

Summary of Undergraduate Curriculum Proposals Requiring BOR Approval – 2021-22

On August 26, 2020, the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) reviewed and approved the following program changes for their university-wide implications:

The entire packet was approved (pending any changes noted in UCC minutes).

Summary of Programs:

1. Program name change from “CRIM-BA: Criminology” to “CRIM-BA Criminology and Criminal Justice”, along with minor changes in electives.
 - a. Justification – The name change for the B.A. degree from “Criminology” to “Criminology and Criminal Justice” is appropriate, as the program offers coursework in both criminology and criminal justice. Additionally, questions are fielded from prospective students and/or their parents about whether or not students can get the same job with a criminology degree as they can with a criminal justice degree. The general public does not fully understand the nuanced differences between criminology and criminal justice. They are likely to default to any program that includes criminal justice, rather than a program that is only called criminology. In Summer 2018, the Criminology unit had a grant from the Dean’s Office to conduct a review of our curriculum. Based on review of criminology programs across the Midwest and current student demographics and graduation intentions, the program is being restructured. The department will keep the existing major, drop the major with an emphasis, and add two new emphases—a Law Enforcement Emphasis and a Corrections Emphasis.
2. Program name change from “PUBLICHEALTHEDUC-BA: Public Health and Education” to “Public Health”
 - a. Justification – The program name is being changed from “Public Health and Education” to “Public Health”. “Public Health” is a more standard name within the discipline and better represents to students and alumni the content of the program.

Summary of Graduate-Level Majors in Biotechnology Management PSM and Ecology Management PSM Programs Requiring BOR Approval – 2021-22

On August 24, 2020, the Graduate College Curriculum Committee (GCCC) reviewed two programs:

1. BIOTECH-PSM (termination)
2. ECOMGMT-PSM (termination)

The entire packet was approved (pending any changes noted in GCCC minutes) by the Graduate College.

Justification: Both programs were suspended in 2014. However, the catalog never reflected this suspension. There are no students pending graduation.