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|  | **SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS |
| Substantive Program Modification Form |
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Use this form to request minor changes in existing programs (majors, minors, certificates, or specializations).

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| **UNIVERSITY:** | DSU |
| **CURRENT PROGRAM DEGREE:** | **Bachelor of Science** |
| **CURRENT PROGRAM MAJOR/MINOR:** | **Cyber Leadership and Intelligence** |
| **CURRENT SPECIALIZATION** *(If applicable)***:** |  |
| **CIP CODE:** | **29.0202** |
| **UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:** | **Sociology** |
| **BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:** | **DSOC** |
| **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:** | **College of Arts and Science** |
| **BANNER COLLEGE CODE:** | **DAS 8A** |

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

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| Vice President of Academic Affairs or President of the University |  | Date |

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1. **This modification addresses a change in (*place an “X” in the appropriate box*):**

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|[ ]  Total credits required within the discipline |[ ]  Total credits of supportive course work |
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|[x]  Total credits of elective course work |[ ]  Total credits required for program |
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|[ ]  Program name |[x]  Existing specialization |
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|[ ]  CIP Code |[x]  Other (explain below) |
|[ ]  Modification requiring Board of Regents approval *Must have prior approval from Executive Director or designee* |

1. **Effective date of change: 5/11/2026**
2. **Program Degree Level (*place an “X” in the appropriate box*):**

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| Associate |[ ]  Bachelor’s |[x]  Master’s |[ ]  Doctoral |[ ]

1. **Category (*place an “X” in the appropriate box*):**

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| Certificate |[ ]  Specialization |[x]  Minor |[ ]  Major |[ ]

1. **If a name change is proposed, the change will occur (*place an “X” in the appropriate box*):**

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|[ ]  On the effective date for all students |

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|[ ]  On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program) |
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| **Proposed new name:**  |  |
|  | *Reminder: Name changes may require updating related articulation agreements, site approvals, etc.* |

1. **Is the program being modified associated with a current articulation agreement?**

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| Yes |[x]  No |[ ]

* 1. **If yes, will the articulation agreement need to be updated with the partner institution following the approve of the program change? Please explain:**
1. **Primary Aspects of the Modification (*add lines or adjust cell size as needed*):**

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| *Existing Curriculum* | *Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)* |
| **Pref.** | **Num.** | **Title** | **Cr.****Hrs.** |  | **Pref.** | **Num.** | **Title** | **Cr. Hrs.** |
| General Education | 30 |  | General Education | 30 |
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| Major Courses | 54 |  | Major Courses  | 54 |
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| Choose one of the following Specializations: | 18 |  | Choose one of the following Specializations or Major Electives | 18 |
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| Digital Forensics Specialization |  |  | Digital Forensics Specialization |  |
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| World Affairs and Human Behavior Specialization |  |  | World Affairs and Human Behavior Specialization |  |
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| **Open Electives** | **18** |  | **Open Electives** | **18** |
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| Total number of hours required for degree | 120 |  | Total number of hours required for degree | 120 |

1. **Explanation of the Change:**

The College of Arts and Sciences is collaborating with NSU to develop a 4+1 dual degree program combining the Criminal Justice degree and the Cyber Leadership and Intelligence (CLI) major. Students pursuing the CLI major as a second major or as part of an additional bachelor’s degree are not required to complete a specialization. Instead, they must complete the CLI core curriculum and the required supporting coursework to meet the major’s requirements. This flexible option allows students from other disciplines to strengthen their professional preparation by adding cyber leadership expertise to their academic portfolio.