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Global News





New Phone Scam

Police have reported a new scam in which unsuspecting citizens receive calls from persons claiming to work for Microsoft and offering help with removing viruses from victims' computers if they first reveal their computer passwords. It is unknown how many computer users actually provided the caller with passwords or if fraudulently obtained passwords were subsequently used to remotely access their computer.

EL MUNDO LATINO

Abuse and victimization of single mothers in the Spanish speaking world and responses by various justice systems and problems with media reports of such cases are the focus of articles and comments on the Spanish language website Yo Soy Madre Soltera

http://www.yosoymadresoltera.com/

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New Start Up Date For second cohort

While many government employees inquired about the off campus graduate most applications are still program, incomplete and numerous additional inquires have been received from persons who will not be eligible for the graduate program until August 2011. For this reason, the first class of the second cohort will begin on Friday, 18 August 2011. The application period has been extended until 1 April 2011. Applications for Fall 2011 admission to graduate study at the university can be submitted immediately at http://www.csumentor.edu/

Applicants must select the M.S. Criminology Off-Campus Program when filing their application.

Additional paperwork must be directly submitted to the criminology department. Complete instructions are at:

http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/dow ntowngraduateprogram2011.htm

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OFF CAMPUS CRIMINOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAMS...

Even though the starting date has been shifted to fall 2011, courses originally scheduled for fall 2011 will remain in place, except that spring 2011 courses will be added to the program at the end (Fall 2012).

The off-campus M.S. in criminology is designed for persons with command responsibilities in criminal justice agencies or those who aspire to become command rank officers or officials. Coursework includes areas such as Homeland Security and Intelligence, Project and Crisis Management, Management Information Systems, Organizational Administration, Research, and Criminology.

Applicants must have a four year degree in any field from an accredited college/university, a GPA of 3.0 or greater in the last sixty units of their undergraduate studies, and submit GRE scores prior to acceptance into the program. Additional information is also available at:

http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowngraduateprogram2011.htm

Applicants who have already applied for spring 2011 graduate study should verify that they applied to the correct program, i.e. off campus vs. on campus, and contact Dr. Schweizer for further instructions or guidance.

The criminology department in conjunction with the Division of Continuing and Global Education also offers an off-campus B.S. in Criminology program to applicants who have completed their A.A. degree or about 60 units at a junior college and who qualify for admission to the university as transfer

students. Applicants to the B.S. degree program must also be current government employees or have recently been laid off due to organizational budget reductions. New classes in the B.S. degree program begin in February 2011 and students can enter the program any time new classes begin.

http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/dowt owndegreeoverview.htm

The next set of B.S. program classes will begin on Wednesday, February 2, 2011.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

Monday evenings:

CRIM 01-Success in Crim.
CRIM102-C.J. Organ. & Administration*
Febr. 7, 14, 21, 28 Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28
*Also meets Saturdays Feb. 5 & Mar 5

Wednesday evenings:

CRIM 100-Crim Theory*
Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23
Also meets Saturdays Feb. 19 & Mar 19
Depending on the instructor, some classes
may use on-line instruction for a part of the course.

Contact Dr. Schweizer via email for additional information on both off campus programs: haralds@csufresno.edu

Effective 2011 all off-campus program classes will meet in the training room of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department at 2200 Fresno Street, opposite the Fresno Police Department Annex Bldg. Prior classes were held at the FPD Annex but space constraints at the Police Department necessitated a change in location. The FCSO training room will accommodate about fifty students.

EMPLOYMENT NEWS

Some Law Enforcement position openings can be found at www.lapd.org



The San Diego County Sheriff's Department is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Deputy Sheriff Cadet Detentions/Court Services Deputy Sheriff's Cadet

http://www.joinsdsheriff.net/



https://www.calopps.org/search.cfm

CalOpps has a searchable database of all kinds of open government positions throughout California.

CSU FRESNO IS HIRING Assistant Professors of Criminology (2)

- 1. Law Enforcement-
- 2. Law Enforcement-Forensic and Behavioral Sciences

The Department of Criminology at CSU Fresno is currently accepting applications for two tenure track faculty positions with a start date of Fall 2011. Both positions require a Ph.D. or similar earned doctorate. A law degree (J.D.) is not sufficient. Field or non-teaching professional experience is preferred for both positions.

Applications and all materials should be submitted by 12/1/2010. Searches automatically close on 4/30 of 2011 if the positions are not filled. More information and position announcements at:

https://my.csufresno.edu/hrs/?k=CE&v=E

Search committee chair: Dr. H.O. Schweizer haralds@csufresno.edu

CONTINUOUSLY HIRING

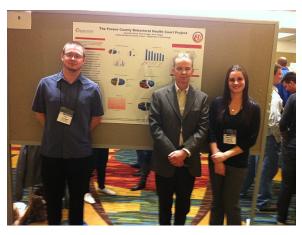


https://www.cia.gov/careers/opportunities/cia-jobs/index.html

CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT NEWS

Two criminology graduate students and one undergraduate student in the criminology honors program were part of a research team that made a poster presentation on the Behavioral Health Court in Fresno at the recent annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology.

(http://www.asc41.com/)

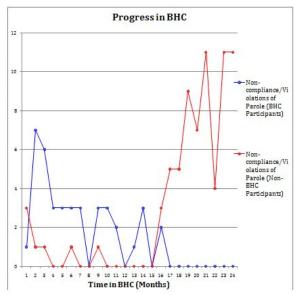


Paul Krueger, Dr. P. English and Alexandra Karas

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THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COURT...

The court is an alternative court for people with a mental illness. The research team consisted of Dr. Peter English, Alexandra Karas, Paul Krueger, and John Tangye. The purpose of their research was to determine if participants in the Behavioral Health Court (BHC) recidivate less than those subjected to proceedings in the regular criminal court. The goal of the BHC is to improve the quality of life of its participants, and in the process to reduce the extent of their criminal activity.



Graph created by A. Karas showing BHC successes

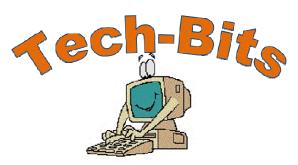
FREE SEMINAR CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATIONS

The anthropology club is inviting all criminology faculty and students to a seminar on Crime Scene Investigations given by Dr. R. LaJeuness, a foremost expert on forensic anthropology. Downtown program students are encouraged to attend.

Where: Science Bldg Room S-143 Time: 1930 Date: 2 December 2010



CSI Seminar in Bldg marked by red star.



REMOTE CLONING OF ELECTRONIC CAR KEYS

A recent email received by the author indicated that some motorists had property or personal belongings stolen from their locked vehicle without any signs of forced entry. It was suggested that the thieves were able to intercept the electronic key information when motorists locked their vehicles with the remote function on their vehicle keys.

While it was felt that vehicle manufacturers would likely have installed elaborate safety or security measures to prevent this from happening, an internet search resulted in finding numerous products that can be used to clone car keys without knowning special codes or PIN numbers. The latest cloning

CLONING OF CAR KEYS...

equipment is also no longer limited to copying fixed transponders only.

The typical remote entry key for vehicles is functional up to a range of 20 Meters (65+feet) in the U.S. and about 5 Meters in Europe and other countries. It would therefore appear technically possible to intercept and clone a remote key signal with the right kind of equipment. This ability could present additional problems for owners of vehicles that have keyless starting mechanisms that are activated by the motorist having the electronic remote in the vicinity of the vehicle and then pushing the starting button on the vehicle dash board.

Most keyless remote entry systems operate in the 25MHz-1GHz frequency range and cloning units are marketed under a variety of different names. All appear to be manufactured in China.

TIRED OF MICROSOFT INTERNET EXPLORER?

Numerous problems with accessing the educational webbased teaching and course management tool "Blackboard" using Microsoft's web browser Internet Explorer (IE) are being experienced by both faculty and students. After many attempts to unsuccessfully fix the problems with different I.E. settings, a switch to the web browser Firefox brought instant relief.

Mozilla's Firefox Internet web browser is completely free to download and use, and when you switch from Microsoft's Internet Exlorer, it even imports all of the "favorites" already stored there. An interesting difference with Firefox is that when exams on Blackboard were saved to PDF within I.E., the pdf document was missing the right half of the page. When accessing and saving the same page with the Firefox web browser, the exam page was saved to pdf in its entirety without difficulties.

FIREFOX



http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/

The connection to Blackboard using I.E. was also constantly unstable and it was not unusual to have to sign back into BB multiple times when taking a quiz or exam on line. This was no longer a problem after switching to Firefox. The beauty of Firefox is that it is open source software that is constantly updated by the internet community for free.

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