



**GRAND VALLEY  
STATE UNIVERSITY**  

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**SCHOOL OF CRIMINOLOGY,  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE,  
AND LEGAL STUDIES**

# **Weekly Announcements**

## **March 27, 2023**



NEW GEN. ED. COURSE!

# EDF 316: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON EDUCATION

Meets TWO Gen Ed  
requirements:  
*Cultures: Global*  
*Perspectives*  
*Issues: Globalization*

Create international  
connections!  
Get paired with a student  
in Germany for virtual  
discussions.

Spring 2023: Class is entirely online, with synchronous  
online meetings on Tuesdays, 5:00–6:50pm.

Contact Dr. David Bair for more information: [baird@gvsu.edu](mailto:baird@gvsu.edu)

# CJ 380: Cold Case Investigation

In partnership with Michigan State Police, the School of Criminology, Criminal Justice, and Legal Studies invites students (Junior or Senior status) to apply for this new and exciting opportunity to assist the Michigan State Police in working on real cold cases.

*Students must commit to the class in both Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 semesters.*

Requirements also include but are not limited to: Submitting an application, providing academic references, holding Junior or Senior status, 3.2 GPA, consenting to a background investigation, signing a confidentiality agreement, and being available on Tuesday evenings from 3 - 6pm.

**Don't wait, class space is limited!**

**Application Deadline**  
**Friday, April 28, 2023**

**Apply here!**



## New Summer Course Offering!

# CJ 380: COMMUNITIES & CRIME

## OFFERED SPRING 2023

*How do residents affect crime?  
What makes certain  
neighborhoods more crime-prone  
than others?*

**CJ 380: Communities and Crime is being offered again this Spring!**

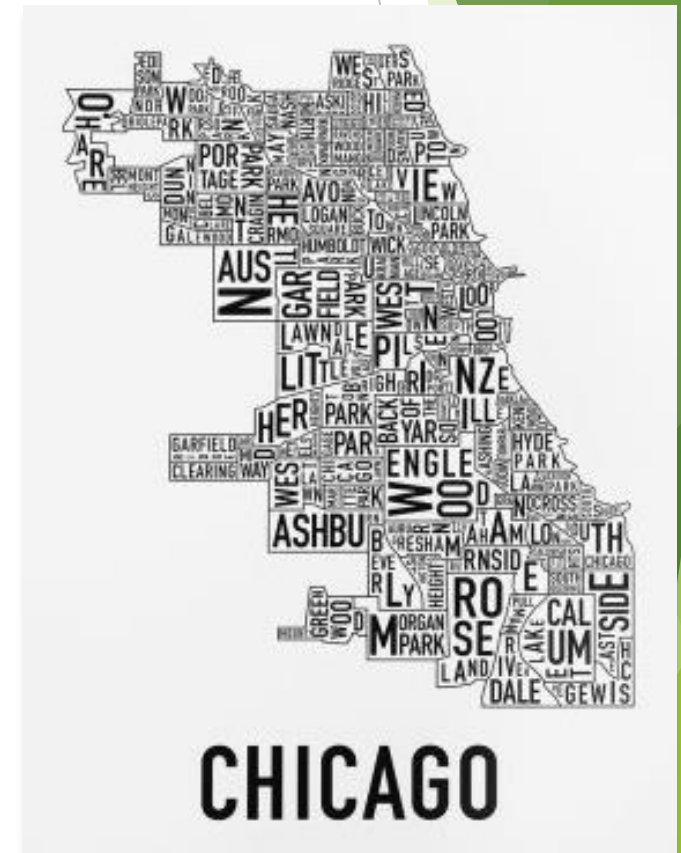
Join us as we explore these questions, as well as urban communities and crime, including street crime and culture, gangs as community protection, citizen-police relations, activism, urban development, crime patterns, and community impacts of incarceration.



**This course will introduce you to crime dynamics as they apply to large cities, culminating with an interactive project that invites you to explore urban areas. Class will be held entirely online during the first six weeks of summer.**

**TAUGHT BY**  
**DR. JACKI CWICK, PHD**

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**Deadline has been extended until March 30, 2023**



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## **CECI Community Impact**



**Kids' Food  
Basket**

**WHAT: Decorate Sack Supper Bags**

**WHEN: February 8th – 28th, 2023**

**WHY: Support Kids in our Community**

**DETAILS: Faculty, Staff, & Students decorate paper bags used to provide kids with an evening meal.**

Bags will be stamped with the GVSU-CECI logo.  
Our goal is to complete 7,000 bags during our drive.  
Let's show our community support!

**Please return your finished bags to the  
CECI Dean's Office (202C DeVos) each Friday.**

**10,000 Sack Suppers are distributed in Kent County  
every weekday by Kids' Food Basket.**

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GVSU AFFILIATE PROGRAM

# STUDY ABROAD

**Japan: Criminal Justice** (Japan Center for Michigan Universities)

**Hikone, Japan** - We will explore the criminal justice system and Japanese culture that keeps Japan one of the safest countries in the world. We will learn Japanese culture and history in the classroom, and through cultural events and field trips to Tokyo, Kyoto, Nara and Hiroshima. We will visit various criminal justice entities, including policing organizations, courts, a prison, and a juvenile detention center (subject to availability).

No Japanese language skills required. Open to all both undergraduate and graduate students.

## Dates

**May 7 – June 2, 2023**

(4 weeks)

(leaving U.S. on May 6)

## Courses

Undergraduate: 6 credits

CJ 380 + EAS 380

Graduate:

3 credits

CJ 680

## Cost

Program fee (\$4,200) includes tuition (6 credits), housing, textbook, field trips, and health insurance. Airfare (\$2,100 est.) and most meal cost not included.

Apply by **January 15, 2023** at:  
**[www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad)**

## Questions?

Program Directors

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# Scholarship Opportunity!

Hoffer & Sheremet, PLC, in Grand Rapids is offering a **\$500 scholarship** to three (3) students each that are interested in Legal Studies/related fields!

## Requirements:

- Be an undergrad student (or soon-to-be)
- Complete form **with essay** at **[hoffersheremet.com/scholarship](https://hoffersheremet.com/scholarship)**
- **Submit by April 15th, 2023!**



# Grand Valley's Law Society

## General Information

The Law society at grand valley is a pre-professional and academic club that aims to inform and provide resources to students interested in law.

## Meetings

No major or area of focus is required- all students are welcome! We host law schools, law professionals, informational meetings, and LSAT preparation meetings! our meetings take place every other Tuesday at 7:00 pm in Kirkhoff.

## Contact Us!

Email: [lawsociety.gvsu@gmail.com](mailto:lawsociety.gvsu@gmail.com)

Instagram: @gvsulaw

Facebook & LinkedIn: GVSU Law society



# Winter 2023 Meeting Schedule

## January

- 17th @ 7 pm: Resume and Interview Workshop
- 31st @ 7 pm: Changes in Law School Presentation

## February

- 7th @ 7 pm: Judge Ayoub & E-Board Elections
- 17th @ 12 pm: Lunch at Miller Johnson (RSVP)

## March

- 14th @ 7 pm: Paul Wilhelm, Clark Hill
- 28th @ 7 pm: Potluck & LSAT Practice

## April

- 11th @ 7 pm: Paralegal Victoria Tinsley from Foster Swift





# Graduation & Commencement Information



# GRADUATION VS. COMMENCEMENT

- ▶ Graduation: The accomplishment when you have successfully completed your degree requirements and your degree is awarded by the Registrar's Office.
- ▶ Commencement: The ceremony to celebrate graduation.
  - ▶ Commencement details are available at [www.gvsu.edu/commencement/](http://www.gvsu.edu/commencement/)



# GRADUATION APPLICATION

## Application Process:

- ▶ Before you apply, **look at myPath** to make sure you are meeting your degree requirements
- ▶ Apply to graduate through myBanner
  - ▶ **Apply for the semester in which you will finish your degree requirements**, NOT when you want to walk at the Commencement ceremony.
  - ▶ We recommend applying the semester before you intend to graduate.
- ▶ Step by step instructions on how to apply can be found on the Registrar's Office webpage:
  - ▶ <https://www.gvsu.edu/registrar/graduation-63.htm>

## After you apply:

- ▶ Once you apply, you will receive emails from the Registrar's Office to notify you about the status of your degree audit

## After your degree is awarded:

- It will take approx. 6-8 weeks for your diploma to arrive after your degree is awarded.
  - Does the address on your graduation application reflect where you will be residing after graduation?
  - Email [audit@gvsu.edu](mailto:audit@gvsu.edu), if you need to update your address.



# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY INFORMATION

## When will I walk?

- ▶ **Fall** Applicants:
  - ▶ Automatically invited to participate in the **December** Commencement ceremony
- ▶ **Winter** Applicants:
  - ▶ Automatically invited to participate in the **April** Commencement ceremony
- ▶ **Spring/Summer** Applicants:
  - ▶ Automatically invited to participate in the **April** Commencement ceremony
  - ▶ There is no ceremony at the end of the spring/summer semester.
- ▶ Email [audit@gvsu.edu](mailto:audit@gvsu.edu) to change ceremonies.

## Do I need to RSVP? YES!

- ▶ NOTE: You need to RSVP to attend the Commencement ceremony. You will receive a separate email notification to **RSVP two months before the ceremony.**
- ▶ Important information about Commencement can be found at [gvsu.edu/commencement](http://gvsu.edu/commencement).
- ▶ Check your **GVSU Student Email** regularly for updates.





EMAIL [AUDIT@GVSU.EDU](mailto:AUDIT@GVSU.EDU) WITH  
QUESTIONS.



**ATTN:  
CJ STUDENTS**

## **INTERESTED IN AN INTERNSHIP?**

- ✓ Earn elective credit
- ✓ Explore career interests
- ✓ Enhance relationship building skills
- ✓ Apply classroom knowledge
- ✓ Gain professional connections
- ✓ Build your resume



Sites seeking interns for the 2022-2023 semesters:

- Grand Rapids Center for Community Transformation
- Covenant House Academy
- Law enforcement
- Juvenile corrections field
- Legal field exploration
- Victim service field
- And many more...

*Or you can set up your own  
internship experience!*

**CONTACT LAURA MARSH**

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**You can also  
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# POLICE OFFICER POSITION

## RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

We are accepting resumes and applications for the position, which is full time with benefits, and seeking candidates who are either currently MCOLES certified law enforcement officers, those who are law enforcement recruits or those desiring to be law enforcement recruits and wish to attend the police academy.

- Competitive individual or family plans for medical, optical, and dental with medical upon retirement for the employee and their spouse
- April 1, 2023 starting pay to begin at \$23.92 / hour and \$29.37 / hour after 5 years
- Additional \$1 per hour for special assignments worked such as firearms instructing, TEAM, investigations and others
- Contracted pay increases for years 1 through 5 then at 10, 15 and 20 years.
- Personal hours prorated upon hiring for the first year with vacation hours to begin proration after one year
- Education benefits for pay to equal 2% additional base pay for any officer having a Bachelor's degree and 4% additional base pay to any officer having a Master's degree
- 2% shift premium for any shift starting after 12:00 PM (noon)
- Specialized instructorships within department such as: firearms, defensive tactics, first aid, PBT calibrator and Davison Area Reconstruction Team (DART crash team)
- 13 paid holidays per year to include employee's birthday
- Pension through MERS being a hybrid plan of a MERS 1.5 multiplier defined benefit plan and a 401A defined contribution plan with the Township contributing 5%
- MERS vesting at 6 years of service
- 55/25 retirement (age 55 with 25 years of service)
- FAC 5
- POLC Union membership
- Employer paid \$50,000 life insurance policy
- Shift preference two times per year
- 12-hour shifts (generally working 7 out of 14 days with every other weekend off)
- 14-week FTO program
- Non-offensive tattoos allowed
- 36 square mile rural township which is growing with a community that is very supportive of the Police Department

We are a smaller department with a growing rural community. We strive to maintain a strong and trusted relationship between our residents and our police department. We are dedicated to providing a superior level of service through partnering with our community, upholding the highest ethical standards, striving to provide a safe environment, while enhancing the quality of life through innovative and progressive law enforcement administered with justice and fairness.

For potential employees who may be interested in residing in or near the Genesee County area, this community offers a strong and growing school district, shopping nearby, expressway close and a hometown feel with festivities to create a good environment for individuals or families.

Resumes and applications are being accepted from anyone who has, or will have, completed an MCOLES Certified Academy or those willing to attend a Certified Academy.

Interested candidates may email resume to Chief Tony Craig:  
[Policechief@richfieldtwp.org](mailto:Policechief@richfieldtwp.org)  
Or submit personally and receive application at:  
Richfield Township Police Department  
5381 N State Rd  
Davison, MI 48423  
Phone: 810.653.3565



## KENTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT



## SPONSORED POLICE RECRUIT

### JOB DESCRIPTION:

A Police Recruit is a Kentwood Police Department employee that is sponsored to attend the Grand Valley State University Police Academy or similar MCOLES approved academy. The intended result is reclassification to Police Officer with the Kentwood Police Department upon successful completion of the police academy and licensing by MCOLES. Sponsored Police Recruits will be paid an hourly wage and receive benefits. The City of Kentwood will cover police academy tuition and other directly related costs.

### HIRING PROCESS:

- Complete Online Application
- Oral Board Interviews
- Complete and Submit Background Questionnaire
- Background Pre-screen
- Complete MCOLES Physical Agility, Reading and Writing Test
- Background Investigation
- Administrative Review
- Chief's Interview
- Conditional Offer
- Complete EMPCO Exam
- Physical and Psychological Exam
- Attend GVSU Police Academy Orientation
- Successfully complete GVSU Police Academy

### APPLICATION:

1. Visit [www.kentwood.us/employment](http://www.kentwood.us/employment)
2. Scroll to the bottom of page
3. Click on 'career opportunities'
4. Complete online application



### SALARY:

Starting recruit pay as of July 1, 2022:	\$23.02 per hour
Upon successful completion of academy:	
Starting officer pay as of July 1, 2023	\$31.30 per hour (\$85,104 annual)
Top officer pay as of July 1, 2023	\$39.95 per hour (\$83,091 annual)

### BENEFITS:

- Sponsored police academy
- Competitive wages
- Comprehensive health insurance plans including vision and dental
- Life insurance
- Retirement/401K 9% employer contribution
- Continuing education and training

### REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be a citizen of the United States at the time of testing
- Must have a high school diploma or GED
- Must have a valid Michigan driver's license
- Must not have any felony convictions or certain misdemeanor convictions

Officer Ryan Smith  
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## ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

### *Police Officer of the Supreme Court of the United States*

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### *Minimum Requirements:*

- ★ U.S. Citizen
- ★ Associate's Degree or higher *and/or* 1 year prior sworn law enforcement experience *and/or* 3 years active duty military service with honorable discharge *and/or* a minimum of three years of extensive work history
- ★ Between 21 and 36 years old
- ★ Valid driver's license with excellent driving record
- ★ No felony convictions and must not be currently involved in any pending criminal charges
- ★ Prior military service must be separated under honorable conditions
- ★ Employment is subject to successful completion of a written exam, oral board interview, background investigation interview, physical abilities test, psychological exam, medical exam and a comprehensive background investigation.

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1 First Street N.E., Washington, DC 20543  
Joinscuspd@supremecourt.gov

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# RECOMMENDED LINKS

**Academic  
Calendar**

**Banner**

**Blackboard**

**Career Center**

**CECI Dean's Office**

**CECI  
Undergraduate  
Advising Center**

**Course Catalog**

**GVSU Course  
Equivalencies**

**GVSU Forms**

**Handshake**

**Navigate**

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### Office Hours

**Monday – Friday**

**8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

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**Location: 289C DeVos**

**Website: <https://www.gvsu.edu/cj>**

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