

Husson Alumni

Joshua Tilton has been hired by the Old Town Police Department and will be graduating from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in December. Carlita King was hired on full-time at Machias Savings Bank. Daisy Campbell was hired by the Penobscot County District Attorney's Office. Graduating from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in April — Chase Hass, Jonathan Rogers, and Andrew Whitney (see photos)



Criminal Justice Club

This year the Criminal Justice Club will be led by Jessica Poulin with the assistance of Colette McKeen and Megan Carlow. The Club has chosen to support Suicide Awareness this year, both with fund raising and information sharing. Additionally, the Club will be actively supporting the School of Legal Studies recruiting efforts during Open Houses and FYI Days. The first fund raising efforts will be raffles prior to the upcoming holidays and winter break. When you see them tabling please stop and buy your tickets for a chance to win great prizes. The Club will also be looking for opportunities to host a guest speaker in the field of legal studies.

Legal Studies Organization (LSO)

Several students from the Legal Studies Organization attended the recent Open House at the University of Maine School of Law. Additional groups are being organized to visit the school at later dates. The LSO sponsored the first practice LSAT of the year on November 2, 2013. Future practice exams and review sessions will be scheduled on an ongoing basis as needed. To make students more marketable and successful in legal employment the LSO will be sponsoring members who wish to take the Notary Public exam. The LSO will also be organizing a Notary Public swearing in ceremony for successful students. The group is growing to include members from Criminal Justice, Business, Paralegal Studies as well as the new Legal Studies Pre-Law degree.

SPOTLIGHT ON FACULTY



Professor Cornel Plebani's Intro to Public Safety' students took part in a hands-on demonstration acting out roles of law enforcement. The Orono Police Dept. simulated a high-speed chase as well as traffic violation simulations. [http://www.foxbangor.com/news/local-news/3178-traffic-](http://www.foxbangor.com/news/local-news/3178-traffic-violation-simulation-on-husson-university-campus.html)

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Professor Alicia Wilcox was interviewed by WLBZ2 on the hurdles investigators face when uncovering evidence. The story was done in connection with the murder case of local teenager, Nichole Gable. <http://www.wlbz2.com/news/article/244698/315/Investigators-face-hurdles-uncovering-evidence> .

Professor John Michaud has been appointed Director for the School of Legal Studies. Director Michaud was interviewed by WABI Channel 5 regarding the recent Boston Marathon bombings. He provided insights into the issue related to using the word "terrorism" as it pertains to the recent event stating. Michaud's background has given him a unique and important perspective and allows him to understand the intention behind the recent event in Boston. <http://wabi.tv/2013/04/19/terrorism-and-international-relations-experts-weigh-in-on-the-boston-bombing/>

Professor Jodie Fairbank joined the School of Legal Studies fall 2013. She received her Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Juvenile Justice from Elizabeth City State University in Elizabeth City, NC and has a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from American Military University. She is also the Womens' Volleyball coach for Husson.

Professor Margaret Campbell's article "The Case for Ombuds Shield Laws: Promoting Early Conflict Resolution by Providing Certainty" was accepted for publication in this year's edition of the Business Law Review published by the North Atlantic Regional Business Law Association (NARBLA).

NEW PROGRAM—B.S. LEGAL STUDIES/PRE LAW

Beginning in the Fall 2013 semester, a new bachelor of science in legal studies with a pre-law concentration degree became available. This program meets the needs of current students and prospective students who want to develop the necessary skills for law school. The curriculum foundation is specifically aligned with the American Bar Association's core skills and values. The paralegal studies degrees and certificate programs are recognized by the American Association for Paralegal Educators. In conjunction with the new Legal Studies - Pre Law program, Assistant Professor Margaret Campbell developed two new courses. PL 304 Advanced Alternative Dispute Resolution II and PL 404 Civil Litigation II that will be offered beginning Spring 2014.

STUDENT NEWS

This year on April 3rd the School of Legal Studies hosted the 4th Annual Legal Studies Career Fair. This event has grown each year and this year over 20 local, state and federal law enforcement organizations attended including a police department from New Hampshire. Representatives from the Maine Marine Patrol and various Correctional Facilities were also present. Well over 200 students circulated throughout the day visiting the tables to learn about the variety of agencies that exist and discuss career opportunities with the representatives. As in years past a number of agencies were actively recruiting during the event. This continues to be an excellent opportunity for agencies to talk to talented well educated students who are seeking future employment, as well as for our students to learn about the many opportunities available to them. Plans are already under way for next year's fair and we hope to attract even more organizations within the legal community including those that are not police agencies such as the District Attorney and the United States Attorney as well as private security firms.

On April 4, students in the School of Legal Studies were provided with the opportunity to sit before a mock oral board comprised of local and state law enforcement officers. In the context of two sections of CJ 435 (Management and Supervision in Criminal Justice), volunteers with aspirations of becoming police officers fielded direct and follow-up questions from members of the Bangor, Old Town, and Orono Police Departments, the Maine State Police, and Probation. These practice interviews are scheduled yearly to give interested students real-world, practical experience with hiring panels similar to those that they will confront in an actual employment search. The officers who donate their time give on-site feedback and provide insights into such topics as professional attire and etiquette, response expectations, and the fielding of scenario-based questions.



Students training to be first responders got some very important real world experience in April. The Orono Police Department put on an active shooter simulation at Orono High School. "What we're doing is we're putting people into a real life scenario to teach them survival mindset about surviving an active shooting event," said Sgt. Scott Wilcox, with Orono PD. The scenario functioned as a day long training exercise for students. "I'm honored to get this privilege and that Husson has collaborated with Orono Police Department to make this possible for students to participate in things like this. This is basically the final step until I go to the (police) academy," said senior, criminal justice major, Caroline Casey. Husson students studying forensics, education, nursing, and mental health also responded to the scene, as well as students from NESCom who worked on their reporting skills.

Professor Alicia Wilcox took four students to the Northeastern Association of Criminal Justice Sciences at Rodger William's University in Rhode Island from June 5-8. The conference covered new research from practitioners, faculty and students on a wide range of topic in the criminal justice field. Our students had great opportunities to network and to see how an hypothesis can be formulated, developed, tested and presented. Photo: from left to right: Professor Alicia Wilcox, Ms. Chelsea Lynds, Ms. Ashley Santerre, Mr. Joshua Daley and Mr. Chance Everett.



On Wednesday, November 6, 2013, approximately 60 students from Pharmacy and Legal Studies spent four hours learning about pharmacy robbery prevention and recovery. Sgt. John O'Malley from Scarborough PD who has investigated numerous pharmacy robberies spoke about the law enforcement role in robberies and how pharmacists can be valuable witnesses. Professor Michaud then followed this with a discussion on the fallibility of eye witness testimony and the need to understand the concept of perspective. Following a break for pizza, Colleen Owens and Cindy Small, from the Counseling Center, provided insight into effects of traumatic events and resources available to cope with these types of situations through businesses and the University. Dean Hansen walked the students through the legal processes following a robbery. Finally, several simulation videos were viewed to help the students understand the theories presented culminating with a lively discussion and answer period.