Total	19-21

**Department of Criminal Justice**

	Hours
CJ 200, 201, 202, 305, 325, 326, 360, 485	24
Criminal Justice electives	12
Total	36

### Law School Courses

	Hours
IL Courses - direct substitution CJ Core	6
IL Courses- other program related electives	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

Free electives to bring minimum total to 121	0-8
Minimum Total	121

### Culminating Undergraduate Experience (For students admitted Summer 2014 or later)

Requirement fulfilled by completing CJ 485 with permission 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester of third year	(3)
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NOTE: Only 60 hours in the major department may be applied toward the Bachelor of Science degree. At least 50 of the total minimum hours required must be at the 300 level or above.