

Alumni Newsletter 2019

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**Criminal Justice
Studies Program**

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A note from the director:

CJ alums give back in so many ways....we are always grateful for alums who are spending time to mentor 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.

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

CJSP Alumni Panel

If it is homecoming week, it is also time for the CJSP annual alumni panel. Each fall, fifteen alumni return to campus during homecoming week to participate on a panel. In addition to reminiscing about experiences in Baldwin Hall or Sanford Stadium, these alums reflect on their own career choices and provide advice on what students should be doing on campus now so that they will be able to achieve their post-graduation goals. These alumni represent many career fields— lawyers in private practice, prosecutors, federal-state-local law enforcement, juvenile justice, corrections, corporate security, natural resources, academia, victim services, to name a few. After the panel, alums also spend time talking one-on-one with students who are thinking about a career in their area.

In these photos, we highlight panels from the past two years. As you will see, the renovation of Baldwin Hall allows an opportunity to use a new, beautiful space: the Pinnacle Room. If you have any interest in participating in future panels, please contact Todd Krohn at tmkrohn@uga.edu



2017 CJSP Alumni Panel



2018 Alumni Panel

CJSP Senior Recognition Banquet

The **CJSP senior recognition banquet** frequently offers an opportunity to showcase alumni who provide a short commencement message to our graduating seniors.....

After graduating from UGA in 2004, **Mr. Rilwan Adeduntan** earned his JD from New England Law Boston in 2007. Currently, Rilwan is an Assistant US Attorney in the Southern District of Florida (Miami). Prior to becoming an AUSA, Rilwan was Special Counsel to the Governor of Massachusetts. From 2007-2015, he was an award winning Assistant DA at the Suffolk County District Attorney's office in Boston, prosecuting cases that involved gang violence.

Dr. Roy Fenoff (class of '04), a double major with CJ and entomology, earned his PhD in criminal justice from Michigan State University. He is currently an assistant professor at the Citadel. Roy is also a Diplomat of and certified by the Board of Forensic Document Examiners (BFDE). He is an expert in anti-counterfeiting, forgery detection, and document fraud, as well as an expert in food fraud and security, providing scientific advice to individuals, law enforcement agencies, courts, legal firms here in the US and abroad.

Ms. Victoria Bowman earned her CJ degree in 2005 with a minor in biology. She is currently the director of Piedmont Judicial Circuit Specialty Courts where she also serves as coordinator for Barrow and Jackson County Programs. Vickie previously worked as a probation officer in the Department of Community Supervision in Athens for over 8 years where she was the Probation Officer Sentencing Specialist, the Spanish speaking Officer for the circuit, Field Training Officer, Substance Abuse Aftercare Services Officer, a team member of the Western Judicial Felony Drug Court program among other assignments.



Rilwan Adeduntan, 2016 Commencement speaker and Mrs. Arnold



Dr. Roy Fenoff, 2017 Commencement speaker



Victoria Bowman, 2019 Commencement speaker

CJSP Alums in DC



UGA's Delta Hall in Washington DC

In October 2018, SPIA hosted a reception for graduates who live and work in the DC area. It was a great opportunity to catch up with two CJ alums---rising stars who have also been very generous with their time by giving career guidance to students: **Chris Konke** (class of '04) and **Danita Chiles** (class of '14). After graduating from law school, Chris began working in intelligence, including work for USCIS, within their Fraud Detection and National Security Directorate. Earlier this year, he accepted a position to serve as an immigration officer in USCIS. Following graduation from UGA, Danita went on to NY to receive her Master's from St. John's in Criminology. Since then, she has worked as an analyst for Georgia courts, the U.S. Sentencing Commission, and most recently, the Administrative Office of the US Courts. Starting this fall, she plans to take on law school!

If you are in the DC area and would like to gather with other UGA alums at the SPIA fall reception or visit Delta Hall (UGA's new residential facility and headquarters for government operations in DC), please email Susan Haire at cmshaire@uga.edu

Alumni and our new one-hour course on criminal justice



CJSP now requires that students take a one-hour course designed to introduce students to various fields in criminal justice. In addition to outlining mental health and ethical challenges faced by professionals, this course allows students to better understand what to expect if they pursue a career in a particular field. Alumni and others have visited this class, sharing their insights about their work. Many have also been willing to be interviewed by small groups of students in this class. For spring 2019, we have many to thank, especially these CJ alumni for their help with students in this class (in no particular order): **Mark Blackwood, Tom Ivarie, Seth Hawkins, Ben Dickerson, Amy Fouts, Roy Fenoff, Jesse Maddox, Josh Lovett, Ellen Johnson, Danita Chiles, Kellie Casey, Jason Griffiths, Rilwan Adeduntan, Ryan Patrick, Ryan Swingle, Jessica McFadden, Crystal McGinnis, Andy Hunter, Mike Kraft, Jennifer Ammons, John Heinen, Jesse Kerzner, Eric Trehern, David Lee, Chris Konke, Victoria Bowman, Crystal Caraballo, and Kelsey Greene.**

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<http://www.linkedin.com/groups/UGA-Criminal-Justice-Alumni-Group-4902946/about>