

# Valdosta State University STRATEGIC FOCUS 2010 PROPOSAL FORM

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**Department/College/Division:** Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice / College of Arts and Sciences

**Strategic Focus Standard (Select 1 or more)**

**Corresponding Assessment\***

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recruitment/Enrollment of Students            | —————> | # of New Students: <u>100 per year</u>                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retention & Graduation/Enrollment of Students | —————> | # of Additional Students Retained: <u>30 per year</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship/Research                                     | —————> | # of Scholarly Activities: _____                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Solvency Resources                             | —————> | \$ Revenue/Savings: _____                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Develop New Academic Initiatives/Programs                | —————> | # of New Students: _____                              |

\*This is the number or dollar value that is associated with the proposed project. Existing students and efforts should not be included in these figures; only additional students/scholarly activities/dollars (i.e. no double counting).

**Brief Proposal Description:**

To provide 2 criminal justice faculty members with a 1 course release for Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 semesters to prepare the criminal justice curriculum for online delivery. This will allow one faculty member to adequately format all undergraduate criminal justice courses currently being taught (17 core and 12 upper division elective courses), and one faculty member to adequately format all graduate courses currently being taught (5 core and 13 elective courses) for online delivery.

**Budget** (Specify dollar amounts and elaborate as needed on summary page):

Item	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff # <u>2</u> Salary and Fringe \$ <u>20,000</u>	This will cover the cost of hiring 2 adjunct instructors to teach the released courses in both Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 semesters.
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel \$ _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Operating \$ _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment \$ _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Space (office, lab, classroom, etc.) _____	
<b>Total \$ <u>20,000</u></b>	

**Duration:**

- One -Year       Multi -Year (# of Years: \_\_\_\_\_)       Indefinite

**Supplemental Funding Sources** (e.g, department operating budget)

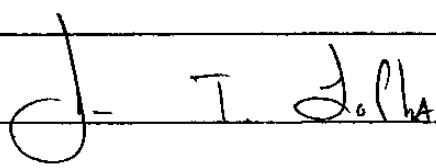
None.

**Schedule: Expected Time to Completion****Start Date:** August 2009**End Date:** May 2010**Assignment of Responsibility (name and title):****Primary:** Dr. Michael Capece, Department Head**Secondary:** Dr. Deborah M. Robinson, Professor of Criminal Justice and Undergraduate Coordinator**Additional Information:**

This will allow the criminal justice program to effectively teach the program at Kings Bay in an online format, thus reducing the reliance on adjuncts and will thereby provide more control and oversight of that off-campus program, while allowing for the retention of those students who pursue courses at other online institutions (i.e., our courses are taught in a rotation schedule; students not able or wishing to wait to complete our courses go to other online institutions as transient students and transfer the credits to VSU). In addition, as many of our majors are currently working within the field, the delivery of online courses will broaden our program appeal and ability to serve those students who find it difficult to attend all criminal justice courses on campus, thus retaining those students in the program. The formatting of the graduate criminal justice courses for online delivery has an added benefit of recruiting students who would otherwise seek another online institution for graduate school.

**APPROVALS (Signatures)****Ranking of Proposal**

This portion to be completed by approvers following the evaluation of the constituent group.

Approver	Signature	Rank	# of Proposals Forwarded
DEPARTMENT HEAD/DIRECTOR:			
DEAN:		Not Ranked	21
DEANS' COUNCIL:			
VICE PRESIDENT:			
P&B COUNCIL:			