



Madera Community College Criminology Program  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 13, 2021  
2:00 – 3:00 pm

Members present: George Cartwright (chair), Gloria Garcia, Dino Lawson, Sally Moreno, Bill Ward, Michael Velek

**I. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order, via Zoom, by George Cartwright at 2:01 pm.

**II. Crim Program Updates**

Madera Community College is adding two new classes to the catalog. Crim 9 – Advanced Criminal Investigations and Crim 16 – Forensic Photography. In the Spring 2022, we plan to add a new Criminology Certificate of Achievement in Crime Scene Investigation. It was approved unanimously by the members. A new full-time Crim instructor position has been requested. We will know if the request has been accepted by November. The next discussion panel titled, A Conversation with Local Police has been scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2021 from 6-7:30 pm.

**III. Rebuilding Partnerships Post COVID**

Madera PD and Madera SO have internships for students available.

**IV. Agency Reports**

Madera PD is hiring officers, dispatchers, code enforcement, and records. They are having trouble finding and hiring qualified candidates. Fresno PD have to hire 150 new officers, so the agency is taking up all the seats at the police academy. Madera Probation Dept. is hiring for juvenile detention officers. They are seeing many candidates are failing the background process. Madera Probation is interested in recruiting in Crim classes.

**V. Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 pm.