MEMORANDUM

TO: Edward Montgomery  
Dean, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

FROM: Phyllis Peres  
Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to discontinue the M.A. in Criminal Justice (PCC Log No. 05012)


The discontinuance is effective in Fall 2006. The College should ensure that this change is appropriately reflected in all university documentation.

CWR/

Enclosure

cc: Sarah Bauder, Student Financial Aid  
Mary Giles, University Senate  
Barbara Hope, Data Administration  
Anne Turkos, Archives  
Glenn Kirksey, Office of the Registrar  
Gay Gullickson, Graduate School  
Katherine Pedro Beardsley, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
July 21, 2006

Dr. Phyllis A. Peres  
Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs  
University of Maryland, College Park  
1119 Main Administration Building  
College Park, Maryland 20742-5031

Dear Dr. Peres:

The Maryland Higher Education Commission has reviewed a request from the University of Maryland, College Park to discontinue the Master of Arts degree program in Criminal Justice (HEGIS: 2209-02, CIP: 4504). I am pleased to inform you that the requested change has been administratively approved. The change will be made to the Commission’s Academic Program Inventory.

Thank you for keeping the Commission apprised of the programmatic changes being made at the University of Maryland, College Park. I wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

Calvin W. Burnett  
Secretary of Higher Education

CWB:DES:rsl

cc: Ms. Theresa Hollander, USM
May 30, 2006

Dr. C.D. Mote, Jr.
1101 Main Administration Building
University of Maryland, College Park
College Park, MD  20742

Dear Dan:

Thank you for forwarding the request from University of Maryland, College Park to discontinue the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice. I am pleased to approve this request.

Sincerely,

William E. Kirwan
Chancellor

cc: Dr. Irwin Goldstein
    Ms. Teri Hollander
    Dr. William Destler
    Dr. Phyllis Peres
THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

DIRECTIONS:
- Provide one form with original approval signatures in lines 1 - 4 for each proposed action. Keep this form to one page in length.
- Early consultation with the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning & Programs is strongly recommended if there are questions or concerns, particularly with new programs.
- Please submit the signed form to Claudia Rector, Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.
- Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

DATE SUBMITTED___September 26, 2005

COLLEGE/SCHOOL__BSOS

DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM__Criminology and Criminal Justice (CCJS)

PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD_____ DELETE_____ X_____ CHANGE_____

DESCRIPTION (Provide a succinct account of the proposed action. Details should be provided in an attachment. Provide old and new sample programs for curriculum changes.)

We propose deleting the Criminal Justice Masters Program and switching all students currently enrolled under the Criminal Justice Masters Program to the existing Criminology and Criminal Justice Masters Program.

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Briefly explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Details should be provided in an attachment.)

Historically, the CCJS department maintained two separate thesis masters programs, one for students with a criminology focus and one for students with a criminal justice focus. The requirements for these programs were identical. At some point, the distinction between the two programs lost its meaning and the department merged its two thesis MA programs into one program in Criminology and Criminal Justice. For as long as anybody in the department can remember, we have offered only one thesis MA program. However, the second program has remained on the books as a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice. We wish to correct the record to reflect the actual degree offerings of the department. All students currently enrolled in the Criminal Justice MA program should be switched to the Criminology and Criminal Justice Program. This request has no resource implications.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES

1. Department Committee Chair
2. Department Chair
3. College/School PCC Chair
4. Dean
5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)
6. Chair, Senate PCC
7. Chair of Senate
8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost

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