

**College of Liberal Arts
Curriculum Committee Report
March 27, 2012**

I. College of Liberal Arts

Liberal Studies 18 hours

Must be at 2000 level or above

Humanities (3-6 hours)

Choice of:

Art, literature, history, music, philosophy, theatre

Social Sciences (3-6 hours)

Choice of:

Anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography, political science,
psychology, sociology

Math, Natural Science, and Technology (3-6 hours)

Choice of:

Astronomy, biology, chemistry, computer science, geology, mathematics,
meteorology, oceanography, physics

Communication Arts (3-6 hours)

Choice of:

Advanced composition, communications, film, foreign languages,
journalism, linguistics, rhetoric, technical and business writing

Area of Concentration 15-18 hours

~~Any University System approved minor~~

~~No grade lower than C~~

15 HOURS:

- **IN COURSES NUMBERED 3000 OR ABOVE,**
- **IN WHICH NO GRADE LOWER THAN A C IS EARNED,**
- **IN WHICH ARMSTRONG OFFERS A MAJOR, MINOR OR A PROGRAM OF STUDY APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES.**

Rationale: This change will: 1. Give us greater control over the quality of the courses Liberal Studies majors are taking and improve our ability to assess learning outcomes of those courses by ensuring that the program of study is in an discipline in which Armstrong maintains a fair level of expertise, 2. Add rigor to the concentration by increasing the number of 3000 level courses in the concentration.

E. Criminal Justice, Social & Political Science

Create the Undergraduate Certificate in Criminal Justice

Program of Study

ENGL 1101 – Composition I	3
ENGL 1102 – Composition II	3
HIST 1111 (Civilization I) or HIST 1112 (Civilization II)	3
MATH 1001 (Quantitative Skills and Reasoning), MATH 1111 (College Algebra), or MATH 1113 (Pre-calculus Mathematics)	3
ARTS 1100 – Art Appreciation	3
CRJU 1100 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 2410– Introduction to Corrections	3
CRJU 2020 – Ethical Theories and Moral Issues in Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 2210 –Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
One of the following:	
CRJU 22000 – Criminal Investigation	3
CRJU 2510 – Introduction to Criminal Law	3
Total	30 hours

Rationale: AASU has joined the USG’s Adult Learning Consortium, an initiative designed to attract and retain adult learners by offering a ladder approach to education. The program is aimed primarily at nontraditional students over the age of 24, active and retired members of the military, and underrepresented populations. Undergraduate certificates are intended to be stepping stones to the associate degree, which can be a stepping stone toward the baccalaureate degree.

The Department of CJSPPS proposes to participate through the development of an Undergraduate Certificate in Criminal Justice. The CRJU courses offered have already been developed as online offerings (and also are available as seated courses). 12 hours in the proposed certificate are already part of Area F in the A.A. and B.A. in Criminal Justice. To reach the required thirty hours, students must also complete ENGL 1101, ENGL 1102, HIST 1111 or 1112, MATH 1001 or 1111 or 1113 (not available as an online course at Armstrong) and one additional CRJU course. All students admitted into this program must also meet the university’s existing admissions standards.