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South Suburban College to Host Legal Studies Virtual Open Houses in May

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL– South Suburban College is hosting three Virtual Open Houses in May for its Legal Studies Programs of Court Reporting, Paralegal and Criminal Justice System. All of SSC's Virtual Open House links are accessible from ssc.edu/info. Attendees can access the Open House via Zoom or call in to participate and become informed about exciting career pathways with significant expected employment growth.

SSC's Court Reporting/Verbatim Technology Program is offering a FREE Court Reporting A to Z class this summer, starting June 7th. The Court Reporting Virtual Open House will take place on Thursday, May 6th at 7 p.m. Court reporting is an interesting, challenging profession which offers a wide-open job market, flexible work schedule, and excellent income potential. Sophisticated technology has created exciting work in broadcast captioning and stenointerpreting. Court reporters and captioners can earn well over \$80,000 per year, according to Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data.

SSC's Paralegal/Legal Assistant Program is hosting its Virtual Open House on Tuesday, May 18th at 7 p.m. Information will be provided about the curriculum – a 60-hour Associate Degree program and a 39-hour Certificate – designed to prepare students to become highly trained paralegals and legal assistants. Graduates are equipped with the knowledge, skills and credentials to work in a variety of legal environments. SSC has the only American Bar Association (ABA) approved paralegal program in the Chicago Southland and Northwest Indiana region, arming graduates with a significant advantage entering the workforce. Paralegal job opportunities are expected to grow more than 10% and the median annual salary is \$53,000.

SSC's Criminal Justice System Program is hosting its Virtual Open House on Monday, May 17th at 7 p.m. The CJS Program is designed for individuals seeking employment with, or upgrading skills for police agencies, correctional facilities, or security companies. The field of law enforcement and criminal justice is an exciting and rewarding career choice with the 2020 annual median salary over \$67,000 in the field.

For more information about the Court Reporting/Verbatim Technology Program, please contact LaTherese Cooke, Court Reporting Coordinator at (708) 596-2000, ext. 3217 or email LCooke@ssc.edu. For more information about the Paralegal or CJS Programs, please contact Becky Walters, J.D., Paralegal Studies and Criminal Justice Program Coordinator at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2579 or email bwalters@ssc.edu.

Summer and Fall Registration are open at SSC. Summer classes begin Monday, June 7th. Future SSC students can access more information, registration services, or *Live Chat* with SSC staff from ssc.edu.

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