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scholarly engagement and understanding. Cross-listing this course between the Sociology Department and the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies (CRIM) is ideal because the foundational content and key themes related to power, exploitation, and social justice align with the objectives of both departments.

## **2. SOCI 215 Crime and Organizations**

### **Proposal Rationale**

Department as well as our Criminal and Social Justice Diploma program offered within the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies. Building on the foundational knowledge acquired in our

apply fundamental sociological and criminological scholarship to understand the criminogenic behaviours of organizations and those who operate within them. By focusing on the social harms produced through the interplay between power and corruption - both within and through organizations this course compliments the critical and theoretical goals of sociology, criminal and social justice, as well as the department of interdisciplinary studies more broadly. Furthermore, this course offers valuable insight regarding an important and emerging category of criminality: crimes of the powerful.

Organizations represent power insofar as they constitute collections of individuals who coordinate to achieve a variety of goals. As such, they are capable of exercising power over society; power that can be abused by exploiting dependence on them (e.g., corporations) or through violence or the threat of violence (e.g., the state and organized crime). Since organizations pervade society and impact our daily lives, it is important for students to understand the myriad ways organizations inflict harm on society and how individuals within organizations can exploit their access for personal gain.

The course will apply critical scholarship to help students develop a working understanding of how white-collar crime, corporate crime, state crime, and organized crime (e.g., drug cartels, outlaw motorcycle gangs, mafias etc.) is committed and the impact these crimes have on society. Additionally, emphasis will be placed on the disparities that exist between class and power such as: privileged access, status, criminal subcultures, syndication, exploitation, and marginalization in this field of criminal

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required 115 hours of course delivery for this topic area.

## **6. HCA 130 Cognitive and/or Mental Health Challenges**

### **Proposal Rationale**

This new course aligns with the updated Health Care Assistant (HCA) Program Provincial Curriculum. The revised curriculum, approved by the Government of British Columbia, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Post-Secondary Education, has been mapped to ensure that concepts and learning outcomes are scaffolded and streamlined throughout each course in the program. This has led to the need to repackage the curriculum into new course structures. The required additional content has been added to all courses and course content hours have been reallocated between courses to align OC courses hours and learning outcomes to the provincial framework. This proposed new course would have the required 60 hours of theory devoted to Cognitive and/or Mental Health Challenges as per the Provincial Curriculum Document and be a prerequisite to the practice



## **Health & Social Development**

### **Revised program:**

#### **1. Health Care Assistant Certificate**

##### **Proposal Rationale**

The BC Care Aide & Community Health Worker Registry requires all post-secondary schools to review their Health Care Assistant Program to ensure that it follows the 2023 Provincial Health Care Assistant Curriculum, the 2023 Health Care Assistant Program Recognition Guide and the Core Competency Manual (2023) - all are attached to this proposal for reference. All learning outcomes in the program have been reviewed and many revisions have been made in each course to ensure that best practices in adult education and health care standards are current. This proposal incorporates the provincially mandated changes along with other department initiated changes that will better align the Okanagan College program with the provincial guidelines for program delivery. As a result, new names and course numbers have been proposed to foster the transparency of student records and to mirror the expected provincial learning outcomes in each course. This will ultimately lead to a smoother recognition process upon Registry review.

## **Science and Technology**

### **Revised program:**

#### **1. Infrastructure and Computing Technology Diploma**

##### **Proposal Rationale**

The program course flow will need to be modified to allow the introduction of a new course, ICT 228 Scaling Infrastructure & Services. This is accomplished by adding this course into the 4th semester, removing a course from 3rd semester, and moving some courses between semesters to rebalance load and improve topical flow based on current offerings.

## **Academic Policies**

### **Revised policies:**

#### **1. Academic Integrity Policy**

##### **Proposal Rationale**

The Academic Integrity Policy has been changed as per the directives of the Policy and Procedure Framework Governing Policy. These changes include:

- Separating policy from procedures

- Putting the policy into the new framework format (Section 6.2 of the Policy and Procedure Framework Governing Policy)

- Including a Purpose for the policy

- Developing and including Definitions for the policy

- Adding to the Principles stated in the current policy to provide clarity to students and employees on specific standards applicable to academic integrity and academic misconduct.

- Inclusion of a list of academic integrity sanctions to the policy

- Inclusion of a Records section





#### **4. Electronic Communication for Applicants and Students**

##### **Proposal Rationale**

Remove this policy from Academic Policies. This is an administrative policy that is being updated through the Administration Policy Review.