



Welcome to the School of Criminology and Security Studies Newsletter, Fall 2020 edition. This newsletter is designed to provide current students, staff, and faculty, as well as our alumni, with information about all the great many things going on in our school.

ISU Criminology Rated As Best Value

The Best Value Schools website selected ISU Criminology program as number 9 on their 2020 list of best value colleges.

“[Indiana State University](https://www.indiana.edu/) is for those interested in criminology or criminal justice programs. ISU also offers cybercriminology & Security Studies and Intelligence Analysis. In these programs, students will gain an understanding of criminal behavior, the criminal justice system, mechanisms of social control and their relationship to society. ISU’s award-winning online programs will give students the flexibility and time management they need to balance their busy schedules. “ We are proud of the work we continue to do and the efforts we make in offering students the best college experience and education possible, here at Indiana State University. You can find the entire list of colleges here: <https://www.bestvalueschools.org/online-criminal-justice-programs/>



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ISU lands in top third nationally in Washington Monthly rankings

Indiana State University ranked 125th out of 389 national universities in Washington Monthly's **2020 College Guide and Rankings** released this morning.

ISU ranked in the top 34 percent of Best Bang for the Buck Colleges in the Midwest. ISU was also listed among the Best Colleges for Student Voting.

The publication described its evaluations by saying, "We rate schools based on what they do for the country." The rankings have three categories: social mobility, research, and providing opportunities for public service.

The Best Bang for the Buck ratings were described as an evaluation of institutions helping "non-wealthy students obtain marketable degrees at affordable prices."

The criteria for Best Colleges for Student Voting included making data available through The National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement.

Criminology Program Ranked #4

"Learn.org has published its 2020 rankings, and **Indiana State University has been ranked #4 on our list of the [Best Online Bachelor's in Criminology Degree Programs](#)**! To compile this list we considered hundreds of universities across the country and selected Indiana State University based on academic and career resources, the quality of education, faculty, and more. "

From Learn.org webpage.

"Indiana State University in Terre Haute provides an online BS in Criminology and Criminal Justice that is taught by faculty with doctorates and work experience in the fields. Students benefit from hands-on learning experiences through an internship with a criminal justice organization and/or participating in the School of Criminology and Security Studies' incredible symposiums with specialized topics of interest. To help pay for school, the university offers distinct scholarships for incoming freshmen and transfer students."

Dr. Christian Gallagher

A native of Bloomington, Indiana, Dr. Christian Gallagher has been teaching in the department of Criminology and Security Studies at Indiana State University since 2014. In 2020 he joined the faculty full time as an assistant professor. Gallagher's academic beginning was rooted not in criminal justice, but in English. He received an undergraduate degree from Cornell University and later earned a master's degree from Indiana State University. A self-described George Orwell scholar, Gallagher harnessed that literary passion during his doctoral work in the Bayh College of Education at Indiana State, exploring the manner in which Orwell's lived experiences relate to those of modern undergraduates. Gallagher earned both his masters and Ph.D. (in curriculum and instruction) while working as an officer with the Terre Haute Police Department. Gallagher said that his history with both academics and police work "made ISU a really good fit for me" when he was given the opportunity to teach in the Criminology and Security Studies department.



During his 25-year career with the Terre Haute Police Department, which began in 1995, Gallagher enjoyed several different positions, including five years of midnight shift patrol and seven years as a detective in the narcotics division, often working in an undercover capacity. Gallagher loved working in the Vigo County Drug Task Force, where he "cleaned up hundreds of meth labs, made buys, and worked pharmaceutical diversion cases." Gallagher's passion for drug enforcement was encompassed within the opioid crisis, as his diversion cases shined a light on the epidemic before it fully engulfed Indiana and the rest of the country. Gallagher proudly explained how he worked tirelessly on research regarding the legislation of drug enforcement policy, even lobbying at the state Capitol, where his unique experiences as an undercover narcotics officer provided a real-world perspective. In 2007 he was promoted to evening shift patrol sergeant, a job in which he said, "I had a blast in roll calls."

When asked about the biggest changes or evolutions in the field of criminal justice, Gallagher said that, "The biggest changes have occurred with the technological advances." As an aside to criminal justice students, he offers this advice: "Get relevant intern experience and work on networking with fellow criminal justice students and by attending career fairs. Those connections can really help you out." Gallagher is most proud of working as a drug cop, sometimes helping people attain the status of "clean and sober." He also takes great pride in his years as an evening shift sergeant, where he taught young police officers the importance of professionalism, officer safety, and treating people properly. Gallagher also expressed pride in the last six years of his police career, when he worked domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault cases. In that capacity Gallagher encountered "some very dangerous people," but also helped a lot of vulnerable people to safety. Even if he had not worked in criminal justice for 25 years, Gallagher believes he may still have had a role in victim activism in one way or another.

When asked about his hobbies and interests, Gallagher admitted that he doesn't have a lot of time for hobbies. He most enjoys reading and watching his four children play sports and music. He also likes spending time on their farm with his wife of 18 years and their three dogs. Already well-traveled, Gallagher's favorite places include Dublin, Ireland, Milan, Italy, and Columbus, Ohio, where he has lots of family. Upon his retirement from the Terre Haute Police Department Gallagher briefly reflected on his years as a police officer. "It feels both wonderful and terrible to walk away from all of that. But it's time for some new challenges."

Dr. Jason James

Dr. Jason James was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and began his cybersecurity career with the United States Department of Defense Office of Inspector General in 2005 in Washington DC. Working as an IT auditor, His work eventually brought him to Indianapolis in 2007. In 2010 James was promoted to Senior IT Auditor with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. He has been performing IT audits for 15 years.



Dr. James received his BA in Economics from Allegheny College in 1998, his MBA from Robert Morris University in 2005, and his Doctor of Science (DSc.) in Information Systems with a specialization in Cybersecurity from Robert Morris University in 2017. He also received a Masters in Technology with a concentration in Information Assurance and Security in 2019 from IUPUI, and is currently pursuing another Masters in Cybersecurity Risk Management from Indiana University in Bloomington.

In 2015 James began his teaching career as an adjunct professor at Indiana Wesleyan University, then obtained a full-time teaching position in at Sullivan University in Louisville, Kentucky. James helped build the cybersecurity program at Sullivan University and became the Program Director in 2018. James is also an instructor of cybersecurity at American Public University System, and the University of the Cumberlands.

In 2018 Dr. James joined the Indiana State University Scott College of Business as an adjunct in the Pro MBA program, and a year later he joined the faculty of the School of Criminology and Security Studies. In 2020 James accepted a full-time teaching position at Indiana State University School of Criminology and Security Studies in the new cyber program.

Students in the School of Criminology and Security Studies are already familiar with James and his hands-on approach to teaching. James says he likes to structure his courses with an emphasis on practical, hands-on learning exercises, often having students learn to use the same security tools they would utilize in the field after graduation, such as Magnet Forensics Axiom Cyber or Paraben E:3 Universal. Many of James' courses are tailored to common professional certifications in the world of cybersecurity, such as the CompTIA Security+ or Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP). *Continued on next page.*

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Certifications such as these are essential for students seeking employment in the security field, which is why James prepares students for earning them in his courses.

Dr. James recommends that students working towards a career in cybersecurity seek out these certifications prior to graduation. “Companies look for education, certifications, and experience,” he says. Though a student will graduate with a degree, they will likely be lacking in work experience, meaning that obtaining the professional certifications necessary for an entry-level security position could make all the difference in starting their careers. Fortunately, Dr. James says that cybersecurity is a field with a large shortage in prospective employees, so students should not have any trouble obtaining a good job once they obtain certifications.

One of the things Dr. James assisted with when he first came to ISU was setting up a cyber lab in the basement of Holmstedt Hall. In the cybercrime program the lab provides students with an opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience with cybersecurity tools in a controlled setting. The cyber lab is on its own network, separate from ISU’s network, so students can learn critical cybersecurity and digital forensic skills in a safe environment without any risk to ISU’s network. The lab also includes a server with access to remote security tools for online students to use. Some of the tools available for students to work with include digital forensics tools such as Magnet Forensics Axiom Cyber and Paraben E:3 Universal, as well as Kali Linux (an operating system that includes many tools used for hacking) and packet sniffing software such as Wireshark to monitor traffic on the network. Though the lab already has many opportunities for experiential learning, it will continue to add different security-focused learning experiences as the program grows.

Dr. James says he loves working with students and passing on what he knows to help them prepare for the real world. Even though building courses around industry certifications and hands-on exercises presents some unique challenges, he takes pride in providing a learning experience with practical value that prepares students for what they will face in their cybersecurity careers. When he is not working, Dr. James enjoys spending time with his wife and four children on their 50-acre farm which includes horses, cows, ducks, chickens, and goats, as well as dogs and cats. Dr. James also enjoys coaching middle school baseball, hunting, and taking vacations to Disney World with his family.

SPOTLIGHT ON ALUMNI

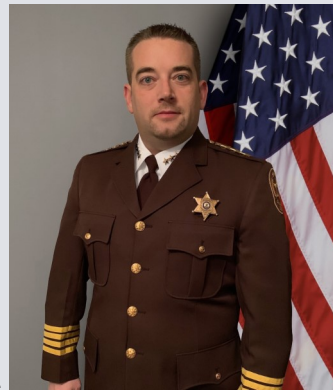
ISU Criminology and Criminal Justice Alums represent the values of ISU and the School of Criminology and Security Studies. They have also represented the core values of ISU and criminology. In this edition we recognize Sheriff Dustin D. Heuerman, Chief John Mann, and U.S. Probation Officer Ella Meyer.

If you would like to share your story about your time at ISU and your career, we would like to hear from you. Not only does this give us a chance to recognize you, it is also good for our students to see the success of our alumni and the various career paths available to them.

For more information on how you can be a part of our Alumni connection, email: Travis.behem@indstate.edu.

Sheriff Dustin D. Heuerman

A native Effingham, Illinois resident, Indiana State University alumni Dustin Heuerman was elected sheriff of Champaign County, Illinois, in 2018. Heuerman's deep interest in criminology was evolved during his pursuit of a criminology master's degree. "I loved my master's degree in criminology because it got to the root of why crime occurs. That, to me, allows us to better prevent it." In addition, Heuerman explains that one of the most fundamental issues surrounding criminology—recidivism—is what further pulled him into the field. "I believe I was interested in criminology specifically because I was curious as to why we always responded to the same people with the same problems, and thought there has to be a way to help them better. Criminology helped me do that." Heuerman's current interests revolve around criminological theory and victimology, where he enjoys the challenge of strategically reducing the likelihood of crime.



After his degrees Heuerman started as a full-time police officer in 2004. In 2010 he continued in a part-time police role, but took on a full-time teaching position as a criminal justice professor at Lake Land College in Mattoon, Illinois. Now, as the sheriff of Champaign County, Heuerman's job responsibilities include providing leadership to 150 employees in four divisions of the county: law enforcement, corrections, court security, and emergency management

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He is also responsible for a pair of jails that average 185 inmates each day and 5,500 inmates annually. The Emergency Management Agency of Champaign County is also under Heuerman's control and he serves as the Incident Commander for a county-wide Emergency Operations Center to combat COVID-19. "This has been interesting because it is mostly virtual, and we've never done it for a pandemic of this scale!"

When asked what a typical work day looks like, Heuerman says, "There is no typical day. I actually enjoy that! Much of my day consists of meetings, both internal and external, to make sure my office is running efficiently and we are meeting the needs of our community. Common things I try to incorporate into my day are meeting with my leadership team, walking through both jails, and walking through the courthouse. Most of this is so my employees see me and can see that I'm engaged."

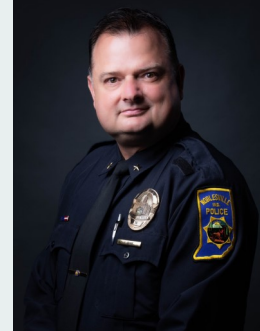
Heuerman credits his time spent at Indiana State University, especially time spent earning his master's degree, as what challenged him to learn to think outside of the box. "Being from a small town, many of the topics were new to me and out of my comfort zone, like minorities and the criminal justice system and poverty. However, I realize now that it helped me be a more well-rounded criminal justice professional," Heuerman explains. When asked what he would tell Indiana State University students about careers in the criminal justice field, Heuerman offers, "I frequently hear 'major in something else so you can fall back on something if this [criminal justice] doesn't work out'. While this might have some merit, I believe my criminal justice studies helped me tremendously. Knowing critical information about why crime occurs and why people offend helped me get a head start on actually making a difference in my career and with the people I deal with every day."

When asked about his hobbies and interests, Heuerman admits that he doesn't have a lot of time for hobbies, but he enjoys visiting with close friends, especially when grilling out. He also likes playing with his 3 dogs—Roja, Junior, and Zoey—and watching sci-fi movies. Heuerman and his wife also greatly enjoy embarking on cruises, listing the Bahamas as his favorite vacation spot.



Chief John Mann

Noblesville Police Department Chief John Mann grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. He graduated from Decatur Central High School before pursuing a bachelor's degree at Indiana State University. Initially, Chief Mann graduated from ISU as a business major, and would later earn his master degree in criminology from ISU as well. He soon found himself changing career paths. While entry-level positions in business were going to place him behind a desk, he saw that his friends with criminology degrees were engaging in more exciting and varied daily routines within their professions. The appeal of a career change proved compelling, and Chief Mann quickly found himself pursuing a career in law enforcement.



Chief Mann began his new career in law enforcement with the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department in the early 1990s. As he continued his career he rose through the ranks, achieving positions as Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and District Commander of the IMPD. After 27 years of service with the IMPD, he became Chief of the Noblesville Police Department in 2020. Chief Mann says that he has made it a point to leverage his experience in business as a tool for providing the best service possible to the people of Noblesville, saying, "We have a product we serve the community with, we want it to be the best it can be." This business-oriented perspective is a unique part of Chief Mann's management style. He says that there is a great degree of overlap between the principles of business management and police management, although many do not see things that way.

Chief Mann also described using his position as Chief to bring about positive change with community policing strategies. He has placed an emphasis in implementing older forms of community-oriented policing, which he refers to as the old COP model. Under this model, people in the community used to form social relationships with the neighborhood's police officers, and the officers would get to know the individuals within the community. Additionally, Chief Mann describes operations in Noblesville as completely transparent, citing such examples as police training when describing how the public has operational information available to them.

During his time at Indiana State University, Chief Mann appreciated the smaller class sizes for many of his courses. He recalls that he did not feel lost as a number in a classroom, and that professors communicated freely with students, who the professors knew by name. "To be able to talk one-on-one with published professors who are in the field, bringing new ideas, that makes you well rounded," he said, adding that being well-rounded is something positive we can bring to the professional setting. Within the School of Criminology and Security Studies, Chief Mann expresses enthusiasm for the incorporation of real-world field experience into classrooms, as that experience provides valuable insights to students while avoiding the sterility of a purely book-learning environment.

To students seeking a career in the criminal justice system, Chief Mann recommends that they first find out what they want to get involved in, then make the determination that they will excel at it. He suggests that asking oneself what it takes to be the best at the work they do will set students up for success, and that they should not simply look at their career as a job. Additionally, if students aspire to be chiefs of police departments, Chief Mann notes that they should develop critical skills such as listening, communicating, learning to operationalize information, and forecasting where the department needs to be in the next several years. Of these skills, he suggests that communication is among the most important but also the most lacking for many people. Thus, while it is crucial for students to be well-rounded, it is important that students enter their careers with the skills necessary to communicate meaningful information.

U.S. Probation Officer Ella Meyer

Ella Meyer was born and raised in Valparaiso, Indiana. She graduated from Indiana State University in 2014 with a bachelor's degree in criminology and criminal justice, then remained at ISU to complete a Master of Science degree in criminology and criminal justice. After graduating in 2016 she moved to Des Moines, Iowa to begin her career as a probation officer in the Southern District of Iowa. Ella's interest in a criminal justice career stemmed from the influence of her family. Her father was the Chief of Adult Probation in Porter County, Indiana, and she had other family members in law enforcement and corrections.



Today Ella is a Senior United States Probation Officer, and she was promoted to the role Sex Offender Specialist in 2020. In this role, she carries a caseload of 25 individuals convicted of either a federal or state sex offense. Individuals are supervised through home visits and office appointments, and referred to treatment services according to their risk of reoffending. She notes that her work is varied enough to keep things interesting. Any given day might involve unannounced inspecting of offenders' homes, testifying before district judges regarding probation violations, or participating in new training.

Reflecting on her time at ISU, Ella says it was a period of personal growth and development, especially her time in the graduate program. "It helped me professionally develop and mature to prepare for the workforce," she said. Ella has vivid memories of taking the corrections course that taught her about community corrections and the role of probation officers in the justice system. She also strongly encourages ISU students to continue to take advantage of the educational opportunities available to them, as advanced degrees and a good résumé can pay off in the long-run. She notes that higher degrees are ". . . not always required for a lot of CJ jobs, but more often preferred."

Additionally, Ella has emphasized the importance of internships, recommending that students pursue as many internship and job shadowing opportunities as possible. She recalls that throughout her college career, she participated in four to five different internships in addition to volunteer work at a day reporting center. "That provides you with the most realistic understanding of what a career will be like," she notes. Ella recommends that students first explore their options in all types of careers, then spend time learning from employees in that field. She said that students should remain cognizant of how helpful networking and developing references are in the search for a career. A student should remain committed to giving the internship 100% of their effort.

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For students specifically interested in a career as a probation officer, Ella says that some of the most important skills to have are patience, compassion, understanding, and discipline. She says that a career in criminal justice can be rewarding, but challenging, as the profession comes with some experiences that many would rather forget. To that point, she recommends that students interested in a criminal justice career take time to prioritize their lives, including their mental and emotional well-being. “Vicarious trauma is very common in CJ employees,” she says, adding that in her own experience, she was so focused on success that she began losing who she was outside of her career. She believes that achieving a good work-life balance is essential for those seeking to make a difference by working in the justice system.

Dave Chambers—Adjunct Faculty

Dave Chambers worked as a police officer for the Charleston Police Department in Charleston, Illinois for 25 years, retiring as deputy chief. During his tenure with the department, he spent 6 years in the narcotics division. While working as a police officer, Mr. Chambers also did consulting work with the Illinois Chamber of Commerce to help promote a drug-free work environment. He is also a carpenter by trade.



Mr. Chambers changed his focus to teaching after he retired. While with the police department he had also served as a training officer, teaching defense tactics and firearms. This role helped instill his passion for teaching and educating others. Mr. Chambers hoped to be able to teach at the college level after retiring from police work, so he enrolled at Indiana State University, and earned a Master’s degree in Criminology. Mr. Chambers goal to be a college teacher and was accomplished when he became an adjunct instructor at Indiana State University. He is also has become the Coordinator of Criminal Justice at Lake Land College and teaches at Baker College.

It is a goal of Mr. Chambers to be marketable in both teaching and consulting. In 2015 Mr. Chambers received his second Master’s degree in Technology from Eastern Illinois University. He also became certified in training and development, and also in workforce performance. Just as he wants to help students prepare for the professional world, he prepared himself.

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Mr. Chambers wants to teach his students the important information from the text supplement it with field experience. He finds he is at an advantage because he had several years of experience that he can use that to prepare his students. He emphasizes that if a student cannot apply the topic, then teaching is not effective. Mr. Chambers wants to prepare his students for the field and make them marketable. He finds enjoyment from teaching introductory to criminal justice courses because he is able to show the students what the criminal justice field is actually like. Mr. Chambers believes it is important for him to teach his students that the job is not what you see on television. With introductory courses, he is able to show students who do not have much real world experience what the field actually entails.

If he was not teaching, Mr. Chambers would be raising cattle, because he grew up around farming. He enjoys the idea of being left alone, and he is happiest in the outdoors. His hobbies include fishing and hunting for elk. Mr. Chambers also plays the guitar.

Mr. Chambers says that he has never looked at teaching as a job. He enjoys relating ideas to his students. He has found that the best moments occur when he can see a student's face light up because he or she finally understand a topic and can apply it to different situations in the field. This is done through relating topics to the real world and applying them to instances that the students can appreciate.

In the end, Mr. Chambers emphasized how important it is for him to teach and prepare his students. He sees that in the field of criminal justice there is a great investment in the employees. When Mr. Chambers worked in an administrative position, he saw the new recruits had significant funds invested in them. It is his goal to help teach his students well, so that these investments by police departments into ISU graduates are worthwhile.

As for advice, Mr. Chambers would tell his students to not only stay on top of their game, but enjoy their career. He notes that a career is only as good as you make it.



Clayton Cooper—Adjunct Faculty

Originally from Indiana, Clayton Cooper is an ISU instructor and Department of Defense consultant based out of Tampa, Florida. Mr. Cooper began his career as a paramedic, as well as a volunteer for fire and police services. Acting on a lifelong interest in solving mysteries, he then moved into the field of criminal investigations for public defenders and prosecutors. Mr. Cooper also served in the United States Navy Reserve for eight years as a Non-Commissioned Officer with one deployment supporting the Combined Joint Task Force – Horn of Africa. In his 15 years of experience, Mr. Cooper has worked in investigations, counterterrorism, and counter-threat finance analysis for special operations and conventional military customers.



Mr. Cooper saw teaching as a natural step in his professional journey. “Teaching seemed like the most logical jump for me as I continue on my career path,” said Cooper. “I want to instill my lessons learned over the years in my various professions to better prepare students for what they will walk into as they move on to their career paths.” After teaching for two years, Mr. Cooper says he truly enjoys the experience, and strives to link the material in his courses with the things going on in the world. He describes his teaching style as having an emphasis on making the class material relatable to what students see going on in the news and hopes that doing so will make the material stick with the students.

When asked what advice he had for students seeking a career in criminal justice, particularly in national security, Mr. Cooper stressed the importance of keeping your nose clean. He urges students to take care not to jeopardize their chances of getting their foot in the door when entering the workforce, as the ability to obtain and maintain a security clearance or other background checks can make the difference in finding national security or criminal justice work.

He also adds that students should never be afraid to learn new things and take advantage of networking opportunities, saying, “You don’t always have to be the smartest person in the room, you just need to know who to call.”

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When asked what changes he anticipates in the field of criminology and national security studies going forward, Mr. Cooper looks back at the changes that have been made thus far. He says he is amazed at the technological progress that has been made over the years, and that this pattern of advancement will continue to influence analytic fields as technology develops. Mr. Cooper also suggests that students take note of this evolution in technology, as it will continue to influence their careers. In a piece of advice to students, he says, “Understanding and adapting to technology will be a key point for incoming students to be successful in the field.”

Dr. Jim Archer—Adjunct Faculty

Originally from Cloverdale, Indiana, Dr. Jim Archer began his career in the criminal justice system as a correctional officer at the Putnamville Correctional Facility in Indiana shortly after leaving the U.S. Army in 1986. He had not considered a career in corrections prior to this position, however he found working with offenders fascinating, and grew to greatly enjoy the job. As time went on Dr. Archer continued working as a correctional officer in numerous other facilities, eventually moving into other positions within the Indiana Department of Corrections. He worked for a time as a training coordinator before taking a position as a state parole officer. Though he retired from work within the Indiana Department of Corrections after 23 years, he continues his career in the criminal justice system today as a special deputy for the Clay County Sheriff’s Department in charge of the sex offender supervision and registry for the county.



In addition to his passion for working with offenders, Dr. Archer has always had a love of teaching. He has always liked the thought of helping and educating younger people, and he saw his work experience in the criminal justice system as something that he could leverage to provide the best possible education for students seeking a future in the field. This passion is what drove Dr. Archer to start his teaching career 18 years ago, and what still drives him to continue aiding students in their educational journey today. When asked what he likes most about teaching, Dr. Archer said that he loves the feeling of accomplishment that accompanies seeing students leave the classroom and achieve successful careers. “I have former students who are federal officers, state police officer, detectives . . . and I take great pride in seeing them reach their goals,”

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When asked what advice he had for students looking to work in the criminal justice system, Dr. Archer had a number of recommendations, saying, “Get as much education as you can.” He said that students should strive for at least a master’s degree if possible, then emphasized the importance of making professional connections early. He suggests pursuing internship opportunities in order to determine whether a job is truly something students want to do and to make important professional connections. Similarly, if students wish to enter the field of policing, then Dr. Archer suggests becoming a local reserve officer to get a feel for the position and establish connections within law enforcement. However, he also encourages students to explore the many different alternative careers in criminal justice, stating that there may be many options that students have not considered before.

While teaching is his lifelong passion, Dr. Archer says that if he was not teaching, he would love to make a living helping homeless animals and working with humane shelters. In his free time, he enjoys riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle or enjoying a vacation in Daytona Beach. He is excited about the changes that may come to criminology in the future, saying he believes that the current push towards evidence-based practices is going to continue to teach us how best to work with offenders and develop better strategies for tackling criminological issues. When asked knowing what you know today, what advice would you have given yourself on your first day of teaching? Dr. Archer said, “This is going to be as enjoyable as you think and hope it will be.”

Mary Ellen Doucette-Lunstrum—Adjunct Faculty

Adjunct instructor Mary Ellen Doucette-Lunstrum began her career in the criminal justice field as a police and fire dispatcher in a western suburb of Chicago, Illinois. She was then promoted to a non-commissioned police officer, with responsibilities that included directing traffic and parking enforcement. After completing law school, she was hired by the United States Department of Justice Honors Attorney program and was assigned to her first prison assignment after 9 months of training in Washington, D.C. She did not initially plan on staying with the prison system, but ended up making a career of it. She retired as a federal law enforcement officer with over 23 years of experience working in every security level of the federal prison system in various institutions throughout the country.



Doucette-Lunstrum received her Juris Doctorate (JD) from Western Michigan University and her undergraduate degree from Hope College in Michigan. She always knew she wanted to be an attorney, explaining, “I did not want to be a criminal defense attorney. Never.”

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While in law school, she worked for the Michigan Attorney General Corrections Division as a law clerk. Her most recent professional experience was as a supervisory attorney at the Federal Correctional Center (FCC) in Terre Haute, Indiana. Terre Haute's FCC is comprised of 3 different security level institutions which consist of high, medium, and minimum level facilities. In this capacity, she supervised staff and had daily interactions with inmates. Her primary duties were to represent staff and the United States in civil rights lawsuits filed by inmates. She was also the Federal Tort Claims Administrator, Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Coordinator, and at one time, was the Administrative Remedy Coordinator and Public Information Officer.

Doucette-Lunstrum has been teaching at Indiana State University since she retired from the Federal Bureau of Prisons in 2012. She started teaching part-time until the University hired her on as a full-time instructor and academic advisor in 2015. In 2018 she decided to go back to teaching part-time. When asked to describe her teaching style, Doucette-Lunstrum answered, "Try to relate the subject matter to the real world. A lot of students come to college and they have no clue why they're there, and I think that it's important for students to realize what it's like in the real world." Her favorite courses to teach include Introduction to Courts, Juvenile Delinquency, and Criminal Justice Ethics.

When asked about advice she'd offer to criminal justice students, Doucette-Lunstrum emphasized student involvement, stating, "Get involved while you're in undergrad. Take advantage of anything that's available to you. The field is wide open, but you have to do something to make yourself stand out." She opines that the criminal justice field has changed so much that "it's hard to pick just one [change]. It depends on our elected officials. Say, for instance, when I started in Terre Haute in 2005, there had not been a federal execution since the early 2000's and now it's 2020 and now we're going on 8 or 9."

When free time presents itself, Doucette-Lunstrum enjoys spending time with her husband, their two sons, and two Shih Szus named Cubby and Chunk. The person Doucette-Lunstrum gladly allows to consume the most of her free time is her new grandson, whom she babysits throughout the week. She explains the bond she and her grandson have, saying that it's been "Really great being able to spend time with him and watch him grow." Doucette-Lunstrum also appreciates reading, listing as some of her favorites as the Jack Reacher series and biographies. "I like to walk and when I'm not watching the grandbaby, I like to go to our house in Michigan, which is kind of in the country with lots of nature by the lake," she says.



Faculty Publications

Congratulations to Dr. Jason James on his most recent publications

Starting a Cyber Security Program at a University: A Case Study, Presented at 2020 International Association for Computer Information Systems (IACIS) Conference and published in *Issues in Information Systems Journal* Volume 21, Issue 3, pp. 135-141, 2020 http://www.iacis.org/iis/2020/3_iis_2020_135-141.pdf

Cybersecurity Engineering: The Growing Need, Presented at 2020 International Association for Computer Information Systems (IACIS) Conference and published in *Issues in Information Systems Journal* Volume 21, Issue 4, pp. 275-284, 2020 http://www.iacis.org/iis/2020/4_iis_2020_275-284.pdf

Dr. Jason's paper, "Analysis of Security Features and Vulnerabilities in Public/Open Wi-Fi", received a Meritorious Paper Award at the Computing Education + Information Systems Applied Research conference. The paper will also be published in the *Journal of Information Systems Applied Research*.

Congratulations to Dr. Avdi Avdija on his most recent publica-

Dr. Avdi Avdija and Dr. Chris Gallagher have had their article "Homicide Clearance Rates in the United States, 1976-2017: Examining Homicide Clearance Rates Relative to the Situational Circumstances in which they occur," accepted by the *Journal of Violence and Victims*. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dr. Bob Girod on his most recent publication

Dr. Bob Girod's latest article "Operation Flagpole: Preparation for Operation Torch" (the intelligence preparation and covert operations for the invasion of North Africa in 1942). The paper has been accepted for publication in *The Intelligencer: Journal of U.S. Intelligence Studies*. Expected publication is summer 2021.



CyberCriminology

Indiana State University's major in Cybercriminology and Security Studies with a concentration in Cybercrime is a one of a kind degree amongst so many cybersecurity degrees that prepares students for the ever growing field. The degree prepares students not only in Criminology but also digital forensics, security and risk and behavioral analysis.



Students receive an all-inclusive education in cybersecurity that prepares them for a career in law enforcement, criminal justice, criminology and as well as private, public, or government. With a cutting-edge cyberlab and industry leading digital forensics software, the cybersecurity program in the School of Criminology and Security Studies highlights hands-on learning with real world tools and certification preparation used by professionals in the field including CompTIA A+, Net +, and Security + as well as EC-Council Certified Hacking Forensics Investigator (CHFI) and ISC2 SSCP/CISSP. The School of Criminology has partnered with Magnet Forensics and Parabon Corporation to bring real world technology to our students.

Cybercriminology and Security Studies Cybercrime Highlights

- Career Knowledge - Emphasize technical, behavioral, and theoretical sides of cybersecurity for careers in law enforcement, public and private businesses, and government
- Certification Preparation - Students get the knowledge needed to pass industry leading certifications such as CompTIA A+, Net+, Security+, SSCP/CISSP, and FAIR.
- Digital Forensics Software - Magnet Axion Cyber and Parabon E:3 Universal are industry leaders used by many professionals in addition to other software such as AccessData FTK Lite and Autopsy
- Hands-on Learning - Real-world expertise with hands on labs and projects
- Experienced Faculty - Award winning faculty with industry experience
- Flexibility- Program offers not only fully online and on-campus classes but a hybrid as well

Donations Need for Cyber Lab

The ISU School of Criminology and Security Studies is looking for items for our Cyber-Intel Lab. We are in need of old/used, yet in working order, mobile devices, phones (iPhone, Android, etc.) or iPad or laptops. These items will be used to teach students about digital forensics on real devices. All items will be wiped clean prior to any use. Items can be dropped off, or sent to the criminology office, Holmstedt Hall 208, or contact Dr. Jason.james@indstate.edu or Travis.behem@indstate.edu.

Find out more about our Cybercriminology major at the new and updated webpage: <https://www.indstate.edu/cas/cybersecurity>

Faculty News

Dr. Frank Wilson was invited to take part in The Pfau Library's Conversations on Race and Policing at California State University San Bernardino on August 25th. The discussion was entitled "Cops on Film"

Dr. Frank Wilson was invited to take part in the "Indiana State University Athletics Department Social Justice/Racism Panel" on November 8th. Over 400 athletes and coaches took part in the two sessions that addressed topics such as how to open dialogues with teammates and coaches about race and racism as well as how to recognize and prevent the utilization of microaggressions.


The Pfau Library's Conversations on Race and Policing Presents:

"Cops on Film"


A Student-hosted Panel Discussion with Students, Faculty, Staff, and Campus Guests

Tuesday, August 25, 2020
3 P.M.
<https://csusb.zoom.us/j/97960458784>

This panel will focus on depictions of law enforcement officers in film and television, and how these depictions have affected the popular understanding of the role of police in society. Special guest faculty panelists, Drs. Howard Henderson and Franklin Wilson, who have co-authored several studies on this subject, will discuss their work in the context of the current national conversation on race and policing.



Dr. Howard Henderson



Dr. Frank Wilson

Dr. Howard Henderson is the Founding Director of the Center for Justice Research and Professor of Justice Administration in the Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs at Texas Southern University.

Dr. Frank Wilson, author of *Crime and Media Studies: Diversity of Method, Medium, and Communication* (Cognella, 2015), is a Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Indiana State University.

"To watch the TV screen for any length of time is to learn some really frightening things about the American sense of reality."
- James Baldwin

The program is part of the ongoing Conversations on Race and Policing series, hosted by CSUSB students Mario Brooks and Yvette Relles-Powell.

Series organizers: Dr. Mary Teixeira (Sociology), Dr. Marc Robinson (History), Robie Madrigal (Pfau Library), Dr. Jeremy Murray (History), Mario Brooks and Yvette Relles-Powell.

For questions or more information, contact Robie Madrigal (rmadriga@csusb.edu) or Jeremy Murray (jmurray@csusb.edu).

Police and Military Academy Graduates To Get CCJ

Graduates of approved police or military academies (basic training) may receive credits for one of our majors. This may include up to 9 credit hours of undergraduate or 6 hours of graduate work. Graduates will need to submit their official information and proof of graduation to ISU and the School of Criminology and Security Studies for review. Please contact us for more information.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Indiana State University has as its major goal to discover new knowledge and to assist the community in solving problems while providing all of its students a sound liberal arts education with a focus on understanding criminal behavior, the criminal justice system, mechanisms of social control and their relationship to society. Students electing to major in criminology and criminal justice are prepared for careers in the criminal justice field as well as for entry into law school or a graduate program in criminology or a related discipline. The wide variety of courses offered enables each student to determine his or her program in terms of interests and aspirations. An integral part of the criminology and criminal justice program is the internship which allows students to gain a clearer understanding of criminal justice agencies.

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ALUMNI CORNER

Our alumni continue to make a difference and influence major areas in society. For example, alums may be found holding positions which include numerous local, state, federal and international police and corrections personnel, probation and parole officers, attorneys, academics, and other related jobs. Many have served in positions such as judges, wardens, sheriffs, police chiefs, directors of prominent positions such as NCIS, Regional FBI, Department of Homeland Security and various other notable positions both domestic and international. We are proud of our alumni, their achievements and the impact they have made both domestically and globally.

We want to hear from our Alumni. Please contact us and tell us how ISU influenced your career since graduating. Also let us know if you would be interested in coming back to campus to speak to our students. Email Travis.Behem@indstate.edu with your story.

We will work to bring more events and guests speakers to campus, once conditions improve so that we can do so safely.

Our next criminology virtual career fair is scheduled for March 31, 2021. Contact Travis.behem@indstate.edu for more information.

Keep up with all the current news and information from ISU and the School of Criminology and Security Studies.

Find us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/indstateccj/?fref=nf>

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