OFF CAMPUS
M.S. IN CRIMINOLOGY
The first cohort of students in the off campus graduate criminology program met for their first class at the Fresno Police Dept. Annex training room on 22 August 08. The off-campus graduate program is unique in that it blends criminology with public administration and Homeland Security. The student cohort is very diverse, representing the following criminal justice agencies:

- Fresno Police Dept.
- Visalia Police Dept.
- Madera Police Dept.
- Fresno County Sheriff
- Fresno County District Attorney
- Fresno County Superior Court
- California Dept. of Toxic Subst. Control
- California Dept. of Corr. & Rehab.

The first course will include a presentation by Matt BABICK, who will discuss his job experience with the Auditor’s Office of the Los Angeles Police Department.

GLOBAL NEWS
GUYANA

The February 08 newsletter reported a series of violent criminal attacks and massacres in Lusignan and Bartica, Guyana. Rondell RAWLINS, the head of the gang involved and two of his members, were shot to death by police and military on 28 August 08.

Guyana is a hotspot for drug traffickers and Georgetown, the country’s capital, is a place where evening strolls are not a good idea. Guyana airways, the country’s national airline has also been prohibited from landing in the US due to its poor safety record. Below a photo of the Guyanese Supreme Court Building taken by Dr. Schweizer:
CRIMINOLOGY DEPT. NEWS

Dr. Toni Dupont-Morales, Dr. Yoshiko Takahashi, and Dr. Mark Stevens have joined the full time faculty this fall, and one additional tenure track faculty member is scheduled to be hired beginning with the Fall 2009 semester.

Homeland Security Certificate Program Update

Dr. Keith Clement and Dr. Ken Ryan have been diligently working on the development of a new HS Certificate Program. These efforts have culminated with the first 14 graduate students in the process of being admitted to the program. Eleven of these students are (each) receiving $4000 DHS Scientific Leadership Award Scholarships. The graduate students are from the following academic programs:

- Criminology: 8
- Political Science: 3
- Public Administration: 2
- International Relations: 1

The program is also supporting three $3000 DHS Scientific Leadership Research Fellowships (Topics include: Illegal Immigration and Public Opinion; Interoperability and Law Enforcement Communication Culture and Comparative Intelligence Analysis of the U.S. and U.K.). The funding amounts to more than $53,000 in student support beginning in Fall 2008. There is an additional $67,000 in student support to be distributed over the next school year.

Dr. CLEMENT and the eleven awardees have also been invited to Washington D.C. for the DHS Science and Technology Directorate Scholars and Fellows Orientation on October 17th-19th. DHS is paying for the travel, lodging, food, and incidentals to honor our student recipients.

Student Advising

Faculty are no longer assigned to provide option specific advising based on a student’s name in the alphabet. All full time faculty members, regardless of specialty or option, will provide academic advising during scheduled office hours to any student needing such advising. Students also requiring employment and career related advice specific to their academic option, are still free to seek out a faculty member within their option for such assistance.

OFF CAMPUS

B.S. IN CRIMINOLOGY

Two new classes in the off campus degree program begin the first week of October. The program offers all upper division criminology and General Education coursework required for the B.S. degree. Applicants who are employed by any government agency and have completed at least two years of college coursework are eligible to join. Two courses are offered together and the cost for each course is $570. Apply at:

http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/deptdocs/OffCampusBSApplication.html
OFF CAMPUS B.S. PROGRAM...

October/November 08 courses are as follows:

Crim 180 Internship.

The class is scheduled to meet from 1800-2200 on the following Wednesdays: (OCT: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 NOV: 5, 12, 19 Nov) and Saturday days from 0800-1600 on 18 Oct and 15 Nov.

Students with professional CJ experience have limited meetings, but must complete specified written assignments. Students without CJ experience will be given assistance in finding a suitable CJ agency for 120 internship hours. The hours can extend into December and January.

Anthr 105W* Applied Anthropology

Upper division multicultural/international GE class taught by Dr. MOLLOOLY

*Also satisfies the university's upper division writing requirement.

ANTHR 105 W meets on the following Monday evenings from 1800-2200: OCT: 6, 13, 29, 27 NOV:3, 10, 17, 24 and from 0800-1600 on the following Saturdays: 4 OCT and 1 NOV.

EMPLOYMENT NEWS

STANISLAUS COUNTY

Continuous Openings

Job Title: DEPUTY SHERIFF-CORONER

Salary: $23.42 - $28.47 hourly
$1,873.60 - $2,277.60 biweekly
$4,059.47 - $4,934.80 monthly
$48,713.60 - $59,217.60 annually

http://agency.governmentjobs.com/stanislaus/default.cfm

1010 10th Street, Ste 6800
Modesto, CA 95354
209-525-6341
209-525-6333

Email: jobhelp@stancounty.com

An Investigator’s Dream

“STREET VIEW”

Google has done it again. You can now enter a street address in major U.S. cities and see a photo of the residence there.

http://maps.google.com/help/maps/streetview

The viewer can also use the mouse to simulate driving down the street with a changing view of the residences at street level.

The street view capability has attracted some controversy regarding privacy issues. Google is currently working to expand street view to locations in Europe.
Dr. Schweizer tried it out and entered the street address in Buffalo, NY where he lived while attending college there in the early 70’s.

See the results below:

NOTE: The corner house was not in this condition in the 1970’s.

While Street View covers many major cities, smaller communities or locations outside of metropolitan areas can sometimes be viewed through high quality photos on:

The site includes high quality aerial photos, when available, along with property values.

Spam, Scam, or a Virus?

You received an email with the following information showing in your inbox:

If you do not trust this email, and you shouldn’t, you can conduct a basic check to determine if Microsoft is in fact the sender of the email.

While Microsoft is listed as the sender, this sender information is probably phony but you want to make sure. Anyone can set up their emails to show any sender they chose. For part of the email sender verification a recipient can simply right click on the sender name listed under FROM in the email inbox, in this case admin@microsoft.com. After doing so, you click on the term “Properties”.

After clicking on “Properties” a new window will pop up as shown below:

![Image of properties window]
From here you click on Details to pull up the message “header” which looks like this:

After clicking on “Message Source” you can then view the email routing and get a better picture of where this email actually originated from and its pathway to your computer. The location of IP Addresses shown in the Message Source page can then be checked over the Internet and it is very revealing the extent to which these bad emails come from overseas.

Below an excerpt from the Message Source page:

It must be mentioned that messages can be routed through multiple computers, and not all will necessarily show up in the Message Source window. Reviewing the Message Source, however, can provide quick and valuable information you can use to determine if the message is legitimate or not.

The source page shows Dr. Schweizer’s private email user name “condorito” and an unfamiliar I.P., ginko. De. A check of the Internet shows Ginko to be the Gesellschaft für Internet-Kommunikation mbH a private internet service provider based in Aachen, Germany. The IP address of the sender, however, is listed under Received from source (88.229.197.29) and is given on line five of the message source page. This IP address was then checked through http://www.webyield.net/domainquery.html for information on the email’s originating country, with the following results:

88.229.197.29 is found in Turkey

This obviously means that the email is neither from Microsoft, nor from GINKO.

MORAL OF THE STORY:

1. Email senders, like people you actually meet, are not necessarily who they make themselves out to be.

2. Wise use of the “right click” option of your mouse can be of immense benefit.
PROBLEMS COPYING INFORMATION OR A PHOTO ON DR. SCHWEIZER’S WEBSITE?

If you have ever attempted to copy written information from my website or even a photo, by right-clicking on information you outline or on a photo/graphic, you may have seen this message pop up on your screen:

Solution:

If you are copying (for legitimate purposes, of course) written information, you can outline the info with your mouse, and then click on Save or Save as on the Pull Down menu instead of the menu that shows up with the mouse:

If it is a picture or graphic you need, simply use free pdf software to convert the entire page to a pdf document. You can then convert the pdf document to a JPEG or otherwise manipulate it as you wish.

BRAIN TEASER

You have 12 sacks of coins with 11 sacks containing 10 gram gold coins and one sack containing 9 gram phony gold coins. The differences in weight are minimal and the coins cannot be distinguished from one another, except by their one gram difference in weight.

QUESTION: How can you determine which of the sacks holds the phony (lighter) gold coins if you can only weigh the coins once using a typical scale? Email your answer to Dr. Schweizer: haralds@csufresno.edu If your answer is correct and you include your photo, it will be posted in the October newsletter.

NOTE: This is a typical quiz given to Junior H.S. students in Japan.

PART VIII

Islamic Terrorism, Islamist Terrorism, Islamic totalitarian terrorism....what should we call it without offending anyone?

The term “Islamic Terrorism” has been used to varying degree by a multitude of governments with subsequent complaints that the term “Islamic” is likely to offend non-terrorist Muslims who feel that the term misrepresents their religion. While it is not known when the term “Islamic Terrorism” was first utilized, the European Union currently refrains from using it and has substituted that term with “Islamist Terrorism.” Regardless of which term is used, the group or persons we are referring to is not changed, only the term we use. Currently, Islamist Terrorism is the term most often used by persons who feel that this...
appropriately distinguishes between Muslims who are terrorists and those who are not.

There also appear to be European efforts to delete the term “Islamic terrorism“ from open discussion or discourse. A article in the United Kingdom’s Daily Mirror even makes reference to a EU directive prohibiting the use of the term “Islamic Terrorism” We are supposed to use the term Islamistic and Islamism. The term Islamist or Islamism in conjunction with the word terrorist, however, is frowned on by Saudi interior minister Prince Naif who feels it is an inappropriate use of the word.

This dispute takes another twist, in a 23 May 2006 article published by the Center for Strategic Communication of the National Defense University. In that article, LTC Harry D. Tunnell IV and Dr. Douglas E. Streusand took issue with the varying terms to describe the current nature of global terrorism and posited that we should definitely not speak about Islamic Terrorism or use a host of other related terms, lest we make our battle more difficult by using the wrong term for our battle against terrorist groups. We should call it all “a fight against Islamic totalitarian terrorism.“

These terms, however, may undergo additional change, as someone or some group takes offense at the word “Islam” in any part of a larger word, when it is used in conjunction with the term terrorism or terrorists.

The critical question about Islam is the extent to which Islam forbids what we call terrorism in the West, or when something is considered a terrorist act in Islam.

What does Islam forbid?

Muslim clerics are in disagreement over what Islam permits and what it forbids. On January 9th, 2002, influential Muslim clerics representing Lebanon, the Palestinian Authority, Sudan, The Arab Emirates, Morocco, Algeria and Jordan endorsed suicide attacks against Israel during a religious convention in Beirut, Lebanon and stated that they were permissible under the Qur’an. During another 2002 religious conference of Arab and Muslim countries in Cairo, Yussef al-Qaradawi, a cleric based in Qatar supported suicide attacks against Israel as the highest form of martyrdom and iterated that there are no civilians in Israel.

The imam Al-Azhar, Sheikh Mohammed Sayyed Tantawi, the highest Sunni authority in Islam, endorsed suicide bombings but defined acceptable targets more narrowly, by excluding civilians. In April of 2001 Sheik Abdul Aziz bin Abdullah al Sheik, the highest Saudi religious authority declared that suicide bombings were suicide and therefore forbidden by the Qur’an. In August of 2002, however, the High Islamic Council of Saudi Arabia endorsed suicide bombings by Palestinian females as a justifiable act. P. Blond and A. Pabst, writing in the International Herald Tribune, unequivocally find that the nature of the terrorist threat is unambiguously Islamic (July 28, 2005), and Ellis Shuman, writing in the Israeli Insider, June 4, 2001 cites a Palestinian psychiatrist who indicated that religion is a crucial motivator in suicide bombings.

To be continued…