

Biannual newsletter of the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work and the Criminal Justice Studies Program.

Students Present at Roesch Symposium

The Fifth Annual Raymond A. Roesch, SM Social Sciences Undergraduate Symposium was held Saturday, December 3, 2011 in St. Joseph's Hall. Below are photos of the event and a listing of research topics presented by our Sociology and Criminal Justice Studies majors.



At left: Sociology presenters (front, L to R) Bernadette Rose, Katie Tesensky, Theresa Goodwillie; (back, L to R) Jennifer Williams, Katie Fien, Ashley Fiffick, Amy Bush, Ben Codispoti.



POSTER SESSIONS

Theo Majka, Faculty Advisor (SOC 351: Urban Sociology)

- "Homeless Project: Volunteering at St. Vincent" by Amanda Newlove, Erin Nelson, Derrick Eason and Victoria Suther
- "Tutoring at El Puente" by Amanda Torrez and Andrew Urban
- "Tutoring Refugee Children" by Chanelle Baylor and Victoria Spencer
- "Tutoring at Miracle Makers, part of Neighborhood Revitalization Project" by Deven Murphy, Cheri Fitzpatrick, Elaine Rocci and Mary Ridella

Leslie Picca, Faculty Advisor (WGS 390: Service Learning in Women and Gender Studies)

- "Girl Scouts" by Morgan Hale

INDIVIDUALS, GROUP & PANEL SESSIONS

Dick Ferguson, Faculty Advisor (SOC 426: Leadership in Building Communities)

Group Participants: Alisa Bartel, Maria Ollier Burkett, Kristen Crum, Brandon Glasper, Kyle Grabowski, Becca

Elderkin, Sacha Ramirez Francis, Charlie Hallinan, Diane Helmick, Dan Hoelting, Briana Hollis, Nick Laliberte, Kelsey Loughman, Lauren Maddente, Abigail McLean, Josh Moran, Rebecca Olinsky, Sarah Peterson, Kristen A. Rosemeyer, Nicholette Smith, Amy Sullivan, Adolf Walker, Hilary Zappin

Arthur Jipson, Faculty Advisor (CJS 447: Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice Studies)

"Crime, Perception and Military Deployment"

- "The Analysis of the Effects of Military Deployment on Children" by Julia O'Neil
 - "Is the Dog's Bark Worse than its Bite? An Analysis of the Public Perception of K-9 Units" by Caitlin Emmerich
 - "An Analysis of the Perception of Criminal Victimization by College Students" by Casey O'Connor
- ##### **"Capital Punishment, Sex Offenders and the FBI"**
- "Our Homeland" by Kevin Parkinson
 - "Capital Punishment" by Craig LaRocco
 - "One and Done: Whether Adult Child Rapists Should be Eligible for Parole" by Connor Mackovjak

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August & December Graduates



Theresa Goodwillie
(HRS/SOC)



Bernadette Rose
(THR/SOC)



Daniel Welch
(CJS)



Jennifer Williams
(SOC/Core)

Not pictured: Margaret Coleman (SOC) and Joseph Dooley (CJS).



At right: Our Lady of Ranchi,
Bangalore, India.

August 8, 2011

- Joseph A. Dooley (CJS)
- Jayanth Kispotta (SOC/India)
- Anup Ranjan Kullu (SOC/India)
- P. Mervin Louis (SOC/India)
- L. John Paul (SOC/India)
- Sudhir Kumar Soreng (SOC/India)
- K. Kumara Swamy (SOC/India)
- Daniel Welch (CJS)

India Program

Six of our August graduates are Marianist brothers from the Sociology program offered by the University in Bangalore, India. UD has offered the B.A. in Sociology at the Deepahalli Educational Center in Bangalore for six years. Bro. Darwin Joseph, S.M., M.A. is the Executive Director and Rani Thanickachalam, Ph.D. is the Academic Dean of Deepahalli.

December 17, 2011

- Margaret A. Coleman (SOC)
- Theresa Marie Goodwillie (HRS/SOC)
- Bernadette Teresa Rose (THR/SOC)
- Jennifer Cie Williams (SOC/Core)

Following graduation: Jayanth Kispotta is working with a children's program in Andhra Pradesh, India; P. Mervin Louis is working with Marianist Aspirants in Bangalore; Sudhir Kumar Soreng is teaching at Morning Star School in Sunson, East Nepal; and K. Kumara Swamy works with the Marianist community in Patna Bihar, India.

Faculty & Students to Attend Conference

Drs. Leslie Picca and Ruth Tompson-Miller will be attending the 13th Annual White Privilege Conference (WPC) in Albuquerque NM in late March. Four Students, Fred Cox (SOC), Erin Gahimer (SPN/SOC), Leah Grandy (SOC), and Bernard Jones (SOC) will also attend. The conference is in collaboration with the New Mexico Equity and Social Justice Alliance.

WPC examines concepts of privilege and oppression and offers solutions

and team building strategies to work toward a more equitable world. It examines issues of privilege beyond skin color. The conference invites diverse perspectives on issues of privilege including race, gender, sexuality, class, disability, and more. It brings together high school and college students, teachers, university faculty and higher education professionals, nonprofit staff, activists, social workers and counselors, healthcare workers, and members

of the spiritual community and corporate arena. Attendees come from more than 35 states, as well as Australia, Bermuda, Canada, and Germany.

Funding for student travel has been provided by: the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office; the Provost; Student Development, Leadership Development Office and Residential Life; and the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work.

LOOKING AHEAD ...

The **2012 Annual Brother Joseph W. Stander Symposium** will be held April 18, to recognize and celebrate academic excellence in undergraduate and graduate education. The **Keynote Address** will be delivered on the evening of Monday, April 16 by Dr. David Suzuki, award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster. Learn more about Stander at: <http://www.udayton.edu/provost/stander/#1>.

A **conference on refugees** and their distinct situations and challenges is being planned for Fall 2012. This con-

ference will be similar to the Immigration Conferences held in 2008 and 2009. The event is slated for October or early November. More information to come.



Dr. David Altheide of Arizona State University will present the annual **Stanley L. Saxton Address** in conjunction with the **2012 Alpha Kappa Delta Induction Ceremony** on Thursday, April 19th. Dr. Altheide's talk will address the construction of fear in the mass media.

Visiting Scholar Presents Research



Visiting Scholar in Sociology and Anthropology, Ana Lourdes Suarez, Ph.D., presented her research on religious social movements in Sears Recital Hall on January 27. Her presentation, entitled *The Focolare Movement's Initiative: "Economy of Communion"* addressed the question

of how new ecclesial movements are renewing society. The Focolare Movement is a group dedicated to unity among peoples, with a reach of 182 countries. It is a Catholic ecclesial movement that began in 1943 in Northern Italy during World War II. Economy of Communion claims to animate businesses with a mission of eradicating social injustice and building an alternative economic system.

Dr. Suarez came to UD during January and February 2012 to conduct research. She is a member the Argentina National Council for Scientific and Technical Research and is a faculty member of the Catholic University of Argentina.

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"Busted, Protected, and Decided: An Analysis of Criminal Justice Agencies"

- "How Secret Service Presidential Protection Has Changed Over time" by John Maddock
- "An Exploration of the Current Status and Need for Probation in the Correction's System" by Tyler Kennedy
- "What Factors Must be Present for the Supreme Court to Stray from the Doctrine of Stare Decisis" by Brian Focareto

"Human Rights, Natural Law, and the Juvenile Justice System"

- "Natural Law" by Mario Falsetti
- "Human Rights" by Meredith Marcinik
- "Juvenile Justice System" by Paul Williams

"Public Perception of Serial Killers, Death Penalty, and Higher Education and Policing"

- "Does the Death Penalty Deter Crime?" by Jacob Gebelle
- "Higher Education and Law Enforcement: Is College Education Impacting Police?" by Brian Heitz
- "One-Sided Love Affair: Is America Infatuated with Serial Killers?" by Allison Csik

Alexandra Budabin, Faculty Advisor (POL 300: Human Rights Activism)

- "Comprehensive Study of Networks and Coalitions in Nongovernmental Organizations" by Theresa Goodwillie (SOC), Robert Morie, Kata Lucas and Darlin Blanco

Alumni Updates ...

Emileah Aguilar (SOC '07) has been accepted into the University of Cincinnati's Public Health Master's program. After graduation, Emileah served in a young offenders program in New York, worked for an environmental education program in California and is currently working for a non-profit organization in Lebanon, OH that helps communities organize environmentally friendly gardening projects.

Michael Bernot (SOC '06) serves as Assistant to the President at Lake Catholic HS near Cleveland. He also serves on a few non-profit boards and moonlights as a musician. His band received national recognition when one of their songs was used by ESPN2 during a recent UD-Xavier game.

Hilary Ross Browning (ENG '07 with SOC minor) received national recognition when Food52 featured a Q&A and some of her recipes on their website. (http://www.food52.com/users/11460_hilarybee) Hilary is a Dayton baker who operates Thistle Confections.

Amanda Cowdrey (SOC '11) is living in France and is pursuing her life-long dream of playing professional volleyball.

Alex Orlowski (SOC/POL '09) is finishing his final year at the University of Chicago Law School. Upon graduation in spring 2012, he and his wife Katie will move to Indianapolis where he has accepted a litigation position with the law firm Barnes and Thornbur, LLP.

- "The Role of New Social Media in Human Rights Advocacy" by Molly Daniels, Nina Sykora and Gracie Wynne
- Leslie Picca, Faculty Advisor (SOC 409: Senior Project)**
- "Sexualization of Girls in Tween Magazines" by Bernadette Rose
 - "Who Sets the Standard?: White Women's Perception of the Ideal Body Image" by Katherine Tesensky
 - "From Cradle to Creed: Transmission of the Catholic Faith From Parents to Children" by Ashley Fiffick
 - "Religion and Social Control: A Look at Religion and Behaviors of Students" by Benjamin Codispoti
 - "The Epistemic Evaluation of the Role of News Media on Public Support for Humanitarian Intervention to Stop the Progress of Genocide" by Amy Bush
 - "No Respect?: Effect of Race, Religion, Education and Age on Levels of Respect for Elderly Populations" by Katie Fien
 - "Policy and Kinship Care" by Theresa Goodwillie
 - "Youth Violence and News Reports: The Birth of the Public Delusion" by Jennifer C. Williams

Theo Majka, Faculty Advisor (SOC 351: Urban Sociology) "Engaging the Dayton Community: Tutoring and Refugee Resettlement"

- "Tutoring as a Component of Neighborhood Revitalization" by Eleanor Hurney, Amanda Ogulnick, Logan Riley, Jerami Johnson and Frederick Cox
- "Challenges and Obstacles for Refugees in the Dayton Area" by Lauren Cummerlander and Molly Winslow

Faculty Research



Simanti Dasgupta

Grants

Four department faculty members were awarded Summer Research Council Seed Grants totalling \$25,500. Congratulations to Drs. Simanti Dasgupta, Jamie Longazel, Theo Majka, and Ruth Thompson-Miller! Their areas of research are:

Simanti Dasgupta: Dr. Dasgupta's research is designed to explore the politics underlying the emergence of the "sex work" discourse in contemporary India. Her study focuses on a sex workers' organization – Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Samiti (Durbar) – and their struggle to gain legal recognition from the Indian State. During Summer 2012, Dr. Dasgupta will work with the Self Regulatory Board internally set up by Durbar to oppose the Immoral Trafficking Prevention Act, which they allege will further devalue sex work.

Jamie Longazel: "The Department of Justice's Recognition & Accreditation Program: Assessing its Emergence, Effectiveness, and Broader Implications" is a project that seeks to understand the Department of Justice's recently instituted program to protect migrants from "notario fraud" – fraud committed by people posing as immigration attorneys. Rather than focusing on the phenomenon of notario fraud and the program's ability to alleviate it, Dr. Longazel plans to critically examine its curious emergence, seeing it as a mode of governance in that it uses imagery of the fraudulent notario to distract us from the larger contradictions in our immigration system and the inability to provide migrants with suitable representation.



Jamie Longazel



Theo Majka



Dan Miller



Ruth Thompson-Miller

Theo Majka: Dr. Majka's "Refugee Adaptation and Integration" project explores how well six of the largest refugee groups in the Dayton area are adapting to life in the United States and becoming incorporated or integrated into our communities, as well as the challenges and obstacles they face.

Ruth Thompson-Miller: Dr. Thompson-Miller will be working on research that she conducted while in South Africa, where she interviewed 25 black South Africans about their experiences during Apartheid. She will write a paper comparing their experiences with the experiences of African Americans in the American South during the Jim Crow period. It will be a comparative paper that she will then submit for publication.

Publications & Presentations

Dan Miller will present his paper, "The Fragility of Romance: A Conversation," at the annual Couch-Stone Symposium on April 21st at Northwestern University. The theme of the 2012 Symposium, to be held April 21 at Northwestern University, is "Streams of Symbolic Interactionism."

The *Chicana/o Latina/o Law Review* published **Jamie Longazel's** article, "Exploiting Borders: The Political Economy of Local Backlash Against Undocumented Immigrants" in November 2011. Jamie and co-author Benjamin Fleury-Steiner (University of Delaware) draw on United States history and a 2006 Hazleton, PA immigration law to demonstrate that U.S. immigration law has long been firmly rooted in economic realities and economic exploitation.

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Crime & Justice Talk

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Greetings from the Director,

Welcome to the Spring Criminal Justice Studies Newsletter! The First half of this academic year has been an incredible time for the CJS Program. We have welcomed three new research assistants and our first CJS office assistant in nearly three years. The internship program continues expansion under the steady leadership of Tim Apolito. And we highly recommend that you consider an internship. For more information, contact Professor Apolito. We welcomed Dr. Becker back to the Department and Program after a fascinating research sabbatical on animal sanctuaries. The CJS Facebook group continues to grow and expand with pictures and information (you can join us at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/46080441031/>) and the CJS twitterfeed at Crim-JustStudies is gathering more interest in CJS at the University of Dayton and demonstrating that social media can be used to advance criminological understanding. We have reorganized our photography lab and senior study space in St. Joseph's Hall Room 24 so that seniors working on their senior projects have even more support than ever before. In addition we have -- along with the Sociology major -- created a one hour research design course to assist seniors in preparing and building impressive research projects. We could not be more proud of the efforts of our seniors in conducting creative and worthwhile research. This semester we are excited about the Stander Symposium where CJS majors will present their research, internship experiences and more to the University of Dayton community.

On behalf of the program,
Art Jipson

Meet our 2012 Graduating Class

The Criminal Justice Studies Program is proud to announce the graduation of 27 majors at the Spring 2012 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony, which will be held on Sunday, May 6. Our graduates:

Chanelle N. Baylor	Lauren E. Maddente
Lauren W. Bielak	John M. Maddock
Tyler R. Drabenstot	Meredith D. Marcinik
Joshua R. Dunleavy	Michelle M. Miller
Tyler J. Eidson	Kayla L. Moses
Caitlin E. Emmerich	Christa S. Natke
Mario D. Falsetti	Casey J. O'Connor
Brian P. Focareto	Julia N. O'Neil
Jacob A. Gebelle	Megan B. Osborn
Brian R. Heitz	Kevin M. Parkinson
Briana M. Hollis	Nathanial S. Perry
Jeffrey P. Ivas	Lauren M. Wargacki
Tyler C. Kennedy	Paul A. Williams
Craig M. Larocco	

Department Alumna Pursues her Dream



Monica DiGiandomenico (CJS/SOC '09) completed her graduate studies while working as a police officer at George Washington University (GWU) in Washington D.C.

She is currently a Senior Patrol Police Officer, providing law enforcement, security and protective services for the University community. She enforces all U.S. and D.C. laws and University rules

and regulations, and performs and assists with investigations. Monica has been assigned to dignitary protective details, including Presidents Obama and Clinton, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, and First Lady Laura Bush.

Monica also works regularly with Sexual Assault Crisis Team Advocates and victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. She is a certified Sexual Harassment Rape Prevention Self Defense Instructor and a member of the Adopt an Officer Com-

munity Outreach Program, teaching and speaking to organizations and groups about crime prevention. While working full time for the Department, Monica completed her graduate studies. In December 2011, she graduated from GWU with a Masters in Forensic Science with a concentration in Crime Scene Investigation. She is passionate about social service and justice, and is actively applying for positions in the field of forensic science. In her words, "I'm just getting started!"

Dayton Civic Scholars: Team-Building, Commitment & Community Service



By Lauren Maddente (CJS major, Dayton Civic Scholar)

Dayton Civic Scholars (DCS), a program through the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community at UD, is a program which focuses on community building and public service. Students are selected during their freshman year, begin the program in the fall of their sophomore year, and remain

in the cohort until graduation. The program emphasizes involvement in the city of Dayton and each member of the cohort is required to complete 60 hours of community service per semester. Also, each cohort must plan a project which is implemented during their senior year. The project has few restrictions; it just must aim to work with a group in Dayton and provide a lasting effect. For our senior project, our cohort hosted two events for students at Meadowdale High School which emphasized the importance of community and what the students can do now to prepare for their futures.

Being a Dayton Civic Scholar has opened my eyes to the needs of others and increased my involvement within the Dayton community. Through the program, I have been able to complete various internships, meet some wonderful people, and learn the importance of being able to work well in a group. Being both a Dayton Civic Scholar and a Criminal Justice major has been beneficial because through DCS, I have been able to explore multiple components of the criminal justice system. Places I have interned include a local non-profit agency, the City of Dayton Police Department, and a public defender's office. Therefore, I was able to serve

and learn from the non-profit, law enforcement, and legal perspectives. At Daybreak, a local non-profit agency, I worked with teens to help them obtain employment. I also worked in the shelter and in the street outreach department. At the police department, I worked under the assistant to the chief and developed a manual for the "Safe Routes to School Program." At the public defender's office I worked with a social worker where I was able to conduct interviews and even produce a court report for one of the trials. Lastly, I aided the attorneys by looking through medical records to find information that they needed for their cases. Overall, the diverse experiences at these different internships improved my writing skills, exposed me to many different career options, and heightened my awareness of social justice issues.

Being both a Dayton Civic Scholar and Criminal Justice major has allowed me to explore the community and view it from different angles within the criminal justice system. My experience has been rewarding and I hope to learn more as I continue my educational endeavors. Though I do not have a specific career path in mind, I know that I want to work with at-risk teens and advocate for those who do not have someone to do so.



Meet our New Faculty

Dr. Jamie Longazel is a sociologist who studies issues of law, crime, and inequality. Specifically, his research interests are in the areas of immigration law, race relations, and crime politics. In both his research and teaching, Dr. Longazel seeks to turn traditional criminological thought on its head, focusing not on offenders and offending but rather on the politics that have led to mass incarceration, record deportations, and inordinately harsh sentences. In doing so, he explores how the politics surrounding crime are driven by societal assumptions about race and class and how they, in turn, recreate economic and racial inequalities. The flagship course he will be teaching at UD is Law & Society, where students will be exposed to various sociological theories about law and critical approaches for thinking about legal education and race. Other classes he will offer include Principles

of Sociology, Social Problems, and Law and Order Politics.



Jamie Longazel



Ruth Thompson-Miller

Dr. Ruth Thompson-Miller is a sociologist whose research focuses on crime (specifically state sanctioned crimes during legal segregation in the South), social justice, race and ethnicity, mental health, deviance, violations of the human rights of U.S. citizens during Jim Crow, and the implementation of public policy to alleviate health disparities. The study of criminology, health, race/ethnicity, and social psychology are some of Ruth's areas of expertise. She is well suited to teach courses on deviance, the sociology of violence, crime and the life course, violence, human rights, and the Jim Crow South.

Engaging Students Through our Learning-Living Community

Self and Community in the 21st Century

What is the Self and Community in the 21st Century Learning-Living Community (LLC)?

LLCs combine experience inside the classroom with life in the residential community for incoming students. In our LLC, students form identity, develop a sense of self and understanding of the influence of groups, and learn about political and social interactions through the community. The concept of community is explored through specially designed social science courses and programming.

The theme of this year's LLC is "Interpersonal Violence and Community Impact." LLC Coordinator is Art Jipson (CJS/SOC) and faculty are Tim Apolito (CJS), Melissa Layman-Guadalupe (PSY), Michelle Pautz (POL), and Leslie Picca (SOC). Incoming majors in criminal justice studies, economics and sociology are placed in this LLC and majors in human rights studies, political science and psychology may also participate. Students reside in the Marycrest Complex. Shared courses taken during Fall 2011 semester were CJS 101: Introduction to Criminal Justice, POL 201: The American Political System, SOC 101: Principles of Sociology, or PSY 101: Introductory Psychology.

LLC Activities

Students watch and discuss films that examine community in an increasingly alienating world, individuality, and social and political connection that allow an understanding of modern culture. They join discussions with guest lecturers and speakers, and participate in other dorm activities that illustrate the influence of community. Fall 2011 events were well attended. Pizza was included at each event.

- Tuesday, September 13, faculty and students viewed and discussed the film "Provoked," a 2007 British film based loosely on the true story of Kiranjit Ahluwalia, a Punjabi woman in an arranged marriage who killed her abusive husband.
- Monday, October 24, guest speaker Susan Gottschalk of Artemis Center of Dayton spoke to the community on violence with a focus on gender. Artemis Center is a community resource for creating a coordinated response to domestic violence. Services include: crisis intervention, safety planning, and support; court outreach programs; advocacy for victims and survivors; a program for child witnesses of domestic violence; support and education groups for survivors; and community education presented to organizations, schools, conferences, etc.
- Wednesday, November 6, guest speakers from the Dayton community spoke to students on Ex-Offender Reentry, with a criminal justice focus. Speakers were: The Honorable Judge Walter H. Rice, United States District Court Southern District of Ohio; Deborah Lieberman, Montgomery County Commissioner; Jamie Gee, Manager of the Office of Ex-Offender Re-entry; and John Theobald, County Commission Policy Assistant.



The Honorable Judge Walter H. Rice



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University LLC Facebook group

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/University-of-Dayton-Learning-Living-Communities/302794313075548>

Online information about the Self and Community in the 21st Century LLC

http://www2.udayton.edu/llc/self_community_llc.php

CJS STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

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Alpha Phi Epsilon

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Omega Phi Delta

The CJS Program has two, combined student organizations: Alpha Phi Epsilon (APS), the National Criminal Justice Honor Society; and Omega Phi Delta (OPD), a Student and Professional Association. Fall events included: a "Meet the Brothers" cookout was held for potential members; K9 officer Brent Bailey spoke about the transition from college to the work force; all brothers adopted children for Christmas on Campus; and brothers collected food for Thanksgiving baskets for the Center for Social Concern. There were also fun activities such as Laser Tag. In the spring, they are planning a "Meet the Brothers" bowling night and will bring in speakers to discuss weapons safety as well as career choices.

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Student Internship Experiences



Advanced Background Check

by Emily Dellanina

My internship at Advanced Background Check (ABC) is very exciting and a great learning experience. The environment at ABC is welcoming and makes me enjoy going to my internship.

I have learned how to take individuals fingerprints, both BCI and FBI, I have also learned how to place orders for background checks, and also how to research an individual through the court system online. We also began a project for the company focusing on the profit maximizing counties in multiple states including: West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio. We began by taking a list of counties in different states and placing a blue magnet on the county indicating a researcher and a red magnet on a county indicating "in house." We will then focus on the profits in each county and determine which counties are and are not making a profit.

Adult Probation Office of Greene County

by Kyle Grabowski

For a period of about six months now, I have been interning with the Adult Probation Office of Greene County in Xenia, OH. My understanding of what it means to work in probation has changed dramatically from my first impressions. If I had to summarize all that I have learned thus far, it would be that probation officers work as armed social workers. While probation officers have the power to arrest people and often do, they work with the offenders as well. They are more concerned with helping the offenders with their particular needs. They do this through interviews, personal home visits, and much more. I have experienced several new situations, such as certification to perform urine analysis tests for illegal drugs and substances, as well as spending a lot of time in the county jail either talking with offenders or bringing them in for an extended stay. There have been times I have helped chase people down as well as perform weekly interviews with those that check-in. I have only begun my after-college career explorations. The experience gained in probation has been of great help, giving me insight in my decision about where I want to go from here.

Montgomery County MD Police Department

by Kevin Longacre

Interning with the Montgomery County Police Department in the summer and winter of 2011 gave me the hands-on

experience in the criminal justice field that I was looking for. I took the lessons learned in my first two years of CJS courses and applied them to my involvement at the District Five station in Germantown, Maryland under supervision of Lt. Ron Hardy and Lt. Daniel Waring. Throughout the course of the summer, I developed a comprehensive understanding of how a police station functions behind the bullet-proof glass by completing basic tasks to demonstrate competency and interacting with dozens of staff, officers, and suspects in the station. Getting started was very simple because of Montgomery County's "LEAP" internship program, although it took about a year and a half to receive security clearance and placement. Within a couple weeks of starting, I was promoted to the Lead Intern position at the station and responsible for managing two other interns, completing internal investigation reports, filing disposition reports, answering calls to the station, updating trespass logs, and patrolling in the unmarked vehicle to write warning citations for parking violations. Even though I had an abundance of tasks in the office to keep me busy almost every day of the summer, the most influential moments were when interacting with the officers there in the station. You learn so much by talking to them that a classroom could never teach you. The stories and experiences they shared helped shape what I wanted to do in the field and ultimately pulled me closer to wanting to work in Federal law enforcement after graduation. I continued my involvement over this winter break and anticipate returning again this summer and hopefully transferring over to Special Operations Division (SOD).



U.S. Probation Office

by Dustin Paulus

This past summer and Fall semester, I had the great opportunity to intern with the U.S. Probation Office in Dayton, OH. Going into the internship, I didn't really know a lot about probation, and wasn't totally aware of all that it consisted of. After a full 6 months of interning, I have a new appreciation for not only the contact that probation officers have with offenders, but the advanced inner workings of the federal courts. Probation Officers are not only in the field, but also are required to file investigation reports with the courts, requiring a high level understanding of the sentencing guidelines, as well as federal law. I would definitely recommend this internship to anyone who is interested in law enforcement mixed with some social work.

To learn more about internship opportunities, please contact the Coordinator of Community Relations:

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