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Student in the Spotlight

**PALINGWINDE YVES OEDRAOGO**  
**(Burkina Faso)**

**Graduate Student  
in International Relations**

Palingwinde is currently enrolled in the Comparative Criminal Justice Course (CRIM 109), which not only counts as an elective for his graduate degree but, most importantly, gives him an opportunity to learn about an often neglected aspect of international relations, the functioning and malfunctioning of criminal justice agencies in countries around the globe. His upcoming class presentation about criminal justice in his country will be a unique

opportunity for students in his class to hear first hand from a native of Burkina Faso about a country most have never heard of.

Palingwinde speaks fluent French, the official language of his country, and also three tribal languages. When he first arrived in the U.S. he spoke no English, but with only six months studying English on the east coast, his English language skills are astounding.

Palingwinde has a bachelor of law degree with a specialization in public law, from the "Universite de Ouagadougou" which is located in Ouagadougou, the capital of Burkina Faso. Palingwinde's interest in criminal justice is not surprising, with a father who is a "Capitaine" in the "Gendarmerie Nationale," which is the national law enforcement agency responsible for all policing outside large cities, similar to the Gendarmerie in France. A Capitaine is considered part of the superior officer ranks similar to a captain in the US Military. His father is in charge of the gendarmerie's mobile task force and in 2007 served with the UN peacekeeping forces in Haiti. Next year (2010) his father will advance to the rank of commandant.

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Palingwinde's mother is a social worker in charge of the section for minors at M.A.C.O., a civil prison in the country's capital, which in English is called the House of Arrest and Correction of Ouagadougou. MACO comes under the country's ministry of justice environment.

Palingwinde's linguistic skills and foreign experience will likely serve him well in his upcoming internship in Sen. Barbara Boxer's office.

You can visit the website of the government of Burkina Faso at:

<http://www.gouvernement.gov.bf/spip.php>

## EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS



<http://www.atf.gov/careers/index.htm>

The careers website of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives maintains updated information on agency job opportunities. If you are a student at Fresno State with a high GPA and interested in an **internship with ATFE**, contact Dr. Schweizer ( [haralds@csufresno.edu](mailto:haralds@csufresno.edu) )



### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR, EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Monthly Salary: \$3,902.00 - \$6,194.00

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/CIEDD.pdf>



The Off-Campus Criminology B.S. Degree Program allows qualified applicants to join the program any time new classes commence. The current two courses end in November and two new courses begin in February 2010 as indicated below:

### Feb/Mar 2010

#### Crim 113 Forensics in C.J.

#### Crim 174 Ethnic and Gender Issues

One of these courses is offered on eight consecutive Mondays and the other on eight consecutive Wednesdays, with each course also meeting on the first or third Saturday in February and March. Exact dates for each course will be posted once available.

All courses are taught in the Fresno Police Department Annex downstairs training room and are only open to government employees with about two years of prior college coursework. More information at: <http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowndegreeoverview.htm>

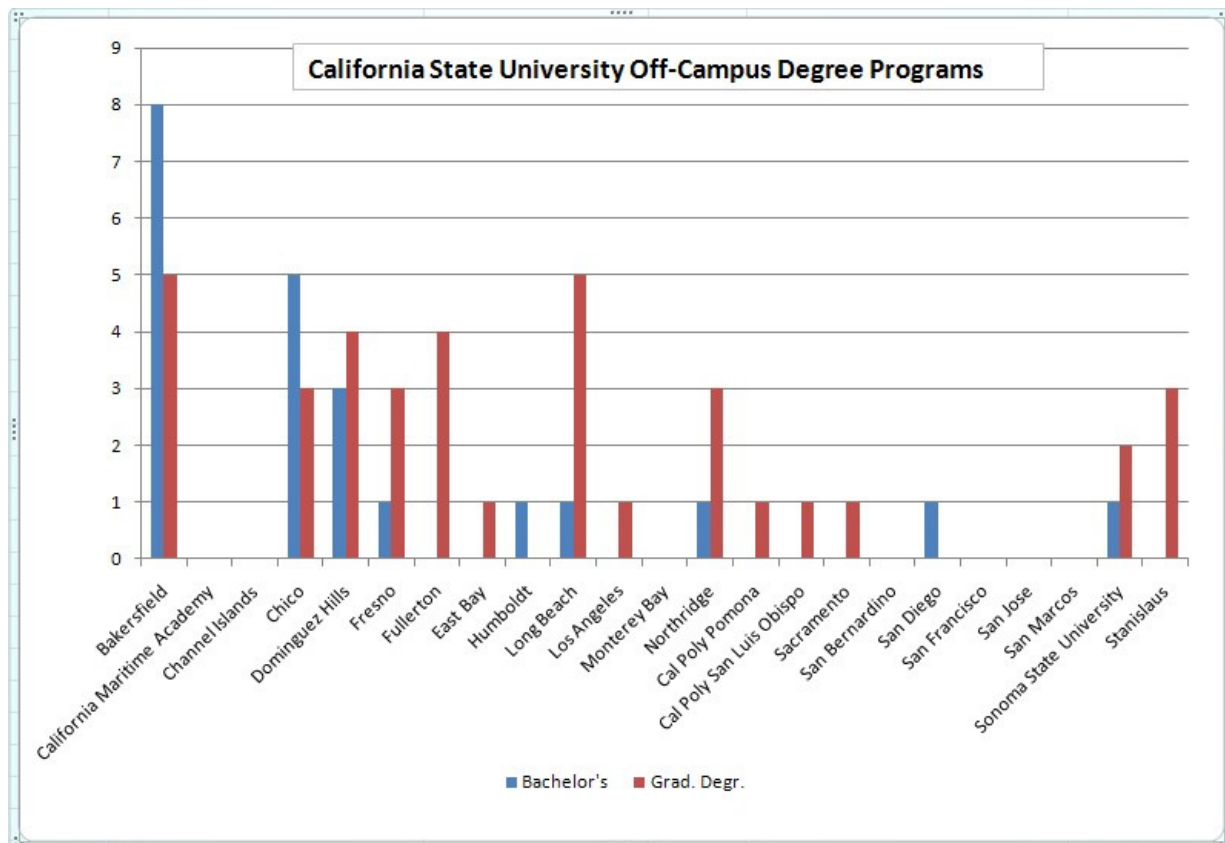
## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT OFF CAMPUS (SITE) DEGREE PROGRAMS

THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY publishes a master list of “off-campus” degree programs showing 41 graduate and 23 bachelor’s degree programs, but it does not distinguish between on-line and off- site classroom instruction. Off-site courses entail actual face to face classroom instruction in or at a facility rented by the university or provided at no cost by an organization or entity specifically interested in making a college education more available to its employees. The CSU has a total of 93 off-site locations, including in such places as Peru, Mexico, Thailand, Moscow, Ecuador, Spain, and Costa Rica.

In addition to coursework leading to an undergraduate or graduate degree, most

campuses also provide certificate programs and continuing education training required for persons in various professions.

Of the 23 CSU campuses, only Bakersfield, Fresno, and Long Beach have off-site degree programs in criminal justice or criminology, and only Fresno State offers both an undergraduate and graduate degree. Fresno State is also unique in that it has the only off-site criminology degree programs that restrict enrollment to government employees. This aspect of both the B.S. and M.S. Program has served to benefit the students in numerous unexpected ways. The program has grown from students employed by the city and county of Fresno, to representing more than 17 different local, state, and federal agencies.



## CRIMINOLOGY DEPT. NEWS

### RECENT PUBLICATION



**Dr. Hughes**

Dr. Emma Hughes recently contributed a chapter on “Thinking inside the box: prisoner education, learning identities, and the possibilities for change” for the edited 2009 text “How Offenders Transform Their Lives.” The paperback or hard copies can be obtained from Willan Publishing: [www.willanpublishing.co.uk](http://www.willanpublishing.co.uk)  
[www.isbs.com](http://www.isbs.com)

### Study Abroad-Amsterdam

**May 27 – June 3, 2010**  
**Program price: \$2,599**

Dr. Masters and Dr. Muscat of the Department of Criminology have organized and will be the instructors for a one unit program on Administration of Justice and Culture through the CSU Division of Continuing and Global Education.

The Criminology Department has nine \$1500.00 scholarships available for undergraduate and graduate students wishing to take Crim 136T, Administration of Justice in Amsterdam. Also, the CSU

Fresno Office of Study Abroad and International Exchanges (International Programs) has additional scholarships available for students interested in this program. Students may apply for and receive BOTH the Criminology scholarships and the Office of Study Abroad and International Exchanges (International Programs) scholarships (approximately \$500). The total cost of this program is \$2599.00. The following is included in the fee:

- Roundtrip coach ticket airfare from Los Angeles, CA to Amsterdam via KLM round trip coach ticket
- Roundtrip transfers from Schiphol Airport to Amsterdam-Memphis Hotel
- hotel accommodations at the Amsterdam-Memphis Hotel for 6 nights (double occupancy)
- portorage for 1 bag, taxes and service charges, breakfast daily, half-day city tour of Amsterdam
- English-speaking guide
- tuition for 1 unit of credit (Crim. 136T) at CSUF

See the attachments at the links noted below for specific information on how to apply for the program and scholarship information. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Ruth Masters or Dr. Bernadette Muscat.

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<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/A1.pdf>

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/A2.doc>

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/A3.pdf>



## MORE CRIMINOLOGY DEPT. NEWS



**Dr. Barbara Owen**

is our criminology department expert on Women Prisons, who is continuing her work on the US and international approach to women's prison policy. She is finding that most international documents advocate a human rights approach, a position not embraced by US policy. Her first paper on this work will be presented at the American Society of Criminology in November 2009.

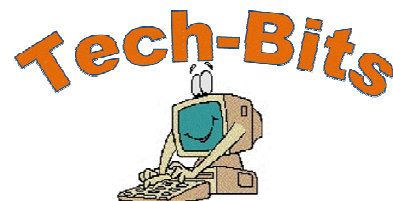
Dr. Owen will also be visiting Bangkok, Thailand for the third time this year. She was invited to participate in the initial Subject Matter Expert meeting (February 2009) to develop and revise the *Draft United Nations Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners and Non-custodial Measures for Women Offenders*. An initiative of "ELFI" (Enhancing Lives of Female Inmates) Project, the Draft Rules effort is a critical aspect of their overall efforts to raise awareness on the improved treatment of women prisoners. She is currently consulting via email on various aspects of the project. Dr. Owen will be returning to Bangkok in November to participate in the next meeting on these *Draft Rules*, again at the request of the Thai government.

Dr. Owen's recent research on "Accounts of change and resistance among women prisoners" also appeared as a chapter in the edited 2009 text "How Offenders Transform Their Lives."



Are you familiar with the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre? This Center has been training police and peace keepers around the world since 1994. Visit the center at:

<http://www.operationsdepaix.org/>



### DELL LAPTOP

#### LOST WIRELESS NETWORK SIGNAL?

On some models there is a switch on the left side of the case that has to be turned on. The sliding type switch can move to off when accidentally touching the side of your laptop case when you take out your laptop.





**Fresno Police Department**

<https://www.fresno.gov/Government/DepartmentDirectory/Police/default.htm>

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**STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

Allied Agency Assists	Events
Fresno County Sheriff's Department	14
California Highway Patrol	14
Clovis Police Department	0
Fresno Fire Department	0

SUMMARY OF FLIGHT HOURS	Flight Hours Totals
Total Flight Hours Flown (Helicopter)	165 hours
Total Flight Hours Flown for Outside Agencies	7.5 hours
Total Training Flight Hours	3.3 hours
Total Maintenance Test Flight Hours	5 hours
<b>AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME</b>	<b>34 Seconds</b>

Summary of Calls	Totals
Total Events/ Calls for Service	356
Felony Arrests	40
Misdemeanor Arrests	29
1 <sup>st</sup> on Scene	201
Ground Units Canceled	10
FLIR Use	63
Vehicle Pursuits	7
Foot Pursuits	29
Property Recovered	\$
Vehicles Recovered – Value	\$10,000
VIP Flights	9

In August, Vertical Magazine spent a day with Skywatch in preparation for an upcoming article on the Fresno Police Department's Air Support Unit. Photo missions for: FPD, CSB. A total of 9 VIP/ professional enhancement flights were flown to include the Ultimate Tour.

**STATISTICS FOR SEPTEMBER**

SUMMARY OF FLIGHT HOURS	Flight Hours Totals
Total Flight Hours Flown (Helicopter)	142 hours
Total Flight Hours Flown for Outside Agencies	4.5 hours
Total Training Flight Hours	1.5 hours
Total Maintenance Test Flight Hours	8 hours
<b>AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME</b>	<b>36 Seconds</b>

Summary of Calls	Totals
Total Events/ Calls for Service	300
Felony Arrests	37
Misdemeanor Arrests	29
1 <sup>st</sup> on Scene	179
Ground Units Canceled	20
FLIR Use	45
Vehicle Pursuits	3
Foot Pursuits	17
Property Recovered	\$400
Vehicles Recovered – Value	\$42,000
VIP Flights	16

Allied Agency Assists	Events
Fresno County Sheriff's Department	9
California Highway Patrol	3
Clovis Police Department	3
Fresno Fire Department	0

In September, Skywatch participated in the 9-11Pelco Memorial Fly Over. Photo missions for: FFD, CSB, City Planning & Development. A total of 16 VIP/ professional enhancement flights were flown to include flights for the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).



Statistics and photos courtesy of officer Bob Hedrick, chief pilot of the Fresno Police Department.

## SOMALIA IN PERSPECTIVE (1889-1919)

### The Dervishes of Somaliland Part II (Jihad against the Infidels)



### Mohammed bin Abdulla Hassan (The Mad Mullah of Somalia)

The Mad Mullah promised that those engaged in the jihad would be impervious to the enemy's bullets since they would turn into water and become harmless. During battle some of the Dolbahanta warriors saw this not to be true and therefore considered him a fraud. The Mullah also had difficulties arousing fervor against a government that was aloof and benign, except for a few who for various personal reasons held a grudge against it.

#### What then were the motives of those who did follow the Mullah?

Douglas Jardine, the Secretary to the Administration in Somaliland from 1916-1921, provided a plausible explanation. He stated that greed and materialism was one

of the cardinal sins of Somalis. Somaliland was characterized by inter tribal fighting and raiding other tribes was considered a sort of national sport. Their lives were devoted to looting. The Mullah's dervishes were there primarily for the opportunity for self enrichment.

These motives became even more desirable and glamorous when they received a "higher" endorsement through the Mullah's religious mission. What we call the bottom line is that the Mullah's dervishes or warriors who chose to join the jihad could not lose. If they were victorious in battle, they would obtain riches and wives, and if they were defeated and killed, they would ascend to paradise populated by "houris."

Confronted by the Mullah, all promised to follow him to prevent a loss of their property and lives. Every time the Mullah experienced a defeat and was compelled to relocate, the tribes had to make peace with the British government since it controlled the ports needed for trade. To "sweeten the pot" for those agreeing to come to his side, the Mullah decreed that his followers could lawfully seize the wives of any person connected to the government. He himself also seized women and added them to his harem.

To reduce desertions among his followers the Mullah imposed the most brutal punishment for even the most religious transgressions. Villages which did not bow to his authority were raided and everyone killed. Even children and babies of both sexes were "speared."

**Continued in the November newsletter...**