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The Criminal Justice Program would like to offer students the opportunity to pursue a combined BS/MS degree.

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**COMBINED BA/MA DEGREE**

Undergraduate students with majors in English, History, Political Science, Sociology or Spanish may pursue a combined BA/MA program. Students with an overall GPA of 3.2 or higher and a field GPA of 3.5 or higher (after completing at least six 3000-4000 level SCH; 9 SCH in Political Science with 3 SCH at the 3000-4000 level) may apply for admission to the Master of Arts program during their junior year. Students accepted into the program will begin taking graduate courses during the senior year. Students must attain a "B" in their coursework to remain in and continue the combined program.

Students will need to complete all admission requirements to the program during their junior year. This includes: Application to the University for admission to graduate study, submission of an official copy of the student's undergraduate transcript and two letters of recommendation to the Director of Graduate Studies. One letter of recommendation must be from the student's faculty advisor and the other from another faculty member. The GRE requirement for the Combined BA/MA will be waived so long as the student maintains continuous registration (fall and spring semesters) through completion of the MA program. The GRE waiver applies to the Combined BA/MA only. Interruption of progress toward the degree may result in the requirement to reapply to the program and include meeting the GRE requirement.

Students seeking the BA/MA degree in English, Political Science, Sociology or Spanish may count nine SCH of graduate coursework taken during the senior year toward both undergraduate and graduate degree requirements. Students electing to complete the BA/MA in English or Sociology are eligible for either the thesis or non-thesis option; in the non-thesis option, unlike the traditional non-thesis MA in English or Sociology, there is no minor curriculum requirement. (That is, either 15 SCH ENGL/SOCI graduate courses + 9 SCH double-counted ENGL/SOCI graduate courses + 6 SCH thesis hours = 30 SCH for the English/Sociology MA Thesis Plan; or 27 SCH ENGL/SOCI graduate courses + 9 ENGL/SOCI double-counted graduate courses = 36 SCH for the English/Sociology MA Non-Thesis Plan.)

Students seeking the BA/MA degree in History may count six SCH of graduate coursework taken during the senior year toward both undergraduate and graduate degree requirements. Students electing to complete the BA/MA in History are eligible for either the thesis or non-thesis option; in the non-thesis option, unlike the traditional non-thesis MA in History, there is no minor curriculum requirement. (That is, either 18 SCH HIST graduate courses + 6 SCH double-counted HIST graduate courses + 6 SCH thesis hours = 30 SCH for the History MA Thesis Plan; or 30 SCH HIST graduate courses + 6 HIST double-counted graduate courses = 36 SCH for the History MA Non-Thesis Plan.)

Undergraduate students with a major in Criminal Justice may pursue a combined BS/MS program. Students with an overall GPA of 3.2 or higher and a field GPA of 3.5 or higher (after completing at least

six 3000-4000 level SCH) may apply for admission to the Master of Science in Criminal Justice program during their junior year. Students accepted into the program will begin taking graduate courses during the senior year. Students must attain a "B" in their coursework to remain in and continue the combined program.

Students will need to complete all admission requirements to the program during their junior year. This includes: Application to the University for admission to graduate study, submission of an official copy of the student's undergraduate transcript and two letters of recommendation to the Director of Graduate Studies. One letter of recommendation must be from the student's faculty advisor and the other from another faculty member. The GRE requirement for the Combined BS/MS will be waived so long as the student maintains continuous registration (fall and spring semesters) through completion of the MS program. The GRE waiver applies to the Combined BS/MS only. Interruption of progress toward the degree may result in the requirement to reapply to the program and include meeting the GRE requirement.

Students seeking the BS/MS degree in Criminal Justice may count six SCH of graduate coursework taken during the senior year toward both undergraduate and graduate degree requirements. Students electing to complete the BS/MS in Criminal Justice are eligible for either the thesis or non-thesis option.

Approvals:	Signature	Date
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