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Downtown Criminology Program Reception and Faculty Introduction

Saturday, 5 May 2007, 1030 until over Faculty Introduction in ST108, followed by a reception in the Criminology Department Office.

All Fresno County and City of Fresno employees who previously attended downtown program classes and those currently attending classes, are invited to meet criminology and other current and former downtown faculty at a reception with food, criminology related humor, and unusual refreshments.

This invitation is also extended to Fresno City and County management, the CSU Fresno Global & Extended Education staff, and the Dean's office of the College of Social Sciences, who have given invaluable support to make this program a success. Especially invited are the members of the Criminology Advisory Board who were the catalyst for the program.

Regular class meeting: 0800-1030 Faculty introductions: 1030-1130 Reception office: 1130-

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Directions to the classroom building and criminology department are on the last page of this newsletter.



The Global Minute



Turkish Military Warns Political Parties

Turkey's military is alarmed at the political leanings of the current ruling (Islamist) party and its attempt to dismantle the division between church and state. The military issued a warning that it will do what is necessary, should the secular nature of the government be threatened. The military sees itself as the vanguard against the erosion of secularism in government, one of the principles of Kemal Atatürk, the founder of the current system of government in Turkey.

GERMANY: The government admitted that its intelligence service has been accessing personal computers through the internet to gather information contained in private computer, in its battle against terrorism. The practice has now been stopped pending legislative action.

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Dr. Harvey WALLACE of the Department of Criminology is the advisor for the CSU Fresno Mock Trial Team and has taken the Fresno State Mock Trial team to numerous regional/state/national competitions, with our team just barely loosing out to UCLA in one of the prior competitions.

Any student who desires to be an attorney, is interested in criminal of civil justice, loves acting, or just wants to get involved in something different, can tryout for the team on Saturday, 5 May 2007, at 0900 at the McCormick Barstow Law Firm, 5 River Park Place East, in Fresno. Email for additional information: CSUFmocktrial@gmail.com



Interested students may also want to explore the Certificate in Legal studies, a joint program between Criminology and the Department of Political Science, by contacting:

Prof. Yishaiya Abosch, 278-8396 Prof. Harvey Wallace, 278-4223

Downtown Criminology Program

Current downtown criminology classes end in the latter part of May and classes will resume on 1 August.

August/September courses consist of: Crim 112 Professionalism in C.J. Crim 170 Research Methods

NOTE: The new sheriff is emphasizing the importance of a college education and a degree has become a requirement for promotions to the higher ranks. This is equally true for the Fresno Police Department.

Anyone currently employed by Fresno County and City may join the program at any time. Registration occurs on the first day of class and registration forms are provided in hard copy or are posted on the downtown web page before classes begin. More information can be accessed at:

http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtownd egreeoverview.htm

or by contacting Dr. Schweizer at: haralds@csufresno.edu Tel. 559-278-8880

Dr. Schweizer can be reached intermittently from 21 May until 26 July. During this time period it is suggested that contacts be made via email since Dr. Schweizer will be out of the Emails will be read whenever country. possible.

Internship Orientation:

All students enrolling for Fall 07 internship units should have attended either of two orientations given this past week. **Students** enrolling for Spring 08 internships should attend the orientation in November 2007.

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This fall the Fresno Police Department will be offering its own Crim 108 program conjunction with the department of Criminology. This program is similar to the Sheriff's Office Crim 108 program, which has been highly successful and served to provide a steady stream of well educated and trained individuals for positions in local, state and federal law enforcement agencies over the past 40 years. Both programs are designed to provide interested and qualified students the P.O.S.T. training required for California Peace Officers.

During the recent internship orientations, both agencies discussed their Crim 108 program. The Sheriff's Office was also represented by a deputy who graduated from the program, and by current Crim 108 students proudly wearing their uniforms and obviously excited about being in the program. These students already completed the P.O.S.T. training modules required for reserve deputy status and looked forward to a full time law enforcement career.

SGT Dooley represented the Fresno Police Department and was accompanied by two canines with their police officer handlers. His presentation included a video showing the more action oriented activities a Fresno Police officer can expect to be involved in.

With a substantial increase in criminology majors, particularly in the law enforcement option, and the need for well trained and educated new officers/deputies, it is envisioned that with an increase in visibility for both Crim

108 programs and more frequent recruitment of criminology students at their point of entry into Fresno State, both agencies and students would benefit greatly.

A special Crim 108 informational session is being scheduled for the week before classes begin in Fall and non-criminology majors are equally encouraged to take advantage of Crim 108. The program is an exciting pathway to a career in law enforcement, in addition to providing students with up to twelve units of credit, with the first three units meeting the criminology internship requirement and the remainder may be used as general elective units. Non-criminology majors can use all units earned as electives toward the minimum units required for their degree.

NOTE: Students interested in the program must be able to participate for at least two complete semesters, which would provide them with the training to receive Level III certification with California P.O.S.T. Students must also meet the basic peace officer requirements for the state of California. Felony convictions will disqualify students from the program.

Interested students should contact the Fresno County Sheriff's Training unit at 559-233-0130 or SGT Dooley of the Fresno Police Department at (559) 621-5980.

SGT Dooley will also be available in ST 136 from 1000-1200 each Wednesday until the end of the semester.

Dr. Schweizer and Dr. Clement (559-278-1011) can also assist you with basic information.

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The Criminology Reception

The Department of Criminology is located in the New Science II Building. The rear of the three story structure faces Barstow in the north and is adjacent to the Downing Planetarium on the east side of Maple, just south of Barstow. Parking is available behind the Science II building (accessible through a driveway next to the Dairy Processing Bldg, and also along Maple just south of Barstow.



The classroom for the informational session is in Room 108 situated on the ground floor in the left wing of the building.

The criminology department is located as indicated by the arrow.



Miscellaneous News Items

FACULTY STRIKE:

The strike authorized by a vote of the California Faculty Association membership has in all likelihood been averted, with the CFA endorsing the acceptance of the latest salary offer by the CSU, subject to the approval/vote by CFA members during the first week in May.

CAMPUS SAFETY & SECURITY

Campus Police Chief David Huerta addressed the faculty senate during its meeting on 23 April, to discuss and answer questions regarding the recent tragic event at Virginia Tech. His response to questions from senators clearly showed that Chief Huerta has been pro-active in his efforts to maintain and improve campus safety overall. Suggestions dealing with safety and security offered by the senators all involved actions already taken or planned by the police department.

The International Police Association



The International Police Association is a "is a non-profit, worldwide fraternal organization." It is apolitical, not affiliated with any union, and only open to active and retired law enforcement personnel. If you are interested in making international connections, particularly for friendship and travel advantages, and being part of a truly non-profit organization, you should join the IPA. You can review their USA website at: http://www.ipa-usa.org.

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