

APPROVAL FORM

SCC # 81-82-25

- 1) An approval form must accompany each proposal.
- 2) A proposed catalogue description of the course must accompany the proposal as a separate page.
- 3) Results of all consultations must be attached to the proposal.

Proposal Title Criminal Law

Sponsor(s) Charles P. Nemeth Dept. Law/Justice

Check One { Course XXXX Credit/Level/Title Change or deletion Other _____
 Concentration _____ Specialization _____ Major Program _____ Certification _____

Graduate _____ Undergraduate XXXX No. of Credits 3

Approved _____
Not Approved _____

Dept. Curr. Comm. Chairperson _____

Division Curr. Comm.

Reviewed 4/28/82
Date

Dean of Division

Reviewed _____
Date

Approved _____
Not Approved _____

Approved
Not Approved 2/10/82
Date

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Chairperson, Department

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Chairperson Div. Curr. Comm.

James H. Keane
Signature

SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

SCC # 81-82-25 Proposal Received 12/8/81 Open Hearing Held _____

Returned to the department for the following reason(s): _____

Approved by the Curriculum Committee: Date _____

Presented to Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate as information: Date _____

Notifications forwarded: Vice President for Academic Affairs: Date _____

Signature: Chairperson, Senate Curriculum Committee

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Official copy and approval sheet filled 3-8-82 _____
Date Signature

Course approved Yes No J. J. Brown

If no, reasons are as follows:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Student credit hours assigned 3
Faculty load hours 3
Equalized credit hours 3

REGISTRAR

Approved course description received and Hegis Taxonomy Number assigned

by Registrar Yes No

Hegis Taxonomy Number 2007 235

Signature: Registrar _____ Date _____

ACADEMIC DEAN

Yes Budget, faculty library allocations and Academic Support Services are adequate for immediate implementation.

No Constraints do not permit implementation. The earliest the proposal might be implemented would be _____

Signature: Academic Dean _____ Date _____

Copies forwarded: Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Department Chairperson, Registrar

A. COURSE PROPOSAL

1. Title of the Course: Criminal Law

Department: Law/Justice

Sponsor: Charles P. Nemeth, JD

2. Essence:

a. Graduate or Undergraduate: Undergraduate

b. Semester Hours Credit: Three (3) hours

c. Course Level: Sophomore

d. Pre-requisites: None

e. Effect of the course on the current and planned department curricular pattern: A required course for all Law/Justice majors

f. Suggested time for implementation: Fall, 1982

3. Details:

a. Adequacy of present staff: Staff has three attorneys available to teach the course and resources are adequate.

b. Statements as to the uniqueness of the course: The course has been sorely absent from the Law/Justice curriculum for too many years. This is in part due to the academic community and its reluctance to mimic a law school curriculum. Such a position is now absurd, as criminal justice matures and becomes readily accepted. Criminal Law is an essential intellectual endeavor for all future theoreticians and practitioners. No other course responds to this type of legal inquiry.

c. Course objectives: 1.) Students will acquire a fundamental knowledge of what a crime is, and what types of crimes are defined in statute and at common law. 2.) Students will gain expertise and skill at applying criminal statutes to various factual situations, apply the law to the facts. 3.) Students will

acquire a basic understanding of the constitutional and procedural rights of defendants.

d. Evaluation and grading: Evaluation will be by essays, case analysis, research and quizzes.

e. N/A

4. Topical Outline or Syllabus:

SEE ATTACHED

5. Rationale:

Clearly our students should have the opportunity to understand the criminal law. There is no task or vocation in law/justice that will not be directly affected by the fundamental tenets of criminal law codes and statutes. It is imperative that our students acquire this basic knowledge. It is also important to note that the study of criminal law goes far beyond the simple analysis of crimes and the appropriate elements, but students are intellectually prodded to reason out factual, legal and philosophical dilemmas. Students are asked to make moral inquiry into the right and wrong of each application of criminal principles.

6. The Department overwhelmingly approves. Outside support comes from the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office. The letter is attached.

7. N/A

Catalogue Description:

A comprehensive review of the major common law and statutory crimes including homicide, rape and all related personal and property offenses. Considerable attention will also be given to the social, moral, and constitutional framework of the criminal law with a review of recent and standard judicial interpretations. Also, a review of defenses and mitigation is included.

Criminal Law
Topical Outline

- 1st Week: Scope of the Criminal Law Purposes - Classification
Criminal Statutes
- 2nd Week: Offenses Against the Person
Homicide - Various Degrees
- 3rd Week: Assault - Battery
Related Offenses
Sexual Offenses
Restraint of Person
- 4th Week: Case Problems: Application of Law
- 5th Week: Offenses Against Property
Burglary
Arson
Larceny
- 6th Week: Larceny - Robbery
Other Offenses on Property
- 7th Week: Case Problems: Application of Law
Mid-Term Exam
- 8th Week: Offenses Against Public Order and Government Function
- 9th Week: Crimes as to Obscenity
Rights of Privacy
Public Safety
- 10th Week: Anticipatory or Subsequent Acts
Attempts - Solicitation
- 11th Week: Crimes with Issues of Morality
Case Problems: Application of Law
- 12th Week: The Act in Itself
Defenses to the Act
- 13th Week: Insanity
Other Defenses
Entrapment
- 14th Week: Case Problems: Application of Law
Review
- 15th Week: Final Exam



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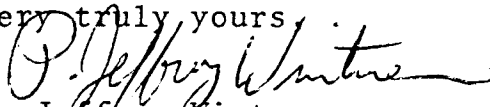
December 9, 1981

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Gentlemen:

I have had the opportunity to review the course proposal and topic outline of the proposed course in criminal law to be given by the Department of Law and Justice. It would appear to me that any law and justice graduate who hopes to obtain employment in the criminal justice system will have to have a basic understanding of criminal law in order to function adequately in the field. I therefore think that a basic course in the area of criminal law can and should be a valuable and integral part of the law and justice curriculum.

Very truly yours,



P. Jeffrey Wintner
Deputy Public Defender

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