



GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council
at its meeting of May 17, 2016

FOR ACTION

1. Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology and Social Justice – New Program Proposal

The Graduate Studies Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the proposed Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology and Social Justice.

Rationale

The Faculty of Social Science and Humanities proposes a new Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Criminology and Social Justice. This new degree is designed to complement the highly successful M.A. degree in Criminology, which began its 7th year in the fall of 2015. This program is designed to produce rigorously trained, doctoral-level professionals who are well positioned for leadership positions in the public and private sectors. The program will include coursework in advanced quantitative and qualitative methods, a foundational course in the Canadian criminal justice, and contemporary criminological courses that are tied to the three areas of focus for the program and a dissertation. The program fits within the areas of institutional strength and growth as outlined in our Strategic Mandate Agreement.