

**Office of the President
California State University, Chico**



Executive Memorandum 16-006

March 24, 2016

From: Paul J. Zingg, President

Subject: Approval to Change the Name of the Department of Political Science to the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice

Upon the recommendation of the Academic Senate and the concurrence of the Provost, I approve the EM 16-006, effective immediately.

Policy Title:	EM 16-006 Name Change from Department of Political science to the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice
Contact:	College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
Supersedes:	N/A
Revision:	N/A
Enabling Legislation or Executive Order:	N/A



Senate Document Routing Sheet

DATE: 3/7/16

The following **action item** was passed by the Academic Senate on 3/3/16 and is being submitted to you for your consideration and appropriate action.

Name	Approved As passed	Approved With Changes indicated above	Return for Further Discussion OR Return to Senate	Initials	Date
EPPC/FASP Chair	✓			FC	15-23-09
Academic Senate, Chair	✓			GD	10 MAR 2016
Provost Designee: AA or FA	✓			WR	3/11/16
PLEASE RETURN TO SENATE OFFICE – at this time cc electronic copy to Chief of Staff					
Provost	✓			JD	3-21-16
Chief of Staff	✓			✓	3/23/2016
University President					
PLEASE RETURN TO SENATE OFFICE - **if changes to document, consult with EC prior to posting					

Name	Responsibility	Initials	Date
Exec. Asst. to Chief of Staff	Upload as EM	AW 16.005	3/24/16
Senate Office Coordinator	File in Senate Office		

SEN #	EM# Issued	Action Item(s)
3-16		Proposed Major Unit Name Change: Department of Communication Design to Department of Media Arts, Design & Technology

Notes:

Major Unit Name Change

Current Name: Department of Political Science

Propose Name Change to: Dept. of Political Science and Criminal Justice

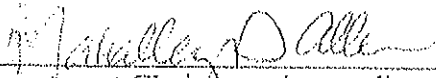
Rationale for Change (Note: If the rationale exceeds this space, attach additional pages):

The Department of Political Science has five undergraduate programs and two graduate programs: BA in Political Science: General Option, BA in Political Science: Legal Studies Option, BA in Criminal Justice, BA in International Relations, BA in Public Administration, MA in Political Science, and MPA in Public Administration. The number of majors for the department's five undergraduate programs is about 1,050 students as of fall 2015, not including graduate students. Of those 1,050 undergraduate students, about 650 of them are criminal justice students.


Prompted by enrollment trends, faculty members in the Department of Political Science propose to change the name of the department by adding "and Criminal Justice" so that the new name better reflects the department's present-day focus and breadth. More than half of the department's students are seeking a degree in criminal justice, but that degree option is not reflected in the department's current name. Because criminal justice is not a traditional field of study within political science, the current name is not inclusive enough to also represent criminal justice, making a new name desirable. Our department is no longer focused only on the traditional fields of political science, but our current name implies that we are. The proposed new name is more inclusive and better represents the nature of our department.

Signatures Required

The Department of Political Science
has reviewed and approved this name change


Department Chair or unit coordinator, director, etc. Date 11/1/15

The College of Behavioral and Social Science
has reviewed and approved this name change


College Dean or chief administrator for unit Date 12/1/15

Send completed form to Curriculum Services at Undergraduate Education zip 680

Curriculum Review Completed

Date

CSU Chico
Curriculum Services

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Note: College Dean or chief administrator for unit will advertise the proposed name change to the campus community via a Memorandum Of Intent. The department will be notified of EPPC review date.

Castleberry, Kathy


From: Castleberry, Kathy
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 1:41 PM
To: Intent Distribution List
Subject: Intent to Change Unit Name - POLS



California State University, Chico

MEMORANDUM of INTENT

RESPONSE DUE: December 11, 2015

FROM: Eddie Vela, Dean 
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

SUBJECT: Intent to Change Unit Name
From: Department of Political Science
To: Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice

RATIONALE: The Department of Political Science has five undergraduate programs and two graduate programs: BA in Political Science: General Option, BA in Political Science: Legal Studies Option, BA in Criminal Justice, BA in International Relations, BA in Public Administration, MA in Political Science, and MPA in Public Administration. The number of majors for the department's five undergraduate programs is about 1,050 students as of fall 2015, not including graduate students. Of those 1,050 undergraduate students, about 650 of them are criminal justice students.

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