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A note from the director:

You have heard this many times, but it is always worth repeating: CJ alums give back in so many ways...mentoring students, visiting a class, sponsoring internships, assisting with networking, participating in an alumni panel, providing career advice, or making a financial donation of any size. Our program is strong today because so many of you are willing to support our students. Your support over this past year is particularly appreciated as we have faced a record number of enrolled CJ majors and minors!

If you have not been in touch with us recently, please check out our web site at cjstudies.uga.edu and follow up via email, phone, or linked in. Hope to hear from you soon--

Susan

CJ SAYS GOODBYE TO LONGTIME STAFF

Spotlight on Mrs. Marian Arnold:

- *How long did you work for Criminal Justice?*
I worked in CJ for 15 years.
- *What led you to stay here until your retirement?*
The different aspects of this job, from day-to-day office responsibilities to coordinating events.
- *What was your most memorable experience working with the program?* The Alumni Panel, to see so many Alums give of their time and encouraging students.
- *Now that you have been retired, what do you miss the most about being in the office?* I miss seeing the students, coworkers, and other staff.
- *What has been your favorite part of retirement?*
Flexibility to do more with family and friends.
- *What do you want the program to remember about you?* Hopefully my work ethic, and ability to get along with all the students, faculty, and staff in different offices.



Spotlight on Mr. Ned Phares:



- *How long did you work for Criminal Justice?*
27 years.
- *What led you to stay here until your retirement?*
I was taken under Dr. Talarico's wing when she was Program Director. She impressed upon me that I was meant to be here. I also really enjoyed advising.
- *What was your most memorable experience working with the program?* Visiting death row on a field trip to the Jackson Diagnostic and Classification Center.
- *Now that you have been retired, what do you miss the most about being in the office?*
I miss the people, structure, and the variations on a theme of working with each student on their program of study.
- *What do you want the program to remember about you?* That I was honest and did my job...and I had the knowledge base to help students make good decisions.

2021 TALARICO LECTURER: BRIAN WILLIAMS



Each spring, Criminal Justice Studies sponsors the Susette Talarico lecture. With support from the Talarico fund and the CJ Society, this speaker series brings practitioners and scholars to campus to discuss current issues in the criminal justice system. On March 16, 2021, Dr. Brian Williams presented an inspiring, interactive lesson to over 140 attendees on his forthcoming book, *Race, Policing, and Public Governance: Obstacles and Opportunities on the Other Side of Now.* Dr. Williams is an associate professor of public policy in the Batten School at the University of Virginia. He is also the author of *Citizen Perspectives on Community Policing: A Case Study in Athens, GA.* Dr. Williams serves as the founder and director of the Public Engagement in Governance Looking, Listening and Learning Laboratory at UVA. And, we are also proud to note that Dr. Williams earned his PhD at the University of Georgia with Dr. Talarico as his major professor!



Susette Talarico Service Awards

2021 Winner

Delaney Burke earned her bachelor's degree in 2021 with a double major in International Affairs and Criminal Justice, and a minor in Sociology. Ms. Burke is currently enrolled in the UGA Master's in Public Administration program.



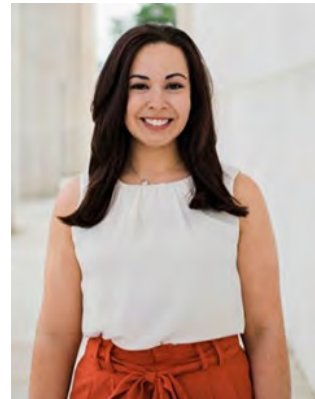
2021 Winner

Allison Victoria Reid earned her bachelor's degree in 2021 triple majoring in International Affairs, Sociology, and Criminal Justice with a minor in Portuguese. Ms. Reid will be attending UGA Law School in fall 2021.



2020 Winner

Madison Helmick earned her bachelor's degree in May 2020 with a Criminal Justice, and a double minor in Political Science and German. Ms. Helmick is currently working as a Recruiting Associate at Barbaricum in Washington, DC.



2020 Winner

Jessica Meaders earned her bachelor's degree in 2020 with a double major in International Affairs and Criminal Justice, and a minor in Sociology. Ms. Meaders did her internship with the FBI and is currently at boot camp with the US Coast Guard!



The **Susette Talarico Service Leadership Award** is given to students who have strong records of service to the community and on campus. Dr. Talarico served as director of the Criminal Justice Studies program for over two decades; she was also the Albert Berry Saye Professor of American Government and Constitutional Law and was awarded the Josiah Meigs Distinguished Professorship for excellence in teaching.

Criminal Justice Society Update



In 2020-2021, the Criminal Justice Society has pursued many different outlets within the Criminal Justice field. They held bi-weekly meetings with professionals practicing various careers. Some of these professionals include: GBI Special Agent in Charge Jesse Maddox from the regional Athens office, Joe Smarro, a former police officer that now trains other police officers in mental health procedures, Athens Coroner Sonny Wilson, Special Agent Steve Lewis of Homeland Security, and Ken Mauldin, former District Attorney in Athens. The goal for these meetings is to put the members in contact with different professionals in the field of Criminal Justice to further the member's outreach in a desired field. Aside from the meetings, they also hosted many activities such as volunteering at Project Safe's thrift shop and a field trip to the United States Penitentiary in Atlanta. The objective as a society is to give CJS members first-hand experience in all fields of Criminal Justice and give them the opportunity to make connections with professionals in their field of study.

Criminal Justice Society Officers

Brinson Raley: President

Alice Culpepper: Vice president of Community Service

Kyle Venit: Administrative Assistant

Olivia Little: Vice President of Speakers

Tanna Irvin: Vice President of Field Trips

Saba Alemayehu: Vice President of Communications

Criminal Justice Alumni Panel

This year's CJ Alumni Panel on October 16th offered an unprecedented opportunity by meeting on Zoom. Rather than a single large panel, we split the sessions up into four areas...making it one of the most well attended alumni panels in CJ history. We appreciate all of the panelists for taking time out of their busy schedule and for their continued participation in our program.

LAW ENFORCEMENT PANEL- Monica Bumgarner, Jesse Maddox, Ben Dickerson, U.S. Secret Service (name cannot be disclosed), Kathleen "Kacey" Garrett, Dwayne Orrick (moderated by John Newton)

LAW AND COURTS PANEL- Jennifer Ammons, Briana Clark, Eric Crawford, Ryan Giles, Sherrie Hines (moderated by Susan Haire)

PROBATION, PAROLE, AND JUVENILE JUSTICE PANEL- Jessica McFadden, Kaylee Craven, Grace Hubby, Crystal McGinnis, (moderated by Lindsay Dickerson)

VICTIM ADVOCACY/FORENSICS/RESEARCH PANEL- Amelia Addison Rushton, Sara Millsbaugh, Roy Fenoff, Siara Sitar (moderated by Todd Krohn)

A special thanks to Todd Krohn for organizing and leading the panel.

Pictured below is Lindsay Dickerson, panelist, who now serves as the Program's Academic Advisor.



OUR ALUMNI: WHERE ARE THEY NOW

SAMANTHA CADET

Ms. Cadet was a double major in Criminal Justice and International Affairs and graduated from UGA in 2015. During her time in Criminal Justice, she participated in the Washington Semester Program and interned at the US Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Office of International Affairs. Upon graduation, she joined the UGA Office of Government Relations in Washington DC, first as an Operations Manager and Federal Government Relations Assistant and then as the Assistant Director of Federal Relations.

Ms. Cadet has recently accepted a position with RAINN, serving as the Director of Federal Affairs, Appropriations, and National Coalitions. RAINN (Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network) is the largest anti-sexual violence organization in the nation. Congratulations, Samantha! They are fortunate to have you joining their team at RAINN.



HARRISON DANIEL

Mr. Daniel received his bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice in 2004 and his Master's in Public Administration in 2018, both from the University of Georgia. While attending the MPA program, he also began his 17-year career with the Athens-Clarke County Police Department. Harrison held the positions of Police Detective, Police Sergeant, and Lieutenant.

As announced in the *Athens Banner Herald* in June 2021, Athens-Clarke Police Chief Cleveland Spruill has appointed Harrison Daniel to serve as one of the department's three deputy chiefs in Athens-Clarke County. Congratulations, Harrison! Thank you for your dedication to the Athens-Clarke County community!



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Many have benefitted as a result of generous donations to funds that support Criminal Justice Studies.

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The Susette Talarico fund has supported an annual lecture series on current issues facing practitioners bringing together students, practitioners, and the community. The Talarico fund also provides support to scholarship awards made to criminal justice seniors who have served their community and campus with distinction.

Multiple funds provide scholarships to students during the internship semester, such as the **Doris Porter fund** and **James T. Morris fund**. Others provide support for field trips and other professional development opportunities (the **Doris Porter and Will Bush funds**). The **Sherry Lyons-Williams fund** and **Kenneth McCarthy fund** have awarded scholarships to nearly 50 criminal justice students in the past 15 years. Each year, the Program hosts an annual recognition banquet for seniors who are able to attend without cost as a result of generous donations to the **Discretionary fund**.

To find out more information about these funds, please visit:

<https://cjstudies.uga.edu/support-criminal-justice-studies>

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