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M E M O R A N D U M

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SUBJECT: Academic Curriculum Changes

Item Description

This item presents program revisions, a program deletion, a course revision and course deletion.

Overview and Background

The Academic Planning Committee members review and make recommendations for Board approval for new and revised curricula.

The College is proposing changes to several of the Career Certificate programs for Correctional Probation Officer and Correctional Officer. The changes are due to updates that are provided by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC) based on their annual review of curriculum.

The College is also recommending changes to several of the A.S. degree programs and the Baccalaureate degree programs to update courses and to replace electives with updated skills-focused courses. All changes have been recommended by our local advisory boards to better prepare students for future jobs.

Additionally, the College is proposing to delete the A.S. Degree in Energy Management and Controls Technology. This program was initially approved in 2021. Enrollment has remained extremely low for several years and the program has not produced any graduates. Industry demand has shifted toward shorter, targeted workforce certifications, resulting in declining student interest in a full A.S. degree. No faculty and no students are affected by the closing of the program.

Funding/ Financial Implications

None

Past Actions by the Board

The Board approved curricula revisions annually.

Recommended Action

Approve the proposed academic curriculum changes.

PROGRAM CHANGES

Construction Management Technology, A.S. (60 credit hours)

The proposed changes are based on feedback from the advisory board to better align with industry requirements.

Delete program course:

BCN1251C Construction Drafting (3)

Add program course:

EGN1111C Introduction to Engineering Graphics (3)

Data Science Technology, A.S. (60 credit hours)

The proposed changes are based on feedback from the advisory board to better align with industry requirements.

Delete program courses:

CGS1309 Computer Information Technology Concepts (3)

CGS1060 Computer and Internet Literacy (3)

Add program courses:

CGS1000 Introduction to Computer Technology (3)

CAI1001C Artificial Intelligence (AI) Thinking (3)

Exceptional Student Education, B.S. (120 credit hours)

The proposed changes are to streamline the course offerings in the Teacher Preparation program based on feedback from the Florida Department of Education.

Delete program course:

RED3012 Principles of Reading (3)

Add program course:

RED3309 Early and Emergent Reading K-2 (3)

Engineering Technology, A.S. (60 credit hours)

The proposed changes are to provide specific mathematical skills needed for the program based on feedback from the advisory board to better align with industry requirements.

Delete program course:

Any general education mathematics state core (3)

Add program course:

MAC1105 College Algebra (3)

Business Administration, B.A.S. (120 credit hours)

The proposed change is to provide students with skills needed in the industry based on feedback from the advisory board.

Add program elective course:

GEB1432 Applied Artificial Intelligence in Business (3)

Correctional Officer Basic Recruit Career Certificate Program (445 clock hours)

Length of program change from 420 to 445 clock hours. The proposed changes are based on required updates to the program from the Florida Department of Education and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).

Delete program courses:

CJK0300 Introduction to Corrections (32)

CJK0305 Communications (4)

CJK0310 Officer Safety (16)

CJK0315 Facility and Equipment (8)

CJK0320 Intake and Release (18)

CJK0325 Supervising in a Correctional Facility (40)

CJK0330 Supervising Special Populations (20)

CJK0335 Responding to Incidents and Emergencies (16)

CJK0340 Officer Wellness and Physical Abilities (30)

Add program courses:

CJK0301 Introduction to Corrections (32)

CJK0355 Legal for Correction Officers (22)

CJK0306 Communications for Correctional Officers (32)

CJK0111 Interviewing and Report Writing in Corrections (16)

CJK0327 Shift Management and Safety (20)

CJK0321 Intake and Release (16)

CJK0324 Supervision in a Correctional Facility (32)

CJK0326 Supervising Correctional Populations (25)

CJK0336 Incidents and Emergencies in Correctional Facilities (20)

CJK0340 Criminal Justice Officer Physical Fitness Training (30)

Crossover from Law Enforcement Officer to Correctional Officer Career Certificate Program (223 clock hours)

Length of program change from 198 to 223 clock hours. The proposed changes are based on required updates to the program from the Florida Department of Education and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).

Delete program courses:

CJK0300 Introduction to Corrections (32)

CJK0305 Communications (4)

CJK0310 Officer Safety (16)
CJK0315 Facility and Equipment (8)
CJK0320 Intake and Release (18)
CJK0325 Supervising in a Correctional Facility (40)
CJK0330 Supervising Special Populations (20)
CJK0335 Responding to Incidents and Emergencies (16)

Add program courses:

CJK0301 Introduction to Corrections (32)
CJK0355 Legal for Correction Officers (22)
CJK0306 Communications for Correctional Officers (32)
CJK0111 Interviewing and Report Writing in Corrections (16)
CJK0327 Shift Management and Safety (20)
CJK0321 Intake and Release (16)
CJK0324 Supervision in a Correctional Facility (32)
CJK0326 Supervising Correctional Populations (25)
CJK0336 Incidents and Emergencies in Correctional Facilities (20)

Crossover from Correctional Officer to Correctional Probation Officer Career Certificate Program (336 clock hours)

Length of program change from 290 to 336 clock hours. The proposed change is based on required updates to the program from the Florida Department of Education and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).

Add program course:

CJK0265 Communications (46)

Crossover from Correctional Probation Officer to Law Enforcement Officer Career Certificate Program (520 clock hours)

Length of program change from 452 to 520 clock hours. The proposed changes are based on required updates to the program from the Florida Department of Education and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).

Add program courses:

CJK0002 Introduction to Law Enforcement (12)
CJK0019 Interviewing and Report Writing (56)

Crossover from Correctional Probation Officer to Correctional Officer Career Certificate Program (223 clock hours)

Length of program change from 158 to 223 clock hours. The proposed changes are based on required updates to the program from the Florida Department of Education and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).

Delete program courses:

- CJK0300 Introduction to Corrections (32)
- CJK0310 Officer Safety (16)
- CJK0315 Facility and Equipment (8)
- CJK0320 Intake and Release (18)
- CJK0325 Supervising in a Correctional Facility (40)
- CJK0330 Supervising Special Populations (20)
- CJK0335 Responding to Incidents and Emergencies (16)

Add program courses:

- CJK0301 Introduction to Corrections (32)
- CJK0355 Legal for Correction Officers (22)
- CJK0306 Communications for Correctional Officers (32)
- CJK0111 Interviewing and Report Writing in Corrections (16)
- CJK0327 Shift Management and Safety (20)
- CJK0321 Intake and Release (16)
- CJK0324 Supervision in a Correctional Facility (32)
- CJK0326 Supervising Correctional Populations (25)
- CJK0336 Incidents and Emergencies in Correctional Facilities (20)

PROGRAM DELETION

The following program is recommended for deletion due to low enrollment.

Energy Management and Controls Technology, A.S. (2169)

COURSE REVISION

Course ID	Course Name	Type of Change	Current	Proposed	Rationale for Change
BCN2405	Statics and Strength of Materials	Prerequisite	Prerequisite: BCN1001 Applied Math Concepts for Design and Construction	Prerequisite: None	The pre-requisite skills are not needed for students to be successful in this course.

COURSE DELETIONS

Course ID	Course Name	Rationale for Course Deletion
RED3012	Principles of Reading	The course will be replaced with RED3309 due to recommendations by Florida Department of Education.
CTS1230C	Microsoft Specialist: PowerPoint	This course is no longer offered since the deletion of the Office Management, A.S.

CTS2225C	Microsoft Specialist: Excel	This course is no longer offered since the deletion of the Office Management, A.S.
OST1324	Business Math	This course is no longer offered since the deletion of the Office Management, A.S.
EDF2085	Introduction to Diversity for Educators	State-mandated course deletion.