CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SLO PRESENTATION/CURRICULUM COMMITTEE 2009

OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAM:

- 1. The Program offers three Degree Programs (Associate of Arts in Pre-Law, Associate of Science in Criminal Justice and the Associate of Science in Forensic Science) and a Certificate of Proficiency in Criminal Justice.
- 2. There are 19 Courses offer by the Department.
- 3. From at least Fall 2004 to Spring 2009, the CJ Program has graduated more students than any other program of studies at ASCC.
- 4. Since Fall 2006, the Department has helped secured admissions for ASCC students to the University of Hawaii, Hilo and now has a very close working relationship with the UHH Admission Office and can guarantee about a 98\$ admission rate for any ASCC student who wants to transfer to UHH that has a 2.0 GPA. Further, the department has vouched for and lobbied hard on behalf of ASCC students, not just CJ majors, the American Samoa Scholarship Board for Student Loans for those students who would not have otherwise received a student loan based on the GPA criteria and the Scholarship Board has awarded student loans to about 90% of these students. Last semester, the Board awarded student loans to 100% of all students that the department lobbied for on their behalves.

PROGRAM SLOs: (See 2008 Catalog page 59)

- a. Analyze fact situations and understand case reasoning and rationale
- b. Apply acquired knowledge and skills to real work situations
- c. Use oral and written skills to organize, deliver and evaluate information, fact patterns and evidence
- d. Conduct research, draw conclusions, communicate results and apply findings
- e. Demonstrate an appreciation of the Constitution, statutes and case laws
- f. Recognize the effects of technology in investigation, case management and presentation
- g. Understand basic Constitutional rights as they apply to civic duties and ethical conduct for everyday living in a law and order community

- I. <u>Has the Criminal Justice Department defined expected Student Learning Outcomes?</u>

 Yes. As evidence above, the program has seven SLOs. Each of the nineteen courses referenced above has at least three (3) course LO's. These Course LO's are aligned to the Program LO's which are then aligned to the Institutional SLO's. All these are included in the course syllabus handed out to each student for each course offered in a given semester.
- II. <u>Has the Criminal Justice Department defined Assessment of Expected SLO's?</u> Yes, every course syllabus contains methods to assess a particular SLO. As referenced herein below, the Institutional SLO of Communication Skills has been assessed in all nineteen offered courses with Job and Life Skills SLO's that will be assessed this semester and continuing. In addition, the articulated Program SLO's will also be assessed beginning Spring 2010.
- III. <u>Has the Criminal Justice Department assess SLO's?</u> Yes, all nineteen courses have assessed some element of Communication Skills using the approved Rubric of either Individual Oral Presentation, Individual Research Paper, Group Oral Presentation or Group Research Paper. This semester, nine courses will assess Life and Job Skills in addition to Communication Skills that is continuing.