

DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

THE INTERNSHIP – CAREER CONNECTION

*A Sampling of Success*

August 2015

**ALICIA JEFFREY**

**CLASS OF 2015**

**SOCIOLOGY**

**INTERNSHIP: Hospital for the Chronically Ill, Smyrna, Delaware**

Interning at this hospital opened my eyes to a lot and I left having learned quite a few things, which would be beneficial to my future. The first major thing I learned was to be more open minded when entering into a new environment. Also, I learned to leave space for improvement and knowledge. This will continue to help me find a professional position after graduation because I basically networked to find this internship. Networking is something that anyone and everyone should do if they want to find a secure position or career. I realized that nothing comes easy and if you really want something, you have to go out and get it yourself. This is the main thing to know once anyone graduates from college. Following the steps I took to getting this internship will help me in the future. I will continue to use my resources, such as social networks and friends, to find opportunities that will last a lifetime.

**EMPLOYMENT: Metroplus Health Plan/ Insurance, NY**

**HIV Services Intern**

**GRADUATE SCHOOL: SUNY ALBANY**

**School of Public Health**

**AMEERA ASH**

**CLASS OF 2015**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNSHIP: Division of Youth and Family Services**  
**Snowden Residential Cottage, Wilmington DE**

My internship was very hands on. I was able to sit in during counseling sessions with families as well as conduct my own counseling sessions to familiarize myself with how the family crisis therapist handled her sessions. I was able to gain very valuable professional experience that helped me along the way in my future endeavors such as being offered a position as a behavior analysis counselor for autistic children. I was also offered a position where I interned but the pay rate was too low for me to take the position.

**EMPLOYMENT: Melmark, Philadelphia**  
**Autism Behavioral Analysis Counselor**

**ANTHONY JAMES**  
**CLASS OF 2011**  
**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**STUDENT INTERNSHIPS**

Department of Criminal Justice and Sociology, Research Intern with Dr. Dillard's Disproportionate Minority Contact Assessment funded by the State of Delaware Criminal Justice Council, January 2010 – May 2010.

State Of Delaware, 144<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, Dover, DE - Legislative Intern, April 2010 – July 2010.

**PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIPS**

Orange Municipal Court Research Intern- Orange Township City Attorney's Office, May 2014 – August 2014.

Global Linkages, Inc. Republic of South Africa- Legal Intern, May 2015-July 2015.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Mayor's Confidential Aide/ Extended School Day Program Director, Orange, New Jersey. September 2012 – Present.

State Of New Jersey, Division Of Rate Counsel, Trenton, NJ - Paralegal, April 2015 – July 2015.

**LAW SCHOOL**

Charlotte School of Law- Charlotte, North Carolina

Juris Doctor Candidate – December, 2015

**CALVIN MINER**

**CLASS OF 2012**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNSHIP: Public Defender's Office, Dover, DE**

During my internship at the Public Defender's Office, I primarily conducted screening interviews and preliminary factual investigations in preparation for litigation. I really enjoyed my first professional experience, especially in the fast pace exhilarating field of criminal law. Trust me, there was never a dull moment working in that office. Nevertheless, I worked hard during my internship and sharpened essential skills needed in the workforce: communication, organization, punctuality, and working efficiently. Working at the Public Defender's Office gave me the practical experience necessary to supplement my educational growth. Further, I was able to actually apply the different concepts I learned in my different courses throughout the internship. Additionally, this internship further helped me later in my career because employers look favorably upon college students obtaining work experience while in school. Most importantly, the internship experience instilled in me that networking is imperative for the advancement of one's career. That means being active in different professional organizations you aspire to pursue a career in, or reaching out to different members in the field for advice and/or mentorship. My suggestion is to maximize your opportunity to engage in different internships, and start as early as possible. The job market is very competitive at every level so do everything you can to make yourself competitive before your graduation date.

**LAW SCHOOL: University of Maryland Francis King  
Carey School of Law 2015**

**EMPLOYMENT: Judicial Law Clerk in Baltimore City Circuit  
Court for the Honorable Sylvester B. Cox**

# DESTINY BULLOCK

## CLASS OF 2013

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE

#### INTERNSHIP: Public Defender's Office, Dover, Delaware

I completed my internship at the State of Delaware Public Defender's office. As an intern, I worked in the intake/investigative unit where I interviewed potential clients to determine their eligibility for service. It was my job to gain background information from the client in preparation for the attorney to defend their cases. In some instances, clients were not eligible based on income, conflict of interest, or some decided to go with a private attorney. I also assisted the forensic psychologist with her evaluations of her clients. It was through my many interviews with the people that came in to the office that made me see that a lot of people get in trouble because of their mental health, their living conditions, the lifestyles, and their need to want to fill their lives with better opportunities. When I left Delaware State, I wanted to get a career in Mental Health Advocacy. I was a little confused about how to transfer my interest in the workforce, because I already completed college by the time I made up my mind about what I truly wanted to do. My first job out of college was not in my desired career but it did allow me to gain experience and move into my career field.

#### EMPLOYMENT

United Way of the National Capital Area, Washington DC, Development Associate. August 2013- February 2014.

Covenant House, Washington DC.

- Residential Advisor for the transitional living program. May 2014-August 2014.
- Promoted to full time Residential Advisor for the Rights of Passage work program. September 2014-October 2014.
- Promoted to Permanent Supportive Housing Residential Advisor. October 2015 to present.

# **KATELYN KOSLOSKY**

## **CLASS OF 2015**

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

#### **INTERNSHIP: Wyoming Police Department, Wyoming, Delaware**

I worked directly with Chief of Police. Before my internship began, I had to undergo a background investigation and get fingerprinted with the State Bureau of Identification. After that was completed, I was enrolled in an 8 hour course at DELJIS where I was certified with limited inquiry on motor vehicle records. I was also certified on e-Ticket where I was able to issue citations on traffic stops that were conducted on the road under the Chief's supervision. I reported to the station every Monday, Wednesday and Friday starting promptly at 0600-1200 hrs. My duties consisted of revamping the standard procedures and policies for the department, "call of the calendar". I was also on the road where I would shadow the Chief on domestic calls, traffic stops, and maintenance orders. During my internship I was also brought along to Justice of the Peace court and Court of Common Pleas in Dover and was able to sit in on some cases. After I received my mandatory 60 course required hours from the department, I didn't want to just stop coming. I continued going to the department every Monday. This furthered my education about police work. I found I was very passionate about this line of work and the Chief answered any and every question I had ever asked. He helped me apply to police agencies. The Chief helped me through the whole process: my written, physical, oral board, polygraph, and psychological examinations. I was actually hired before I even graduated from DSU.

**EMPLOYMENT: Hyattsville City Police Department,  
Hyattsville, MD**

# LA'RONE HIGHSMITH

## CLASS OF 2012

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE

INTERNSHIP: Sears Holding Company/Loss Prevention,  
Buffalo, New York

I completed my internship with the Sears Holding Corporation which consists of both K-Mart and Sears stores. I was previously employed by K-Mart as a Loss Prevention Agent and interned with the District Manager of Loss Prevention for the entire summer of 2011. The District manager of Loss Prevention was responsible for approximately 15 stores across the state of New York. During my internship, I shadowed the District Manager and learned numerous things in addition to the given responsibilities that I was assigned. I learned how to complete audits that were used to determine the actual loss due to the theft a given store has in the course of a fiscal year, and conduct interviews with employees who committed internal theft. The responsibility that proved the most critical to future success was that I was placed in charge of leading conference calls that required every store to give weekly updates on store activity. This continued the development of my leadership which Delaware State University had started as I was an RA in Conwell from 2010-2012. My internship allowed me to develop my leadership quality which is what 95% of all professions look for. The most important thing that I learned from my Internship and time at DSU was LEADERSHIP. I cannot stress enough how important of a quality this is to have. Since taking this job as a Federal Officer, as well as becoming a Dad, leadership is one of the most important things that I have to demonstrate. Everything that I do on a daily basis regardless of if it is watching my son or the traveling public I am watched and always have to demonstrate leadership because it is pretty much expected of me 100% of the time. Taking initiative and not being afraid to take on tasks that others are hesitant to do is something I've done and it has always seemed to benefit me.

### EMPLOYMENT

Kohl's Department Store – Loss Prevention Supervisor, NY. May 2012- September 2013.

Macy's Department Store- Loss Prevention Manager, NY. September 2013- December 2013.

Department of Homeland Security- Customs and Border Protection Officer, Maine. December 19, 2013- Present.

# **NATASHA MOHAMMED**

## **CLASS OF 2015 CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

### **INTERNSHIP: Fort Meade, Maryland**

The military experience has a major influence in my academic career as well as my professional career. I joined at an early age to set myself apart from my other colleagues as well as gaining professional experience to have a better chance of employment once I graduated from college. I was also granted a Security Clearance which is needed to be able to work in a lot of federal, state and government jobs. The military gave me the ability to focus on my academic career by not only handling the financial aspect, but making sure my military course transferred over as credits for college courses. I was able to do my internship in a Military unit in Fort Meade, Maryland which was geared toward my career field. Counterintelligence and Cybersecurity is a growing industry in both the civilian and military world and I was able to practice the necessary components needed to operate in that type of environment as well as doing a lot of hands on activities. All the personnel were willing to help and gave great advice as to what certifications and avenues I should take in order to maximize my chances in gain employment in that field. My Criminal Justice Degree, Security Clearance as well as my military experience all helped me secure my first career position.

**EMPLOYMENT: Department of the Treasury, Washington DC**  
**Data Entry Specialist**

**GRADUATE SCHOOL: University of Maryland**  
**Master's Degree in Cybersecurity**

**RAYMOND KHAN, MPA**

**CLASS OF 2010**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

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**PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIPS**

Legal Services Of New Jersey, Edison, NJ, Legal Intern. January 2011 – May 2011.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Nevada State Democratic Party, Las Vegas, NV, Field Organizer. July 2010 – November 2010.

Law Offices Of Thomas R. Ashley, Newark, NJ, Legal Assistant Paralegal. May 2011 – December 2014.

Brand Glick & Brand, P.C., Wayne, NJ, Legal Assistant. January 2015 – March 2015.

State Of New Jersey, Division Of Rate Counsel, Trenton, NJ, Legal Assistant Paralegal. April 2015 – Present.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL: Monmouth University**

**Master of Arts, Public Policy, May 2015**

**ROBERT KING**

**CLASS OF 2014**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNSHIP: Interpol, Washington DC**

**WISH/DSU INTERNSHIP PARTNERSHIP**

I had the great opportunity to complete my internship while staying in Washington DC. This was one of the highlights of my collegiate career. I completed my internship at Interpol Washington. The internship helped me vastly when it came to preparing for the real world. It was not necessarily what I learned at the internship but the experience I had there. Interpol was made up of different agencies working together such as the FBI, DEA, ATF, ICE, customs and border patrol, State and local law enforcement agencies and many more. I was able to see how each agency worked independently but at the same time was able to assist each other. It was like I had numerous internships in one. This internship really gave me the edge I needed to be competitive and have confidence in myself. Sometimes more important than the actual knowledge and experience of the job is the coming to work, coming to work on time and working hard. Every agency stresses those things. I am employed by the Transportation Security Administration, which is a part of the Department of Homeland Security. If I have one piece of advice it would be to not get discouraged when things do not seem like they are working out. There might be a time you will feel like you don't know what to do and you won't understand why things aren't happening but be patient, stick to your plan and have faith. You have worked hard to get to the point you are, just keep working. Remember there will be thousands of people trying to get the same exact job you want so start making yourself competitive now.

**EMPLOYMENT: Transportation Security Administration,**  
**Department of Homeland Security**  
**Washington, DC**

**ROBERT NELSON**

**CLASS OF 2014**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNSHIP: Pretrial Services Agency (PSA), Washington DC**  
**WISH/DSU INTERNSHIP PARTNERSHIP**

At PSA, my duties as an intern were, but not limited to, conducting Diagnostic interviews of arrestees detained in cellblocks and behind courtrooms, verifying Personally Identifiable Information (PII) provided by defendants, and entering PII into our law enforcement database. These procedures had to be completed promptly and presented to a judge before court was in session. Therefore, the turnaround time to complete these tasks was extremely rapid. The host of duties that I performed,

followed by all of the new skills and people (judges, special agents, police, lawyers, U.S. Marshals, etc.) that I have encountered and networked with, allowed me to obtain the jobs that I have/had as well as put me in a great and rare position to secure a career with a high status organization within the Department of Justice. Despite the variation of job positions and duties entailed, I came to realize that almost every position, especially within the Criminal Justice field, has the same keywords in their duties performed (i.e. file, verify, safeguard, confidentiality, supervise, analyze). For this very finding, after being equipped with the knowledge and skills from my internship, I learned to simply transfer skills to any and every position that I secure. I feel the need to share with all undergraduates that **patience, an indomitable will, and confidence** are three major attributes to have within our field of study (Criminal Justice) post-graduation.

## EMPLOYMENT

Discover Financial Services- Account Manager, Delaware. January 2015-June 2015.

Devereux- Therapeutic Staff Support, Philadelphia, PA. July 2015-Current

## RONNIE ADAMS

## CLASS OF 2014 CRIMINAL JUSTICE

INTERNSHIP: Pretrial Services Agency (PSA), Washington DC

### WISH/DSU INTERNSHIP PARTNERSHIP

At Pretrial, I learned about an almost unheard of side of the Criminal Justice System. Pretrial functions do not get much light shed on them. Pretrial services programs are not very prominent and do not exist beyond but a few jurisdictions in America. It is a better alternative than the bail system in American Courts. Learning about all the things Pretrial has a part of has not only

taught me a lot more about the Criminal Justice System, but I have become a supported for Pretrial Service Programs across America.

EMPLOYMENT: US Department Of Agriculture  
Civil Rights Division, Office of Adjudication  
Office Assistant

**SHARDA BROWN**

**CLASS OF 2013**  
**SOCIOLOGY**

**INTERNSHIP: Office of Judicial Affairs**  
**Delaware State University**

I interned at Delaware State Office of Judicial Affairs. In interning here, I learned a great deal about the judicial system and the process of dealing with judicial cases that daily came through our office. I learned the process of how judicial cases are handled, how the process of appeals works, and how to carry out the different forms of verdicts for each individual case. The greatest thing about this internship is that I also worked closely with the Office of Spiritual Life which directly served a purpose in mediating and helping students get back on the right path after receiving their sanctions. So not only was I able to learn about judicial cases and sanctions, but I also was able to see the other side which was the process of mediating and allowing room for growth afterwards. Learning about both was a pleasure and I enjoyed working with both offices. As a result of my internship with both the Office of Judicial Affairs and the Office of Spiritual Life, it has inspired me to further my education and pursue a divinity degree. After graduation, I applied for graduate school to Wake Forest University to study divinity. After being accepted into the divinity program, I have used a lot of what I have learned from my previous experiences at Delaware State. As a graduate student, I plan to complete another internship in the fall dealing with inner-city youth. I know that the skills and experiences that I have learned in my previous internship will help me with my new internship.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL: Wake Forest University,**  
**School of Divinity**

**TYRIK BATTLE**

**CLASS OF 2015**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNSHIP: Prince George's County Police Department, MD**

During my internship I learned the duties of a law enforcement officer. I networked with officers and conducted several ride alongs. We were active in the community, ensuring safety and developing a positive relationship with the citizens. We put together summer camps for the youth so they could develop a relationship with police to end the negative stereotypes teens have toward police. The summer camp included field trips and activities held at the department.

The knowledge I obtained from my internship enabled me to be a candidate for the June academy class which I started on June 15th and currently still attending. Graduation from the academy will be February 4th 2016.

**EMPLOYMENT: Prince George's County (MD) Police Department**  
**Police Officer**