



## **Criminology Alumnus Receives Fulbright Teaching Award**

Lauren Shumate, an alumnus of the University of South Florida's Criminology Department (College of Behavioral and Community Sciences) has received a Fulbright Teaching Assistantship at the University of Nis in Serbia.

Ms. Shumate will serve as a teaching assistant for various courses, including American Studies and English through Debate, at the University of Nis for ten months beginning in August 2011. Shumate credits this honor and her success at USF to her parents and professors, along with her tennis coaches and teammates, who encouraged her pursuit of academic excellence. She describes her USF experience as "Unforgettable!" After completing her Fulbright, Shumate will pursue a Master's Degree in Political Science at USF. After that she plans to attend law school, concentrating on legal issues involving human rights.

Founded in 1946, the Fulbright Program is funded by the United States government and coordinated by the Institute of International Education. This world-renowned exchange program increases mutual understanding between United States citizens and peoples of other countries. Participants are selected for their academic merit and leadership potential. Once overseas, they have rich and varied opportunities to study, teach, and conduct research in their chosen field. By nurturing open-minded, thoughtful leaders both domestically and abroad, this unique program promotes bi-national cooperation on issues of international importance.

***Congratulations to Lauren Shumate!***

