THE CRIME CHRONICLES

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WELCOME BACK

Happy New Year! I hope you are already having a fulfilling and productive year. This past year has been an exciting one for our department. This newsletter covers the events we have hosted and brings you up to date with recent happenings. As you can see there are lots of opportunities for students in the department. I would strongly encourage you to become involved and to meet fellow students, professors, and professionals in the field.

If you have already graduated, please keep us up to date with your accomplishments both personal and professional, by filling out the survey located at http://uncc.surveyshare.com/s/
AYASQNC. We would love to hear from you. We also would like to share news of your accomplishments and activities with our students, alumni, faculty and staff.

Thank you to everyone who works hard to support our department. We invite you to read through and learn more about us on the pages that follow.

With best wishes,

Beth Bjerregaard

Chair, Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology



SAYING GOODBYE TO PAUL FRIDAY



The Department sadly said goodbye to Paul Friday as he retired fall semester after teaching for 46 years – 22 of them at UNC Charlotte. Friday has had a distinguished career and has been recognized both nationally and internationally for his teaching, service and research. He has published a remarkable 8 books, 40 book chapters, 45 peer reviewed articles and dozens of research reports. It is not just the sheer volume that makes this impressive, but it is also the impact that his work has had in the field.

Paul Friday has helped to advance the study of victimology and delinquency both nationally and internationally. The World Society of Victimology has recognized him for his lifetime contributions to victimology. He was awarded the John PJ. Dussich Lifetime Scholarly Achievement in Victimology award by the American Society of Victimology and received an award for Outstanding Contributions to Chinese Research by the China Society for Research in Juvenile Delinquency.

Friday has also provided invaluable service to the community and the field of criminal justice. Locally, he has served as a research consultant for many communities and law enforcement agencies in the region and has chaired the Drug Coalition for years. As a result of his outreach he was nominated for the Board of Governor's Award for Outstanding Public Service, and recognized as the Volunteer of the Year by Substance Abuse Prevention Services. Internationally he has served as a consultant for the United Nations, served many years in the administration of the World Society of Victimology, the International Bureau for Children's Rights, the International Society for Criminology, the European Society of Criminology, and the International Sociological Association. In addition, he worked tirelessly to create connections with Chinese Universities and Scholars.

The Criminal Justice students will miss Friday for his classes in Violence, Victimology and International Criminal Justice. He is known for his passionate teaching style and impressive knowledge of the subject matter. Paul Friday will be missed by

the department which wishes him all the best in

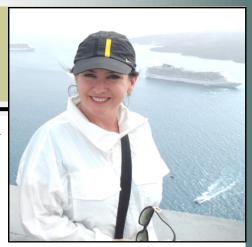
his retirement.

Written by: Beth Bjerregaard



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: KATHLEEN NICOLAIDES

I was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in South Bend, Indiana and San Luis Obispo, California. I went to boarding school at Santa Catalina in Monterey, college at Duke University and law school at Emory Law. Among my cool jobs has been teaching tennis, interning at the United States Supreme Court for two summers, working on a political campaign and with a non profit focusing on gang girls. As a



3L in law school I worked in a Georgia District Attorney's office where I was conditionally admitted to practice. Upon my graduation from law school I worked at a large law firm in San Francisco in their securities and antitrust group. I knew I always wanted to be a federal prosecutor and got the opportunity in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, starting their affirmative civil enforcement unit focusing on health care fraud. After that I did a stint as the general counsel for an emerging growth company in Silicon Valley but went back to being a federal prosecutor when I got the offer to go to Washington with the Independent Counsel investigating the Secretary of Agriculture in the Clinton administration. I reinvented myself in academia when CPCC hired me in 2003 as an adjunct faculty member and then I got the greatest job ever here at UNC Charlotte in our department.

I am married to Mike Rader, a Naval Academy graduate whose daughter went to Duke University and Columbia Law. My son, John, is a junior at Providence Day. In my free time I watch my son's lacrosse games and 5K races, walk, go to jazzercise, play golf, travel, attend Duke Alumni events and read. My bio would not be complete with out a shout out to Sugar, the sweetest and smartest labradoodle who runs the family schedule with her morning and afternoon walks.

Fun Facts:

- ⇒ If you could have any superpower, what would it be and why?

 I'd be able to wiggle my nose and have anything happen, like Samantha on Bewitched.
- ⇒ When you were 6 years old, what did you want to be when you grew up?

 A doctor
- ⇒ If you were a cupcake, what flavor would you be? No brainer – chocolate
- ⇒ What TV show/movie are you ashamed to admit you love? Melrose Place
- ⇒ Who is the most famous person you have personally met?

 Neil Armstrong
- ⇒ What one food do you wish had zero calories? Chocolate
- ⇒ What is one random fact about you?

 In my essays to get into college I argued in favor of the elimination of television.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: JEFF SPIVEY

Jeff Spivey graduated from South Mecklenburg High School and then from UNC Charlotte in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. He has spent his career as a security professional and is currently the President of Security Risk Management, a security consulting firm in Charlotte that provides strategic security risk consulting to Fortune 500 companies and international organizations. He is a member of the US State Department's Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC), and serves on the Advisory Board for the National Center for Judicial Security of the US Department of Justice. He is a founding member of the Cloud Security Alliance and a past president and past chairman of the board for ASIS International. He is chair of ISACA's Relations Board,



and is a member of ISACA's Strategic Advisory Council and Knowledge Management Task Force and has served as co-chair of ISACA's External Advocacy Committee and as a trustee of the IT Governance Institute. Jeff shares some of his insight about UNC Charlotte and his career below:

What is your favorite memory of UNC Charlotte? Interesting question...because I recently attended UNC Charlotte's Cybersecurity Conference and Exhibits at UNC Charlotte's Cone Center. As I entered the exhibit room, the smell of the wooden floors brought on a flashback to my freshman year in 1974. It was an odd memory recall-remembering when I attended an event with a speaker I had never heard of and a movie presented in this same room, 40 years ago! My flashback mental images of our 70 or so students sitting on this wooden floor, listening to this engaging and intriguing speaker talking about space and the future. He then played his film from a reel-to-reel projector. The speaker was Gene Roddenberry and the film was the first release of the Star Trek, The Original Series!

What is the best thing you gained/learned from your degree? My degree in Criminal Justice afforded both the theory and the practice of Criminal Justice. I completed 3 years in the program then temporarily left to begin work as a policeman with the Mecklenburg County Police Department. I then completed the degree as I was experiencing the real life learning provided in law enforcement. I found the combination of both to provide a deeper understanding of the many facets of criminal justice, from law enforcement to courts and judges to the penal system. This continues to provide a foundational understanding in my contribution to the work I do with the United States Marshals Service's Judicial Security Council. In the protection of federal judges, understanding of the security risk which could be presented at multiple levels of their public and private lives is important. This council provides guidance of important trends and risk to be considered.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: JEFF SPIVEY

What is the most exciting part of your job? Our world's increasing complexity is now combined with the velocity and volume of new security risk from technology, geopolitical and economic uncertainty. This reality demands new innovative frameworks from which to both manage and exploit all risk to the enterprise and institutions globally. I continue my work of building new iterations toward building the best governance and management frameworks for our next generation's security risk. At the end of the day, my passion and value is centered with security's fundamental core value- the prevention, early warning and management of security related risk to governments and industry. This endeavor has allowed me to contribute to development of new security models, pivoting away from the guns, guards and gates of previous security models and toward security enabling and being an integral team member assuring the institution or the business achieve its' goals... not restricting.

What is the best way to prepare for a job in security/risk management? Engage in the world you want to become a part of...If Security and Risk Management make sense for you, join the professional associations of ASIS International, ISACA, Cloud Security Alliance...Also, engage with other people with similar interest, but diverse backgrounds, online debates and discussions on important security RISK topics. If not you are passionate about this...who will do it. Do NOT look elsewhere for someone to solve important problems...I selfishly encourage students to get involved and solve these big problems because I want to live in a better world- each of the students can make a difference.

What advice would you give to current students? Find your passion and make a difference for something greater than yourself. Society will be better off and you will too! Make it your mission to CONNECT! A quote I like from an unknown person-"Creativity is just connecting things. When you ask creative people how they did something, they feel a little guilty because they didn't really do it. They just saw something. It seemed obvious to them after a while; that's because they were able to connect experiences they've had and synthesize new things. And the reason they were able to do that was that they've had more experiences or they have thought more about their experiences than other people. Unfortunately, that's too rare a commodity. A lot of people in our industry haven't had very diverse experiences."

CHECKING IN WITH CJ ALUMNI

Vann Kealy is an inspector/investigator with the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles License and Theft Bureau.

Chris Perez has worked for Carolinas HealthCare System since 2012. He was promoted to operations manager in September of 2014.

Jessica Sherman is currently in her second year at North Carolina Central University School of Law. She is on track to graduate in 2016.

Richard Starnes is a police officer with Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department. He was an ARMY Criminal Investigation Special Agent who was deployed to Afghanistan from 2012 to 2013 with US Special Operations Command, in conjunction with the DOD Criminal Investigation Task Force. This was to assist in conducting dynamic operations regarding the capture of known and wanted enemy combatants, conducting site exploitation (technical and physical) at the point of capture, interview detainees, assist in the development of prosecution packets against detainees, and train coalition forces in all aspects listed above.

*Let us know how you are doing by going to this link: http://uncc.surveyshare.com/s/AYASQNC

SPOTLIGHT ON FACULTY RESEARCH



"Researcher Warns of Drug That Can Sidestep Regulation, Result in Death"

UNC Charlotte researcher John Stogner is sounding the alarm about a drug that is 5 to 15 times stronger than heroin — and escapes detection on drug screens unless doctors specifically look for it.

Stogner, a criminologist and drug researcher, recently published a paper in the *Annals of Emergency Medicine* on acetyl fentanyl, a potentially deadly opioid.

"This is a particularly scary drug because of the threat of immediate overdose and death," said Stogner, an assistant professor in the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology. "What is worse is that we may not pick up on it."

Stogner suggests that some narcotics dealers are mixing the opioid with heroin. The resulting overdoses may not respond to standard doses of the opiate-reversal drug naloxone. Stogner's article warns emergency physicians to brace for "an upswing in what appear on the surface to be heroin overdoses" but are actually cases that involve acetyl fentanyl.

Compounding the issue is acetyl fentanyl's legal status – it is not specifically scheduled under the Controlled Substance Act. It does not qualify as an analogue and therefore cannot be packaged for human consumption, but as long as it is labeled "not for human consumption," it can sidestep regulations. Other substances that have fallen into this grey legal area were MDPV, mephedrone, and synthetic marijuana products as bath salts, potpourri and plant food until specifically as a controlled substance.

"My goal is to better understand this emerging drug phenomenon," Stogner said. "I am looking at these drugs that we haven't seen (before) and (seeking to) understand which one is the next to cause problems in society."

Drug networks may profit from the murky legal status of this opiate by using it in place of mainstream drugs and selling it through shrewd distribution networks. Dealers could easily purchase this drug and mix it with heroin to deceive users, Stogner's research indicates. Users can obtain it without fear of prosecution unless it's mixed with heroin.

The rise in use of acetyl fentanyl follows the path of other novel psychoactive substances, such as salvia and synthetic stimulants referred to as "bath salts". Stogner's past research has demonstrated how easily and quickly these drugs can make their way into the community. Outbreaks of acetyl fentanyl use have occurred in North Carolina, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania.

"One common feature of novel psychoactive substance abuse is the speed at which the drugs emerge as problematic substances," Stogner states in his paper.

Users become aware of the substances before information appears in criminological or medical journals. This puts law enforcement and medical personnel in a reactive mode, leaving them unprepared as legal and medical responses catch up.

Stogner's research holds significant practical implications, helping law enforcement, health care professionals, social workers and others to be better prepared.

"The number of potentially problematic compounds is countless, but through the use of experiences and education in the field of criminology, it is possible to forecast which drugs are likely to become an issue," he said.

Stogner Pulls from Deep Knowledge

Stogner draws upon his extensive and varied experiences to guide his research, with solid grounding in the topics. He earned his bachelors' degrees in psychology and zoology from North Carolina State University, a master's degree in criminal justice from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and a doctoral degree in criminology, law, and society from the University of Florida.

He first grew interested in emerging drug trends during the first two years of medical school at UNC Chapel Hill. At that time he found himself drawn to the field of criminology and drug research.

"My earlier works are not on the topic, but I find the area of emerging drugs much more interesting, since emerging drugs are always evolving," he said. "There is always something new to deal with."

His research into these new substances follows traditional academic methods, as well as some non-traditional approaches. In addition to analyzing data, he has monitored online forums where addicts communicate and read news articles about spikes of these drugs in small towns.

In 2014, Stogner co-authored with David N. Khey and Bryan Lee Miller a book on the subject, *Emerging Trends in Drug Use and Distribution* (Springer.) Another book by the same collaborators is under contract with Taylor & Francis, titled *Synthetic and Novel Drugs: Emerging Issues, Legal Policy and Public Health*. He has published dozens of journal articles and presented regionally and nationally on related topics.

National media also have picked up on Stogner's research, reporting on this recent study in publications including the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Baltimore Sun* and Fox News. Stogner, who also writes about the issues on his blog, welcomes the spreading of the word beyond medical and criminology professionals.

"We want to spot the next trend, and then the trend after that so we can be better prepared," he said. "Bath salts and salvia caught the field off guard, and the goal is for that not to happen again."

Source: Allen, Seth. Researcher warns of drug that can sidestep regulation, result in death. Exchange Online. College of Liberal Arts & Sciences. Retrieved from https://exchange.uncc.edu/researcher-warns-of-drug-that-can-sidestep-regulation-result-in-death/

DATA & CRIMINAL JUSTICE



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You have likely heard the term "Big Data" in a variety of contexts, but perhaps you have not really given much thought to its application in the field of criminal justice. Big data simply refers to the fact that we, as a society, are generating and collecting information or data at a rate that is unparalleled in our history. While this presents a number of challenges – such as how to store such data – it also provides us with unique opportunities.

Law enforcement agencies have been embracing the use of data or digital information for some time. They are using it to predict where crimes are most likely to occur (and thus direct resources there proactively). They are using it to investigate crimes, track suspects, and to provide patrol officers with real-time relevant information. And this is just the tip of the iceberg. Law enforcement agencies increasingly have an abundance of data at their fingertips. For example, police have used license plate scanners to gather information in real time, regardless of whether or not an individual has committed a crime. Officers can watch live videos from cameras placed throughout major cities. Software can be utilized to search through these images for specific objects. ShotSpotter detection systems, again scattered throughout cities, can identify gunfire and provide police with an accurate location of where the shot took place. Drones

can be utilized for conducting

search and surveillance activities. Information on smartphone activity through the use of the controversial stingray devices. Researchers are currently attempting to identify potential terrorists by monitoring their vital signs and physiological patterns. We are also tracking terrorists by scanning and analyzing social media posts.

Police departments are hoping, in the future, to be able to dispatch officers to the scene before an offense takes place. Currently, the Los Angeles, New York, and Charlotte Police Departments, along with several others, utilize predictive policing to attempt to predict where offenses are most likely to occur so that officers can be dispatched to those areas.

The use of big data is not limited to law enforcement. Courts utilize offender data to assess sentencing outcomes and eligibility for pre-trial release. The digitalization of case records allows for the easy use of a risk assessment tool to make sentencing decisions. These tools use factors such as criminal behavior, drug addition, neighborhood and family risk factors. Attorneys comb social media sites and make use of experimental data to assist with jury selection.

Correctional facilities utilize data to classify inmates, determine the appropriate treatment modality and to deliver appropriate services to inmates. They use data to help improve officer and inmate safety and to stop criminal offenses from occurring inside the prison setting. For example, facilities have stopped the production of illicit alcohol by analyzing canteen purchases. Geographical Information Systems and mapping technologies have been utilized to help determine the most effective and efficient assignment of parole and/or probation caseloads as well as to track gang members in institutions.

The examples above are just a small sample of the various ways

in which data or information is being utilized in the criminal justice can be collected in metadata format field. The fact that almost everyone leaves a digital footprint, whether it is a log of their cell phone calls, a Facebook post or their location coordinates, has changed the field of law enforcement and intelligence analysis.

> What does this mean for the future? It means that the field of criminal justice is becoming more scientific and relying more heavily on digital information. It means that persons working in the field need to have at least a familiarity with the various methods used to collect and assess information, and be skilled in examining patterns in data. With all of this information, we still need criminologists or individuals who are trained in criminal justice to assess the use and impact of such tools. Criminal justice majors should think strategically about their required minors and/or elective classes. For example, the Department of Software and Information Systems offers a minor that is designed for social science majors (this minor does not assume you have a background in computing). The minor teaches you the basics of coding and computational thinking and introduces the issues of privacy and security in information technology. Similarly, the Department of Geography and Earth Sciences offers courses in Geographic Information Systems – a software package used by police departments to map where crimes occur. The Criminal Justice and Criminology Department offers classes in Intelligence Analysis, Police Intelligence, Homeland Security and others. In fact, we are in the process of developing several new analytics-based classes for the coming academic years. Think about the jobs of the future and then draft a plan to make yourself qualified for those jobs.

> > Written by: Beth Bjerregaard

OTHER NEWS

Faculty Recognitions:

Congratulations to Susan Hodge, Joseph Kuhns, Kathleen Nicolaides and Michael Turner who were recognized by multiple graduating seniors as the professor who made the most significant, positive contribution on their education.

Congratulations to Jennifer Hartman for being recognized as a distinguished alumni of the University of Cincinnati.

Research Study Completed by Criminal Justice Graduate Students under supervision of Vivian Lord

Graduate students, Holly Morris and Sarah O'Brien completed the study, "Use of Mediation in Mecklenburg County Private Warrant Court," under the supervision of Vivian Lord. The study was requested by District Court Judge Theo Nixon.

Criminal Justice graduate student, Hannah Donaldson, makes news

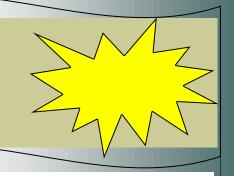
Hannah Donaldson with Vivian Lord as her thesis chair is researching victim/ offender/situational characteristics of cold homicide cases. In the process, Ms. Donaldson has developed an electronic data base, organizing more than 50 variables across 170 Charlotte Mecklenburg cold homicide cases hyper-linked with other data bases.

http://www.wcnc.com/story/news/crime/2014/10/23/uncc-grad-student-puts-smarts-to-work-for-cmpd/17791667/

<u>Criminal Justice professor, Vivian Lord, presented on January 21, 2015 as part of Alumni Affairs' Series</u>

Sponsored by UNC Charlotte Alumni Affairs, Vivian Lord presented, *Suicide* by Cop: A Comprehensive Examination of the Phenomenon and its Aftermath, at Ruth's Chris Steak House on January 21, 2015 during the lunch hour.

AWARDS BANQUET APRIL 2015



This coming April, the students from the Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology will be honored at a ceremony hosted by the department. Beginning in January, students can apply for the academic scholarships and awards listed below. The deadline to apply is Friday, March 13, 2015. Recipients will be recognized at the event, which will be held Tuesday, April 21 at 3:30 pm. For more information, including specific criteria and submission requirements, visit

criminaljustice.uncc.edu/opportunities-students/scholarships.

Available awards include:

- Undergraduate Research Award
- Law Enforcement Memorial Scholarship
- NC Sheriff's Association Undergraduate Criminal Justice Scholarship
- Dean Reep Scholarship
- Wade H. Stroud Scholarship
- Julie F. Beeman Recognition of Excellence
- Alumni Board of Governors Outstanding Senior Award
 - Robert Lassiter Outstanding Graduate and Undergraduate
 Paper Award
 - Justice Initiatives Award
 - Gray's College Bookstore Award
 - Barnes & Noble/UNC Charlotte Bookstore Award

PROCEDURE TO DECLARE CJC MAJOR OR MINOR

Major Requirements:

- ⇒ Introduction to Criminal Justice (CJUS 1100) grade of 'C' or better
- ⇒ Statistics (STAT 1222, 1221, or 1220) grade of 'C' or better
- ⇒ Writing Component Successful completion of the Undergraduate Admissions Essay (UAE)
- \Rightarrow 2.0 overall GPA
- *Once you have completed the above requirements, you must attend a *declaration meeting* in order to declare the major or minor.
 - ~ We **do not accept** walk-in declarations

Minor Requirements:

- 2.0 overall GPA
- Declared Major (cannot be Pre-CJ major)
- Attend a declaration meeting

Pre-CJ Requirements:

- ♦ 2.0 overall GPA
- Attend a declaration meeting

New for Fall 2015:

~Effective fall 2015, students must be a *declared Criminal Justice Major or Minor* in order to register for *any CJUS course at the 3000 level or higher*.

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS ESSAY (UAE)

To declare the Criminal Justice and Criminology Major, students must pass the Undergraduate Admissions Essay (UAE). The UAE is administered to ensure that students are prepared to become CJC majors. The UAE is offered multiple times, twice during the Spring semester and twice during the Fall semester. For the dates, times and locations of future UAE administrations, check the News and Events section of the CJUS website regularly. This information will also be available on Twitter at UNCC CJUS.

- ♦ Students must be familiar with the Criminal Justice System as a whole and can demonstrate the ability to conceptualize the system as having inter-related and inter-dependent components.
- Students must demonstrate sufficient depth of understanding each component and their responsibilities.
- Students must be able to analyze and discuss the impact on these components.
- ♦ Students must answer all aspects of the question.
- Students are encouraged to use the back of the sheet to organize thoughts before beginning to write.
- Students must use proper grammar, correct spelling and accurate punctuation.
- Students must avoid discussing personal experiences, what they see on television and religious beliefs.
- ♦ Students should also avoid unrelated tangents.
- Students should review the grading rubric to know what is expected. (available on CJUS website)
- ♦ Students will have one hour to complete the essay.
- ♦ Students are allowed two attempts.
- ~ It is not a good idea to retake the UAE without substantial studying and prep work following the first fail. There will be a review session following each UAE for students to examine their essay, see which components did not receive a passing grade and be able to ask questions on how to best prepare for their second (and final) attempt.
- ♦ The department has two Introduction to Criminal Justice textbooks on reserve in Atkins library for students to use. Look at the discussion questions for practice.
- ♦ Students are encouraged to visit the Writing Resource Center if they struggle with the writing portion. Students can take a paper they have written for a class and the WRC will critique it.
- ♦ New for Spring 2015: The Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology held a 'Prep' meeting for students. In essence, this was a review session to help prepare students for the upcoming UAE. The 'Prep' meeting was held on Tuesday, January 20 at 2 pm. The Spring UAE was held on Friday, February 6 at 1 pm.

For more information on how to prepare for the UAE and the dates of administrations and review sessions, check out the link below.

http://criminaljustice.uncc.edu/undergraduate-program-information/undergraduate-admissions-essay-information

JOIN US THIS SUMMER

SUMMER 2015

Do you want to graduate early?

Do you need to catch up on courses?

Do you need to repeat a course?

Join us this summer

- · Online courses offered
- · Accelerated course time
- Financial aid can apply

Summer Session I: May 18—June 23

Summer Session II: June 29—August 5

Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology

JOIN US THIS SUMMER

SUMMER 2015 COURSE OFFERINGS:

First Summer Session

May 18 - June 23:

Intro to Criminal Justice
Criminal Justice Theory
Research Methods in CJUS (Online Course)
Problems & Decisions in CJUS (W)
Correctional Field Experience

Criminal Justice Internship (3 or 6 credit hours)

Second Summer Session

June 29 - August 5:

Ethics and the CJUS System
Intro to Corrections (Online Course)
Intelligence & Analysis for National Security
Drugs, Crime & CJUS System (Online Course)

BUILD YOUR GLOBAL COMPETENCE BY STUDYING ABROAD

The Justice Studies Abroad program, led by Jennifer Hartman of the Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology, gives students the opportunity to explore criminal justice and criminology internationally while also learning about British culture. The program is based at Kingston University in Kingston-upon-Thames, a suburb of London, one of Europe's most beautiful, diverse, and intriguing cities.

The benefits of studying abroad in Kingston University are almost endless. In fact, research shows today's employers want a well-rounded individual with global ideas and experiences. That is, the ability to understand and transition into other cultures is seen as a benefit. Further, students studying abroad have also shown to increase an individual's ability to be sensible and sensitive to others.

"[I]t is important for American students to learn other languages, experience foreign cultures, and develop a broad understanding of global issues."

- Colin Powell

Beyond being more marketable to future employers, increasing empathy, and learning about international victimization issues, the students will also have ample opportunities to explore surrounding European communities. Extra fun trips for those interested include watching some of the Tour De France, Wimbledon, and the British open. So, take a look at the program and contact Hartman with any questions you may have.

This program is June 30 – August 1, 2015 and offers six hours of credit at either the undergraduate or graduate level. All students will take one course (CJUS 4000/5000), taught by the program director, in addition to a course offered by Kingston University (ARSC 3000/CJUS 6800), which will focus on British culture. Hartman's course will expose students to victimology, the study of victimization, including the relationships between victims and offenders; the interactions between victims and criminal justice professionals: police, courts, and corrections officials; and the macro and micro effects of what being a victim of a crime entails, which students will have the opportunity to explore on-site with the faculty director. The course will also examine the history of the victim's rights movement, how victimization theories vary from criminological theories, as well as the effects of being a victim and how victimization is measured.

For more program information, please visit the Office of Education Abroad's website at http://www.edabroad.uncc.edu. If you have any questions about the Victimology Seminar, contact Jennifer Hartman at jhartman@uncc.edu.

ALPHA PHI SIGMA HONOR SOCIETY

The APS Honor Society at UNC Charlotte is the Omega Theta chapter. In order to qualify for this honor as an undergraduate, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 as well as in Criminal Justice. As a graduate student, 3.4 is the minimum GPA for participation in this honor society.

Alpha Phi Sigma sponsored a lot of exciting events this past fall. In October, APS organized a career fair for the criminal justice students with employers from various CJ agencies including local police departments, private security, retail loss prevention and many others.

In November, Alpha Phi Sigma, in conjunction with Psi Chi (Psychology Honor Society) facilitated a discussion of a panel of experts regarding the role that Psychology plays in the Criminal Justice System. The focus of the discussion was on serial murderers and Detective Gary McFadden, Derrick Lail and Forensic Psychologist Lori Van Wallendael were the participating experts.

For this upcoming semester, Alpha Phi Sigma is sponsoring another criminal justice career fair which is planned for February 19 from 10am - 3 pm.

Save the date: Thursday, February 19, 10 am - 3 pm

Join us at the Criminal Justice Past representatives have included: Career Fair

Refresh your Resume

Dress to Impress

Work on your networking skills

UNC Charlotte Police Department

Rock Hill Police Department Gastonia Police Department

CMPD

FBI

State Probation

US Federal Probation

Sunstates Security

Target Loss Prevention

and Many More.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE CAREER FAIR SPONSORED BY: ALPHA PHI SIGMA



CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSOCIATION



Above: Members of CJA serving food at the Men's Shelter of Charlotte. This is one of several community service actions CJA performs each semester to promote civic responsibility.



Below: CJA Members at the Charlotte Dance Marathon to benefit the Levine Children's Hospital. This event was held in the student union on campus. Participants were able to meet with children and families that have benefitted from donations to the hospital.



Above: CJA at a CrossFit competition held at a local school to raise money. The money went towards food to be served to the homeless.



UNC CHARLOTTE PRE-LAW SOCIETY

This year, the Pre-law Society has focused on making new strides towards diversification, networking within the UNC Charlotte community, and travel. This path continues to be accomplished because of our new focus on giving members a more impactful voice with activities such as, the planning of events, travel destinations and arranging speakers. We are excited to become a more inclusive organization that will always put our members first.

After evaluating feedback from previous years, we decided to begin our diversification with our speakers. In the fall semester, we were able to host a US Attorney, the Mayor of Charlotte, a private defense attorney and a law



school panel, which included three different NC schools. This semester, current and future members can look forward to upcoming speakers like a NC Supreme Court justice, a tax attorney, an immigration judge and human rights advocates.

We have also had great opportunities to collaborate with other student organizations to expand our member base and peer relationships. This began with the major undertaking of the Judicial Forum "You Be the Judge." The Pre-law Society, in conjunction with NC Student Legislature, Mock Trial, Young Americans for Liberty, College Democrats, and College Republicans, were able to host judicial candidates. These candidates represented the Appellate, Superior, Supreme, and District courts. Students, organizations, faculty, and candidates were able to come together in a professional atmosphere for professional networking and a Question and Answer panel. This was a major success as we welcomed 11 candidates and over 110 students. Along with our judicial forum, Pre-Law Society held a first annual Movie and Dinner Night. Members from Pre-Law Society were joined by students from other organizations to share delicious food and watch the thrilling legal advocacy movie, "A Time to Kill."

One of the most important aspects of Pre-law Society is being able to provide our members the opportunity to visit law schools and ask admission departments questions regarding the application process. Law schools have allowed our members to sit-in a first year class, tour the campus for potential enrollment, and get a feel for the city and its local flavor. During the fall semester, we had the pleasure of visiting the University of South Carolina Law, Charleston School of Law, Emory Law and the Atlanta Law Forum. The forum was the perfect opportunity for students to converse with admissions counselors from law schools all across the country.

So far, Pre-law Society has had a very productive and exciting year. We look forward to the events yet to come, great upcoming speakers and travel opportunities, including our annual Washington, D.C. trip. It is always our mission to facilitate and educate UNC Charlotte Pre-law students about the many paths of a legal education.

Written by: Shayleen Morris President of the Pre-law Society

Constitution Day 2014

"Cell Phone Searches, Can the Police Search Your Cell Phone?"

Constitution Day made front page headlines this year when the issue of CMPD cellular telephone tracking came up. The topic for Constitution Day was whether or not the police can search your cell phone incident







to arrest and without a warrant. The panelists were CMPD Detective and CJC adjunct professor Brent Fousee, and Scott Broyels, professor of law from the Charlotte School of Law and student leaders from the Pre-law Society, Alpha Phi Sigma, Belk Honors Program and Levine Scholars Program were the moderators. While cell phones cannot be searched incident to a lawful arrest, there are other ways to get cell phone information. The panel was asked about the use of StingRay devices by the police. StingRays are known as cell site simulators and can provide officers with serial numbers, location and other information about nearby phones, laptop computers and tablets that connect to a cellular network. These devices mimic a cell

phone tower to help authorities pinpoint the location of phones. A reporter from the Charlotte Observer was in the audience and as a result of the Constitution Day program and the discussion about surveillance, the Charlotte Observer and other news organizations filed legal documents that were ultimately made public showing that judges routinely grant orders permitting cell phone tracking and the use of StingRays. One of the unresolved legal issues relating to the use of cell phone tracking devices is that they collect data from targets as well as innocent people. That may be a Constitution Day topic for another day.

Report from: Professor Kathleen Nicolaides

49ER MEDIATION TEAM

The UNC Charlotte 49er Mediation Team competed regionally and nationally this year.

At the *regional level:* for the first time, a UNC Charlotte student, Shayleen Morris, won the ESG Baumgardner Peacemaking Award, which is awarded to the participant who is the best combined advocate and mediator (highest total points out of about 50 participants).



UNC Charlotte also won second place Team trophy for Advocate/Client, Shayleen and Tenille Ross won fourth place in individual advocate/client team. Shayleen also won third place in individual mediator. Special thanks to the Honorable Carl Horne III for providing legal input and coming to the class to give the students extra coaching.

At the *national level*: the UNC Charlotte Mediation team made it to the semi-finals (sixteenth out of 40 teams) and placed fourteenth and eighth in Advocate/Client (Shayleen Morris and Tenille Ross; Shayleen and Sandy Granadino respectively) and fourteenth in Mediator (Shayleen Morris). Forty teams equates to 120 participants.

The 49er Mediation Team also helped Terry Stokes, Community Relations Specialist with the Community Relations Department, Charlotte City Manager's Office, with peer mediation training at Harding Middle School and Walter Byers Middle Schools.

The 49er Mediation Team also presented at the Conflict Resolution Day Event in Mooresville on "Higher Education Mediation: College-Level Resolution for College-Level Conflict."

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