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Michele Fischetti

There is always that one piece that holds the puzzle together. For the Public Justice Department that piece is our secretary Michele Fischetti. Michele is always around to answer your questions or help you find that application you just can not find. You wonder how one woman can have all this information and know all the answers to your questions; it is quite remarkable. Michele has a lot of experience as a secretary. Before she was with our department she worked over in the Department of Residence Life and Housing. Work is not the most important thing to Michele; her husband and two children are top priority for her. Michele also enjoys golfing, garage sales, auctions and camping with her family. Michele is a very kindhearted person who does a lot for others without expecting anything in return. I do not think we can thank her enough or ever really show her how appreciative we are. The Public Justice Department might fall apart without her. Let this just be a big THANK YOU to Michele for always helping us when we think there is no possible way. You, Michele Fischetti, are irreplaceable to us!

Registration for Spring 2009

It's that time of the year already! Registration for the Spring 2009 semester is right around the corner. Here are some important dates to remember.

- Wednesday, October 15th - Winter Session Registration begins
- Monday, October 13th – Spring 2009 courses are posted on MyOswego.
- Declare your major by October 20th.
- Monday, November 3 -November 21– Registration for Spring 2009, for returning matriculated undergraduate and graduate students only
- Monday, December 1 – Registration begins for non-matriculated undergraduate and graduate students; Major Restrictions are lifted for continuing registration. You are now able to register for classes that were originally restricted for students within that particular major.

Don't know when you are eligible to register? Find out which day and time you will be able to register by logging on to My Oswego on the Oswego website. Eligibility to register is determined by the number of credit hours you have completed. Registering for your classes on time is very important in allowing you to enroll in the classes that you will need to graduate.

Join the Public Justice Club!

Want to get involved in your campus community? Join the Public Justice Club!!! The Public Justice Club was founded to bond students who share common goals and interests, want to learn more about public agencies and the community, and wish to explore ways to serve our community. The Club has a variety of different events and activities planned, including guest speakers, ride-a longs, and trips to jails/prisons. The Club is always looking for new members and new activities in which to take part. We meet in Mahar 319, the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 12:45. Our meetings usually last from thirty minutes to sixty minutes. If you want more information please contact the President, Sarah Koch, at skoch@oswego.edu or our website at www.oswego.edu/public_justice and click the link in the left hand column.

Excited About Graduating? Don't forget the paperwork!

1. Apply for graduation online at <http://www.oswego.edu/myoswego> (If you miss the application deadlines, you must file in person in 307 Culkin, so do it now.)
2. Complete a senior check form with you advisor the semester before you graduate.
3. Senior Check forms are mandatory in order to graduate

Important Dates

- December Graduation:** December 20, 2008
Deadline for senior check form is November 1, 2008.
- May Graduation:** May 16, 2009
Deadline for senior check form is March 1, 2009.
Deadline for August graduation is July 1, 2009



Be sure to meet with your advisor prior to your last semester to complete your senior check-list.

Civil Service Exams

Anyone interested in job openings, upcoming exam dates, or taking civil service exams should visit www.cs.state.ny.us/ Click on the “Employees” and then on “Job Seekers”. This will provide links to state, local and municipal civil service agencies. Clicking the “Examination Announcements for Positions in Local Government” will provide you with a map link to municipal civil service agencies according to a particular county and or region. You might find an exam for an agency you had never considered before!

Peer Advisement – We are Here for YOU

Attention Public Justice Majors and Minors! Peer Advisors are here to help you with any questions you might have about classes, registration, or graduation requirements. Remember registration begins November 3rd, and classes fill fast.

The Public Justice Peer Advising office is located in 319 Mahar . Currently we are open from 9-5 Monday & Wednesday, 11:30-3:45, and on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00-5:00. Students should see either their freshman peer advisor or departmental peer advisors before going to see their faculty advisor to discuss registering for classes. **Remember, if you are a Junior with 51-71 credits, you will need to see your advisor for a second pin before you can begin registration.**

Interested in becoming a Peer Advisor? Stop by and see Dr. Rosalie Young in 442 Mahar Hall or email her at: ryoung@oswego.edu

WANT A TUTOR OR WANT TO BE A TUTOR ?

If you are having trouble in any subject, don't be afraid to go to the Office of Learning Services in P106 in the Campus Center to get help from a free tutor or ask for a tutoring job yourself. The easiest way to apply is to go to the OLS website to fill a tutor request form [<http://www.oswego.edu/~ols/rfsintro.htm>]. If you have any other questions, you can call the Office of Learning Services at (315) 312-3094.

Dates for 397 Applications

Public Justice 397 application deadlines have all been updated. To take 397 in the Summer, applications must be turned in by March 1st, for the Fall the deadline is April 1st, and for the Spring have your application in by October 1st. Students for the Spring 2008 semester have been chosen. The list can be found on the Public Justice Department website. Remember space is limited, and applicants are chosen by the number of credits. Be sure to have your application in on time.



◆ New Class in PBJ

PBJ 454: Religion, Crime, & Justice is a new course offered by the PBJ department and taught by Dr. Karel Kurst-swanger. The class discusses controversial issues of religion and the role our criminal justice system plays in handling religion related crimes. PBJ 454 will be offered for the second time during the Spring of 2009.

◆ 2nd Pin

Students who have earned 57 to 71 credit hours must meet with their faculty advisor for a 2nd PIN number. You cannot register without this number! If you have any questions or are unsure of who your faculty advisor is, stop by the peer advisement office in 319 Mahar or contact Michele Fischetti in the public justice office, room 446 Mahar or at 312-4121.

◆ Trip to Prison

The Public Justice Department will be conducting a trip to the Auburn State Correctional Facility. The trip is scheduled to take place in November. If you would like to sign up or would like more information please contact Professor Brand or Michele Fischetti in the Public Justice Department office.



Career Services

Career Services, now located in the 142 Compass Center, is a valuable resource for Public Justice majors. It can be especially useful for juniors and seniors who require help with the different steps in finding an internship, a graduate school or a job after graduation. Career Services can provide assistance with resumes, interviewing and possible career options.

“Drop-In Hours” are held from 1-3 Monday-Thursday and 5-7 on Tuesday and Wednesday. These hours can be used for resume critiques. Other resume services include major specific resume samples and free printing of your resume. Mock interviews can be done by appointment and video taped to help you prepare for that important job interview.

Job Choices for Business and Liberal Arts Students, a free magazine which provides additional information about jobs, can be found in the resource room (also located in the Compass Center). Students can research employees using Reference U.S.A. free of charge by using the computers in the resource room. An annual survey is conducted with alumni within majors to determine which careers they currently have, where they are located, and their salaries. This can be a valuable resource for students who are still deciding what they want to do in the future.

The staff members in Career Services are very helpful and friendly. The office is directed by Bob Casper and Gary Morris, and is run by a variety of other employees, including interns. Staff members have knowledge about what is currently happening on the job market, job availability and employers who are looking to hire, such as law enforcement agencies.

General information about the career services office can be found at <http://www.oswego.edu/student/career/index.html>