



CSI Majors Newsletter

Summer 2022

Lab Days and Beach Waves!

By: *Charla S. Perdue*

Tan lines fade but what you learn in summer labs, last forever! I hope you enjoyed coming to campus to learn hands on techniques that will enhance your crime scene skillset. It is so much fun to meet students in person we have only known through online work, and it is always great to see the friendships that are formed among classmates as the week progresses.

It is bittersweet to see those graduating for the last lab. We are so proud of our graduates but hate to see them go. Please leave knowing you always have a home here and we welcome your drop by visits, calls or emails to let us know how you are doing.

As the fall semester begins, I hope you are practicing professionalism in your

coursework. As the famous quote by Marcus Luttrell says, "You play like you practice and practice how you play." This is also true of how you will work.

I am often called by potential employers who ask, what kind of student was he or she? They are looking for more than a simple GPA. The employer could request a transcript and get that information. What they want to know is: did the student show up, did they work hard, did they turn items in timely or were they the kind of student who had excuses. Life will always happen but, in this field, you do not get the luxury of letting your work responsibilities go for the personal crisis of the day. It is the 24/7 nature of the criminal justice system; it stops for no one.

Your faculty and staff are here to help so if you need assistance with time management, tutoring, or just to

vent, please reach out. We succeed when you succeed, we are all in this together!

**Have a great
semester!**

Charla



**This would be a
fun dig!**

Message From CSI Alumni



Reilly Calloway *Class of Summer 2022*

Hello everyone! My name is Reilly Calloway, and I am a Summer 2022 graduate of the Crime Scene Investigation program. While I barely have my foot out of the door at FSU, these past few months have been an absolute whirlwind. During the fall semester of last year, I was lucky enough to land an internship with the Escambia County Sheriff's Office Crime Scene Investigation Unit in Pensacola. During this internship, I spent much of my time in the lab assisting in processing evidence and riding along to calls that were made. I learned so much from this internship and genuinely had such a fun time with it.

With the experience I gained from this, I was lucky enough to receive a job offer as a Crime Gun Technician for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF).

Additionally, two weeks after summer labs ended, I had the opportunity, through FSU, to assist in an evidence recovery operation with Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), UCSI Dive Team, and TEMPEST from GCSC, led by Dr. Feulner. This was an amazing experience and really opened my eyes to how an organized operation works and what effort must go into it. On top of all of that, I will be beginning graduate school in the fall pursuing a Master of Science in Criminal Justice with a thesis concentration in forensic science at the University of North Alabama.

My biggest piece of advice for current students is to take every training and learning opportunity that you can get and run with it. I was able to interview for jobs because of the experience I received from my internship and because I had been exposed to real-world situations. Not only that, but taking these opportunities allows you to make connections with people from different states, cities, and agencies, which is HUGE in this field. It is important to push yourself and be the best at whatever you do, whether it is being a student, an intern, waiting tables, selling clothes, or being employed by a law enforcement agency.

You never know who is watching you or who will end up having to be a reference for you in the future. The only thing that can prevent you from reaching your goals is yourself and the more that you

invest in yourself, the more opportunities will present themselves to you. I wish you all the best of luck in your studies and future endeavors. Go Noles!



Class of Summer 2022

Stephanie Adams

Toni Alvarado

Reilly Calloway

Rebecca Cole

Faye Feters

Sophia Holloway

Autumn Hurst

Chelsea Jourdain

Brianna Lawley

Sonya Mead-Kittsmiller

Cameron Moncrief

Morgan Morris

Candace Petellat

Shelby Smith

Kalee Terflinger

Grayson Williams

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

Interning at the Global Forensic and Justice Center (GFJC), formally known as the National Forensic Science Technology Center (NFSTC), has been a rewarding experience where I have gained firsthand training in the CSI, DNA, and Biology Labs. I have had the pleasure of joining various agencies, including the US military Special Services and several branch intelligence units, in Forensic Evidence collection and processing under sensitive circumstances. I was also a part of the ASPCA's Animal Cruelty Workshop where I earned sixteen lab hours in training for Animal Cruelty Forensic and Evidence collection and Investigation. I was able to participate in the mock scene scenario exercises where I learned how to conduct Animal Cruelty Investigations. Among the scenarios were cases pertaining to dog fighting, puppy mills, and hoarding situations.

I am a part of a major experimental study where we were granted funding to conduct a study to find alternative solutions for Ninhydrin and 1,2 Indandione using various agents and

chemicals. We are trying to find a more affordable, less harmful, and more environmentally friendly solution to use for Latent Print processing. Although this study extends far beyond my internship, I have been given permission to continue with the study until its completion.



Candy Petellat

GFJC Intern

Summer 2022 Graduate

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

**For Capstone Info Visit
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](#).

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

Need more info:

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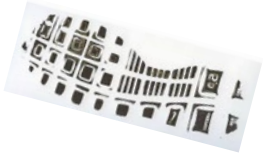
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CSI Major

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Skye Adams



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Korri's Korner



I just returned from the International Association for Identification's 106th Annual Educational Conference which was held this year in Omaha, Nebraska. It was a fun work week of training and networking with forensic colleagues from all over the world. 1214 in attendance with over 30 countries and 117 internationals. I took part in this year's student lecture series on the Art of Small Talk and How to Network. It was well received, and I expect that I will be involved next year on the Student Advocacy Committee. I also have been serving the organization on the Board of Directors, Conference Staff Committee, and the Crime Scene Investigations Science and Practice Committee.

If you have not applied to a professional forensic association yet, I would recommend that you do so as soon as possible. Two of the best organizations for practitioner training and networking in forensic disciplines are the International Association for Identification www.IAI.org and

the Florida Division of the International Association for Identification. www.fdiai.org Both support student membership at reduced costs and supply tremendous insight in preparing to enter and professional growth in the career field. If you have any questions or need a recommendation do not hesitate to reach out to me. GO NOLES!



**Thank you Summer Lab
Assistants**

Korri Daniels

Lindsey Miller

Caite Scarlett

**Thank you Summer Lab
Adjunct**

Lindsey Miller



Delta Delta Epsilon

The mission of Delta Delta Epsilon is to function as an honor society for students of the forensic sciences. The activities of the Society are designed to stimulate academic achievement, promote community understanding and advance the fields of forensic science. Colleges and universities which grant baccalaureate or advanced degrees in the forensic sciences and related fields that support this mission may establish chapters. FSU has been granted the Alpha Kappa Chapter.

Face to Face and Distance Learning students are invited to join the Alpha Kappa Chapter in Fall each year. To be eligible, a student must major in Crime Scene Investigation, have maintained a minimum of a 3.3 grade point average throughout their college studies and completed at least 22 credit hours within the major. Face to face students inducted will be required to organize and complete a Spring service project. Distance Learning students who are inducted will affirm their membership in writing and receive their certificates and cords by mail.

All DDE meetings use, GoToMeeting so distance learners may attend. Distance Learning members are required to perform and return documentation of community service in place of the spring service project.

Invitations will go out during Fall Semester!



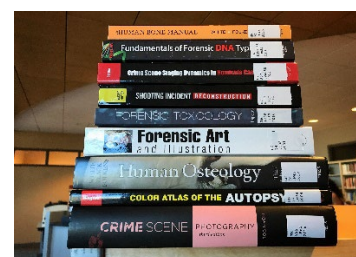
CSI Student of the Semester



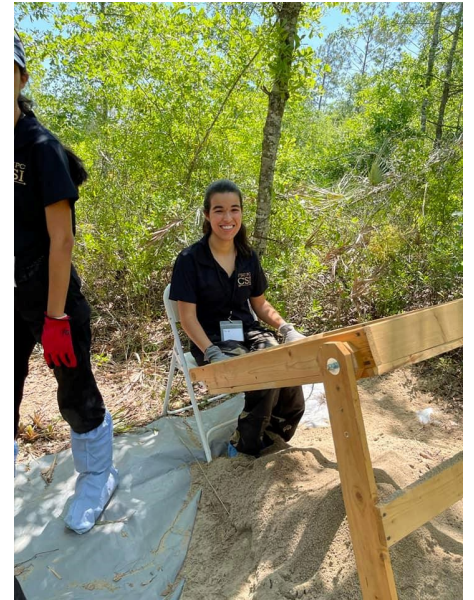
Candy Petellat

A portion of her nomination: Candy is a good classmate, mom, student, and friend. She managed school, work, and being a full-time mum throughout many semesters; that's a lot of work. Candy was on the honor roll, is smart and never makes you feel dumb- even when the answer it's in front of you.

Congratulations Candy!



CSI Summer Lab Highlights



More CSI Summer Lab Highlights..

