From the Director................. Merry Morash

Since its inception in 1935, the School of Criminal Justice has embraced the University's founding spirit. Today, as then, the School fulfills its mission within the context of a professional education. A professional school will, by its very nature and mission, maintain close liaison with its constituency, will sponsor the kinds of research necessary to cope with the current and long-term problems, and will offer a curriculum that reflects the changing needs of the student, practitioner, and academic communities. This commitment has, and will continue to be, reflected in the School's curriculum, research and public service.

The School of Criminal Justice is only as strong as our faculty, staff, alumni and student body. Our strength comes not only from the present, but from our heritage and from our visions of the School's future. That future is shaped, in varying degrees, by all who have had anything to do with the School. Because of this, each and every one of us has some ownership of the School; "I was there. It makes me proud to have been a part of it!"

The School wants you to be proud to have been and continue to be a part of it, and has chosen this and future issues of the School Newsletter as one way to communicate to you how the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University is:

- **Academically Outstanding**, nationally and internationally; preparing tomorrow's scholars and leaders

- **A Vital Resource** in helping to address the critical problems of the 21st century: improving economic competitiveness and the quality of life for Michigan, the nation and the world

- **A School Preferred by Students** who are diverse, talented, and eager to learn

- One of the most effectively administered, **People-Oriented** institutions in the United States

- Coherent and focused upon strengths that create a **Distinctive and Enduring Character** to assure Michigan State University's future.

On behalf of the School, I invite you to be an even bigger part of the School's future. There are many opportunities: as an internship agency representative, as a representative at the student sponsored Criminal Justice Career Fair, or as a member of the Alumni Association Board, to name a few.

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Corrections Faculty Expands

Michael Reisig is the School's newest faculty member with interests in research methodology, organizational theory, and political theory. His current specific research interests include prison management and gang control strategies. Of the School, he says: “I am happy to be affiliated with a department that is widely recognized as one of the best in the field, and has a tradition of outstanding criminal justice scholarship, teaching and community service.”

Mike was raised in Kelso, Washington (about 45 minutes north of Portland, Oregon). He attended Pittsburg State University in Kansas where he participated in college athletics and received his Bachelor of Science degree (1991). His Masters of Arts (1992) is from Washington State University, as is his Ph.D. (1996).

While at Washington State, Reisig worked both as an independent instructor and research associate at the Division of Governmental Studies and Services. His dissertation was on an analysis of American highercustody state prisons and the effects of individual-level organizational and external factors on different measures of performance. His most recent publications appear in Crime & Delinquency and the American Behavioral Scientist.

25th Anniversary Celebration

1996 marks the 25th year since the School’s first doctoral student, Knowlton W. Johnson, graduated in 1971. The results of a survey of Ph.D. graduates overwhelmingly indicates a desire to celebrate this anniversary occasion. Graduates also indicated a preference for the celebration to take place in conjunction with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences 1997 Annual Meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, March 11-15, 1997.

And what better circumstances for celebration. Donna C. Hale (MA ‘80, Ph.D.’83) is this year’s ACJS President and John Ortiz Smykla (Ph.D.’77) is this year’s Program Chair. Details are still sketchy, but several alum have offered to work with the School in developing the when, what and where.

We will be mailing information under separate cover to each of the fifty-nine graduates listed in the February 1996 Newsletter, plus David Epstein (*59, MS ‘70, Ph.D. ‘77) and our newest graduate, John J. Palmatier. We will include in that mailing a list of graduates and where they are now.
ACCOLADES

David W. Roush, Principal Investigator for the National Juvenile Detention Association grant in the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University has published:


• an article co-authored with Michael Jones at Eastern Kentucky University, “Developing the NJDA Juvenile Detention Care Giver Training Curriculum” in Journal for Juvenile Justice and Detention Services, 1995, Fall, 10:62-71.


Mahesh K. Nalla, Assistant Professor in the School of Criminal Justice has published:


Christopher E. Smith, Associate Professor, School of Criminal Justice, has published:


David L. Carter, Professor in the School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University, and Andra J. Katz, Assistant Professor of Administration of Justice at Wichita State University have published:


COPS Grant Awarded

Merry Morash, director of the Michigan State University School of Criminal Justice, has been awarded a $521,992 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. The grant will be used for developing police department capability for design and delivery of in-house training to support community policing in seven pilot sites.

This grant will assist law enforcement officials in building organizational capability to implement and sustain community policing in their communities. The project will require close collaboration among Michigan State University's project personnel and leadership and staff at the police department sites.

The 12-month federal grant will include four phases: an assessment and planning phase; development of training and change implementation capacity; organizational change activities; and an assessment and refinement of community policing efforts.

Assisting in the project are training coordinators, Jane P. White and James Rapp, Professors David Carter, Tim Bynum, Stephen Mastrofski, and Peter Manning, all with the School of Criminal Justice; Professor Kevin Ford with the Department of Psychology and Professor Michael Polzin with the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. Four part-time graduate assistants are also assigned to the project.

The seven departments include:
- Lansing Police Department
- Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department
- Grand Rapids Police Department
- Novi Police Department
- Traverse County Sheriff's Department
- The Grand Traverse Tribes
- Traverse City Police Department

New NCCP Associate Director Named

Jane P. White, Professional Development Coordinator with the School of Criminal Justice since 1993, was recently appointed Associate Director of the National Center for Community Policing. She replaces Bonnie Bucqueroux as Associate Director for the Center.

1996 World Wide Web: Report for the United Nations Crime Prevention Division at Vienna "Bilateral Agreements on Extradition, Judicial/Legal Assistance, Control of Narcotic Drugs, and Prisoner Transfer by Country" and made available via the United Nations Criminal Justice Information Network World Wide Web database. It is the result of the efforts of Dr. Mahesh K. Nalla of the School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. The extradition database may be accessed through Netscape at the following address:

http://www.ifs.univie.ac.at/~uncjnl/extradit/extindx.htm

Specific instructions for downloading are available upon logging in at the above address.

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The Tournament of Friendship Scholarship was established by James A. Carter and John J. Castillo from funds generated by the Tournament of Friendship annual golf outing event held for the purpose of promoting and fostering positive relations between members of the law enforcement and minority communities. This scholarship is awarded to minority students pursuing an education in the field of criminal justice.

The 1995-96 recipients, Paul Elam, Jr. and Kia N. Harris are pictured here with Tournament committee members Michigan State Police Sgt. Jamie Coruna and Officer Joe Thomas. Paul is interested in pursuing a masters in criminal justice after graduation. He participated in the McNair/SROP scholars program over this past summer. Kia is interested in pursuing a career as a juvenile-related attorney. She has participated as a volunteer with the Ingham County 55th District Court and is active with the MSU Pre-Law Association.

Awardees Honored

Judicial Education Clearinghouse

The Judicial Education Reference, Information and Technical Transfer (JERITT) project is the national clearinghouse for information on continuing judicial education for judges, other judicial officers, and court personnel. Funding from the State Justice Institute (SJI) supports a number of interrelated activities that provide state, national, and federal-system judicial educators access to the latest information on judicial education programming, educational techniques and methods, and educational materials.

JERITT offices and staff are housed within the School of Criminal Justice at Baker Hall. Information is provided through publications, customized searches of JERITT databases, and direct technical assistance. Monthly, JERITT receives program data from 65 state, national, and federal-system judicial education organizations. Information is received also from cooperating judicial education organizations in other countries. JERITT regularly surveys all judicial educators to gather information on conditions and trends in judicial education and it also maintains the judicial educator and judicial education organization rosters.

Jobs Database On-Line

The latest addition to the School's World Wide Web page is the Jobs Database Online. Information forwarded to the School is entered onto the database, which can then be accessed by students and alumni seeking “positions available” information. The home page address is: http://www.ssc.msu.edu:80/~cj/, then select “Jobs Database On-line.”
When Corporate and Culture Collide

The School's third Leadership and Management Program in Security (LaMPS) Forum was held May 21-22 at Kellogg Center. The purpose of this year's Forum was to discuss the business of doing business in an emerging market. Using China, Brazil, India, Russia and South Africa as case studies, discussions focused on how corporate structure could impede or enhance prevention of loss, who the key players were in a successful corporate resource retention strategy and what those key players need to do to support the doing of business in those markets.

Highlights of the Forum included:


Whirlpool Corporation's Corporate Security Department provided funding to the School of Criminal Justice to support the development of a baseline survey instrument and for the establishment of a benchmarking database of security processes and measurements utilized by the 1000 companies that make up the Fortune 500 and Fortune Service 500. A panel of speakers discussed how the results of such benchmarking studies can be used to influence company decision making and/or existing plans of a company contemplating entry into an emerging market.

2. Cultures in Contrast.

What are some of the key contrasts between doing business in each of the Forum's five identified countries compared to doing business in the United States.

Panelists included:

- David Saenz, Director of Security, Levi Strauss & Co.;
- Roger F. Pajak, Ph.D.; Department of the Treasury;
- Edward V. Badolato, President of U.S. Africon;
- Shaun Gill, External Affairs Officer, Center for Strategic and International Studies South Asia & India Program; and
- James Pardo, International Business Advisor, Global Opportunities.


Panel members included:

- Robert B. Wade, Senior Vice President, PARVUS Company;
- Daniel Muscat ('80), Director Regional Security, Whirlpool Corporation;
- Radford Jones ('62), Security Manager, Ford Motor Company;
- Thomas G. Medina, Corporate Security Manager, The Coca-Cola Company; and
- Larry Kestenbaum ('79), Political Science Department, Michigan State University.

This year's Forum was co-sponsored with MSU's Center for International Business Education and Research in the Eli Broad Graduate School of Management.

SCIP Partnership Established

The Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals (SCIP) and the School of Criminal Justice have entered into a partnership to establish and develop a database of baseline information on cultures, laws, ethics, mores and business practices relative to the collection of information in twenty-two countries around the world.

Graduate Research Assistants, Scott Lindahl and Don Hallowell are working with SCIP members, William DeGenaro, DeGenaro Associates, and Larry Hamilton, Dow Corning, to identify what governs various economic espionage activities in the twenty-two countries being surveyed. The research will identify what practices are most likely to be used against a company operating in that country and what types of information collecting activities can a U.S. company conduct in those countries.

Teleconference Scheduled

As part of a grant from the Michigan Department of Social Services, the School of Criminal Justice and MSU Extension will be coordinating and facilitating a statewide teleconference: "A Statewide Town Hall Meeting to Solicit Local Input for Michigan's Three-year Juvenile Justice Plan." The teleconference will take place Wednesday, December 4, 1996 from 2-3 p.m. This teleconference is available without charge to any agency or facility with access to a satellite dish or "downlink." For more information call Chad Kielas, 800-892-9051.
President's Message .... James Batzer

It is a privilege to write this as the incoming president of your alumni board. I want to thank Kevin Courtney, immediate past president for his highly able and effective leadership. His professionalism and service to his community continue, of course, as does his dedication to the School.

I vividly recall the day I first walked into the School as a new graduate student in the master’s degree program. I had been a juvenile delinquency worker for something over two years following completion of my undergraduate education. I was a bit apprehensive and unsure of what to expect. I had not previously been a student at MSU. Somehow I wandered into Professor Radelet’s office. He at once made me feel at home and became a mentor and ultimately a friend, as did Professor Trojanowicz. The classrooms of these professors were always stimulating. They drew on the wonderfully rich experiences of the graduate students by encouraging a free exchange of ideas.

Though I never had a course in criminalistics, I became well acquainted with Professor Turner and had numerous enjoyable and stimulating discussions with him. I counted him a friend.

Professor Ferency and I were graduate students together. His good humor coupled with his thoughtful comments always made for lively discussion in and out of the classroom. He was great fun to watch in the classroom. As a graduate student he would make what would seem to be an exaggerated and untenable statement. It would appear as though he had painted himself into an intellectual corner from which there was no escape. Just when one was convinced that this time he was finally cornered, always, he would, with great alacrity, come up with a statement or position with which he would escape the trap.

The graduate students were impressive and of many backgrounds and views. They came from many parts of the country and from abroad with a broad range of experience in many different criminal justice agencies.

The military officers in the graduate program were always very impressive in their abilities. I’m sure that at a difficult time for them in our nation’s history, both by their in- and out-of-class performance, they caused many students to rethink some unfortunate stereotypical notions that were held.

I realize that there are many newer alums who never met the now gone faculty members who helped shape and engineer my own...

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New Board Members Elected

Elections were held at the Spring Criminal Justice Alumni Board of Directors Meeting. Three returning Board members included:

- James M. Batzer (MA ’76), Circuit Court Judge, Manistee, Michigan;
- Doreen Olko (’74), Acting Chief, Auburn Hills, Michigan; and
- Michael Watza (’78) Attorney.

James M. Peacock (’79, MA ’90), Montclair Community College, Sidney, Michigan, was elected to fill the last year of Jerry Guibord’s term of office.

David Westrate (’64), Drug Enforcement Administration agent, Washington, DC, was elected to fill the last two years of James Snody’s term of office.

Frank Schehr (MA ’76), Director of the Forensic Science Division of the Michigan State Police, East Lansing, Michigan and Gordon Kettler (’63, MA ’64), Director of Security, General Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan, were elected to full terms of office.

James Batzer was elected President of the Board; Doreen Olko will serve as Vice President.
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experience at the School. These newer alums in turn have their own classroom experiences shaped by a different faculty and different student body. But there is a continuity in the intellectual history and mission of the School and University.

As a Circuit Judge with two counties in Northern Michigan as my circuit, from time to time I attend seminars put on by the Michigan Judicial Institute, the continuing education arm of the Michigan Supreme Court for Michigan Judiciary. At a number of these seminars, faculty members of the School have acted as faculty members for the MJI. I know from that experience that the successors to the faculty that taught and mentored me as a graduate student at the School are worthy successors and up to the task.

All of which brings me to my point beyond mere reminiscence: I obtained my undergraduate education at two other schools—one a small liberal arts college, the other a large university—both very fine schools academically. Neither MSU nor any other college or university has a monopoly on providing a fine education, but my experience at the School demonstrated to me that MSU has an encompassing and undergirding tradition—that of a land grant university—that has played such a vital role in shaping it into the outstanding university that it has become.

My experience at the School in its master’s degree program has been invaluable to me as a judge. I cannot say enough for it. I believe that without the land grant tradition at MSU, there would not have been a School of Criminal Justice. The School and its land grant tradition have emphasized more than mere academic theory—important though theory is. The School and University have emphasized service and benefit to our communities as well. Intellectually rigorous theory and practice are explored and tied together. You and our fellow alums in your professional activities can and do make a difference in people’s lives every day. That is what the School and University are about; that is what you as alums are about.

These are exciting times at MSU. Clearly, President McPherson has an energy, direction and vision in his leadership that brings renewed vitality to the University. Clearly, the School under the leadership of Dr. Morash and its faculty has the opportunity and ability to position itself to be a criminal justice leader into the next century. We on the Alumni Board in our own small way aspire to make a contribution to that process. We want this newsletter to serve as something of a bridge linking you, the alumni, to the School.

School Web Sites On-Line

If you have not visited the School’s home page (http://www.ssc.msu.edu:80/~cj/) lately, the summer brought many changes. The CJ Alumni Association has a page (http://www.ssc.msu.edu/~cj/alumass.html) that can be accessed from the School's home page, as do many of the faculty members, including Jay Siegel’s Forensic Science page (http://www.ssc.msu.edu/~forensic/). Also linked to the School’s page are the University and College of Social Science home pages.
What Happens to Your Alumni Dues...

It is IMPORTANT that you designate a constituent association (Criminal Justice) on all your membership applications. Otherwise, the entire amount of your dues will be retained by the MSU Alumni Association. By marking your applications for Criminal Justice, $10 of the dues is forwarded to the CJ Alumni Association. This is your opportunity to become an Alumni Member, if you are not already. Fill this out and return with your check or credit card information.

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Agriculture & Natural

Arts & Letters

Building Construction

Business

Communications Arts & Sciences

Criminal Justice

Education

Engineering

Forestry

School of Hospitality Business

Human Ecology

Human Medicine

James Madison

Labor & Industrial Relations

Landscape Architecture

Lyman Briggs

Medical Technology

Music

Natural Science

Nursing

Osteopathic Medicine

Packaging

R.O.T.C.

Social Science

Social Work

Urban Affairs

Urban Planning

Veterinary Medicine

Your membership dues includes membership in a regional club and up to two constituent choices for a single membership, and one choice each for a joint membership. If no constituent association(s) is chosen, the money will be allocated to the MSU Alumni Association for programs.

Board Vacancies

Under the provisions of the School of Criminal Justice Alumni Association Article of Association (ARTICLE VI-ELECTIONS): "The nominating committee shall present the names of at least one nominee per vacancy to the Board by June 1 each year, with election by the Board prior to July 1. At least one-third of the Board shall be elected each year." The Articles also state (ARTICLE V-OFFICERS & DIRECTORS): "The term of office for each Director shall be from July 1 of the year elected to June 30 of the third year."

Any alumni interested in running for the CJ Alumni Board should send a resume and brief introduction to Armilla Simon, School of Criminal Justice, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118. FAX: 517-432-1787.

Alumni Board Selects Two

Marie Elizabeth Barrett was selected as this year's Criminal Justice Alumni Association's Outstanding Student. This award goes to an undergrad who has demonstrated exemplary academic performance, as well as potential for significant career contributions to the Criminal Justice profession.

Marie is interning with the 53rd District Court in Howell this semester. She plans to work as a probation officer after graduation.

Joseph A. Schafer is this year's recipient of the Alumni Association Graduate Studies Scholarship. This is the second year for Joe as this scholarship's recipient.
Alumni Happenings...

Our recent reader survey feedback told us you wanted more information on fellow alum and more networking opportunities. While the Alumni Board is developing a new look for the Alumni Newsletter - complete with publication guidelines and regular features - with this issue, we're adding Alumni Happenings. Under this feature, alumni can submit a brief update on where they are, what they're doing, awards, honors or special recognition received, or recent transfers, promotions or retirements. Information will be listed in alphabetical order by last name. (If your name has changed since graduating, include both names.) We will try to honor all requests, but space is limited. Mail requests for submission to the attention of Armilla Simon at the School of Criminal Justice.

Chester, Steven E. ('77), former Director, Office of Criminal Enforcement (OCE) Environmental Protection Agency, has joined the Environmental Practice Group of the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.

Conley, John A. (MA '71, Ph.D. '77) has assumed a position as Dean of the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at California State University at San Bernardino, effective first of August.

Engel, Robert J. ('75) has been appointed Prosecuting Attorney for Emmet County, Petoskey, Michigan.

Epstein, David ('59, MS '70, Ph.D. '77) was omitted from the list of MSU Criminal Justice Doctoral Graduates as published in the February 1996 Newsletter.

Flowers, R. Barri ('77, MA '80) - Author of several books, including: The Sex Slave Murders and Female Crime, Criminals and Cellmates.

Guibord, Jerome E. ('72) is Senior Managing Director for the Security Consulting and Design Division of Pinkerton, Inc.

Oesch, Nancy ('73, MA '83) - Chairperson, Florida Metropolitan University Criminal Justice Department, Orlando College, Melbourne Campus, Melbourne, FL, received "Instructor of the Year" for 1996.

Rabe, Robert ('73) resigned from the School of Criminal Justice Alumni Board of Directors and will be moving to London, England with his family.

Smykla, John Ortiz (Ph.D. '77) Selected "Educator of the Year" by the Southern Criminal Justice Association.

Detroit Inspector New CSSAA Constituent Representative

Barbara A. Weide ('68) was selected as the School's constituent representative for the College of Social Science Alumni Association Board of Directors. She will replace Don Weatherspoon on that Board.

Inspector Weide has been with the Detroit Police Department since graduating from "the School of Police Administration" with her Bachelors degree. She is currently in charge of the Department's Medical Section. She has held positions in the Homicide Section, Youth Bureau, Sex Crimes Unit, and Precinct Administration.

DC Open House Held

It's official, Michigan State University has an office in Washington. On September 11th the MSU Alumni Club in DC hosted its annual alumni reception followed by the "official" opening of MSU's offices at 499 S. Capitol - 2 blocks from the House of Representatives office buildings. Director Merry Morash and Professors Tim Bynum and Stephen Mastrofski were present for the Alumni Reception and Open House. The School has many alumni in the DC area and is very excited about this enhancement to the DC-CJ connection.
Executive Boards Retreat to Plan 1996-97 Year

As a pilot activity, the executive boards of the School's two student groups, Alpha Phi Sigma and American Criminal Justice Association (ACJA) participated in a joint retreat the weekend after Labor Day. The retreat gave both groups' leadership an opportunity to define individual roles while discussing expectations and group goals. Activities were facilitated by group advisors Caryn Mateer and Audrey Martini.

Shortly before the group arrived at the chosen site, electricity was cut off by a fallen tree. Group discussions were moved to the out-of-doors; a campfire was used to light an otherwise dark surroundings. Members rose to the occasion in a very real team-building exercise. A good time (as well as successful retreat) was had by all as evidenced in the above photo.

ACJA

The MSU chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association (ACJA) will benefit from the outstanding leadership provided by its executive board for the 1996-97 academic year. Both the president and vice-president served on the executive board last year and have expressed their desire to improve upon past successes.

The association will once again hold its membership meetings every other week throughout the year offering presentations by a diverse group of practitioners.

ACJA will continue to co-sponsor the Spartan Buddies program with Meridian Township Public Safety by recruiting student volunteers to be paired with at-risk youth from the community.

Agency tours will be organized for members throughout the year and the annual paint ball event will take place next spring. Plans are already underway for the next Criminal Justice Career Fair.

Alpha Phi Sigma

Alpha Phi Sigma's purpose is "To recognize and promote high scholarship among students actively engaged in collegiate preparation for professional service in the field of criminal justice; to keep abreast of the advances in scientific research in this area; to elevate the ethical standards of criminal justice professions; and to create an awareness on the part of the public of the benefits and necessity of professional criminal justice training."

To this end the Michigan State University Beta Chapter has scheduled the following activities for the upcoming year.

- Fall Executive Board retreat in conjunction with ACJA
- Bi-Weekly Thursday Meetings with various speakers of interest
- Annual Career Fair (Scheduled for February 4, 1997)
- Annual Alpha Phi Sigma Conference (Louisville, KY, March 11-15, 1997)

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Robert Blanck experienced more than he bargained for during his summer internship with the Plymouth Township Police Department. He learned about processing tickets and reports, answered non-emergency calls, and conducted computer searches for file information. He also helped gather information for a proposal to form a K-9 unit at the department and participated in ride-a-longs.

Perhaps the most enjoyable aspect of his internship was helping to organize the Department's National Night Out community policing program. He was asked to come up with ideas to get children involved with the program; this is when he thought of McGruff, the Crime Dog.

His intern supervisor was thrilled with the idea and promptly nominated Robert for the job of wearing the costume and walking through neighborhoods on the night of the program. He handed out free items such as cookies and chips to participants while distributing crime prevention material and generating good will.

Throughout the internship, Robert was able to observe and learn while working on projects such as this which in turn reduced employee workload. Compliments to Plymouth Township P.D. for providing such a well-rounded internship experience for our students.

Distance Education

In the Spring of 1997, the School of Criminal Justice will begin offering its master's program in criminal justice off campus in northern Michigan and Sault Ste. Marie. The program will utilize state-of-the-art technology as well as traditional instructional methods. To be included are courses offered via interactive video technology, special seminars on site and in East Lansing, and opportunities for internships and independent study.

The impetus for this effort comes from Michigan State's land grant charter. The School wants to make its resources more accessible to criminal justice practitioners, providing the advantage of our faculty's knowledge and expertise to people committed to careers in criminal justice.

If you would like more information, contact Mary Jane Graham (517/353-9866) or Susan Trojanowicz (517/355-4679).
Backpacks to Briefcases

For the first time, the School is offering a “pre-internship” seminar as part of the internship program. Assisting in the development of this pilot offering was an advisory committee consisting of Caryn Mateer, Internship Placement Coordinator, Mary Jane Graham, Academic Advisor, Robin Osterhaven, 54-A District Court, Professor Christopher Smith, Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Michael Thompson, Joseph Young and Associates, Joe Thomas, Michigan State Police Recruiting Section, Juan Vasquez, student intern, and Taniqua Carter, student.

The seminar is a practicum experience that allows for observation, participation and study in criminal justice agencies through student research activities. Students are expected to research and study a number of agencies to identify an agency for an internship experience or for full-time employment in the criminal justice field.

Research techniques such as tours, scavenger hunts, informational interviews, job shadowing, identifying a mentor, networking, reading publications and searching the Internet will be utilized.

Mentors Wanted

In 1995-96 the School established a mentoring program that paired students with practitioner mentors who volunteered their time to guide and direct the student mentee. The program, while limited in the number of mentors available, was quite successful and has been continued as part of the School’s 1996-97 activities.

In addition, the internship program has incorporated a requirement that pre-internship seminar students “establish a mentor relationship” as part of that course.

A mentor is willing to inform others of a mentee’s talents and abilities using the mentor’s influence to give the mentee “exposure and visibility.” A mentor will notify the mentee of possible employment and/or networking opportunities while encouraging the mentee to become self-directed in pursuit of his/her career goals. This type of relationship greatly assists emerging professionals by reducing the level of anxiety and fear of rejection which occurs during a job search.

It is not necessary that the mentor live or work near East Lansing. One of the current mentors lives in Washington, DC and communicates with his mentee via the Internet. Others communicate via phone or e-mail, while others meet at the practitioners worksite to discuss academic progress and individual career endeavors. The amount of time required is determined by each mentor/mentee relationship.

If you are interested in mentoring a criminal justice student, your resume should be forwarded (e-mail, fax or mail) to Caryn L. Mateer at the address listed below. To assist in matching mentee areas of interest to mentor areas of expertise, the resume should include your name, title, agency/company, complete address including city, state and zip, and phone number.

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Chaired by Professor Frank Horvath, the School’s International Committee was initiated by faculty within the School to enhance student and faculty involvement in international affairs. Professor Hoffman is working with staff to identify current and former international students and develop a database of information relative to those students and their areas of expertise. The committee has also developed a set of strategies to attract more international students to MSU and the criminal justice program.

Professors Carter and Horvath are exploring the possibility of offering an additional overseas studies course. Professor Hudzik currently conducts a seminar in Australia every two years, Professor Carter conducts a seminar in England on those years between the Australia program. All of this is in step with the University’s decision to make overseas study affordable to all students.