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Date: Thursday, April 18, 2019
To: Susan Kalter, Chairperson, Academic Senate
From: Jean Standard, Chairperson, University Curriculum Committee
RE: Executive Summary for the following new program proposal

The University Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the new undergraduate sequence in Criminal Justice Sciences – Accelerated in the Department of Criminal Justices Sciences.

Criminal Justice Sciences Accelerated Sequence

Accelerated master's degree programs offer high achieving students the opportunity to complete their bachelor's degree and master's degree with one additional year of study. Students will take both graduate and undergraduate classes during their senior year and seamlessly transition into the master's degree program for one additional year. These programs allow for an efficient move through two degrees and the ability to jump-start student professional development by completing two degrees in less time than it would to complete them separately. It also allows our program to retain high achieving students through both degrees. A separate sequence must be created in order to track students and which graduate courses can substitute for undergraduate courses. No changes are being made to the original undergraduate sequence beyond course substitutions.