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## **UPCOMING FBI TOUR**

In April, 15 members of the CJLEA will be going on a tour of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. There are only four spots vacant and we welcome anyone who is interested in attending. You will need to undergo a criminal background check and be approved to go to the facility prior to the event.

If you are interested in this event or would like more information on the tour, please feel free to contact [CJLEA.UCD@gmail.com](mailto:CJLEA.UCD@gmail.com).

The due date to RSVP is Monday March 30, 2009.

## **IMPACT PROJECT**

We are excited to inform you that we are planning an annual community impact project for next semester.

The project will be geared toward working with teenagers around the age of 14 or 15. CJLEA members will be responsible for mentoring these youth on a regular basis, as part of an initiative to curb delinquency in adolescents. This will be a long-term project and youth that succeed in the program may be eligible to receive scholarships for college on a merit basis.

Yency Cruz, Director of Operations, will be the Chair of the project.

## **CBI TOUR SUMMARY Feb 19th**

Recently, several members of the Criminal Justice Leaders and Ethics Alliance had the opportunity to tour CBI, The Colorado Bureau of Investigations. Students got an overview of what each department is responsible for, as well as the college degrees and work experience required to work in each particular field.

The students also toured numerous highly secured areas of the labs and discovered what type of analysis is done in each. The main areas of interest included the footprint/tire track lab, DNA lab, ballistics, and fingerprint labs. The agents emphasized the importance of obtaining a specialized degree in science, as well as getting an internship in the field to gain first hand experience.

Overall, the tour provided students with an educated view of what it's like to be investigating and analyzing one of the most important components of the criminal justice process, the evidence!!



## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

There are volunteer opportunities coming up this Spring for CJLEA members. In mid April, CJLEA members will be volunteering at Mt. Saint Vincent, a local orphanage in Denver. We will be doing a tour of the facility as well as working on a landscape project outdoors with the children.

On May 9, 2009, from 5:00-7:30 PM, we will be working with The Food Bank of the Rockies. Our duties will include packing, sorting and distributing food collected from a large food drive run by the US Postal Service.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Nina Martinez, Director of Public Relations, at [CJLEA.UCD@gmail.com](mailto:CJLEA.UCD@gmail.com)

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### Gene Carte STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

Any student currently enrolled on a full-time basis in an academic program at either the undergraduate or graduate level is invited to participate in the American Society of Criminology Gene Carte Student Paper Competition. These awards are given to recognize outstanding scholarly work of students. Persons who are previous first place prize winners of this competition are ineligible.

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The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place papers will be awarded prizes of \$500, \$300, and \$200, respectively, and will be eligible for presentation at the ASC Annual Meeting. The 1st prize winner will also receive a travel award (generally hotel accommodations) to help defray costs for attending the Annual Meeting.

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**Paper Specifications:** Papers may be conceptual and/or empirical but must be directly related to criminology. The paper can be submitted to only one ASC student competition in the same year. Papers that previously won any prize in any ASC competition are ineligible for submission to another ASC competition.

Papers must be typewritten, double-spaced on 8-1/2 x 11 white paper, and no longer than 7,500 words. The CRIMINOLOGY format for the organization of text, citations and references should be used. The authors' names, departments and advisors (optional) must appear ONLY on the title page, since papers will be evaluated anonymously. The next page of the manuscript should include the title and a 100 word abstract. The author must submit EIGHT copies of the manuscript, accompanied by a letter indicating the author's enrollment status and co-signed by the dean, department chair or program director.

Submissions should be sent to: Nancy Rodriguez, Ph.D. [nancy.rodriguez@asu.edu](mailto:nancy.rodriguez@asu.edu)

**Deadline:** Papers must be postmarked on or before **April 15, 2009.**

**Procedures for Judging Entries:** Papers will be reviewed and rated by members of the Student Awards Committee according to criteria such as the quality of the conceptualization, significance of the topic, clarity and aptness of methods, quality of the writing, command of relevant work in the field, and contribution to criminology. The Committee may decide that no entry is of sufficient quality to declare a winner. Fewer than three awards may be given. The Committee's award determination will be final.

**Notification of Awards:** The authors of entries selected for awards will be notified in writing by September 1, 2009.

## INVESTIGATIONS INTERNSHIP

Investigations Interns are needed for UCD Police Department to work about 16 hours per week. Intern will primarily serve as assistant to the Detective Unit.

Job duties will include assisting with & learning the functions of: Case follow-up, interviews & interrogation, felony filing procedures and activities, investigative note-writing, investigation and assessment of workplace violence threat (threat assessment), crime scene analysis assistance, property and evidence procedures and administrative tasks.

Time permitting, students may have opportunities for community relations, crime prevention, community education, and special projects.

This is an opportunity to learn a great deal about all types of crime, take on a lot of responsibility, gain hands-on practice, and get the opportunity to work with a very good team.

\*All internships require a Learning Agreement signed by your UCD Internship Advisor prior to starting the internship.

## SWAT EVENT Summary March 3rd

On March 3, CJLEA had a presentation by three speakers from Denver METRO (Multiple Enforcement Tactical Response Operations Unit) SWAT and Denver PD K-9. Established in 1967 after the LA model of SWAT, Denver METRO SWAT was initially formed as a riot squad. At present, functions of SWAT include a lot of responsibilities: servicing search warrants (usually for the FBI), barricades (in situations when extra help is needed in apprehending the suspect), crowd control, VIP security (mostly for uniform presence), direct patrol in high-crime areas, covering K-9s, hostage rescues, and drug raids. SWAT officers spend a lot of time getting the training in immediate action, deployment team movement, and firearms.

Becoming a SWAT officer is a lengthy and grueling process; only the best police officers get this unique chance. The presentation gave us a first hand look at the types of scenarios that the SWAT encounters and the education and experience required to combat these difficult situations.

If you are interested in this opportunity, are in good academic standing with at least 30 credits completed and have also completed or are currently enrolled in C J 1001 and C J 2041, then you are eligible. A valid drivers license is required and you must be able to serve 135 on-site hours during the Summer 2009 term period.

You must be able to pass a background check and an integrity interview, and drug screen. You will also need to disclose all FaceBook, MySpace, and other social networking pages.

Evidence or admission of underage drinking, drug use within the last 5 years, etc. are automatic disqualifiers.

Student applications should be emailed via InternLink with a cover letter addressed to Lynn Whitten.

Apply as soon as possible to allow a full month for poly, background, drug screening etc. results.



**Criminal Justice  
Leaders and Ethics  
Alliance**

**Mission of CJLEA**

The mission of the Criminal Justice Leaders and Ethics Alliance is to produce professional upcoming leaders, capable of critical thinking and sound analytical skills. Our vision hopes to create a diversified atmosphere which challenges students to better themselves academically while also promoting leadership development through community based impact projects and engaging internship opportunities. Students will learn the value of personal integrity and ethics within the Criminal Justice system, in preparation for their future careers.

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**Lead. Solve. Change.**

**Become a Member of CJLEA**

**Membership Benefits:**

- ◆ BACJ Experiential Learning Scholarship and other scholarship opportunities
- ◆ Direct Leadership Experience and Development
- ◆ Over 20 Different Internship Opportunities
- ◆ Networking Through Various Guest Speakers and Presentations
- ◆ Access to Specialized Tours of Criminal Justice Facilities (i.e.– Prisons, Jails, Law Enforcement Organizations, Federal and Municipal Courts)
- ◆ Possibility of Attending National Criminal Justice Forums and Conferences
- ◆ Volunteer Experience

**...STUMP THE CHUMP...**

**Answer** to last question:

Edward Sutherland is important to the field of Criminal Justice because he coined the term "*white-collar crime*."

**Question:**

What is the name of the oldest codified law?? Hint: It was established in 1760 BC

The answer to this question will be posted in our next newsletter. . . .