

Departmental Approaches to Curricula for Racial Equality

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- LPS administers both the CJBS Major and Police Studies Major
- Together, these two majors comprise almost half of the JJ Undergraduate population
- LPS also maintains the LAW, COR, and PSC minors

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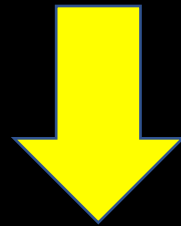
- IF you can change the curriculum; you will change the classrooms/college....
- **Bad news:** curriculum is not fun, it is not easy, it takes time, who is going to do the work, why are they doing the work, etc.
- **Good news:** by making changes to several courses... CJBS250, LAW203, CJBS300, CJBS415, CJBS101, PSC101 – LPS can impact 4k students each semester.

Understanding 'Change' in the LPS Curriculum

1. Design NEW courses that focus on racial justice
2. DOWNGRADE current Grad-level courses
3. REDESIGN current courses
4. UPDATE courses to incorporate more racial justice research (minor course revision)
5. INCORPORATING LPS Faculty with racial justice research into current/future courses

1. Design NEW courses that focus on racial justice

- Professor Diane Peress (Adjunct) and Professor Gloria Browne-Marshall
- LAW / POL / GOV 313
The Law and Politics of Race Relations



1. Race, Law & American Society
2. Racial Injustice, Criminal Law, & American Society

2. **DOWNGRADE** current Grad-level courses

- Professor Maria Haberfeld
- **CRJ738** – Perspectives on Race and Crime in America (focuses on the legacy of slavery, segregation, and immigration)



- Undergraduate courses on Immigration and Crime, Racism and Systemic Oppression in Policing, Racism and Systemic Oppression in Courts, Racism and Systemic Oppression in Corrections, etc.

3. REDESIGN current courses

- Professor Zoe Swenson (Adjunct) and Professor Christopher Herrmann
- **COR320** – Race, Class, and Gender in a Correctional Context

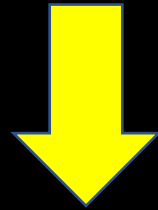


- **COR321 – Racial Disparity in America's Jails & Prisons**
Examines the role of *Race* in current crime, victimization, and incarceration trends.

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- **PSC202 – Police and Diversity**

Focuses on police interactions with Culture, Race, Ethnicity, Religion, Sexual Orientation, & Various Disabilities



- **Updating Syllabus:** textbooks, course objectives, learning objectives, assigned readings, written assignments, class presentations, and other required coursework.

5. INCORPORATING LPS Faculty with racial justice research into current/future courses

- Professor Sandra Swenson (SCI) and Professor Christopher Herrmann (LPS)
- **EJS 3XX – GIS in NYC: Mapping Environmental Crime**
Focuses on using geographic data and GIS to identify, examine, and understand environmental crime and disparity throughout NYC neighborhoods.

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