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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: CCJ 290, Introduction to Corrections

Department, College: Sociology & Anthropology, Arts & Sciences

Faculty Member: Megan Parry

Date returned to Faculty: March 15, 2022

Librarian Completing Assessment: Karen Walton Morse

Collection Management Officer: Joanna Burkhardt

Assessment of:

- Suitability of existing library resources;
- New library resources required to support the program;
- Information skills education required by the students; and
- Funds needed for library materials and services.

Please include:

1. What library holdings already exist in relevant subject categories. How much money is now allocated in the subject area?

The Library actively purchases new publications related to the course topic (punishment and rehabilitation). It has substantial holdings in the areas of criminology, criminal justice, sociology, and general social science, including access to hundreds of relevant journals.

The syllabus lists four titles which students can utilize for their final papers. The Library has paper copies of two of them and a multi-user eBook of the third. The fourth (published in 2021) is currently on order.

The 2021-2021 allocation for monographs for Sociology & Anthropology (including Criminology & Criminal Justice) was approximately \$9000 (up from \$8000 in 2020-2021).

The cost of journal subscriptions is not broken out by department.

2. Does URI have the essential journals as noted in the Faculty Questionnaire?

The Faculty Questionnaire does not list any essential journals.

However, the Library provides access to relevant journals including *Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research*, the journal of the Corrections Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and *Corrections Today* from the American Correctional Association. It also subscribes to the major journals in criminology, criminal justice, and related fields including *American Sociological Review*, *Criminology*, *Crime and Delinquency*, *Journal of Crime and Justice*, and *Justice Quarterly*.

3. What new resources are required to support the course (including media, electronic, or other non-print materials)?

No new library resources are required to support this course.

4. What information mastery sessions will be required for the students?

No information mastery sessions are required for students in this course.

Should the instructor want bring the class to the Library for instruction on research techniques and/or database use (or to schedule a virtual instruction session on the same), arrangements can be made through the Public Services Department. Currently Mary MacDonald (Professor, Information Literacy Librarian) oversees the instruction program.

5. What is the approximate cost to acquire the materials necessary? Which of these will be continuing costs?

No additional materials are required.