The faculty of the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies program are pleased to announce the application of a charter for the American Criminal Justice Association, which should formally commence Spring 2013. An intention of our chapter will be to recognize academic achievement for students in the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies program. In addition and consistent with documented national chapter objectives, the ACJA/Alpha Xi Delta will seek to improve criminal justice through educational activities, foster professionalism in law enforcement personnel and agencies, promote professional, academic, and public awareness of criminal justice issues, encourage the establishment and expansion of higher education and professional training in criminal justice, provide a unified voice for professionals in, and students of, criminal justice, promote high standards of ethical conduct, professional training, and higher education within the criminal justice field. Upon activation, the HCC Chapter of ACJA, Alpha Xi Delta, would be assigned to Southeast Region 5 and would join other state universities and colleges as members of this organization.

Students who are interested in being a part of the American Criminal Justice Association will receive a membership certificate, membership card, membership pin, ACJA/LAE logo decal, membership oath and symbolism booklet, access to national journals, access to job information and the opportunity to receive the Silver Key, which recognizes the Associate Degree with a GPA of 3.5 to 4.0. While processing our national application proposal, four students have agreed to serve in leadership roles within the association. These students, Jenny Meneses, Goldwyn Madhaven, Laura Stephenson, and Kaylee Marshall, have met to discuss ways to promote the objectives of the association and look forward to increased membership in the Spring 2013. In addition to promoting student awareness of Alpha Xi Delta on campus next term, the association looks forward to hosting several meetings next term, which will highlight academic transitions upon graduation.

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A View From the Bench…Your First Court Appearance  

By Judge Nick Nazaretian  
The August 2012 issue dealt with what happens to the suspect after the arrest. This article will discuss the transition from the arrest to the suspect’s first court appearance. Florida law requires an individual who has been arrested to appear before a judge within 24 hours. The purpose of this law is to inform the defendant of what he/she has been arrested for and what their bail is. The rationale behind the law is to avoid an individual sitting in jail without notice of the proceedings against him/her. It is important to note at this point, should the defendant bond out of jail prior to 6:00am, they will not be required to attend the initial court appearance.  

This first court appearance is called your preliminary presentation. The court uses the name PP court as a moniker. This procedure (although referred to by different names in different counties, i.e. in Pinellas County it is called Advisories) occurs every day throughout the State of Florida. The law requires that the Judge actually see the accused during this hearing. Therefore, for years a Judge had to go out to the jail every morning, 365 days a year, to conduct the required hearing. Within recent years, the Court house has a special court room established to handle the preliminary presentation hearings.  

Today, the Judge will go into this specialized court room and be faced with several TV monitors in which the accused appear from their respected jail locations throughout the County, thereby meeting the requirement that the Judge “sees you” for your initial appearance. The TV monitors allow for the Court to see the accused, while at the same time allowing the accused to see the court and all the applicable players in the court workgroup.  

The court usually begins at 8:00am every morning. Monday through Sunday. In general, the court sees individuals who were arrested the previous night and haven’t bailed out of jail yet. This would include those arrested for felonies and misdemeanors. Typically, the men and women arrested are kept separate for their hearings. However, before the adults are presented before the court, the court will handle any dependency actions that need to be addressed. Dependency cases deal with the State of Florida attempting to sever parental rights due to a parent not being able to properly care for their child. The next cases will be the Juvenile Delinquency cases in which the accused juveniles will appear before the Judge to hear their charges and a determination of their custody status. After these hearings are completed, the adults get their hearings. The hearings last but a few minutes. Each defendant will have a CRA (Criminal Report Affidavit) to be reviewed by the court. This document will show whether there is probable cause for the arrest of the accused. If there is no probable cause, the court can give the State Attorney’s office (a representative of their office and the Public Defender’s are present throughout all the hearings) 24 hours to provide additional information to support the findings on the CRA. Throughout the hearings, defendants often will want to plead guilty, but because there is little known information about the defendants (remember the defendants were just arrested hours earlier) the court usually will not allow this. The entire proceeding usually takes up to three hours. This specialized court is presided over by the Honorable Judge Heinrich (who also is adjunct professor here at HCC Ybor City). On the weekends, the assignment is rotated among all of the presiding judges in Hillsborough County. The hearings are open to the public and, as always, you are invited to attend.  

Nick Nazaretian is an Adjunct member of the faculty of the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program and is a Circuit Court Judge in Hillsborough County.

CJSA Joins in the TPD Memorial Run Again  

By Paul Rocha, CJSA President  
On October 13, 2012, the Criminal Justice Student Association participated in the 18th Annual Tampa Police Memorial 5K & 1 mile Run/Walk. This year’s run marks the third year that the CJSA has participated. The Memorial Run was established as a way to raise money for fallen officers. The funds collected go to help projects such as: Police Monument maintenance, Police Museum, an Employees’ Scholarship Program, Tampa Police Honor Guard, Tampa Police Explorers, Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS), and the Police Unity Tour. This year the CJSA was able to donate $350.00 to the Tampa Police Memorial fund. Students enjoyed seeing the Tampa Police Museum, Tactical Tank - Rescue 1, and displays set up at the memorial run. It was another event enjoyed by CJSA members and we look forward to being able to participate in the 2013 Tampa Police Memorial Run.  

If you wish more information or want to donate please see: visit: http://tampapolicememorial.org/  

“I've never had a problem with drugs. I've had problems with the police.”  
By Keith Richards
Criminal Justice Class Outreach... Tampa Crisis Center

By Ms. Cindy Moore, M.A.

Students who enrolled in the Introduction to Human Behavior in Criminal Justice course this Fall 2012 semester had the unique opportunity to participate in a service learning initiative. During this term, our students chose to focus their efforts on the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay. The Crisis Center of Tampa Bay offers our community assistance in dealing with “devastating trauma of sexual assault or abuse, domestic violence, financial distress, substance abuse, medical emergency, suicidal thoughts, and emotional and situational problems.” Since each of these social issues, as well as the appropriate response to each crisis, were explored during class meetings, the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay provided a means by which to link academic curriculum with practical social initiatives in our community.

In addition to the service learning component of the course, our students were provided a private tour of the Crisis Center facilities and the associated service directors presented day-to-day operations and procedures. Students toured the 2-1-1 call center, TransCare Medical Transportation Services, Counseling Services, Family Stabilization, and the Forensic Examination unit. In addition, our class volunteered to assist the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay with preparing for their annual holiday gift drive. This student-community partnership, established through service learning, was an amazing opportunity for our students to link academics with practical application and the end result proved rewarding and beneficial for everyone involved.

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E.H.P. Speaks to Criminal Justice Student Association

By Jennifer Del Rio, CJSA Member

The Criminal Justice Student Association invited Florida Highway Patrol (Troop C), Sgt. Steve Gaskins to speak with our students on November 14, 2012. Sgt. Gaskins gave a presentation about the duties of the Florida Highway patrol. Sgt. Gaskins covered many subjects such as seat belts and child restraints, DUI, and distracted impaired driving. Sgt. Gaskins explained the importance of each subject and spent time answering questions from our students.
The 3rd Annual Great HCC Criminal Justice Teach-In Is Coming In February

On February 20 and 21, 2013, the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program will present its Third Annual “Great HCC Criminal Justice Teach-In”.

This event, patterned after the national Great American Teach-In, was highly successful in its inaugural 2011 year, and even more successful in its second year. The event will feature guest speakers from our local Criminal Justice agencies. This event will be held at the Ybor City Campus YPST Building, room 314, with speakers scheduled from 8:00am to 7:00pm on both days. Speakers will be scheduled every ninety minutes throughout both days.

Great effort has been made to bring to our students, staff, and guests many of the leaders of our local criminal justice system.

The event schedule will be available in January 2013 and announcements will then be made.

Our Instructors... New Faculty Join Our Program

SHALLYN McFARLAND, MS
Shallyn McFarland is a Crime Laboratory Analyst (CLA) with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), Tampa Bay Regional Operations Center. She has worked for FDLE for over eight years in the capacity of a Forensic Technologist in both Chemistry and Firearms and as a CLA in the Forensic Section. As a firearm’s examiner, her primary duty is to determine whether or not fired ammunition components were fired in/from a particular firearm. In addition, she has testified as an expert witness in court. She achieved her Associate of Arts degree from Hillsborough Community College, Bachelor of Science degree in Forensic Science from the University of Central Florida, and Master’s Degree in Forensic Science from the University of Florida. She is currently a member of the Association of Firearm and Toolmark Examiners (AFTE). During her internship with the Hillsborough County Medical Examiner’s Office, she co-authored: “Relationships Between Concentrations of Cocaine and Its Hydrolysates in Peripheral Blood, Heart Blood, Vitreous Humor and Urine” published in March 2006, Volume 51, Issue 2, pages 421–425 in the Journal of Forensic Science.

FREDDIE ANDERSON, Jr. M.A.
Freddie Anderson, Jr. is currently the Regional Operations and Program Manager for the State Operated Correctional Facilities of the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. During his 17 year tenure with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, his responsibilities within the Department have increased in unison with his experience. He has worked as a Juvenile Probation Officer, Senior Juvenile Probation Officer, Quality Assurance Review Specialist, Residential Management Review Specialist, Assistant Superintendent at Falkenburg Juvenile Academy, Interim Superintendent at Falkenburg Academy, Superintendent at Leslie Peters Halfway House, Operations and Program Manager at the Desoto Juvenile Correctional Complex, and Adjunct Professor at Southwest Florida College. Mr. Anderson has a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from the University of South Florida and a Bachelor’s Degree in Management and Marketing from Westmar University.

Did You Know:
As of May 10, 2011, the FBI’s Law Enforcement National Data Exchange possessed more than 100 million searchable records with 500 million entities (persons, places and things) from 4,000 agencies available to more than 20,000 users.

REMINDER
A.S. Programs now have an Advisor located at the YPST Building: Jodi Haller Room 138
**CJSA Students Visit Hardee Correctional Institution**

By Cindy Moore, M.A.

On November 16, 2012, the Criminal Justice Student Association (CJSA) was invited to tour the Hardee Correctional Institution in Bowling Green, Florida. 15 members of the CJSA and I participated in this extraordinary opportunity to interact with facility administrators and witness, first hand, the day-to-day operations of a correctional institution serving over 1500 inmates. Upon arrival, the CJSA was greeted by the Assistant Warden and students were briefed on security considerations for visitors. Next, students were briefed on classification and toured close monitoring, cell, and open bay housing units. During this segment of the four hour tour, students witnessed daily activities of inmates and were offered the opportunity to speak with inmates. In addition, correctional institute staff members who coordinate educational, employment, counseling, medical, dining, laundry, recreational and religious services provided brief presentations on their respective service and fielded questions from our students. Importantly, each of the individuals who spoke to the group thoroughly explained all processes and elaborated on security and structural implications as well as the philosophies behind each process. By this, students were able to connect classroom learning with real world processes.

The tour of the Hardee Correctional Institution concluded with a luncheon with the Assistant Warden and the correctional staff members who guided the tour. In this setting, students were provided information on careers in corrections and considerations one might want to explore when deciding on a professional path within a correctional institution. This event was a tremendous success. The Assistant Warden and his staff graciously contributed their time and expertise and the CJSA students benefitted from this unique opportunity.

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**Community Supervision... Exactly What is it?**

By Mike Cotignola, M.A.

When most people in Criminal Justice think of the term “Corrections” they usually associate it with our nation’s jails and prisons. In reality, this only accounts for one portion of corrections across the county. The other portion is known as “Community Corrections”. The following is a brief description of the most common forms of community corrections.

The most widely used form of community supervision is known as Probation. This occurs at the county, state, and federal level. Probation is a sentence that is imposed by the court on a criminal defendant. It can be an alternative to incarceration or in combination with a period of incarceration. If a probationer violates their supervision they usually answer to a county, circuit, or federal judge.

Parole is another type of community supervision. Parole occurs when either a state or federal prison releases a defendant back into the community when they still have time left on their prison sentence. The laws that govern how and when inmates are released to various forms of parole vary from state to state but parole is always an extension of a prison sentence. If a parolee violates their supervision they usually answer to a parole board.

Diversion is another type of community supervision. This is usually done to “divert” cases away from prosecution if the defendant agrees to complete a program successfully. This is typically done for non-violent, first time offenders. Once the defendant meets all of the stipulations agreed to by the prosecutor, the charges are dismissed. If the defendant violates these terms the case is then prosecuted in court.

Although all these types of community supervision are all legally different, the similarity is that they all have a series of rules and regulations that the defendant must follow in order to successfully complete their term of community supervision.

Mike Cotignola is an adjunct member of the faculty of the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program.

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**Practicum Course Applications**

A.S. students are required to take CCJ-2910, Directed Research, and CCJ-2940, Criminal Justice Internship, or CCJ-2949, Criminal Justice Field Studies, in order to graduate.

Students wishing to register for these courses must submit an application in advance of registering. Applications should be submitted to the instructor at least 3-6 months in advance to guarantee a seat.

The applications and procedures can be found at: [http://www.hccfl.edu/cjt](http://www.hccfl.edu/cjt)
Our Instructors... Profiles of your Faculty...

DAVID ALDRED, J.D.

Mr. Aldred is currently a full-time teacher at Wharton High School in Tampa and is the lead faculty for law-related education. His courses challenge high school students to “think like lawyers” and expose them to many important areas of the law including constitutional law, criminal law and procedure, family law, and consumer protection law. He is the sponsor for Wharton Law, the student-run extracurricular club and serves as director for the high school mock trial team. Prior to joining the faculty at Wharton, Mr. Aldred worked an independent legal and real estate consultant in the telecommunications industry. His clients included Verizon, Nextel, Sprint, and American Tower Corp. He also served as an Assistant Public Defender for the 18th Judicial Circuit in Sanford, FL. Mr. Aldred received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Florida and his Juris Doctor from the University of Florida College of Law.

FDLE Agent Speaks to CJSA on Sexual Exploitation Laws

By: Tamara Bagby, CJSA Member

Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Special Agent Al Danna spoke to Criminal Justice students and members of the CJSA club on Tuesday, November 28th, in a presentation entitled “Sexual Exploitation”. Those in attendance heard about Special Agent Danna’s over 26 years of service in the Crimes Against Children Unit of the Violent Crimes Squad of FDLE. Special Agent Danna’s presentation consisted of enlightening information on the details and seriousness of pedophilia, including videos of self-professed pedophiles.

RANDY PETERS, M.Ed., M.S.

Randy Peters is a Tampa Native and graduate of Tampa Bay Vocational Technical High School. After high school, he served in the United States Navy, including a deployment in Operation Desert Storm. Afterwards, he attended Hillsborough Community College receiving an Associates of Arts degree. Mr. Peters joined The Tampa Police Department in 1996 and worked various assignments including as a detective in the criminal intelligence and narcotics bureaus and assignments with the Q.U.A.D. squad, street crimes, X-Ray squad and the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task force and currently is a patrol sergeant. Mr. Peters received his Bachelors degree from the University of South Florida in Communications and a Masters Degree in Adult Education and Leadership Development. He received a second Master Degree in Criminal Justice from Saint Leo University, specializing in Managing Critical Incidents. He has also taken career development courses including advanced narcotics investigations (D.E.A.), interview and interrogation, and criminal gang investigation (Atlanta).
What’s Coming Up

CJSA & CJT Activities

Criminal Justice Student Association
Organizational Meeting Date

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm
Every Other Wednesday
All are invited

Degree Changes

Effective with the Fall of 2013, the State of Florida has abolished most A.A.S. Degrees including Criminal Justice Officer Administration. Students currently enrolled in an A.A.S. Degree program will have two years to complete the program or switch into an A.S. program. New students will not be able to enroll for these degrees. Criminal Justice students generally seek the A.S. Degree which continues.

What’s Going On

Degree Changes

CJ News

Criminal Justice Student Shirts Available
Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program students can purchase program based HCC logo polo shirts at the Ybor City Campus bookstore. The cost is $26.70 including tax.

See our web site at: http://www.hccfl.edu/yc/cjt/for-students/cjt-store.aspx or contact the Ybor City Bookstore for more information.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE
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New Board

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Ms. Cindy Moore
Dr. Mindy Neal

Advising Notes

NEW COURSE SUBSTITUTIONS
The Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program has added many new elective courses over the past few years and more are slated to be offered by next semester as well.

Newly added elective courses generally do not appear on a student’s advising guide and therefore advising and computer audits often don’t count those toward your degree. Those new courses, however, will count toward your degree. Students will need to ask advising to do a substitution or to switch your catalog year to the current year.

New Course Debuts in Spring…

Introduction to Law

By David Aldred, J.D.

What is “law” and where does it come from?

Are you an HCC student interested in learning more about the law and the American legal system? Are you a Criminal Justice major looking for a broader understanding of American law? If so, then consider registering for CJL 1000 – Introduction to Law and Legal Issues. Law does not only exist in a courtroom nor is it only created by Congress. And it certainly isn’t always what you see on TV or in the movies. However, law is the framework for what we all do in everyday life and is under constant transformation. This class will focus on the many different meanings of law and the role of law in modern life. From traffic tickets to replacing a defective washing machine, from being called for jury duty or testifying as a witness at trial, from dealing with the noisy neighbors to standing up for your rights to freedom of speech or religion, the law is an integral part. In this course we will examine the functions of law in society from a constitutional, statutory, and judicial perspective. This course will cover the evaluation, debate, and critical analysis of law and legal issues that affect individuals, their families, and communities. Throughout the semester we will explore the role of the citizen within the legal system and the effects that laws can have on society. Students will learn about practical aspects of criminal, civil, and constitutional law as well as domestic, immigration, and consumer law in a diverse society. In order to expose students to a variety of instructional methods as well as promote robust discussion the course will use case studies, simulated legal exercises, and analytical thought problems. See you in class!

CJL-1000: Introduction to Law and Legal Issues

Tuesdays and Thursdays
7:00pm—8:15pm

David Aldred is an adjunct member of the faculty of the Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Program.
Our Mission

The Criminal Justice Technology Undergraduate Studies Program is an undergraduate college program at Hillsborough Community College in which students can earn an Associate in Science Degree, an Associate in Applied Science Degree, a College Credit Certificate, as well as an Associate in Arts Degree in various Criminal Justice fields. Our graduates are preparing for careers in law enforcement, corrections, probation, the court system, and law.

The Criminal Justice Technology Undergraduate Program offers students a broad background in history, philosophy, organization, management and operation of the criminal justice system. This Program can be the start of a career in law enforcement, probation, corrections, crime scene and law.

Our Instructors... Profiles of your Faculty...

AMBER WARNOCK, M.S.
Amber Warnock has been a Criminal Intelligence Analyst with the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office since 2009. Prior to her move to Florida, Ms. Warnock was the sole Crime Analyst for the Suffolk Police Department and an instructor of the department’s post-academy. In April 2009, she was awarded the Analyst of the Quarter by the Virginia Crime Analysis Network. She holds Bachelors of Art in Criminal Justice and Psychology from St. Leo University where she graduated Cum Laude and was featured in Who’s Who Among American College Students, and a Master’s of Science in Criminal Justice. She also maintains professional memberships with the International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA) and the International Association of Law Enforcement Intelligence Analysts (IALEIA).

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