STUDENT & ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE

Enderis Hall
at HBSSW
March 8, 2018

A casual event for students & alumni to socialize and learn about careers in SOCIAL WORK and CRIMINAL JUSTICE
STAY CONNECTED! Join the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare Alumni Chapter.

Our chapter connects members of the social welfare community with one another. Meetings cover community work, fundraising, goals for the year, and more.

The chapter can help you have a positive impact on the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare, as well as your career and community.

uwm.edu/socialwelfare/alumni-chapter
Welcome to the second Student and Alumni Open House at the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare.

Whether you’re a current student unsure of your career path, or an alumni who’s well-established in the social welfare community, we’re thrilled that you’re here!

If you’re a current or prospective student, please feel free to take your time exploring the 11th floor, which is home to Academic Advising as well as the Criminal Justice Department. Individuals from both departments of the school (Criminal Justice and Social Work) as well as alumni working in many areas of these two disciplines, are available to answer any questions you may have.

If you’re here as alumni, we warmly welcome you back to your alma mater. We appreciate you taking time out of your busy work day to mingle with our students, faculty and staff. This is an invaluable experience for students to meet alumni and learn more about where their degree can take them. Thank you for reaching out to help make a difference in the academic lives of our students.

These exchanges among students, alumni, faculty and staff, lend context to our daily efforts, be they academic or professional. This is a great group of people who contribute extensively to the community and beyond. Thank you for joining us!

Sincerely,

Stan Stojkovic
Dean, Helen Bader School of Social Welfare
Professor, Criminal Justice
We reached out to alumni to learn more about what they’ve been doing since graduating.

Sharon Azinger | MSW

Master’s Degree in Social Work; Certificate in Gerontology
Employer: Stowell Associates
Position: Care Manager

More about Sharon:
• Sharon is an associate lecturer for the Center for Aging and Translational Research at UW-Milwaukee
• Received bachelor’s degree in Health Science from UWM
• Completed field placement at the State of Wisconsin - Division of Quality Assurance Department of Health Services - Bureau of Assisted Living
• Case manager student intern at Milwaukee Christian Center

Gary Christianson
MSW, LCSW
Master’s Degree in Social Work
Position: Consultant, community volunteer, board member

More about Gary:
• Worked in inpatient and outpatient mental health and alcohol and drug dependency programs
• Worked in a private practice
• Interested in technologies and strategies that address Alzheimer’s and traumatic brain injury

Thomas R. Eells
B.S. Criminal Justice

Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice
Retired December 31, 2016

More about Thomas:
• Patrol Officer and Detective, City of Glendale Police Department, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin (1974-1987)
Thomas R. Eells (cont.)

• Worked for Wisconsin Electric Power Company from 1987 to 2016 (DBA: We Energies) in Corporate Security

• Managed the access authorization and fitness for duty programs for Point Beach Nuclear Plant

• Chairman, Edison Electric Institute Security Committee

• Promoted to Manager Corporate Security for WEC Energy Group following the acquisition of Integrys Energy, June 2015, managing a staff of 12 security employees located in Green Bay, Milwaukee and Chicago delivering security services in Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois and Minnesota

Richard Franz
B.S. Criminal Justice

Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice and Psychology with a Certificate in Crime Analysis

Employer: Milwaukee Police Department

Position: Crime Analyst

More about Richard:

• Specializes in analyzing ballistic evidence as a National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) technician

• Created a community mapping project through UWM for the Pan-African Community Association (PACA) and International Institute of Wisconsin (IIW) to help with the relocation of refugees

Once a Panther, Always a Member

As a graduate, you’ve earned your place as a member of the UWM Alumni Association. Stay connected to UWM and the growing alumni network of 178,000 worldwide graduates by participating in alumni events and programs.
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Helen Bader School of Social Welfare

MSW Areas of Concentration:
- Applied Gerontology
- Family and Child Welfare
- Physical Health
- Mental Health

Coursework for State of Wisconsin Credentials:
- Substance Abuse Counseling
- School Social Work

Graduate Certificates:
- Trauma-Informed Care
- Applied Gerontology
- Nonprofit Management
- Women’s Studies

Coordinated Master’s Degrees:
- Social Work and Women’s Studies

The mission of the UWM MSW Program is to prepare advanced social work practitioners who can promote positive change through social work practice, advocacy, education, research, and leadership.
**Dolly Grimes-Johnson | MSW**  
Master’s Degree in Social Work  
**Employer:** Sojourner Family Peace Center  
**Position:** Director  

*More about Dolly:*  
- Dolly received her second master’s degree in Rehabilitation Services  
- She has worked at Sojourner for more than 30 years  
- 2016 HBSSW Alumni of the Year

**Jean Hudlett | MSW**  
Master’s Degree in Social Work  
**Employer:** Retired from Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin

**Victoria Jackson | MSW, APSW**  
Master’s Degree in Social Work  
**Employer:** Empathia, Inc.  
**Position:** Therapist at Adkins Counseling  

*More about Victoria:*  
- Victoria provides relationship coaching, motivational speaking and empowerment workshops

**Drew Kwaterski**  
M.S. Criminal Justice  
Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice  
**Employer:** Milwaukee County District Attorney’s Office  
**Position:** Witness Protection Analyst

*More about Drew:*  
- Previously held a position as AODA counselor at Community Advocates  
- “I am a community advocate committed to mentoring and counseling, crisis prevention and intervention.”

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Victoria Jackson (cont.)  
- Previously held a position as AODA counselor at Community Advocates  
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Shalonda Leflore | MSW, APSW
Master’s Degree in Social Work
Employer: St. Charles Youth and Family Services, Mobile Urgent Treatment Team
Position: Psychiatric Crisis Social Worker

More about Shalonda:
• Previously worked as a Wraparound Care Coordinator at St. Aemilian-Lakeside/Center for Child and Family Services
• Energy Crisis Case manager at Social Development Commission
• Care Coordinator at Independent Care Health Plan (iCare)

Ken Meuler
M.S. Criminal Justice

Employer: City of West Bend Police, January 2003-present; City of Milwaukee Police (1974-2003)
Position: Chief of Police

More about Ken:
• Taught Criminal Justice Courses at either M.A.T.C. or UWM from 1987 to 2017
• Involved in youth service organizations for over 30 years, including board member and past president of Boys and Girls Clubs of Washington County for the past 15 years
• Married to Sue, a nurse at St. Joseph’s Hospital in Milwaukee for over 40 years; have 3 children and 7 grandchildren

Antwayne Robertson | MSW

Master’s Degree in Social Work
Employer: Waukesha County Health and Human Services Department
Position: Director

More about Antwayne:
• Family first is my foundation. I am a husband of 31 years and a father who truly values the relationship with my son and daughter.
• I am passionate in the area of helping those in need, with a special emphasis on community unity, wellbeing and quality of life. I believe a strong community is only as strong as its families, friends and neighbors.
Growing up in a single parent home with all the trauma that I was exposed to, there are two quotes by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that guided me through my professional career: 'Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education' and 'A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus but a molder of consensus.'

- Antwayne Robertson

Carolyn Ruck
LCSW
Master’s Degree in Social Work

Employer:
Owner and psychotherapist at her own outpatient clinic

More about Carolyn:
• Graduated from Alverno college in 1982, double major: Business Management and Communications
• Worked the front lines for a non-profit agency, 3 years at AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin in the early 1990s
• Worked the corporate life for 18 years at a national EAP as a counselor, consultant and eventually as a team manager

Lisa Schiller
B.S. Criminal Justice

Employer: Better Business Bureau Serving Wisconsin

Position: Director of Investigations and Media Relations

More about Lisa:
• Worked in the field of consumer issues, white collar crime matters and investigating
• At the BBB, she’s working to advance marketplace trust between buyers and sellers and promoting informed buying decisions
• 2004 Emmy award winner and has won first place for investigations by the Milwaukee Press Club and the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association
• She is a member of the Wisconsin Fraud Investigators Association (WAFI), the Latino Fraud Fighters Coalition, The North American Consumer Protection Investigators (NACPI), the Wisconsin Fraud Task Force, the Franklin Police Citizens Academy Alumni, and the F.B.I. Citizens Academy Alumni
• She is a 2012 graduate of the Franklin Police Citizens Academy and a 2014 graduate of the Milwaukee F.B.I. Citizens Academy
Jason Sharp  
B.S. Criminal Justice

Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice  
Employer: DOE’s Nuclear Security Administration/Honeywell FM&T Contract  
Position: Senior Specialist, Engineering Support, National Defense, & Project Management

More about Jason:  
• Directly supports our nation’s Nuclear Security Mission at the Kansas City National Security Campus  
• Supports Insider Threat and Counterintelligence Operations  
• Continues to work with at-risk youth within various Kansas City, Missouri organizations

Niel Thoreson  
B.S. Criminal Justice

Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice  
Employer: Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Division of Community Corrections  
Position: Regional Chief of Region 3 (Milwaukee County)

More about Niel:  
• Worked as a bilingual Probation and Parole Agent (Spanish) in Milwaukee for the Division of Community Corrections  
• Co-facilitated batterer’s intervention programming for the Sojourner Family Peace Center’s Beyond Abuse program  
• Currently serves as an executive committee member of the Milwaukee Community Justice Council and the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Academic Advising

Academic and curriculum advising is offered to all students enrolled in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare, as well as to prospective transfer students from other universities or UWM programs who are interested in the criminal justice and social work majors and degree programs. Visit us often!
30th annual
CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Career Day
March 27

UWM Student Union Ballroom
Tuesday, March 27, 2018 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Open to Criminal Justice majors, pre-majors, alumni and UWM students curious about Criminal Justice (No RSVP needed)

Questions?
Contact
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Quinn Wilder | MSW

Master’s degree in Social Work; ABD in Urban Education Doctoral Program, focus on Learning and Development

Employer: Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership
Position: Statewide Educator for Out of Home Child Welfare Staff/ Caregivers

More about Quinn:
• Bio-Parent and Foster/Adoptive Parent
• Advocate/Educator with Wisconsin Afterschool Network
• Quaker Teen Group Leader
• History of Environmental, Housing and Economic Activism in Riverwest

Laura Lyn Willkomm | BSW, CSW

Bachelor’s degree in Social Work; Certified Social Worker
Employer: Aging and Disability Resource Center of Racine County

More about Laura:
• Enrolled in the MSW program fall 2016 to present; MSW area of concentration: Gerontology
• Areas of interest: Gerontology, Hospice Care and Medical Social Work
• Certified Information and Referral Specialist 2010-Present
• Accepted into the Golden Key International Honor Society, May 2017
• HBSSW Alumni Chapter Member 2014 to present; President 2015-2017
• Social Service Director, Heritage Nursing Home, 2009-2010

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Laura Voith | PhD
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare
Employer: Case Western Reserve University
Position: Assistant Professor

More about Laura:

- Laura's dissertation was titled, “Exploring the Relationship Between Neighborhood and Intimate Partner Violence.”
- She is using work from her dissertation to develop and test novel interventions that engage boys and men to help end violence against women.
- She developed a Community Trauma and Resilience practice course, as part of a master’s-level trauma certificate.

Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare

This program is designed to prepare students to become faculty members and/or researchers in social work or criminal justice.

PhD Specializations:
- Applied Gerontology
- Criminal Justice
- Family and Child Welfare
- Health and Behavioral Health

Questions? Contact Dr. Pate: pated@uwm.edu

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