



# CSI Majors Newsletter

## Spring 2022

### Blooming with Good Vibes!

By: *Charla S. Perdue*

Spring semester was busy with putting together supplies and assignments for summer labs. This is the first time we are holding three weeks of each lab and we hope you enjoy the added date selection and smaller lab sizes.

The CSI program is happy to welcome back Koren (Korri) Daniels. Korri has worked with the program since inception but took one year off after retiring from the Sheriff's office so she may be new to some of you.

Korri has accepted a part time Lab Assistant position and will also be doing some mentoring in courses. Her experience and love of all things FSU make her a perfect fit. Please take a minute and read Korri's Korner later in the

newsletter to learn more about her.

This summer we will be putting on a CSI STEM camp for students who have just completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade. I want to encourage any CSI majors who are close enough to come and help to get involved. This will be a great time to get to know your classmates better, share our love of forensics with younger students, get experience teaching and **this kind of service looks great on your resume.**

We will need people to help set up, make copies, teach, do demonstrations, play games, chaperone, etc. Whatever your talents- we can use them in some capacity.

For more information see page 6 of the newsletter. We will hold an informational meeting in Zoom in mid-July so look for an email after the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday

(we all need a little break after labs).

As you plan for fall semester, please contact your advisor, and make sure you stay on map. They are here to help. Also keep in mind the many financial aid and scholarship opportunities. You can find more information at

<https://pc.fsu.edu/finances>

As always, if I can be of assistance with your program needs or career planning, please let me know.

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## Message From A CSI Alumni



**Alyssa Orr**

I have been a crime scene investigator and evidence custodian with the Panama City Beach Police Department for approximately six months. Though I am new to my position, I am no stranger to my department, which in the last few months has quickly become my home.

During my time as a student at FSU PC, I was lucky enough to be chosen as an intern with the Panama City Beach Police Department. I credit this experience, and the knowledge I learned along the way, greatly with my newfound success as a young graduate. The hands-on, real-world training I received under my professors and mentors has allowed me to thrive in my field. Furthermore, the numerous connections I forged at FSU PC have been

essential in the fulfillment of my day-to-day responsibilities

If I could offer any advice to the up-and-coming class, it would be this; the value of interpersonal connections cannot be emphasized enough. Get to know your teachers, mentors, and fellow students. As law enforcement, we are one family, united around a specific cause - to protect and serve. As a young graduate, you will inevitably have questions, but with proper networking, you will find that no question will ever go answered.

## Awards



## Congratulations

**Sophia Holloway**

### *Academic Leadership Award winner!*

In recognition of students that have epitomized the definition of leadership by their exemplary contributions to the Florida State University community through achievement, service, or organizational leadership involvement.

## Class of Spring 2022

**Garrison Baker  
Lucille Boucher  
Summer Kazmerchak**

## Congratulations Graduates!



**Grads,**

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



# Internship Highlight

Over the course of the Spring 2022 Semester, I was given the opportunity to complete my internship with the Drug Enforcement Administration Tallahassee Field Office. I worked with multiple special agents as they investigated their cases and was granted the responsibility of working alongside their intelligence analyst.

The intelligence analyst position is essentially the foundation for building each case and it was a cool experience to be able to determine the name of big targets as well as their entire criminal history, contacts, properties, and more with only the use of a single phone number. I also enjoyed being able to apply my knowledge from last summer's CSI labs when I was allowed to fingerprint and conduct buccal swab tests on arrestees.

I was also able to attend case briefings, sentencing hearings, and drug busts. I believe it was very beneficial to myself and the other interns to be able to experience every aspect of the job inside and outside of the office.

I chose to intern with the DEA because my cousin who is a special agent in Detroit, shared a bit about his responsibilities and experiences with me a couple of years ago and ultimately got me interested in the unit. Since I had such little knowledge of it before and I thought it would be a great place to gain experience and understanding in a sector of law enforcement that typically gets overlooked.

I am very grateful to have been granted such an amazing opportunity to learn and build connections with so many people who were eager to make sure I was included in everything and having a fun time as well.

Overall, I enjoyed interning with the DEA so much that I have begun the application process for becoming a special agent and I am very excited for this next chapter of my life.

I advise anyone who is planning on interning in the future to consider the DEA and be mindful that choosing to intern in a field that you did not have much experience or knowledge of before could open new opportunities and set you on a path that you love.

I would also advise future interns to build connections and take the initiative in wanting to be involved and participate in every opportunity available because the more experiences you gain the closer you are to constructing the road to your career.



**Sophia Holloway**

**DEA Intern**

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

**For Capstone Info Visit  
[www.pc.fsu.edu/pss](http://www.pc.fsu.edu/pss)**



Crime Scene Investigation offers a variety of employment opportunities in local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as governmental and private crime laboratories. [NoleNetwork](#), the FSU Career Center's system for linking students and alumni directly with hiring employers and Career Center programs, includes opportunities for both full-time jobs and internships with local, state, and federal agencies seeking to hire FSU Panama City students and alumni!

FSU CSI students and alumni can directly link with hiring employers and Career Center programs by visiting the FSU Panama City resources [here](#).

Contact Jim Allen, Director of Academic Services in the College of Applied Studies at [jwallen@fsu.edu](mailto:jwallen@fsu.edu) if you have additional questions.







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](mailto:tdbrock@pc.fsu.edu) for an appointment.

## Need Gear?

Want DDE, CSI LC, UCSI and CSI T-Shirts, Polos, Car Tags, Hoodies, Hats, etc.

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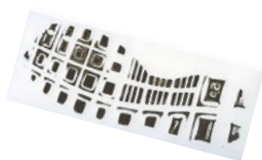
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## CSI Majors

### Making an Impression!



## President's List

Skye Adams  
Megan Davis  
Cheyenne Freitag  
Kaitlyn Osmond  
Sydney Pellerin  
Renea Samuels  
Nicholas Smith  
Shelby Smith  
Andrea Urquhart

## Dean's List

Nicole Albert  
Taylor Brooks  
F Coulanges  
Da Shiya Davey  
Alexa Edwards  
Salma Eltarrani  
Faye Feters  
Georgia Glotzbach  
Rhyann Granger  
Jayden Justice  
Alicia Lawrence  
Savannah Morman  
Morgan Morris  
Gabrielle Novak  
Hallie Pellerin  
Aaliyah Smith  
Madison Strachan  
Grayson Williams

*Thank you to our Spring*

### *CSI Mentors!*

*Kim Long  
Lindsey Miller  
Dennis Rozier  
Cameron Swift  
Dave Thomasee  
Kelly Wahl*



**Keep  
those  
grades up!**

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

**Invitations will go out to eligible students in Fall.**

*Min. 3.3 GPA &  
23 Hours completed in the  
Major*

## Korri's Korner



Hello again! For those that do not know me, let me introduce myself. My name is Koren Daniels. I retired as a Captain, Criminal Investigations Division, Bay County Sheriff's Office after 30 years of service on March 31, 2021, and as such I had to take a year off from working at FSU because of FRS rules. My year was up, and I am now once again assisting Charla Perdue in the Crime Scene Investigation Program.

I have to say, I have been extremely impressed with the summer lab students. They have shown hard work and more importantly displayed an atmosphere of professional teamwork in their respective projects. Being able to work well alongside others is vital to any organization and it is your opportunity to display leadership skills.

Those that still have internships ahead of you, remember you are always being evaluated as a potential future hire. Put your

Nole face forward and show them what you are made of. Grit, hard work, determination, integrity, and professionalism.

If there is anything I can assist you with, please do not hesitate to contact me. GO NOLES!

## **CSI Student of the Semester Spring 2022**



### **CRISTINA RICKS**

Cristina was selected as the CSI student of the semester by faculty because of her hard work preparing summer lab materials as the CSI intern during the spring semester.

Cristina was punctual, a good communicator and followed directions. These are excellent qualities for anyone desiring to work in the field.

Congratulations Cristina!

## **Upcoming Fall Courses & Electives**

### **CSI Specific Courses**

- CJE 3762 (3) Forensic Science in Investigation
- CJE 3762L (1) Forensic Science in Investigation Lab
- CJE 3648 (3) Crime Scene Professionalism
- CJE 4220 (3) Introduction to Forensic Entomology
- CJE 3562 (3) Forensic Science in the Crime Lab
- CJE 3562L (1) Forensic Science in the Crime Lab Laboratory

### **Electives offered in Fall**

- CCJ 3032 (3) Crime in Media
- CCJ 3484 (3) Ethics in Policing and Intelligence
- CJE 4611 (3) Criminal Investigation: Theory & Practice
- CCJ 4744 (3) Evidential Reasoning for Research & Investigation
- CCJ 3071 (3) Computer Applications for Public Safety and Security
- CJE 3612 (3) Interview and Interrogation
- CCJ 3024 (3) The Criminal Justice System

## **Advising**

### **Distance Learning Advisor**

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### **On-Campus Advisor**

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# CSI Learning Community



This Spring we had weekly study groups with guest speakers, Murder Mystery Game night with a Mexican Dinner, Podcast on Psychopathy and Criminal Behavior, Documenting Bloodstains Webinar, Field trip to the Escape room "The Morgue" with lunch, end of the year brunch and Family Feud Game.



If you live locally or close enough to travel to weekly events, you are eligible to join.

***Look for an email with details on sign up for the CSI Learning Community later this summer.***

# Starting Spring 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 FSU PC CSI program will host a CSI Summer STEM camp

"Fun with Forensics"

For kids entering middle school (who just completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

On

August 1-3 daily  
from 8:30am-2:30pm

**Student volunteers are needed to teach and lead labs and will be given a free Tshirt and Service to the Profession certificates.**

You will never know a topic better than when you have to teach it!

This is a wonderful opportunity to dig in and spark a kid's interest in the field.

If interested in helping please email Professor Perdue for details.

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