Juvenile Justice Academic and Research Program
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GOAL

Develop a juvenile justice program designed to prepare students for graduate school and juvenile justice related careers and to provide research opportunities for students and faculty in the Mid-Atlantic QEM network.

OBJECTIVES

1. Expand undergraduate course offerings
2. Develop graduate program
3. Develop juvenile justice reform research training program
4. Expand internship and research opportunities for students and faculty in the Mid-Atlantic QEM network
ACADEMIC COMPONENT

- Expand Undergraduate Course Options
  - Currently Offered
    - Introduction to Sociology
    - Introduction to Criminal Justice
    - Social Deviance
    - Juvenile Delinquency (Elective)
  - In Development
    - Juvenile Courts & Corrections
    - Adolescent Race & Gender Identity

- Develop Graduate Program
  - Completed Needs Assessment
  - Developed Mission and Goals
  - Completed Permission to Plan
Offer Internships and Research Opportunities

- Currently Available
  - CAO
  - PSN
  - PBC

- In Development
  - DOC
  - JJ RAI/YRS
  - Teen Warehouse
Develop Juvenile Justice Reform Research Training Program

- QEM Seed Funding Request
- Two Components
  1. Advance participants’ knowledge of:
     a. juvenile delinquency
     b. the juvenile justice system
     c. the current national and state efforts to reform the system
     d. an overview of the CNRR criminal justice and juvenile justice reform needs assessment, and
     e. an overview of the research site (Riverside in Wilmington, DE)
  2. Develop participants’ practical research skills through:
     a. informational sessions related to qualitative research, interviewing, content analysis, and focus groups.
     b. practical skills development component in which participants practice research skills by collecting data through the various methods addressed in the training sessions.
- Option for continued involvement in research