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#### Field Placement Students:

The field placement course is your Capstone experience, designed to culminate your undergraduate education at the University of Cincinnati. As one of the final endeavors of your undergraduate experience, this course must be treated with seriousness and approached at the senior level. Students must plan their placement at an agency six months prior to their anticipated start date.

The field placement course consists of your placement at an agency involved in the criminal justice system. You must complete 72 hours of placement for each field placement course (18-CJ-495 and 18-CJ-496), resulting in a total of 144 hours. You may complete your hours over the course of two quarters, or take both courses during the same quarter. You may choose two different facilities, or complete both courses at the same organization.

You are expected to become familiar with how the field placement organization operates. You are also expected to reflect upon how your criminal justice coursework at the University of Cincinnati ties in with what you experience in the field. You are required to keep a log of your hours at the organization, and you will be required to communicate with other students in the course about their field placements via weekly blackboard discussions.

You must write a senior-level research paper discussing a particular aspect of your individual placement. Within this paper, you must reference your coursework in relation to the field placement. In addition, you are required to use two outside scholarly references to write your paper. This paper is not your opinion about the field placement course, nor is it your opinion of the agency where you are placed. If you have an educated opinion about a procedure or policy, use scholarly references to support your view. All references must be cited within the body of the paper. Additional information regarding your research paper is included in the course syllabus.

The final paper produced for the class must be free of grammatical, mechanical, and spelling errors. The paper must be clear and concise, and must follow the format required by the instructor. **The inability to communicate in written form at a senior level will result in automatically failing the field placement.**

Please address any questions regarding the requirements for the field placement course to Jamie Vaske, Field Placement Coordinator at [vaskeje@email.uc.edu](mailto:vaskeje@email.uc.edu).

