





MPS-PS News

MPS PUBLIC SAFETY CELEBRATES ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

We are thrilled to be celebrating the one year anniversary of the MPS Public Safety concentration on March 22nd! It is hard to believe that it has been a year since our initial offering of courses. Special thanks to our first cohort for taking a leap of faith on a new concentration and helping us successfully launch! You helped make that happen! While we may have wrapped up a successful inaugural year, year one is only the beginning! To all our current students, we appreciate the hard work, dedication, and effort it takes to earn a graduate degree while juggling family and work responsibilities. Thank you for your tenaciousness!

ANDREA PINO, END RAPE ON CAMPUS CO-FOUNDER, COMING TO TECH-03/21

Andrea Pino is a civil rights activist and cofounder of End Rape on Campus where she gives voice and counsel to survivors of campus sexual assault all around the country. Pino is one of the primary writers and one of five complainants in the 2013 Title IX and Clery Act complaints against the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



Along with Annie Clark, she went on to become a national leader in filing this sort of complaint, advising sexual assault victims at universities across the United States. Pino is a primary subject in the 2015 documentary film "The Hunting Ground." For more information, please contact Anne Thurmond at 931-372-3637.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Andrea Pino speaking 3/21
- Application
 Deadline 4/24
- SELETS coming to campus 6/5
- Learn a little more about Dr. Shana Nicholson.

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LOOKING FOR SOME FREE, FAMILY FUN? JOIN US!

Annual Celebration of Craft

The Appalachian Center for Craft's Annual Celebration of Craft is being held on Saturday, April 1st from 10am to 5pm in Smithville, TN. This family friendly event is FREE and open to the public. What can you expect at the celebration?

- ♦ Live music
- Demonstrations
- Studio tours
- Exhibitions
- Hands on activities for kids

For more information, please visit https://www.tntech.edu/craftcenter/ specialevents/celebration

We hope you can stop by!

Window on the World

Window on the World (WOW) is an international festival celebrating international culture and harmony. It is being held in the Hooper Eblen Center on the TTU campus on Saturday, April 8th from 10am to 5pm. Admission to WOW is FREE and open to the public. What can you expect at WOW?

- ♦ Live Entertainment
- The parade of countries
- Country focused table displays
- ♦ International cuisine
- Free crafts for kids

For more information, please visit http://wowttu.org

We hope you can make it!

SUMMER 2017 APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 24TH!

It is hard to believe that our next cohort beginning in May will be the 5th since our launch last March!

If you know anyone interested in getting an MPS Public Safety concentration, please remind them that the deadline to apply is April 24th with all supporting documents submitted by April 28th. Be sure to check with your department/agency about tuition assistance.

IMPORTANT DATES AND REMINDERS

- Registration for summer and fall is around the corner! Please be on the lookout for emails regarding registration from Tara in early April. As a reminder, pay no attention to the mass student registration emails.
- Earth Day is April 22nd. What a great day to celebrate mother nature by visiting one of our amazing Tennessee State Parks.
- Spring courses end on May 5th. Enjoy your short break!
- Graduation is on Saturday, May 6th, where we will be celebrating our second graduate!
- Summer courses begin on Saturday, May 13th.
- All administrative offices will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.
- Flag Day, which commemorates the official adoption of the Stars and Stripes is Wednesday, June 14th.
- All administrative offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.



SELETS ON CAMPUS JUNE 5TH—JUNE 8TH

Tennessee Tech is pleased to be hosting the Southeastern Law Enforcement Training Seminar (SELETS) June 5th-8th. The focus of the seminar is on the roles of first responders and the coordination of response to a mass shooting.

SELETS is honored to feature the following Keynote Speakers:

- Dr. Henry Lee, one of the world's foremost forensic scientists and founder of the Henry C. Lee Institute of Forensic Science
- Dr. William Bass III, forensic anthropologist famous for his use of physical anthropology to resolve medical and criminal matters about the dead and for his work as the Director of "The Body Farm" at the University of Tennessee
- Dr. Arthur Bohanan, Certified Latent Print Examiner, FEMA
 Mass Fatality Course Instructor, and Police Instructor with 52
 years in the study and practical application of forensics in violent crime scenes
- Carol Hicks D-ABMDI, Forensic Program Manager/Chief Investigator for the Orange and Osceola County Florida Medical Examiner's Office

For information regarding registration, a daily schedule of events, and lodging please visit https://www.tntech.edu/selets

WE TWEET!

TTU Public Safety Concentration has a presence on Facebook and Twitter. We try to share and post from agencies and departments around the state and nation as it applies to public safety. We are happy to share upcoming events and important information for the public good. Our favorite is posting about the positive things that happen in our communities and with those working in public safety fields everyday. Follow us on twitter:

@TTUPubSafetyMPS

Facebook:

tntechmpspublicsafety

Let us know what you are doing and we will share if we can.

#WingsUp

#TechYeah



If you are ever in the Cookeville area, don't forget to stop by for a visit. We are located in the Volpe Library, Room 113.

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SPOTLIGHT OF MPS-PUBLIC SAFETY: DR. SHANA NICHOLSON

Dr. Nicholson is a dedicated public safety professional with over 20 years of field experience. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Fairmont State University in Criminal Justice with a minor in psychology. She has a Master's of Science in Human Services with a specialization in Criminal Justice and a PhD in Human Services with a Counseling specialization, both from Capella University.

Dr. Nicholson has worked as a social worker and in social services for many years. She served as a senior quick decision disability case examiner for Disability Determination Services for Social Security. She has worked as a Child Protective Service Worker and a Child Crisis Worker in shelter placement too. Prior to all of her social work and human services experience, she served as a paid paramedic for 10 years while working her way through college as a single parent. Dr. Nicholson continues to actively serve her community as a volunteer firefighter, public safety project coordinator, and grant writer.

Dr. Nicholson is passionate about taking care of the mental health and well-being of public safety professionals. She has published and presented across the country on the topics of PTSD, compassion fatigue, and responding to our fallen brethren. When she isn't teaching, lecturing, researching, or counseling, Dr. Nicholson is a world traveler, a Scuba diver, and an animal rescuer.

"I have always believed in the value of higher education in the field of public safety. I worked my way through school as a single parent working the midnight shift as a paramedic. If I can share my experiences, knowledge, and dedication with other field professionals, maybe I can encourage them to take the leap of faith too."



