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To:

UUPC Committee

From: Khi V. Thai, Interim Director

School of Criminology and Criminal Justice

Sameer Hinduja, Undergraduate Program Coordinator

School of Criminology and Criminal Justice

Date: February 22, 2012

RE:

Request for Revised Minor Curriculum Approval

The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice is pleased to submit a revised curriculum for our Minor in Criminal Justice and Criminology. The revised curriculum proposal is a result much collaboration, feedback, planning, and months of discussion among our faculty; and our CCJ faculty approved it unanimously at our January 17, 2012 meeting.

The revised minor will provide more structure to students in keeping with the new revisions to our Major (which are occurring concurrently). It will also constrain their course choices in a way that gives them a stronger foundation about core concepts taught in specific classes which we believe they must have. It also removes some redundancy in subject matter coverage.

The revised curriculum does not require additional faculty resources, or new course proposals.

Old Program

A minor in Criminal Justice shall consist of a minimum of 15 credits in upper division criminal justice courses. The student must complete:

- 1. Criminology, CCJ 3014, and The Criminal Justice System, CCJ 3024 (6 credits); and
- 2. Any three of the electives at the course level of 3000 or above (9 credits).

In the case of transfer students, a minimum of 15 credits of upper division courses with the CCJ, CJC, CJE, or CJL prefix must be taken in residence at Florida Atlantic University, including core courses, if lacking.

New Program:

A minor in Criminal Justice shall consist of a minimum of 15 credits in upper division criminal justice courses. The student must complete:

- 1, CCJ2002 Law, Crime, and the Criminal Justice System, CCJ 3014 Criminology, and CCJ 4054 Ethics and the Justice System (9 credits); and
- 2. Any two of the electives at the course level of 3000 or above (9 credits).

In the case of transfer students, a minimum of 15 credits of upper division courses with the CCJ, CJC, CJE, or CJL prefix must be taken in residence at Florida Atlantic University, including core courses, if lacking.