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CSI Majors Newsletter

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Hope You Like Amusement Rides!

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Does anyone else feel like they can't get off the merry go round of Covid or like you are stuck on a roller coaster, thrown from side to side then upside down? It can be discouraging, and we can lose focus. I want to urge you to keep moving forward. Schoolwork is a great distraction from the chaos!

We are busy planning for summer labs. If you are not already in the Canvas CSI organization site, you should receive an invitation to join. Please accept this invite. We use this site to relay all summer lab information, including dates, travel, uniforms, and prelab assignments.

This summer we are adding an additional section (3 instead of 2) of each lab to offer smaller lab sizes and more choices for dates

to choose from. I am excited to have Lindsey Miller (FSU CSI Alum) coming to teach one section of each lab so we can make the third lab weeks possible.

Make sure you are currently enrolled in the summer lab prerequisite courses (CJE 4638 and CJE 4655), or you will be unable to take the summer 2022 labs until 2024. The best way to stay on map is to always speak to an advisor before enrolling in classes.

We are looking forward to the labs and getting to perform the techniques we have learned in the classroom.

Summer Lab Dates

(Each lab week is located on the PC campus, Monday-Friday 9am-5pm CST daily)

CJE 4638L Forensic Death Investigation Lab

Offered the weeks of:

May 9, 16 and 23

CJE 4655L Crime & Accident Scene Imaging and Reconstruction

Offered the weeks of:

June 6, 13 and 20

We are working with Seminole
Landing (the PC on campus
Housing) to see if we can work out a
more affordable option for those
coming from out of town. I will send
an email update once we have any
details.



Messages From CSI Alumni

I have been a crime scene investigator for about four years now. My journey started with FSU when I decided to major in Crime Scene Investigation. Prior to graduating, I completed my capstone internship with the Panama City Beach Police Department in 2017 under the Criminal Investigations Division. Shortly after my internship, I was fortunate enough to be hired as a full-time crime scene investigator and evidence custodian. After gaining a couple years of valuable experience, I was placed in charge of the Crime Scene Unit. My responsibilities included managing the evidence room, as well as training new crime scene investigators, interns, and police offices regarding the roles of crime scene response and proper evidence handling procedures.

After working with the Panama
City Beach Police Department for
four years, I decided I was ready
for a new challenge. I just recently
accepted a job as a Forensic
Scientist/Crime Scene
Investigator with the District of
Colombia Department of Forensic
Sciences. The DC Department of
Forensic Sciences is responsible
for handling all major crimes that
occur in the District of Colombia. I
am grateful for everything
PCBPD and FSU has taught me
over the years, as well as the

hardworking people I have had the pleasure of meeting. I am excited to gain new experiences under a crime lab atmosphere. My advice to students who are interested in forensics is to really try to gain real world experience through an internship. Experience is one of the best tools a new crime scene investigator can have.



Class of Summer 2018



My name is Amber Bosley and I graduated from Florida State University, Panama City (FSU PC) in 2017. I majored in Crime Scene Investigation, and I also completed the Underwater Crime Scene Investigation Program.

After graduating from FSU PC, I completed the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy and started with the Pasco County

Sheriff's Office as a patrol deputy. After about a year and a half I moved back to my hometown of Tallahassee and joined the Leon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO).

In September 2021, I was selected to be a member of the LCSO Tactical Dive Team, and I am very proud to be the first female member! LCSO Tactical Dive Team members are trained and operate as Underwater Crime Scene Detectives. I am so excited to be able to apply the one-of-akind training I received at FSU PC into action!

My journey has not been easy, but anything worthwhile usually takes effort and hard work. Keep grinding and seek support from those around you: amazing program heads, instructors, fellow students, intern mentors, family, and friends. I would not be where I am today had it not been for the incredible support from my FSU PC family!

Go Noles!



Class of Summer 2017

Congratulations Graduates!

Danielle N. Barfield
Audrey Lee Guoan
Cody Lack
Maria C. Lasaga
Monica Olvera
Hannah Peel
Madison Stocks
Ceanna Thomaston

Class of Fall 2021

Grads,

If you have not yet sent me your next step- work, grad school etc. and personal email, please do so.



Internship Highlight

In my last semester at FSU, I completed my capstone internship with the Bay County Sheriff's Office. I worked with their crime scene unit, and it was truly an amazing and informative experience. I was advised during my first semester in the CSI program that we would be required to do an internship in order to graduate and we better start thinking about it and not put it off till the last minute. As I neared my last semester, I began considering all the different places I could intern but ultimately decided to go with the BCSO.

Before I began my internship, I had still not decided what I wanted to do once I finished the program. I chose to use this experience as a way to help me decide what I really want. I got to work with several investigators, some who had been with the department for years and one who had just graduated from the FSU PC CSI program. While it was amazing to work with someone who had so much experience in the field it was also nice to see someone just starting out who had been in my position not that long ago.

While working with the local investigators I was able to apply many of the skills I had learned throughout the program. I was able to lift fingerprints from stolen vehicles, search for evidence at crime scenes, use techniques I learned in my studies to uncover latent prints, and these are just a few of the things I did during my time at BCSO. I am glad I did not look at my internship as just another item on the checklist for graduation, but rather a moment I can take to learn

how the field really operates and how all the different organizations work together to better serve their local community.

I am now certain of what to do postgraduation, and I have my internship to thank for that. Seeing the responsibilities of the investigators and their regular day to day duties helped me discover what kind of job I want to pursue with my degree. I advise future students to really use their capstone internship to help further their future careers and try to learn as much as you can about the field. I know that many of the lessons I learned throughout my internship will follow me as I continue to move forward with my career.



Hannah Peel

BCSO Intern

Fall 2021 Graduate

All CSI Majors
are required to
complete a semester
long Capstone
internship!

For Capstone Info Visit www.pc.fsu.edu/pss



FSU Panama City will hold an inperson internship fair on Wednesday, March 9th from 3pm-6pm in the Holley Academic Center.

Come and meet with employers to learn about career and internship opportunities in and around Panama City.

Never miss an opportunity to make a good first impression. The Professional Clothing Closet, operated by the FSU PC Counseling Center, provides a way for students to access FREE professional attire appropriate for career fairs, interviews, and the workplace. Contact tdbrock@pc.fsu.edu for an appointment.

https://www.career.fsu.edu/

Need more info:

Contact -Jim Allen

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Director of Academic Services in the College of Applied Studies

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CSI Majors Making an Impression!



Dean's List

Davna Bierke Lucille Boucher Megan Davis Alexa Edwards Salma Eltarrani **Faye Fetters Cheyenne Freitag** Rhyan Granger Catriona Johnson Chelsea Jourdain Jayden Justice Julia Merrill Cristina Ricks Aaliyah Smith Shelby Smith **Madison Stocks** Ceanna Thomaston

President's List

Skye Adams
Da Shiya Davey
Sonya Mead-Kittsmiller
Morgan Morris
Kaitlyn Osmond
Hallie Pellerin
Sydney Pellerin
Renea Samuels

Need FSU CSI Swag or Intern Shirts?

We have T-Shirts, Polos, Car Tags, Face Masks, Hoodies and Hats. Order from Almega Sports.

Go to

https://store.almegasports.com/FSU-CSI c56.htm

Thank you to our Fall
CSI Mentors!
Kim Long
Dennis Rozier
Cameron Swift
Dave Thomasee
Kelly Wahl

CSI Student of the Semester



Brendan Lake

The following is just a small part of Brendan's nomination:

Brendan is friendly and helpful to other classmates during labs with others who are having a problem or were confused. It was refreshing to see someone so supportive of others.

Upcoming Summer Courses & Electives

CSI Specific Courses

Summer 2022

*CJE 4638L (2) Forensic Death Investigation Lab (F2F Only) For Dates See Page 1

*CJE 4655L (2) Crime and Accident Scene Imaging and Reconstruction Lab (F2F Only) For Dates See Page 1

*Labs not offered again until summer 2024

Electives offered in Summer

CJE 3617 Cold Case Investigations (DL Only/pre reqs CJE 3762, CJE 3762L & CJE 4611)

CCJ 3651 (3) Drugs and Crime

CJE 4410 (3) Community Policing

CJL 3133 (3) Evidence & Criminal Procedure

CSI Approved Elective Courses Coming Soon (Semesters TBD)

CJE 3450 (3) Bias Awareness in Public Safety and Security

CJE 3280 (3) Women on all sides of the law

CJE 3703 (3) Black and White: Disparities in the Criminal Justice System

CSI Learning Community





This Fall we had weekly study groups with guest speakers, did a ropes course & team building event, pizza & game night, murder in the library activity, Friendsgiving Dinner and holiday fun making gingerbread crime scene houses.



Want to join in Spring?

https://pc.fsu.edu/livinglearning-community/csi-lc

Starting Fall 2022

New Undergraduate Certificate

Diversity in Public Safety and Security

Core Courses: Required (6 credit hours)

CCJ 3678 Policing Diversity: Race, Gender, Religion and Crime (3) CJE 3450 Bias Awareness in Public Safety and Security (3)

Minor Elective Courses: Select 2 of 3 Courses (6 credit hours)

CJE 3280 Women on All Sides of the Law (3)

CJJ 3013 Youth Culture and Crime (3)

CJE 3703 Black and White: Recognizing Disparities in the Criminal Justice System (3)





The Delta Delta Epsilon,
International Forensic
Science Honor Society is by
invitation to students who
have excelled in the
classroom.

Min. 3.3 GPA &

2021/2022 Inductees

Skye Adams Toni Alvarado Taylor Brooks Da Shiya Davey Faye Fetters Mason Foreman Twila Hales Evelyn Hendrickson Sophia Holloway Autumn Hurst Sonya Mead-Kittsmiller Julia Merrill Cameron Moncrief Morgan Morris Brianna Lawley Nathaniel Lister Candance Petellat Maggie Smith Shelby Smith

DDE Officers

Lucy Boucher, President

Nathaniel Lister, Vice President & Editor

Reilly Calloway, Treasurer

Taylor Brooks, Secretary



Pictured left to right-Nathan, Lucy, Taylor & Reilly



Inductees



Pictured left to right-Taylor, Nathan, Julia, DaShiya, Oni



Pictured left to right-Brianna, Maggie, Twila, Sonya, Mason, Sophia