




MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 21, 2009

TO: Associate Provost for Academic Affairs

FROM: David Carlson, Dean 
Library Affairs

RE: Library Support for Ph.D. in Criminology and Criminal Justice

The following summary demonstrates that the collections at Morris Library have adequate coverage for the support of a Ph.D. in Criminology and Criminal Justice at SIU Carbondale.

The resources and services of Morris Library that directly support this new program include databases, journals, books, interlibrary loan, and remote access to resources.

The Library provides full-text access to over 36,000 online journals and maintains over 2,200 print subscriptions. Morris Library currently makes available to the SIUC community over 250,000 electronic books and maintains a print collection of nearly three million volumes. Within the Library of Congress collection, we hold over 5,000 books in the area of criminology and criminal justice. This is supplemented by an even larger number of books in the Dewey collection. In addition, the Library is a member of the Federal Depository Library Program and selects 81% of materials available through this program, including materials from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Not counting the cross-disciplinary materials, the library spent \$15,000 on journal titles specifically coded as Criminology and Criminal Justice. Despite going through a serials cancellation this year, we will spend \$12,000 on journal titles this coming year. Approximately two-thirds of these journal titles are in electronic, online format.

The library provides access to a number of research databases to support research in Criminology and Criminal Justice. The databases include SocINDEX with Full Text, EBSCO's Academic Search Premier, PsycINFO, LexisNexis Congressional, and LexisNexis Academic. Through these resources, faculty and students can find references and links to full-text of articles in scholarly, professional, trade, and popular journals.

At present, the library uses several methods to build collections in criminology and criminal justice. The Library contracts with Yankee to purchase books in a particular set of subjects as

they are published. This Yankee approval plan provides the library with the major scholarly works produced by a set of core publishers in the field of criminology.

Secondly, with assistance from the faculty, the Social Sciences Collection Development Librarian selects materials that might fall outside the Yankee program, as well as other peripheral subjects. In addition, the liaison librarian will contact new faculty for information about their library needs to make sure that the scope of the university's collections will support criminology and criminal justice.

We should point out that we have an endowment specifically for the purchase of criminology and criminal justice materials. At present there is over \$44,000 in the endowment which can be used to assist with the acquisition of library materials.

The Library acquires materials for our users through a number of cooperative agreements with other libraries including:

- Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) --- CARLI membership provides us access to the I-Share integrated library system (76 institutions) where we may borrow materials; E-resources brokering, with over 1,000 discounted subscriptions to electronic journals and other resources in fiscal year 2008; and the Illinois Library Delivery Service (ILDS), offering 24-hour delivery among 141 CARLI libraries and all of the state's regional library systems.
- Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA) – GWLA is a consortium of 32 research libraries located in the Midwestern and Western United States that have reciprocal borrowing and expedited delivery of materials.

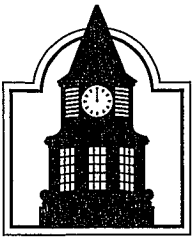
In addition, we have reciprocal agreements with 39 libraries outside of CARLI to provide access to materials.

All of our online resources, including databases, books and journals, are available to off-campus users through our proxy system, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. If you need any further information, please let me know.

Thank you.

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cc: Howard Carter, Interim Associate Dean for Support Services
Jeanne Cross, Collection Development Librarian (Social Sciences)
Susan Tulis, Associate Dean for Information Services



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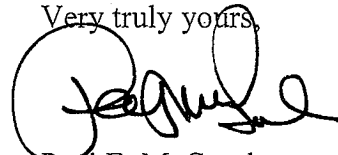
Dr. Alan Vaux
Dean, College of Liberal Arts
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August 25, 2009

Dear Dean Vaux:

I understand that the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice is proposing creation of a doctoral program, as well as creation of a joint J.D./Ph.D. program with the School of Law. I am writing to express the School of Law's support for the proposed doctoral degree program, and to state that this proposal would not compete with our J.D. program. In addition, the School of Law is seeking the internal approvals needed to move forward with the proposed joint J.D./Ph.D. program. If you need additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,



Paul E. McGreal

cc: Frank Houdek
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August 25, 2009

Dean Alan Vaux
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Dear Alan:

I would like to give my strong endorsement to the proposal by the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice for a doctoral program.

As you know, the issues dealt with by this department have a large and growing importance in society. Offering such a program at Southern Illinois University would make this institution more attractive to those seeking to deal with those questions.

In my brief time here I have found the department has a strong and energetic faculty working hard to address those issues. Their efforts are nationally recognized and adding a doctoral program would help them with that work. It would also enhance the university's role and stature as a place where these concerns can be addressed.

It's also true that much effort in government and politics today is devoted to dealing with questions related to crime – preventing it, dealing with it and managing the consequences of it. I think a doctoral program at SIU could help fashion more intelligent and effective responses to it. Public policy institutes such as the one I lead would profit from such a program as we seek to fashion workable programs.

Finally, the southern Illinois area we serve is home to several correctional institutions that employ hundreds of people. A doctoral program would make our institution more attractive to those staffers who seek additional education and expertise in their fields. The work doctoral candidates perform could also enable those institutions to perform more efficiently and effectively, help southern Illinois law enforcement to better and help the region to a better job of preventing crime in the first place.

I hope you will look favorably on the department's proposal.

Best,

David Yepsen



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25 August 2009

Professor Kimberly Leonard
Center for the Study of Crime,
Delinquency & Corrections

Dear Professor Leonard:

I am very pleased to endorse your proposal for a Ph.D. program in the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. I understand that it may be appropriate for some of your Ph.D. students to take courses in Speech Communication. There are a number of likely courses, including quantitative research methods courses, and others, that could be appropriate for your program. Your students would be welcome in those classes.

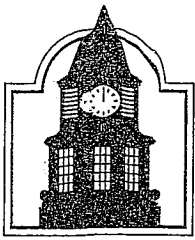
In addition to classes in Speech Communication that might be appropriate for your students, there may be research interests shared by faculty colleagues and opportunities for collaborative work.

We would welcome the addition of the Ph.D. program you propose. Please let me know if I can be of service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nathan Stucky".

Nathan Stucky, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair, Department of Speech Communication



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August 18, 2009

Dr. Alan Vaux
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Dear Dean Vaux:

I am writing to offer my enthusiastic support for the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice's application to institute a doctoral program at SIUC.

The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice (formerly known as The Center for the Study of Crime, Delinquency, and Corrections) is well-positioned to add a Ph.D. program. Its undergraduate program has grown rapidly in recent years. It has established a track record of training and placing its master's students in public and private sector positions as well as in prestigious and demanding doctoral programs. It has outstanding leadership and practices shared governance well. It is in the process of fashioning a doctoral level curriculum. Finally, it has an outstanding faculty dedicated to excellence in teaching, research, and community service. The Criminology and Criminal Justice faculty expressed considerable enthusiasm toward developing and delivering a top notch doctoral program. The faculty appear committed, prepared, and well-qualified to implement and sustain this endeavor.

Clearly, the market for well-trained criminology/criminal justice doctorates remains a seller's market even during the current economic downturn. The demand for criminologists continues to exceed the supply. Sociology's doctorates who specialize in criminology are snapped up immediately upon entering the market.

The Department of Sociology is willing to lend support to the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice's Ph.D. program. Several of our faculty members specialize in areas that overlap with criminology and criminal justice. Dr. Jennifer Dunn (Associate Professor) focuses on victimology, stalking victims, sexual assault victims, victims' movements, and social problems. Dr. Rachel Whaley (Assistant Professor) conducts research on the correlates of rape and attitudes toward rape victims, domestic violence, violent behavior among juvenile offenders, the relationship between criminal justice and mental health systems, and methamphetamine use.

Dr. Michelle Hughes Miller (Associate Professor) focuses on gender and crime, rural domestic violence, attitudes toward the death penalty, the death penalty moratorium, drugs and drug policy, juvenile delinquency, and the criminalization of motherhood. Kathryn Ward (Professor) studies women in the sex industry in less developed countries and domestic violence.

Additionally, doctoral students from the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice will find several Sociology seminars relevant to their studies and interests including: Seminar in the Sociology of Deviance and Social Control (SOC 562), Seminar in Criminology (SOC 572), Topical Seminar on Victimology and Intimate Partner Violence (SOC 530), Topical Seminar on the Sociology of Drugs and Drug Policy (SOC 530), Statistical Data Analysis in Sociology I & II (SOC 526a & 526b), Sociological Research Methods and Design (SOC 512), and Qualitative Methodology (SOC 514).

In sum, the Department of Sociology is able to lend support to a new doctoral program in the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter with me further, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob". The letters are stylized and cursive.

Rob Benford
Professor and Chair



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September 8, 2009

Dr. Alan Vaux
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Dear Dr. Vaux:

I am writing in support of the proposed Ph.D. program for the SIUC Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. I was very pleased to learn of the proposal.

The Criminology and Criminal Justice Ph.D. will be a good fit for Social Work students who wish to pursue further studies here at SIUC. Therefore, I wholeheartedly support the addition of a Ph.D. component to the CCJ program.

If I may be of any further assistance, please call me at 453-2243.

With very best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mizanur R. Miah'.

Mizanur R. Miah, Ph.D.
Director and Professor