



TO: Academic Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 6

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

Faculty of Arts and Science: Change of the name of the Centre of Criminology to 'Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies'.

**JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Board has authority to approve name changes of academic units.

**PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

The Faculty of Arts and Science is proposing a change in the name of the Centre of Criminology to the *Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies* in order to reflect more clearly the scholarship and teaching of the Centre. The Centre has a 'world-class reputation in the fields of criminology and sociolegal studies as noted by a recent OCGS review which has prompted wide ranging discussion about changing the name of the Centre to reflect the breadth of approach taken by those associated with the institution.

The proposal has been widely discussed amongst faculty and has the support of the Chair of the Department of Sociology, Principal of Woodsworth College and Dean of the Faculty of Law. The Centre is not proposing to change the name of its graduate programs.

***Approvals***

This proposal to change the name of the "Centre of Criminology" to the "Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies" was approved by the Arts & Science Faculty Council on December 6, 2010 and has been reviewed by the Vice-Provost Academic Programs.

Appendix A provides the complete proposal which provides a full academic rationale.

**FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no new/additional financial resources required to implement the name change.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Academic Board approve:

THAT the name of the Centre of Criminology in the Faculty of Arts and Science become the "Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies," effective immediately.