

APPENDIX 5: FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES – GASC BRIDGE PROPOSAL

Proposal for Durham College General Arts and Science Bridge to UOIT Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities Programs

1. INTRODUCTION

The Faculty of Social Science and Humanities (FSSH) has negotiated bridge programs with Durham College as part of articulation agreements between two sets of criminal justice and legal studies streams in Ontario Community Colleges and the corresponding degree level programs at UOIT. The Criminology and Justice Bridge program provides college graduates with the opportunity to apply their Police Foundations, Correctional Worker/Community and Justice Services, Child and Youth Worker, Law and Security Administration diploma, or Youth Corrections and Intervention graduate certificate toward a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Criminology and Justice. The Legal Studies Bridge program provides college graduates with the opportunity to apply their Court and Tribunal Agent/Paralegal or Legal Administration diploma toward a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Legal Studies. **The proposed Bridge would offer a link between three of our programs in the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities and the College Diploma in General Arts and Science (GASC), namely Criminology and Justice (CRIM), Legal Studies (LGLS), and Community, Social Policy and Development (CSPD).**

There are two options that GASC students can choose, as outlined below: one option would allow a successful applicant to enter the second year of the CRIM, LGLS, CSPD programs; the second option would allow a successful applicant to enter the third year of the CRIM or LGLS programs upon completion of four bridge courses. In each case GASC students would be required to take a designated list of social science college courses while obtaining their college diploma in order to be eligible. These required courses are similar to those required in the shared first year of each of the three UOIT social science programs.

The aim of the new bridge opportunities is to allow students who achieve high marks in the GASC program at the college level to carry on with their demonstrated aptitude for social science topics at the university level, and so to take advantage of all of the career opportunities that a university degree in a social science field provides, including going on to graduate study or law school.

2. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

a. Program learning outcomes

Since GASC Diploma graduates will have taken and achieved high marks in general social science topics at the college level, the students bridging from GASC to the UOIT social science programs will be deemed to be no differently prepared than students who have attended UOIT from year one. The program learning outcomes are thus identical to those of the UOIT social science programs in general.

b. Admission requirements

GASC Diploma students seeking admission to a UOIT Faculty of Social Science and Humanities program must take the following electives in the course of their first three semesters, and must achieve a mark of not less 70% in each course with an overall GPA of not less than 3.0 on a 4.3 scale overall (70%) through to completion of the GASC Diploma in order to be eligible – admission remains competitive and so is not guaranteed:

- Canadian Government (GOVT 1302)
- Canadian Law (LAW 1319)
- Introduction to Psychology (PSYC 1000)
- Psychology II (PSYC 2302)
- Introduction to Sociology (SOC1 1000)
- Sociology II (SOC1 2303)
- Political Science (POL 1301) or (GNED 1302)

Further recommended electives within the GASC program include:

- Canadian Studies (CANN 1300)
- Popular Culture and the Media (CULT 1000) or (GNED 1404)
- Statistics (MATH 1108)
- Contemporary Social Issues (GNED 1401)
- Social Media and Society (GNED 1411)

c. Program structure

Two options will be open to GASC Diploma students who meet the admission criteria:

1. Advance standing directly into second year of the following programs upon successful completion of the GASC Diploma: Criminology and Justice; Legal Studies; Community Development and Policy Studies.
2. Bridge into third year of the following programs, upon completion of the diploma with 70% or better and the bridging courses according to the below specified conditions: Criminology and Justice, Legal Studies.

General Arts and Science Diploma Program to University Bridge (Criminology and Justice Studies):

Bridge Courses:

Currently, all the Criminology and Justice Bridge programs require the following four courses, and this would be the same for the GASC bridge:

- SSCI 2810U Sociological Theories of Crime;
- PSYC 2030U Abnormal Psychology;
- SSCI 2900U Research Methods; and
- SSCI 2910U Quantitative Methods.

After completing the Criminology and Justice Bridge program with a 2.7 cumulative GPA (on a 4.3 scale) or better, with no individual course grade below **C**, students are eligible to enter year three of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Criminology and Justice.

General Arts and Science Diploma Program to University Bridge (Legal Studies):

Bridge Courses:

Currently, the Legal Studies Bridge program consists of the following four courses, and this would be the same of GASC bridge students:

- LGLS 2100U Public Law;
- SSCI 2900U Research Methods;
- LGLS 2200U Legal Theory; and
- LGLS 2940U Legal Research Methods.

After completing the Legal Studies Bridge program with a cumulative 2.7 GPA (on a 4.3 scale) or better, with no individual course grade below **C**, students are eligible to enter year three of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Legal Studies.

d. Program content

The program content is similar to existing requirements for FSSH students who have attended UOIT from year one. Program maps are the same as with existing bridge programs. Required changes to the calendar are attached.

3. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

The admission of students with a GASC Diploma will be competitive, and the number of students admitted into each program will depend on the number of students currently enrolled in whichever year (2 or 3) that the student intends to bridge into. We therefore do not anticipate any additional resource requirements than those already calculated for the maximum number of students in each UOIT social science program.

a. Faculty members

FSSH faculty members responsible for bridge students are the same in each of the three UOIT social science programs as already teach in those programs, and no additional teaching or supervision duties outside of existing general teaching and supervision duties are anticipated.

b. Additional academic and non-academic human resources

Members of the FSSH advising staff will have some additional advising duties with regard to students bridging in from GASC, but these duties will be similar to those they already perform with regard to students in other bridge programs. No additional non-academic staff will be required.

c. Physical resource requirements

No new physical resource requirements are anticipated.

4. BUSINESS PLAN

a. Statement of funding requirements

Since admission is competitive based on existing enrollments which shall not exceed maximum student numbers budgeted for in each program, no additional funding is required.

b. Statements of resource availability

Again, since the maximum student numbers budgeted for in each program will not be exceeded, resources are available to cover the costs of admitting bridge students.

CALENDAR CHANGES AS INDICATED:

NEW:

Community Development and Policy Studies Bridge Program

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The Community Development and Policy Studies Bridge program provides college graduates with the opportunity to apply their General Arts and Science diploma toward a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Community Development and Policy Studies. In order to be eligible for admission from the General Arts and Science Diploma, students must have completed a set of required social science courses offered by the college.

Students with a General Arts and Science Diploma who meet the eligibility requirements may apply for acceptance into the second year of the Community Development and Policy Studies degree program.

15.X.X Admission requirements

Admission is competitive. The specific average or standing required for admission varies from year to year. Students are selected by taking into consideration a wide range of criteria including school marks, distribution of subjects taken, and performance in subjects relevant to the academic program. Possession of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance. Preference will be given to applicants with the best qualifications.

To qualify for the Community Development and Policy Studies Bridge program, the minimum entrance requirement is a two-year Ontario College diploma (or equivalent) in General Arts and Science.

Please refer to Year 2, 3 and 4 in Section 15.X.X for the relevant program maps and degree requirements.

CHANGES IN TRACK CHANGES

Criminology and Justice Bridge program

15.6.1 General information

The Criminology and Justice Bridge program provides college graduates with the opportunity to apply their Police Foundations, Correctional Worker/Community and Justice Services, Child and Youth Worker, Law and Security Administration, **General Arts and Science** diploma, or Youth Corrections and Intervention graduate certificate toward a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Criminology and Justice. **In order to be eligible for admission from the General Arts and Science Diploma, students must have completed a set of required social science courses offered by the college.**

Students with a General Arts and Science Diploma who advance standing into the second year of the Criminology and Justice degree program.

Students enrolled in the Criminology and Justice Bridge program will complete four bridge courses that will position them for entrance directly into third year of the Criminology and Justice degree program at UOIT. Students with a General Arts and Science Diploma who are eligible for the bridge also have the option of choosing advance standing into the second year of the Criminology and Justice degree program.

15.6.2 Admission requirements

Admission is competitive. The specific average or standing required for admission varies from year to year. Students are selected by taking into consideration a wide range of criteria including school marks, distribution of subjects taken, and performance in subjects relevant to the academic program. Possession of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance. Preference will be given to applicants with the best qualifications.

To qualify for the Criminology and Justice Bridge program, the minimum entrance requirement is a two-year Ontario College diploma (or equivalent) in Police Foundations, Correctional Worker/Community and Justice Services, Child and Youth Worker (CYW), ~~or~~ Law and Security Administration or General Arts and Science. Applicants with a Youth Corrections and Intervention (YCI) graduate certificate require a two- or three-year diploma in a related field to be eligible for admission.

15.6.3 Bridge completion requirements

For graduates of Police Foundations, Correctional Worker/Community and Justice Services, Child and Youth Worker (CYW), ~~or~~ Law and Security Administration, or General Arts and Science, the Criminology and Justice Bridge program consists of the following four courses:

- SSCI 2810U Sociological Theories of Crime;
- PSYC 2030U Abnormal Psychology;
- SSCI 2900U Research Methods; and
- SSCI 2910U Quantitative Methods.

After completing the Criminology and Justice Bridge program with a 2.7 cumulative GPA (on a 4.3 scale) or better, with no individual course grade below C-2.0 GPA (on a 4.3 scale), students are eligible to enter year three of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Criminology and Justice.

Graduates of CYW and YCI programs who successfully complete the bridge courses will be eligible for admission into the third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) program in the Youth, Crime and Justice specialization.

Please refer to Year 3 and 4 in Section 15.43.5 for the relevant program maps and degree requirements.

Program information from the 2011-2012 Calendar – Legal Studies Bridge program

15.10.1 General information

UOIT's Legal Studies Bridge program provides college graduates with the opportunity to apply their Court and Tribunal Agent/Paralegal, ~~or~~ Legal Administration, or General Arts and Science diploma toward a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Legal Studies. . In order to be eligible for admission from the General Arts and Science Diploma, students must have completed a set of required social science courses offered by the college.

Students enrolled in the Legal Studies Bridge program will complete four bridge courses that will position them for entrance directly into third year of the Legal Studies degree program at UOIT. Students with a General Arts and Science Diploma who are eligible for the bridge also have the option of choosing advance standing into the second year of the Legal Studies degree program.

15.10.2 Admission requirements

Admission is competitive. The specific average or standing required for admission varies from year to year. Students are selected by taking into consideration a wide range of criteria including school marks, distribution of subjects taken, and performance in subjects relevant to the academic program. Possession of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance. Preference will be given to applicants with the best qualifications.

To qualify for the Legal Studies Bridge program, the minimum entrance requirement is a two-year Ontario College diploma (or equivalent) in Court and Tribunal Agent/Paralegal, ~~or~~ Legal Administration, or General Arts and Science.

15.10.3 Bridge completion requirements

The Legal Studies Bridge program consists of the following four courses:

- LGLS 2100U Public Law;
- SSCI 2900U Research Methods;
- LGLS 2200U Legal Theory; and
- LGLS 2940U Legal Research Methods.

After completing the Legal Studies Bridge program with a cumulative 2.7 GPA (on a 4.3 scale) or better, with no individual course grade below C a 2.0 GPA (on a 4.3 scale), students are eligible to enter year three of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Legal Studies.

Please refer to Year 3 and 4 in Section 15.98.5 for the relevant program maps and degree requirements.