

# UT Martin Criminal Justice Class Visits Jackson Courthouse



On September 26, 2023, Dr. Cindy Boyles, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at the University of Tennessee at Martin, organized a visit to the Court for the students in her *Courts* class. The group observed courtroom proceedings before U.S. District Judge S. Thomas Anderson, heard from representatives from the U.S. Attorneys' Office, Federal Public Defender's Office, U.S. Probation and Pretrial Office, and the U.S. Marshal's Service. The students had the opportunity to speak with U.S. District Judge S. Thomas Anderson and U.S. Magistrate Judge Jon A. York and to tour the Clerk's Office, Grand Jury Room, and the U.S. Marshal's security control room, finger printing area, and lock-up. The Judges also took pictures alongside each of the students and Dr. Boyle.







Supervising Assistant U.S. Attorney Hillary Lawler Parham speaks to the students about the role of the U.S. Attorney's Office.



Assistant Federal Public Defender Michael A. Chandra discusses being a defense attorney in the Federal Public Defender's Office.



U.S. Marshal Tyreece Miller lets students try out some U.S. Marshal gear.



U.S. Pretrial and Probation Chief Bruce Weidner and Sentencing Guideline Specialist Leigh Ann Davidson talk about their duties.



Judges Anderson and York engage the students in discussion about the proceedings they observed earlier that day, the Federal Judiciary, and careers in the law.



Students spent a few minutes in a holding cell with U.S. Marshal Tyreece Miller.