In a recent article in this newsletter, Alfred Blumstein argues that the ASC should “restrict its advocacy role to those poli-
cies that accrue to the benefit of our field rather than to try to endorse public policies that inherently involve a conflict of values or
endorse particular research findings that might be contradicted by later replication or review” (2009:4). I concur with this view be-
cause the ASC is a professional organization whose purpose is to foster and disseminate criminological scholarship. This does not
preclude individual members from promoting specific public policies they are committed to; it simply draws a line between what is
considered an organizational activity and a personal or other group activity.

With that understanding, I believe that one issue that falls under the purview of the ASC is to find ways to help safeguard
and improve our national statistical system for crime and justice. This is not an activity that should be the responsibility
of one or several members. Instead, it is a task that the ASC should assume. In this article I draw on recommendations from two recent re-
ports of the National Research Council’s Committee on National Statistics that lay the foundation for thinking about how an organi-
zation such as the ASC might help fulfill this responsibility. It is important to disclose that I was as a member of the Panel to Re-
view the Programs of the Bureau of Justice Statistics that wrote these reports. What follows are my personal comments and not
those of the Panel or the NRC.

Case Study: The Near Demise of the National Crime Victimization Survey

To help illustrate the issues, I begin with an example of a recent threat to one of the nation’s key indicators of crime. Some criminologists are aware of the fact that in 2007, the Bureau of Justice Statistics released its annual report “Criminal Victimization, 2006” with the strongly-worded caution that the 2006 “national-level estimates were not comparable to estimates based on NCVS
data from previous years” (Rand and Catalano, 2007). This “break-in-series” for the 2006 victimization estimates was not planned,
instead it appeared unexpectedly (see also Groves and Cork, 2009: 88-91). The inability of the agency to fully understand the data
anomalies resulted from the decision to implement a series of cost-saving methodological changes simultaneously, including a cut in
sample size, the inclusion of data from unbounded interviews in estimates, the long-delayed, full implementation of computer-based
interviewing, and an updated sample based on 2000 Census results. The concurrent implementation of these changes made it diffi-
cult to fully parse the source of the discovered data anomalies. After additional study by BJS and the Census Bureau that included

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2009 CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS
For a complete listing see www.asc41.com/caw.html

COMBATING COUNTERFEITING (sponsored by the Fulbright Academy of Science and Technology), September 30 - October 2, 2009, Salzburg, Austria. For more info, please visit: www.FulbrightAcademy.org

FIRST ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CRIME, MEDIA & POPULAR CULTURE STUDIES CONFERENCE: A CROSS-DISCIPLINARY EXPLORATION, October 5 - 7, 2009, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana. For more info, please visit: www.indstate.edu/ccj/popcultureconference

FIRST ANNUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING, October 29-31, 2009, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE. Abstracts due February 28, 2009. For more information contact Roma Guerra (402-472-5733; rguerra2@unl.edu) or see http://conferences.unl.edu/trafficking.


AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY CONFERENCE 2009, November 22-25, 2009 in Perth, capital city of Western Australia. Further information can be found on http://www.anzsoc.org/.

THIRD ANNUAL ACADEMIC AND HEALTH POLICY CONFERENCE ON CORRECTIONAL HEALTH, December 3-4, 2009, Hilton Fort Lauderdale Hotel in Fort Lauderdale, FL. For more information, please visit: http://www.umassmed.edu/commed/ch_conference09/index.aspx

APROS CONFERENCE, December 6 - 9, 2009, Monterrey, Mexico. For more information, please visit: http://www.egade.itesm.mx/apros2009/index.html

NOMINATIONS FOR 2010 ASC AWARD

OUTSTANDING ARTICLE AWARD

The Outstanding Article Award in ASC honors exceptional contributions made by scholars in article form. The Award is given annually for a peer-reviewed article published in the previous calendar year.

The 2009-10 Outstanding Article Award Committee is accepting nominations for articles published in 2008. The committee automatically considers all articles published last year in Criminology and in Criminology and Public Policy. Accordingly, we are soliciting nominations for this award for articles appearing in other journals. Please send your nomination, with a brief statement regarding why the article should receive the award, by December 31, 2009 to:

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data from the following year, it appears that the anomalies were a short-term problem that largely affected rural areas due to the hiring of new interviewers to cover the different sample areas. The most recent annual report “Criminal Victimization, 2007” states that “there is a high degree of confidence that survey estimates for 2007 are consistent with and comparable to those for 2005 and previous years” (Rand, 2008: 2). But the fact remains that the 2006 NCVS data were unexpectedly problematic and cannot be used as fully intended because the separate effects of the multiple changes cannot be determined. This is the first time in the survey’s 35 year history that an event such as this occurred.

Why did this happen? The key reason was the need for cost-cutting measures due to budget constraints. BJS was unable to adequately plan for and fully assess these methodological changes because it did not have a budget that was sufficient for properly maintaining the NCVS. Since 1981, the agency has operated with essentially little change in its budget, while the costs of data collection have increased and the agency has been tasked with many additional data collections. The NCVS is by far the agency’s most expensive data collection, thus it is not surprising that efforts to control costs were repeatedly taken against this data series. The consequences of persistent under-funding of the NCVS have been described as a “death from a thousand cuts.” According to the NRC Panel, “At some point, the basic goals of a survey cannot be met under restricted funding. The country deserves to know this when it is occurring” (Groves and Cork, 2008: 121).

The NCVS is not the only national data series that has experienced significant sample cuts over time or other changes due to budgetary restrictions. The NRC Panel notes that, like the physical infrastructure (e.g., roads, bridges), the statistical infrastructure of the United States also has been allowed to decay. The appropriations process for adequate funding of physical infrastructure maintenance is not something that tends to be covered in the news media unless there is a tragedy, and it is even less newsworthy when the lack of funding affects key national indicators of social phenomena. One rarely hears of politicians promoting their continued support of the federal statistical system during election campaigns, nor is there a readily apparent constituency that makes their concern about these issues known.

Moreover, over the years there have been instances when the House, Senate, or President’s requests for funding of crime and justice statistics have been so inadequate that they went beyond merely allowing the infrastructure to crumble and threatened the existence of key data series such as the NCVS. For example, several years ago, the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) informed ASC members that the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies had recommended that BJS receive less than one-third of its typical annual budget. If this recommendation had been followed, it would have had devastating effects on crime and justice statistics, and likely would have forced the agency to immediately discontinue the collection of NCVS data. Once data series cease, they are difficult and expensive to resume. With support from COSSA, several persons visited the staff of members of the appropriations committee to educate them about what the loss of the NCVS and other data might mean. It was clear from the meeting that the staffers did not know, for example, that the victimization survey provided information about crimes not reported to the police, or details about the consequences of crime for victims. Sometime after the meeting, this particular appropriations “mistake” was corrected. But it is not clear whether any adjustments would have been made if not for this meeting. This episode provides criminologists with important lessons about the somewhat mysterious political processes involved in appropriating monies for crime and justice statistics, as well as research funding. It shows how easy it would be to eliminate important data series if Congress simply does not appropriate the funds for their existence, and how critical it is to keep a close watch on the appropriations process.

Recommendations from the National Research Council

In July of this year, the National Research Council released a report that assesses the nation’s statistics on crime and justice entitled “Ensuring the Quality, Credibility, and Relevance of U.S. Justice Statistics” (Groves and Cork, 2009). An earlier and related report focused specifically on issues related to the operations of the NCVS (Groves and Cork, 2008). There are numerous recommendations in each of these reports and it is beyond the scope of this essay to cover them in-depth, however I urge criminologists who are interested in the nation’s statistical system to consult these volumes. Both reports target their recommendations to the Bureau of Justice Statistics and more generally to the federal government and the public. Suggestions about how professional organizations such as the ASC might play a role in efforts to safeguard and improve crime and justice statistics are not provided in the reports. However, the logic of the recommendations suggests potential avenues for consideration.

Several themes arise from the report recommendations, including the need for agency independence from political interference, the value of advisory and stakeholder groups, and the importance of budget appropriations. Attention to all of these issues is critical, according to the report, to “ensuring the quality, credibility, and relevance” of any statistical system. The ASC should develop mechanisms that specifically attend to the use and production of data about crime and justice.
Specific suggestions for the ASC and its members

Below are some simple and practical suggestions for how the ASC and its members might become more informed and involved in safeguarding and improving the nation’s statistics on crime and justice.

1. Increase the flow of information between the Bureau of Justice Statistics and the ASC.

Many criminologists know little about the agency beyond the data and publications that they access through the BJS website, while others are much more familiar with its operations. Very few know about the impact of budget constraints. I believe it would be very useful to ask the agency to keep in regular contact with the ASC to provide information about on-going issues, new data developments, and potential problems. Currently, BJS has a formalized relationship with the American Statistical Association through the ASA’s Committee on Law and Justice Statistics, but not with the ASC. A relationship with the ASC could take a variety of structural forms -- the purpose is to increase the availability of important information. For example, it might include asking a BJS representative to present a brief report to the ASC Executive Board at the annual meeting, or to participate in a regular session in which the agency and ASC membership can discuss various issues. It might also include ASC participation in a formal scientific advisory group as suggested by Todd Clear in his recent essay about ASC policy efforts (Clear, 2009). Or, it may include ASC participation in a less formal, but routinely engaged committee, such as that run by the American Statistical Association.

2. Increase the flow of information about the appropriations process to interested members of the ASC.

COSSA, of which the ASC is a member, keeps a close eye on the appropriations process and issues a bi-weekly newsletter that provides details about the status of proposed budgets for social science research. It also provides written testimony to various committees about the importance of adequate funding. (For further information, go to www.cossa.org.) As noted above, it was COSSA that organized the meetings that helped correct the budgetary “mistake” that would have slashed the budget for BJS. One way that the ASC can facilitate the sharing of appropriations information is to provide email information for listserves that interested members can opt into depending on their desired level of involvement in the issue. One tier of involvement might include members who are interested in receiving an email version of the newsletter directly from COSSA. A second tier might include members who are willing to be contacted to respond en masse to a particular issue by, perhaps, contacting their Congressional representatives’ office to voice their opinion about the issue. A third tier might include members who are willing to do more, such as visit their representatives (or more likely, their staffers) to educate them about particular issues. This kind of activity is particularly useful if an ASC member lives in a state whose representatives serve on the appropriations subcommittees. (To learn more about who is a member of the relevant Senate and House subcommittees, go to http://appropriations.senate.gov/commerce.cfm and http://appropriations.house.gov/subcommittees/sub_cjs.shtml.) The email information for participation in this information exchange can be updated regularly, by using a check-off box during ASC membership signup and renewal.

3. Keep in touch with your congressional representatives.

Another way for members to directly participate is to simply let their elected officials know that the work of BJS (or any other federal agency or activity) is important to them. This can be done by calling the local office, or visiting with staffers, or through mail or email communications. If staffers have heard about important research on a particular topic that would not have been possible without federally sponsored data, they are likely to learn something and remember the discussion when it comes time to discuss relevant appropriations. These communications also signal the representative that they have constituents who care and are keeping tabs on these issues.

Summary

The above suggestions provide a list of activities that the ASC is not currently doing but could do in order to help safeguard and perhaps improve national crime and justice statistics. How would such activities have helped in the case described above? Repeated underfunding may be lessened if Congressional representatives were more aware of the fact that high quality data on crime and justice are important to criminologists, necessary for evidence-based social policies, and essential to the country. Potential acute budget crises, such as the slashing of an agency’s budget may be less likely to happen if it is known that there is a large and vocal constituency monitoring the appropriations process. In fact, COSSA did contact ASC members to help avert this crisis. However, the number of ASC members who are available to help has been limited and additional involvement could facilitate mass responses about issues such as budget appropriations or political interference with federal statistics and research. It would also increase the pool of members available for each state represented on the appropriations subcommittees. Increased interactions between ASC and BJS can help improve the nation’s data by promoting a greater exchange of ideas about substantive and methodological improvements to existing data on victims, policing, adjudication, corrections, and recidivism, as well as fruitful suggestions for advancing important new data collections in areas such as white collar crime.
Of course, even if one agrees that federal support for crime and justice statistics has been insufficient in recent years, these are very difficult economic times. Appropriations decisions must be made in particular social and economic contexts, but should always consider the value of data and research in light of the enormous costs of crime and the criminal justice system. Consider the comments of President Obama at an April 27, 2009 speech at the National Academy of Sciences: “At such a difficult moment, there are those who say we cannot afford to invest in science, that support for research is somehow a luxury at moments defined by necessities. I fundamentally disagree. Science is more essential for our prosperity, our security, our health, our environment, and our quality of life than it has ever been before.” That is as true of crime and justice statistics and research as any other scientific endeavor.

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CRIMINOLOGY

Call for Editor

The American Society of Criminology (ASC) invites applications for the position of Editor of *Criminology*, one of its official journals. The new Editor will be responsible for three volumes beginning with the February 2012 issue. It is anticipated that new manuscript submissions will transfer to the new Editor around November 2010. ASC is considering an integrated system of electronic manuscript submission and review for its journals and the new Editor is expected to benefit from this process.

The Editor is responsible for the timely and substantive output of the journal, including the solicitation of manuscripts, supervision of the peer review process and the final selection of articles for publication. The American Society of Criminology pays for copy-editing and final proof-reading, typesetting, providing PDF files, and up to $35,000 per year toward full-time equivalent Managing Editor/graduate student assistance. The Editor’s supporting institution might propose to provide office space, file storage, equipment, and funds to cover office expenses such as postage, phone, copying, additional graduate student assistance, and release time for the Editor. ASC will provide a $5,000 honorarium to the Editor each year. Supporting institutions may propose to assume some of the expenses now provided by the ASC.

Interested applicants may contact the current Editor, Denise Gottfredson (dgottfredson@crim.umd.edu; 301-405-4717) for additional information regarding the logistics or operational details of editing and producing the journal. Applicants are welcome to contact Cheryl Maxson, Chair, ASC Publications Committee (cmaxson@uci.edu; 949/824-5150), to discuss their applications before submission.

Application materials should include (1) a statement of editorial philosophy, (2) resumes of all proposed personnel, including the Editor and Associate Editors, and (3) assurances and details of institutional support. **Eight CD’s** containing application materials should be sent to:

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Applications must be received by **March 1, 2010**.

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**2009 ASC OFFICER ELECTION RESULTS**

2010-2011 President - Steve Messner

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AROUND THE ASC

*The journal, Violence Against Women, is pleased to announce the winners of the 2008 Best Article Award. They are Cathy McDaniels-Wilson and Joanne Belknap. Their article, "The Extensive Sexual Violation and Sexual Abuse Histories of Incarcerated Women," appeared in the October 2008 issue of the journal.

*Robert Heimer (Yale University) and Wilson R. Palacios (University of South Florida) have been awarded a diversity research supplement,"Environmental Factors in HIV Transmission among Suburban IDUs," from the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

*Queen’s University Belfast’s (QUB) School of Law congratulates its Ph.D. graduates. QUB Ph.D. Louise Mallinder received the British Society of Criminology (BSC) Book Prize in 2009. Last year, the same award was won by QUB Ph.D. Anne-Marie McAlinden. The BSC Prize for Best Article was given to Clare Dwyer, a QUB Ph.D. student was well, and QUB Ph.D. Anna Eriksson was awarded the 2009 New Scholar of the Year Award by the Australia and New Zealand Society of Criminology. The School is very proud of their achievements.

*Hon. Charles B. Stratford has been recognized by Cambridge’s Who’s Who for success in juvenile legal services.

*Denise Paquette Boots has received a Regents’ Outstanding Teacher Award from The University of Texas System.

*FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

• The Florida State University College of Criminology and Criminal Justice faculty is proud to announce the newest addition to the College. Sonja Siennick joined the College this fall as an assistant professor. Siennick’s research interests include crime and deviance, the life course, and quantitative methods. One of her most recent publications (with Jeremy Staff) is “Explaining the Educational Deficits of Delinquent Youths.” Criminology 46: 609–635.

• The College is also proud to recognize several of its own for recent honors:
  * Professor Kevin Beaver received this year’s ASC Young Scholars Award.
  * “The Labeling of Convicted Felons” published in Criminology and authored by professors Ted Chiricos and Bill Bales and Ph.D. graduates Kelle Barrick and Stephanie Bontrager won this year’s ASC Outstanding Paper Award.
  * The FSU criminology program was identified as the number one Ph.D. program based on total grant dollars in “Rainmakers: The Most Successful Criminal Justice Scholars and Departments in Research Grant Acquisition” (Journal of Criminal Justice Education 20: 40–55). Dean Tom Blomberg was shown to be one of the top 10 criminology scholars for the amount of research grant money he secures.
  * Ph.D. student Kevin Wang was awarded a National Institute of Justice Graduate Research Fellowship, a distinction granted to just six U.S. scholars this year.
  * The American Society of Victimology selected FSU criminologist Bill Doerner as the recipient of this year’s John P.J. Dussich Award, acknowledging Doerner’s significant contributions to the field of victimology and victim services.
**Staff Profiles**

- **Karen Brennan PhD**
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- **Clare Dwyer BA, MSSc**
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- **Graham Ellison PhD**
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- **Ruth Jamieson MPhil**
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- **Kieran McEvoy PhD**
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- **Pete Shirlow PhD**
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THE ASC ANNOUNCES A NEW DIVISION!

The Division of Experimental Criminology

The Executive Board of the American Society of Criminology has established a new Division of Experimental Criminology. The purpose of the Division shall be “the promotion and improvement of experimental evidence and methods in the advancement of criminological theory and evidence-based crime policy.”

Underpinning the establishment of the new Division of Experimental Criminology is the growing conduct, synthesis and theoretical use of randomized experiments by ASC members. This is indicated by several facts:

- The founding of the Academy of Experimental Criminology in 1998, whose 50 Fellows meet annually at ASC for a dinner and open ASC panel sessions (see http://www.crim.upenn.edu/aec/)
- The founding of the Campbell Crime and Justice Group in 2000, which has completed 18 full systematic reviews of experimental and quasi-experimental evidence (see http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/reviews_crime_justice/index.php)
- The founding of the Journal of Experimental Criminology in 2005,
- The growing and over-room-capacity attendance at all Academy of Experimental Criminology events held at ASC in the past three years,
- The growing interest among graduate students in experimental methods, and
- The increasing interest among ASC members in offering rigorous evidence on policy effectiveness as manifest in articles in Criminology & Public Policy.

The field of experimental criminology is unified by the practical and theoretical problems in designing, delivering, analyzing, interpreting and synthesizing randomized controlled field experiments. This unity is clear in the standard objectives of such designs as required by the multi-disciplinary CONSORT statement (see http://www.consort-statement.org/). It is also clear that there are great complexities and challenges in delivering high-quality experiments under the standards of field research set by the CONSORT statement organization. These problems provided fertile ground for the coming together of an intellectual community that will now be recognized and supported in the form of an ASC Division.

Dues for the 2010 membership year are to be announced.

The New Division will host a meeting for new and existing members at the forthcoming ASC meetings in Philadelphia. Please check the program for time, date and location details.

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A JUSTICE PLANNER COMMENTS ON THE UTILITY OF SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT

A Response to Shaun L. Gabbidon’s essay on the utility of scholarly publications in criminology/criminal justice (*The Criminologist, Vol. 34, No. 4*)

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I thoroughly enjoyed reading Shaun Gabbidon’s recent essay in *The Criminologist* on the utility of scholarly publications. It was well researched and exceptionally written, and I was most intrigued with what types of publications professors feel make the most influence on policy makers.

That's because my colleagues and I work on the front lines of criminal justice policy. As staff to a criminal justice strategic planning/coordinating committee, we work only on pressing policy issues that have some significant impact on our criminal justice system. I'm the token lawyer of the bunch, but we have a couple of Ph.D.'s and a few masters level policy-types, too. I can tell you from experience that when faced with some real-world issue (such as jail crowding), we assemble and present information from all sources, whether it be a textbook, journal, or magazine article. Criminal justice coordinating committees and staff are pretty rare things across the country, but they are growing -- two of us in this office also work with the National Institute of Corrections to promote their growth.

I have only two concerns with the typical scholarly publications that I see. First, they sometimes deal with issues that are interesting, but of little value to what we actually do and care about in our criminal justice system. I was probably fascinated with one theory or other of delinquency when I was in graduate school, but these days I am looking for practical research that I can use to persuade others to change policy. If there is some real world application to many of the articles that I see in scholarly journals, I think that it could be articulated more forcefully (versus the typical statement that more research is required). Forgive me if you have written on such topics, but the most aggravating to me are those articles providing research on what someone "feels," "perceives," or "thinks about" when they are performing their roles in the system. I'm sure there is some value to these sorts of articles, but it really needs to be spelled out to me. My advice to all who publish on criminal justice topics is to seek out the policymakers first to find out what it is they are concerned with, and then let that guide the research. Right now, for example, the Pretrial Justice Institute has teamed up with the National Association of Counties to provide a guide for policy makers (mostly county commissioners) dealing with bail and pretrial release. There appear to be few, if any, decent scholarly articles dealing with the topic, but it is the one of the few big things we are most concerned about in Colorado.

Second, I would urge all persons who do research and who publish in the traditional sense to consider posting their work online for all to see. When I am working on a crucial topic, I will sift through an amazing amount of material. Unless the value of the research or article is readily apparent from the title or the abstract, I will not spend government money to find out what that value is.

In the meantime, the professors are probably right. Most policy makers do read their own industry magazines. Accordingly, if those who write for scholarly journals can articulate an important, real-world application for their research and then also get it into one of those industry publications (or just online), I think more of us would use it.
NIJ RESEARCH CONFERENCE HEARS HOLDER, KERLIKOWSKE

By Howard Silver, Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA)

The annual National Institute of Justice (NIJ) conference brings together researchers and practitioners, to discuss various aspects of law enforcement and corrections. This year’s event took place on June 15-17 in Arlington, VA. With the advent of the Obama Administration the two keynote speakers were Eric Holder, the new Attorney General, and Gil Kerlikowske, the new director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).

Holder, in brief remarks at lunch, stressed the Administration’s strong belief in the importance of research and technology to the mission of the Department of Justice (DOJ). Echoing President Obama, the Attorney General reiterated a commitment to science and evidence in public policy making. He indicated that prosecutors and other law enforcement officials are interested in scientific research. “Sound judgments must come from solid evidence,” he declared. He committed DOJ to seeking increased resources for science and technology.

Holder cited the results from an evaluation of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) that indicated that this research-based Bush Administration program has had significant effects on reducing violent crime in many places (for more about PSN see Update, February 9, 2009). He also mentioned research conducted by Carnegie Mellon Professor and former COSSA President Al Blumstein on the difficulties in obtaining employment by those released from prison (see below).

In earlier remarks, Laurie Robinson, Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs (home to NIJ), noted her commitment to the “integrity of research” at DOJ. She noted the steps she has taken to ensure the “independence” of NIJ and the Bureau of Justice Statistics to have final say over its own grants and publications and the dissemination of those publications. Acting NIJ Director Kristin Rose also spoke about the “renewed emphasis on research” at DOJ and the administration’s “belief in science.”

Speaking on the final day of the conference, Kerlikowske, the former Police Chief of Seattle, also noted the importance and his appreciation of rigorous, scientific methods to study crime and especially the relationship of drugs to crime.

Kerlikowske suggested “it is time to change the conversation” and that the nation’s drug control policy should turn its attention to prevention and treatment and focus on the demand side of the drug culture. Citing a report from the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse, run by former Health and Human Services Secretary Joseph Califano, which indicated that only two percent of spending on drug abuse in this country is on prevention and treatment, Kerlikowske said we must “rethink” our strategies.

It is time to treat addiction as a disease, Kerlikowske asserted, and start to leverage resources, use the states as incubators of programs, such as drug courts, and discover and fund effective treatments through comparative effectiveness research, which has major funding from the Obama Administration. We need to help people change their habits, he declared. In doing so, we must attend to the biological and psychological aspects of this disease. Similar to efforts at reducing domestic violence, law enforcement cannot be the only “official” actors, Kerlikowske indicated, doctors also need to learn to screen for this disease. He also called for the upgrading of data sets related to drugs, especially drug-related deaths.

In the next nine months, his office hopes to produce a new National Drug Control strategy that will make these changes. He is gathering input from all sources and he called NIJ “a valuable partner” in these efforts. In his talk, the nation’s new drug czar did not say much about the supply side of the drug problem, focusing his remarks to this audience on the demand problem.

Since he was mentioned by the Attorney General, Al Blumstein also got a chance to present his research at another session during the conference. Working with Kiminora Nakamura, a graduate student at Carnegie Mellon, he has investigated the impact of criminal background checks as a roadblock for many ex-offenders to obtain employment during their re-entry into society. With advances in information technology that have led to easily accessible computerized data of individual criminal records, employers increasingly worried about liability, have relied on these checks more than ever. Blumstein and Nakamura argue that ex-prisoners should reach a “redemption point” at which their criminal background should no longer act as an impediment to employment. They argue that when the hazard of rearrest declines with time clean. They examined crime types and age as measures of redemption and found that violent offenders and younger offenders have a lengthier time to redemption. They hope their research leads to the establishment of guidelines so that former prisoners do not continue to suffer punishment after they have paid their debt to society.

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At another session Jeremy Travis, former NIJ director and now President of John Jay College of Criminal Justice, appeared with a dozen or so colleagues to announce the formation of the National Network of Safe Communities. The network seeks to further implement the work of John Jay Professor David Kennedy in reducing violence and drug markets in communities. Kennedy’s strategy is to bring the criminals, usually identifiable gang-members, to meetings with their relatives, the police and community leaders, where the perpetrators are told to stop shooting each other and innocents and to stop selling drugs. At the same time the criminals are offered social services to help them change their lives. They are warned that if they do not cease their criminal activities, the consequences will be grave. Among those testifying to the success of Kennedy’s approach were Cincinnati Police Chief Tom Streicher, High Point, NC Police Chief Jim Fealy, Yale Law Professor Tracy Meares, and Nassau County, NY District Attorney Kathleen Rice. For a description of the program, especially with regard to Cincinnati, see the article “Don’t Shoot” by John Seabrook in The New Yorker, June 22, 2009. For more on the new network go to: www.nnscommunities.org.
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  Victimization; Gender and violent crime trends; Quantitative methods
Timothy Maher, Associate Teaching Professor (University of Missouri-St. Louis)
  Policing; Police deviance and sexual misconduct
Kristy Matsuda, Assistant Research Professor (University of California, Irvine)
  Youth violence and gangs; Comparative criminology; Impact of incarceration
Jody Miller, Professor (University of Southern California)
  Gender, crime, and victimization; Feminist theory; Cross-cultural and qualitative research
Andres F. Rengifo, Assistant Professor (CUNY Graduate Center – John Jay College)
  Communities and crime; Social networks; Sentencing and corrections policies
Richard Rosenfeld, Curators’ Professor (University of Oregon)
  Social sources of violent crime; Crime control policy; Crime trends
Lee A. Slocum, Assistant Professor (University of Maryland)
  Quantitative methods; Criminological theory; Individual patterns of offending over time
Terrance J. Taylor, Assistant Professor (University of Nebraska)
  Victimization; Youth violence and gangs; Race/ethnicity and crime
Richard Wright, Curators’ Professor (University of Cambridge)
  Offender decision-making; Drug markets; Cross-cultural and qualitative research

For more information, please visit:  http://www.umsl.edu/~ccj/
The Teaching Tips in this issue offer a variety of ways to engage students in learning. Mike Arter describes an approach that demonstrates the connections across disciplines. Mengyan Dai describes how to create a Wikipedia-like collaborative study aid. Nicole Hendrix suggests how to increase student reading via structured note-taking. And Mark Winton suggests using provocative questions to promote on-line discussion.

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**TEACHING TIP: A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH**

By Mike Arter  
Penn State University – Altoona

As academics we are challenged to effectively address difficult concepts required for upper level courses, as well as to stimulate critical thinking and analysis by our students. One method I have found effective in not only explicating difficult concepts, but also in adding greater depth to course materials, is to present concepts from an inter-disciplinary perspective. In order to provide my students a broad perspective from which to challenge “universal truths” imbed within our discipline, I bring in colleagues from disciplines that have an ancillary impact on current course topics.

We can’t challenge assumptions in one discipline without understanding the direct impact of others. Few academic issues can be considered in a vacuum. Each discipline is influenced by various factors – an academic “butterfly effect” if you will. Using a multi-perspective approach allows students to push past mere learning to actual understanding; for education over mere information transference.

The best example I can provide is in my Drugs of Abuse and Drug Control Policy course. Drug abuse is most often viewed as an outcome of hedonistic behavior and lack of willpower. Messages our students have received on this issue began in early childhood and are influenced by virtually every authority figure in their lives. Overcoming the often reductionistic and biased information held as absolute truths on this issue can be challenging. By bringing experts from other disciplines into the criminal justice classroom, drug abuse can be studied from a more holistic perspective.

I maintain close working relationships with colleagues in several disciplines at my university. When I cover the chemical processes of the brain and the process of addiction, I bring in a Biologist to explain the biochemical mechanisms that occur naturally and which are altered by drug ingestion. The Biologist’s expertise provides students with a deeper understanding beyond what my lack of direct experience in this area could provide. Students are enthusiastic of this teaching method and provide rave reviews of the time spent in this dual-discipline approach.

Conversely, when my colleague presents this information in her biology classes, I present the history and rationale of the drug policies we have experienced over the past century so her students can understand how this information is applied in the criminal justice system. This more complete perspective stimulates intense discussions and creates an environment which enhances critical thinking and analysis.

It is inspiring for those of us behind the podium to see the light go on in the eyes of one of our students as a connection is made. Once the mind begins to seek past the limitations of the unintentional academic restrictions of each program, critical thinking and analyses take place, better preparing students for engagement in effective citizenship and public scholarship. Students not only learn to see the larger picture, they understand the value of looking past the obvious to a more individual and, consequently, critical way of considering recondite social issues. This method allows students to challenge what always has been and to consider what could be.

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TEACHING TIP: USING WIKI TO IMPROVE STUDENT LEARNING  
By Mengyan Dai  
University of Baltimore

Wikipedia, as a web-based encyclopedia written by volunteers from all around the world, is very popular among students, but students may not know that they can create their own mini-wikipedia of criminal justice either for a certain topic or for an entire course. In my criminal justice and policing classes, I created a free wiki website for each one at www.pbworks.com and encouraged students to contribute entries every week. Instructors may find similar services at other providers’ websites, and there are different plans with advanced features to suit various needs.

In my criminal justice class, for example, I created a wiki webpage for each chapter, and provided a list of major points, key terms, and review questions to structure students’ responses. Students were encouraged to write at least one entry each week after the class. Wiki entries could be summaries of the chapter, definitions of key terms, answers to the review questions, responses to the entries of other students, and interesting empirical findings or case studies that student found from other sources. Students who successfully completed this requirement every week were rewarded extra credit.

One of the benefits of wiki was that after-class interactions between students were greatly promoted. They were involved in learning together by creating their own entries, reading others’ contributions, and writing responses in this virtual community. In fact, some student established the habit to log in the website everyday for updates. During interviews, students consistently expressed positive attitudes towards the use of wiki. They said that due to wiki, they were more familiar with the course materials and more likely to think critically. The outcome of these collaborative efforts also became a comprehensive study guide for the exams.

TEACHING TIP: STRUCTURED NOTE-TAKING ASSIGNMENT  
By Nicole Hendrix  
Radford University

One of the difficulties of teaching is to encourage students to read assigned materials before class. Beyond simply reading, it has proven more difficult to encourage students to critically and reflectively think about the materials they are assigned to read. This task has been especially demanding in classes that are typically more challenging for students, such as research methods. Therefore, to motivate and facilitate students’ learning, I have implemented an age old study strategy by developing a semester-long structured note-taking assignment.

This assignment requires students to take notes on assigned readings (e.g., textbook chapters, journal articles, periodicals) and to respond to questions about those readings before coming to class. Questions are designed to assist students with a range of attributes that are vital to the learning process. Thus, some questions ask students to recall information they have read or to reiterate important definitions and conceptual ideas. Other questions ask students to apply concepts from the readings or to analyze and evaluate points made by the authors.

Students are required to record their structured notes in a notebook that is randomly collected three times during the semester. Collecting notebooks three times assists them with remaining committed to the assignment and, more importantly, committed to learning the material. Students’ notebooks are evaluated both quantitatively and qualitatively. Quantitatively, notebooks are assessed to determine whether the student has recorded notes for all assigned readings and whether the student answered all of the related questions. Qualitatively, notebooks are assessed to determine the breadth and depth of information included within students’ notes as well as their responses to the related questions. Since students are asked to respond to questions before the material is covered in class, their answers are not evaluated based on whether they are right or wrong. Rather, they are evaluated based on their attempt at responding to the questions. This component is important as it alleviates the pressure for students to have obtained the right answer and allows them to focus on the process of learning.

This assignment has assisted me with identifying areas of confusion for students and also provided students with shared experiences related to course content, both of which assist in the development of an effective learning environment. Overall, I have found this exercise to be very useful in a variety of classes, particularly those with challenging content. Students tend to engage in class more regularly and formulate questions from the assigned readings, which allows for more discussion in class. Students are also able to move more quickly through the material and are better equipped to explore concepts related to criminology and criminal justice outside of the specific reading assignments.
TEACHING TIP: WHAT WOULD YOU DO?
By Mark A. Winton
University of Central Florida

The primary goal of this assignment is to address ethical decision making that frequently occurs in criminal justice work. Students in my criminal justice graduate genocide course have the option of answering the following question as part of their online assignments:

In the book, The Sunflower, Simon Wiesenthal asks us to address a difficult situation. He presents a story in which a dying Nazi soldier who had participated in the Holocaust asks Mr. Wiesenthal for forgiveness. To quote from the back cover:

"While imprisoned in a Nazi concentration camp, Simon Wiesenthal was taken one day from his work detail to the bedside of a dying member of the SS. Haunted by the crimes in which he had participated, the soldier wanted to confess to-and obtain absolution from-a Jew. Faced with the choice between compassion and justice, silence and truth, Wiesenthal said nothing. But even years after the war had ended, he wondered: Had he done the right thing? What would you have done in his place?"

Student responses are varied. Some report that they would yell at the soldier; others would walk away without replying to the request; some would forgive and ask the soldier to repent; and several believe that it is not their decision to decide to forgive. Some report that they could never know what they would do given that they have never been in that situation and can only estimate their emotional and thought processes.

This exercise also draws in other areas covered in the course discussions such as victimization, punishment, collective vs. individual guilt, structure and agency, forgiveness, relationships between perpetrators and victims, ethics, values, religious beliefs, and trauma and recovery. This exercise may also be applied to more recent genocides (e.g. Rwanda and Bosnia) with a focus on post genocide society.

I have placed this exercise near the end of the course. I might try moving the exercise to the beginning of the course or use it at the beginning and end of the course to compare responses with what they have learned during the course. I have used this exercise several times in web based courses and will be trying it out in the future in a face to face undergraduate genocide course.

The ASC Teaching Committee is soliciting Teaching Tips for future columns. We welcome ideas and commentary on the full range of topics relevant to teaching at both undergraduate and graduate levels and on-line as well as traditional classroom teaching. Please send your submissions or pre-submission ideas to Kate Hanrahan at Hanrahan@iup.edu.
Dear Criminology Scholar,

The Division of International Criminology within the American Society of Criminology would like you to consider division membership. Membership includes the following benefits:

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For more information visit the Division website at: [http://www.internationalcriminology.com](http://www.internationalcriminology.com)

The annual membership is $20 (regular) and $15 for students. You must first be a current member of ASC before joining the division at: [http://www.asc41.com/appform1.html](http://www.asc41.com/appform1.html)

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DIVISION NEWS

DIVISION ON WOMEN & CRIME

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2009 AWARDS

Nominations are requested for the following Division on Women and Crime awards:

**Distinguished Scholar Award** which recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of women and crime by an established scholar. The contributions may consist of a single outstanding book or work, a series of theoretical or research contributions, or the accumulated contributions of an established scholar. Eligibility includes scholars who have held a Ph.D. for eight or more years.

**New Scholar Award** which recognizes the achievements of scholars who show outstanding merit at the beginnings of their careers. Outstanding merit may be based on a single book or work, including dissertation or a series of theoretical or research contributions to the area of women and crime. Eligibility includes scholars who held a Ph.D. for less than eight years.

**Lifetime Achievement Award** which recognizes scholars upon retirement. We inaugurated this award on our 20th Anniversary, 2004. Scholars receiving this award should have an established career advancing the goals and work of the Division on Women and Crime.

**CoraMae Richey Mann “Inconvenient Woman of the Year” Award** recognizes the scholar/activist who has participated in publicly promoting the ideals of gender equality and women’s rights throughout society, particularly as it relates to gender and crime issues. This award will be granted on an *ad hoc* basis. Nominations should include specific documentation of public service (news articles, etc) and should describe in detail how this person’s activism has raised awareness and interest in the issues that concern the Division on Women and Crime. This award was inaugurated in honor of our 20th Anniversary in 2004.

**Saltzman Award for Contributions to Practice**
The Saltzman Award for Contributions to Practice recognizes a criminologist whose professional accomplishments have increased the quality of justice and the level of safety for women. The Saltzman Award need not be given every year. It is available to honor unique achievements combining scholarship, persuasion, activism and commitment, particularly work that has made a deep impact on the quality of justice for women, as well as a wide impact (interdisciplinary, international, or cross-cultural).

**Graduate Scholar Award**
The Graduate Scholar Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of graduate students to the field women and crime, both in their published work and their service to the Division of Women & Crime. Outstanding contributions may include single or multiple published works that compliment the mission of the DWC, and significant work within the Division, including serving as committee members, committee chairs, or executive board members. Preference will be given to those candidates who have provided exceptional service to the DWC. Eligibility includes scholars who are still enrolled in an M.A. or Ph.D. program at the time of their nomination.

**Submission Information**
The nominees are evaluated by the awards committee based on their scholarly work, their commitment to women crime as a research discipline, and their commitment to women in crime as advocates, particularly in terms of dedication to the Division on Women and Crime. In submitting your nomination, please provide the following supporting materials: a letter identifying the award for which you are nominating the individual and evaluating a nominee’s contribution and its relevance to the award, the nominee’s c.v. (short version preferred). No nominee will be considered unless these materials are provided and arrive by the deadline. The committee reserves the right to give no award in a particular year if it deems this appropriate.

Send nominations and supporting materials by **September 25th, 2009** to:

Emily Lenning, Assistant Professor  
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DIVISION NEWS

DIVISION ON WOMEN & CRIME

New Editor Sought for Feminist Criminology

The American Society of Criminology’s Division on Women and Crime (DWC) invites applications for the position of Editor of Feminist Criminology which is the Division’s official journal. It is the responsibility of the DWC Chair and Executive Committee to conduct the search for the new Editor. The Executive Committee will select the next Editor with approval by the current Editorial Board.

The journal is published by Sage Publications and uses an on-line, electronic submission process. The new Editor will be responsible for administering this process and publishing four volumes a year. The Editor will serve a three or four year term to be negotiated with the Executive Committee. It is anticipated that new manuscript submissions and other Editorial duties will transfer to the new Editor around September 2010. The Editor is responsible for the timely and substantive output of the journal, including the solicitation of manuscripts, supervision of the peer review process and the final selection of articles for publication. Duties also include implementing the Journal’s editorial policies, maintaining high professional standards for published content, and ensuring the integrity of the Journal.

The Editor’s supporting institution normally provides office space, file storage, equipment, at least one graduate assistant for the duration of the Editorship, and release time for the Editor. ASC provides $5000 a year to be used for editorial support.

Interested applicants may contact the current Editor, Helen Eigenberg (Helen-Eigenberg@utc.edu) for additional information regarding the logistics or operational details of editing and producing the journal. Applicants must submit a statement of editorial philosophy, a vita, and assurances of institutional support to both the DWC Chair and Secretary/Treasurer. One copy of application materials or emails with the relevant attachments must be sent to each of the following:

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DWC Chair
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Department of Criminal Justice
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Union, NJ 07083
vgarcia@kean.edu

Dr. Sharon RedHawk Love
DWC Secretary/Treasurer
Ball State University
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Applications must be received by November 1, 2009.
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Late in 2007, when then President-Elect Todd Clear asked us to co-chair the program committee for the 2009 conference in Philadelphia, we enthusiastically accepted. Although in hindsight our enthusiasm was perhaps more than a bit naïve, we remain grateful for the opportunity and, despite all of the work, deeply value the experience. The conference, we are confident, will be memorable. Part of what drove our initial excitement was the ability to shape the program and make it our own.

To underscore the theme of the 2009 conference, Criminology and Criminal Justice Policy, we solicited the usual individual presentations, thematic panels, roundtables and posters, but also included a new type of submission – policy proposals. Those interested in presenting policy proposals needed to submit an abstract by the regular deadline and a full draft of the essay just two months later (and almost six months ahead of the actual conference). The program chairs, ASC President Todd R. Clear, and eight Policy Area Chairs vetted the proposals in a mini-peer review process that was designed primarily to ensure the submission met the criteria for a policy proposal. The author needed to articulate and then defend a policy proposal relying on a body of empirical evidence. Two discussants – chosen by the committee – were selected to serve as discussants responding to the policy proposal during the session.

In a unique arrangement, Cengage Learning agreed to publish the book, *Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice Policy: Policy Proposals from the American Society Conference* (edited by Frost, Freilich, and Clear), which includes all 23 policy proposals along with 30 response essays, in advance of the conference and to make a complimentary copy of the book available to every registered conference attendee. We strongly encourage all conference attendees to pick up their complimentary copy of the book and to attend the policy sessions during the conference.

The 2009 conference has much to offer in addition to these featured policy sessions. This will be one of the largest ASC conferences to date with over 600 scheduled sessions and more than 200 poster presentations. The conference hotel, the downtown Marriott across the street from the Reading Terminal Market, encompasses an entire city block and can easily accommodate a conference of this size. Conveniently, all of the sessions and events are scheduled to take place in a relatively confined space within the hotel and should be easy to find. The hotel is centrally located in the middle of downtown Philadelphia, within walking distance of many of Philadelphia’s best neighborhoods. The University of Pennsylvania was in charge of local arrangements and has pulled together a wealth of information regarding things to do in and around Philadelphia. Colleagues at Temple University graciously arranged a pre-conference tour and, on Wednesday November 5th, will host a day long series of sessions devoted to Policing Philadelphia. The Policing Philadelphia sessions feature renowned policing scholars from across the country presenting alongside some of Philadelphia’s top police officials, including Commissioner Ramsey.

This 2009 conference promises to be intellectually and socially stimulating and we look forward to seeing all of you in Philadelphia, the “City of Brotherly Love”, in November!

1The policy area chairs were: Alfred Blumstein (Penal Policy), Jack Greene (Policing Policy), Karen Heimer (Justice Policy, Mark A.R. Kleiman (Drug Policy), Gary LaFree (Terrorism Policy), Daniel Nagin (Crime Policy), Cathy Spatz–Widom (Domestic Violence Policy), and Michael Tonry (Immigration Policy).
Division on People of Color and Crime presents the

Minority Fellowship Dance

Date: Friday, November 6, 2009
Time: 10:00pm – 1:00am
Place: Liberty Ballroom,
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown Hotel
2009 ASC ANNUAL MEETING
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA
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**Division of International Criminology Annual Luncheon**

Friday, November 6th, 12:30-2:00pm  
Room: Independence Ballroom I & II

- $35 DIC Member  
- $40 Non-DIC member  
- $20 DIC Student Member  
- $25 Non-DIC Member Student

**Minority Fellowship Dance**  
to benefit the ASC Minority Fellowship Fund

Friday, November 6th, 10:00pm-1:00am  
Room: Liberty Ballroom

- $10 ASC Member  
- $20 Non ASC Members  
- $5 ASC Student Member  
- $10 Non ASC Member Students

**Division on People of Color & Crime/Division on Women & Crime Social**

Wednesday, November 4th, 8:00-9:30pm  
Room: Independence Ballroom I, II & III

- $15 Non-students  
- $5 Students

**Division on People of Color & Crime Luncheon & Symposium**

Thursday, November 5th, 11:30-1:00pm  
Room: Independence Ballroom I & II

- $30 DPCC Member  
- $35 Non DPCC Member  
- $20 All Students
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2009 PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

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Title: INSTRUMENTAL VARIABLES ESTIMATION WITH APPLICATION TO CRIMINOLOGY
Instructor: Robert Apel, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany
Date & Time: Tuesday, November 3, 2009, 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Place: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Franklin 1
Fee: $50.00 ($25.00 for students), Enrollment Limit: 50
**No laptops provided. Power strips will be available.**

Instrumental variables (IV’s) have begun to make inroads into criminological research, most prominently in studies of the general deterrent effect of police hiring. They are quite useful in applications where the causal variable of interest is endogenous, leading to the pernicious (and underappreciated) problem of selection bias. This workshop will address the statistical issues that motivate the use of IV’s in applied research (the “why”), the technical issues concerning identification and exogeneity (the “what”), and the practical issues of model estimation and diagnostics (the “how”). Throughout, examples from existing studies will be used as illustrations.

Title: ETHNOGRAPHY AS METHOD AND SENSIBILITY
Instructors: Jeff Ferrell, University of Kent, UK, and Texas Christian University, USA
Date & Time: Tuesday, November 3, 2009, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Place: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Franklin 2
Fee: $50.00 ($25.00 for students) Enrollment Limit: 50
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This workshop will consider various practical, political, moral, and professional issues in undertaking criminological ethnography, an approach traditionally understood in terms of long-term, in-depth research inside a particular group, organization, or social setting. In addition, the workshop will explore newer and alternative forms of ethnography, including auto-ethnography, instant ethnography, liquid ethnography, and visual ethnography. Significantly, these new and emerging styles of ethnography begin to blur the boundaries between ethnography as qualitative research method and ethnography as existential orientation and everyday sensibility. This development of a wider ethnographic sensibility helps to situate ethnography within the contemporary circumstances of crime and criminal justice. It also usefully opens up the ethnographic imagination and the techniques of ethnographic inquiry to those unable or unwilling to undertake more traditional, long-term ethnographic research.

Title: TIME SERIES ANALYSIS
Instructor: David McDowall, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany
Date & Time: Tuesday, November 3, 2009, 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Place: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Franklin 4
Fee: $50.00 ($25.00 for students) Enrollment Limit: 50
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This workshop will introduce a few of the many methods available for analyzing data collected from a single unit over time. These methods are suitable, for example, for studying the variability in crime trends within a city, state, or nation. The workshop will focus on regression models, and especially on the concepts of serial correlation and stationarity. It will assume that attendees possess a solid knowledge of ordinary least squares, but no experience with time series data. Specific topics will include models for correlated errors, tests and remedies for nonstationarity, cointegrated series, error correction models, and vector autoregressions. Although this is not a hands-on workshop, it will offer multiple empirical examples using Stata and other software.

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*Please note that registration for this seminar is NOT registration for the Annual Meeting which begins November 4.

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Collective Transformation: Building Just Communities from the Inside Out

A Special ASC Pre-Conference Seminar to be Held at Graterford Prison

Tuesday, November 3, 2009

Sponsored by the Department of Criminal Justice and The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program of Temple University, in Cooperation with the Lifers’ Public Safety Initiative

This day-long seminar is a unique opportunity to engage in rich dialogue around some of the most critical crime and justice issues of the day with people who are working on the ground to bridge prison and outside communities. Participants will include ASC colleagues along with incarcerated men and outside volunteers who are participants in these two cutting-edge programs.

The Public Safety Initiative, a project of the lifers’ organization at Graterford state prison, aims to eradicate the crime and violence that participants once helped to perpetuate. PSI members work to achieve cognitive transformation through positive peer intervention, to equip men returning to the community with the skills necessary to help prevent youth from being drawn into the culture of street crime* and to empower those currently involved in crime to give up those activities. The group also has crafted a multi-directional approach to building safer communities that includes transformed members working in partnership with community members, public officials, and other stakeholders.

The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program† works across the country to bring incarcerated men and women together with college students to learn as peers in the same classrooms. The program emphasizes collaboration and dialogue that inspires all participants to be leaders in addressing crime, justice, and related issues of social inequality. Offered in a variety of disciplines and correctional settings, these courses make higher education more available to people who are incarcerated and expose university students to issues in a ‘real world’ context. The ‘Think Tank’ at SCI-Graterford helps conduct the National Inside-Out Training Program for instructors who want to teach courses.

What to expect:

- A chance to sit at the table with influential incarcerated stakeholders to engage in serious work to refine and enhance PSI’s innovative approach to crime reduction and collective transformation
- An experience of the educational methods and programs of Inside-Out

What you’ll leave with:

- New knowledge and understanding of two ground-breaking initiatives
- Having had the chance to provide feedback and input on future activities and visions
- Awareness of opportunities for further education, training and action or research partnerships

This workshop will benefit ASC members who are engaged in issues of re-entry, crime prevention, community-building, community justice, social justice and grassroots change or experiential learning.

- Attendance limited to 100 ASC participants and by advance registration only
- Buses depart downtown Philadelphia at 7:00 AM and return by 5:00 PM
- Workshop takes place Tuesday before the ASC conference begins (Nov. 3rd)
- $30 per person (including lunch) payable by check made out to Temple University

For questions or registration please email prisonworkshop@temple.edu or call 215-204-5163.

*An article by PSI members, ‘Ending the Culture of Street Crime,’ was published in The Prison Journal in December of 2004 (84:4, pp. 48S-68S).
† For more information, see the Inside-Out website at http://www.temple.edu/inside-out
ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIST OF PH.D. GRADUATES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CRIMINOLOGY, AND RELATED FIELDS

Carlson, Melanie, “Man Up or Punk Out: Masculinities and Prison Rape.” Chaired by Dr. Elizabeth Mustaine, August 2009, University of Central Florida.


Laurikkala, Minna, “Different Time, Same Place, Same Store? A Social Diorganization Perspective to Examining Youth Homicides.” Chaired by Dr. Jay Corzine, August 2009, University of Central Florida.


Moon, Junseob, “The Relationship Between Violent Crime and Individual Characteristics, Criminal History and Psychological Characteristics in the Sample of Korean Inmates,” Co-chaired by Dr. Glen Kercher and Dr. Holly Miller, August 2009, Sam Houston State University.


SCOTTISH CENTRE FOR CRIME AND JUSTICE RESEARCH STUDENT WEB PAGE

The Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research has developed a new webpage designed to serve as a resource for both graduate and undergraduate students (www.crimestudents.org)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
ASC MENTORING PROGRAM FOR NON-STUDENT MEMBERS

The American Society of Criminology is considering the development of a mentoring program for non-student members of ASC. Proposers have free reign to design the most effective mentoring program for non-student criminologists, but among the considerations might be whether to have the program co-sponsored with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, whether to target all levels of non-student members (early to later in career scholars), and whether all categories of career choices (university faculty, researchers, administrators) should be included as mentors and mentees. There are several successful models that prospective proposals may want to draw upon, such as the program assembled by the European Society of Criminology, which administers the ESC early-stage scholars mentoring program (http://www.sccjr.ac.uk/projects/European-Postgraduate-and-Early-Stage-Researchers-Working-Group/) and the ASC email mentoring program for students (http://ascmentor.anomie.com). Please specify your own ideas regarding audience, co-sponsorship, and how and by whom your proposed program would be administered. You are encouraged to submit fresh, innovative mentoring strategies, program design, guidelines for use, and other suggestions.

Please submit proposals by October 15, 2009 to:
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ICPSR SUMMER PROGRAM
In Quantitative Methods of Social Research

June–July, 2010

The annual ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods is a comprehensive, integrated program of studies in research design, statistics, data analysis, and social methodology. In 2010, the program will include three criminal justice workshops organized by the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data (NACJD).

- **Quantitative Analysis of Crime and Criminal Justice**
  A six-week course including hands-on analysis of major national data collections such as the National Crime Victimization Survey, sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice.

- **Using National Juvenile Corrections Data**
  A three-day workshop sponsored by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Department of Justice.

- **A workshop sponsored by the National Institute of Justice on a data-based topic to be announced.**

Dates, details, and applications will be available by early 2010 at www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog. Review of applications will begin in March 2010; all three workshops provide a modest stipend for lodging and travel; space is limited.

**For More Information (after January 1, 2010)**
Contact the ICPSR Summer Program
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IN MEMORIAM

Carl E. Pope

Carl died on July 27, 2009. After completing his undergraduate degree at CSU-Long Beach, he pursued graduate studies in criminal justice at CSU-Los Angeles and SUNY-Albany, where he received the Ph.D. in 1975. His 33-year academic career was at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, where he advanced through the professorial ranks, worked tirelessly and successfully to develop a nationally recognized criminal justice program, and served as Chair of the Criminal Justice department for eleven years.

Carl had an outstanding career. Supported by more than $3 million in federal, state and foundation grants and contracts, Carl’s research focused on delinquency and youth violence, and especially on the issues of minority overrepresentation in the criminal justice system. The eulogy posted by OJJDP noted that Carl “was an articulate advocate for equitable treatment under the law. A pioneer in our nation’s efforts to reduce disproportionate minority contact (DMC) in the juvenile justice system, he assisted states in identifying decision points where disparity might occur and worked with communities to resolve problems. His extensive writing on DMC-related matters informed initiatives to reduce it and included the seminal Bulletin “Disproportionate Minority Confinement: A Review of the Research Literature From 1989 to 2001,” among other OJJDP publications. Dr. Pope’s life-long efforts on behalf of youth constitute a noble and enduring legacy.” Minorities in the Juvenile Justice System, co-authored with Kimberly Kempf-Leonard and William Feyerherm, received the 1997 Gustavus Meyers Award for Outstanding Book on the Subject of Human Rights in America. In 2002, Carl received the Western Society of Criminology’s W.E.B. DuBois Award for significant contributions to the field of race and ethnic issues in criminology.

Throughout his career, Carl was strongly committed to teaching, although his idea of teaching leaned more to tutorials and mentoring than to traditional instructional techniques. He favored no one; he favored them all. Carl’s legacy includes the many important contributions to criminal justice policy and practice, as well as to academic scholarship, by his former students. Carl also was heavily engaged in service to a number of professional organizations and, in 1996, he was awarded the distinction of becoming a Fellow in the Western Society of Criminology.

But, the measure of one’s life is more than funded research, publications, and professional recognition and awards. As successful as Carl was in the professional arena, he was vastly more successful in his personal relationships with friends and colleagues. Few can equal Carl’s sense of humor and laid-back demeanor, and none can exceed his compassion and concern for others. Carl was a cherished friend and an unwavering colleague. Carl was devoted to his wife, Jane, and son, Brendan. Carl will be missed by all.

Submitted by Rick Lovell, John Hepburn, Julius Debro, John Conley

Thomas J. Bernard

Thomas Joseph Bernard died Tuesday, July 28, 2009 in State College, PA. A full obituary can be obtained at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/centredaily/obituary.aspx?n=thomas-joseph-bernard&pid=130579429

Dean John Champion

Dr. Dean John Champion, popular TAMU professor of criminal justice, passed away Feb. 23, 2009, after a brief struggle with leukemia. Originally from California, he joined TAMU in 2000 and was a proud graduate of Brigham Young University, where he earned undergraduate and graduate degrees. His Ph.D. was earned at Purdue University. An internationally recognized scholar and prolific writer, Dr. Champion had written 40 texts and/or edited works, several published in Russian, Portuguese, Chinese and Spanish editions. A strong advocate of distance learning, he received TAMU’s 2006 Distance Educator of the Year Award in 2006. His specialty interests included juvenile justice, criminal justice administration, corrections and statistics/methods. He was the College of Arts and Sciences Scholar of the Year 2006-2007. He is survived by his wife, Gerri K.; his son and daughter-in-law Dr. Sean (Canaan) Champion, M.D., Arkansas; stepdaughter Wendy L. Tuner, Ohio; and brother-in-law William (Sharon) Sprinkle, Virginia and three granddaughters and four great-grandchildren. The family suggests that those who wish to make a contribution in his name contribute to Laredo Food Bank or charity of choice.

The Department of Criminal Law and Criminology University of Bialystok, Poland

The Department of Criminal Law and Criminology at the University of Bialystok is one of the leading academic centers in Poland. The faculty have been conducting research on legal and criminological issues for many years, with a particular interest in the area of organized crime. Members of the faculty and staff include the program's founder Emil W. Plywaczewski, Grażyna B. Szczygiel, Jerzy Kasprzak, Katarzyna Laskowska, Ewa M. Guzik-Makaruk, Wojciech Filipkowski, and Elżbieta Zatyka.

In addition to its organized crime emphasis, the research staff of the Department has also conducted extensive work in the area of criminal law, criminology, social pathology, corruption, money laundering, and terrorism. The faculty are also involved in several international research projects, perhaps the most notable being INDECT—a project involving partners from 10 European countries.

The Department has recently engaged in a series of research efforts involving very close cooperation with justice practitioners. This has resulted in some very positive impacts upon policy makers at home and abroad, as well as upon the practitioner community. The Department plans on continuing this relationship and sees it as a powerful methodology of solving problems within the justice system.

Members of the faculty are quite active in the national and international scientific community, and foreign scholars are regular visitors to campus. The Department actively seeks to further enhance its level of interaction with criminologists the world over, and offers an open invitation to all in the professional field of criminology for exchange, comments, and feedback on our research and our program. For more information about the Department and its activities, contact Emil Plywaczewski (plywacz@uwb.edu.pl) or Wojciech Filipkowski (fwojtek@uwb.edu.pl).

The South Asian Society of Criminology and Victimology (SASCV)

The South Asian Society of Criminology and Victimology (SASCV) is an international association founded to nurture criminology and victimology in countries such as Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Pakistan, Maldives, Sri Lanka and Nepal. Academics, researchers and practitioners worldwide have joined hands to establish SASCV and share of best practices in the context of South Asia. Literature, religion and cultural practices of this region demonstrate a traditionally rich understanding of criminology and victimology in this region. South Asian literature is replete with stories of victim justice and restorative practices. Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Islam and various Tribal religions played a great role with regard to the concept of justice and non-violence, both at individual and community level. Colonial period introduced a new and formal centralized criminal justice system dismantling the then existing idea of justice. The 20th century saw the establishment of new states where ethnic, religious, linguistic, caste, communal, tribal and other identities played a role in institution of constitutions and in the legal sphere of criminal and victim justice. Today, South Asian countries face acute problems of corruption, criminal violence, terrorism, extremism, poverty, environmental degradation, white collar/cyber crimes, violations of human rights, state sponsored terrorism, crime against humanity, individual and collective victimization. In this context, the South Asian Society of Criminology and Victimology (SASCV) has emerged as a novel initiative to assist countries in criminal justice policy making and support victims of crime and abuse of power. We welcome anyone who shares our goals as members. Please visit us at http://www.sascv.edu.tf.
Every five years, the UN organizes a world crime congress. The 12th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice will be held in Salvador, Brazil from 12 to 19 April 2010. Congresses provide a global forum for exchange of views and experience, bringing together government delegations, representatives and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, specialized agencies and other United Nations entities, as well as individual experts, academicians and other professionals in the crime prevention and criminal justice field. ASC members may participate in so-called ancillary meetings, which are organized by NGOs, covering a wide range of issues pertaining to crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law (see below for listing of topics).

As is true for all United Nations events, participation in the Congress is possible and welcomed, but is strictly regulated. There is a mechanism in place to coordinate NGO and ancillary meetings. It is one of the responsibilities of the ASC UN liaisons to help coordinate these ancillary meetings. If you are interested in organizing or participating in one of the ancillary meetings, please send an email with your interest to the main UN liaison Ineke Haen Marshall (i.marshall@neu.edu). There will be additional information about this at the 2009 ASC meeting in Philadelphia. Below follow the congress topics:

1. Children, youth and crime
2. Provision of technical assistance to facilitate ratification and implementation of the international instruments related to the prevention and suppression of terrorism
3. Making the United Nations guidelines on crime prevention work
4. Criminal justice responses to the smuggling of migrants and trafficking in persons: links to transnational organized crime
5. International cooperation to address money-laundering based on existing and relevant United Nations and other instruments.
6. Recent developments in the use of science and technology by offenders and by competent authorities in fighting crime, including the case of cybercrime
7. Strengthening international cooperation in fighting crime-related problems: practical approaches

There will also be congress workshops (coordinated by the United Nations Programme Network of Institutes):

1. International criminal justice education for the rule of law
3. Practical approaches to preventing urban crime
4. Links between drug trafficking and other forms of organized crime: International coordinated response
5. Strategies and best practices against overcrowding in correctional facilities.

If you are interested, do not wait till November in Philadelphia, but send us your proposals and ideas now. For more background information about the Twelfth Congress, you may also contact Gary Hill (Garyhill@cega.com), who is ultimately responsible for the coordination of all ancillary meetings by all NGOs.

For information about participation in the Twelfth Congress or any other United Nations related questions, please contact Ineke Haen Marshall, Main ASC UN liaison (i.marshall@neu.edu), or Aaron Fichtelberg, Alternate ASC UN Liaison (afichte@UDel.Edu).

PS. Please note that there will be three UN-focused panels in Philadelphia, three days in a row (Wednesday – on ‘green’ crime, Thursday – on world crime trends, and Friday – on human rights) at the same time of day (9:30-10:50 am), in the same room (Franklin 13). Please join us. These panels will also provide opportunity for more information sharing about the Twelfth Congress in Brazil.
The 16th World Congress of the International Society for Criminology in 2011

The 16th World Congress of the International Society of Criminology (ISC) will be held at the Kobe International Conference Center in Kobe, Japan, on August 5-9, 2011. The local host is the Japan Federation of Criminological Associations (JFCA), which is formed by the eight criminological associations in Japan covering a wide range of disciplines from sociological criminology to correctional medicine. JFCA has started its preparation for the Congress with close consultation with the ISC leadership.

The general theme and other details will be determined at the meeting of ISC’s Board and Scientific Commission in Paris in May, 2009. An official website will be set up and the first circular will be prepared soon afterward.

Kobe is a port city with 1.5 million inhabitants located near Osaka in western Japan. As one of the first ports opened to the outside world in the late 19th century, Kobe has a distinctive international atmosphere which attracts tourists both from abroad and from Japan. Although devastated by the earthquake of 1995, Kobe, the “Phoenix”, has quickly risen again, and now fully enjoys its prosperity.

The city is served by two nearby international airports (the Kansai International Airport and the Osaka International Airport) as well as a municipal airport. A day trip to Kyoto and Hiroshima can easily be made by train, and a trip to Tokyo in eastern Japan is also easy by train or plane.

The Congress is to be held at the Kobe International Conference Center, located on a man-made island in the Port of Kobe. It is conveniently surrounded by a group of hotels with varying prices, and all congress sessions will be held in the fully air-conditioned rooms under one roof of the Conference Center.

We will keep you posted of the progress. Please plan ahead to attend this important event for the world community of criminologists. It may be a good idea, for instance, to make this Congress a part of your summer vacation in 2011. You will not be disappointed, intellectually or otherwise.

Those who wish to be placed on our mailing list to receive further information are kindly requested to write to: Secretariat, 16th World Congress of ISC wcon2011@oucow.daishodai.ac.jp

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Secretary General: Ichiro Tanioka

Local Arrangement Committee, 16th World Congress of ISC
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**Please note that the deadline to send abstracts to topic chairs is October 5, 2009**

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In deciding the most appropriate place to send your abstract, think about the main focus of your paper and how it might fit with the topic of the panel. For example, if your paper examines both race and juvenile issues, think about whether you would like to be placed on a panel with other papers discussing race issues or other papers dealing with juvenile issues and then send to the most appropriate topic chair. Electronic submissions are preferred to hard copies being mailed or faxed. All presenters are asked to submit an abstract of **150 WORDS OR LESS** to only one of the panel topics listed above. In addition to the abstract, please include the name, mailing address, email address, and phone number for all authors on the submission for the participant directory.
CRIMINOLOGY AROUND THE WORLD

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION
Western Society of Criminology
37th Annual Conference
February 4-6, 2010 · Honolulu, Hawaii

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION!

All conference participants need to make reservations by January 3, 2010. Information about the Ala Moana Hotel can be found on the hotel website (www.alamoanahotel.com) or by calling 800-367-6025. To receive the conference rate of $169+tax/night, please indicate that you are with the Western Society of Criminology Annual Conference and provide discount rate code DWESTCRI. This code cannot be utilized to make on-line reservations. This rate will be available three nights prior and three nights after the conference, subject to availability.

STUDENTS

The Western Society of Criminology provides several opportunities for students in conjunction with the annual conference, including travel money and a paper competition. Please see the following for requirements and application information.

**June Morrison Scholarship Fund**: The June Morrison Scholarship provides supplemental funds ($100) to support student member participation at the annual conference. A maximum of five awards will be made to students attending the annual meeting of the WSC. In the event that there are more than five eligible applications, the awards committee will randomly select five recipients. To be eligible for the June Morrison Award, students must present a paper at the annual conference. Conference registration and membership dues must be paid prior to the scholarship being awarded. Please submit your application by October 5, 2009, to Finn Esbensen at esbensen@umsl.edu. Application information can be obtained by consulting Student Information, which is in the Conference section of the WSC website (www.sonoma.edu/ccjs/wsc/conference.htm).

**Miki Vohryzek-Bolden (MVB) Student Paper Competition**: Students are eligible to compete in a Student Paper Competition sponsored by WSC. Papers co-authored by faculty will not be considered. Appropriate types of papers include but are not limited to policy analyses, original research, literature reviews, position papers, theoretical papers, and commentaries. Students selected for this award will be recognized at the conference and will receive a cash award ($125 for first place and $75 for second place) and registration reimbursement. Additionally, if the award recipient desires, the best paper will be submitted for review to the Western Criminological Review. Abstracts should be submitted to the appropriate topical chair by October 5, 2009 and a final paper should be emailed to Finn Esbensen (esbensen@umsl.edu) by January 4, 2010. Award winners will be notified in writing by February 1, 2010. Submission information can be obtained by consulting Student Information, which is in the Conference section of the WSC website (www.sonoma.edu/ccjs/wsc/conference.htm).
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CRIMINOLOGIST will regularly feature in these columns position vacancies available in organizations and universities, as well as positions sought by members of the Society. A charge of $175.00 with the absolute maximum of 250 words allowed will be made. Half pages and full pages may also be purchased for $225 and $300 respectively. It is the policy of the ASC to publish position vacancies announcements only from those institutions or agencies which subscribe to equal education and employment opportunities and those which encourage women and minorities to apply. Institutions should indicate the deadline for the submission of application materials. To place announcements in THE CRIMINOLOGIST, send all material to: ncoldiron@asc41.com. When sending announcements, please include a phone number, fax number and contact person in the event we have questions about an ad. The Professional Employment Exchange will be a regular feature at each Annual Meeting. Prospective employers and employees should register with the Society no later than three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Society. The cost of placing ads on our online Employment Exchange is $200 for the first month, $150 for the second month, and $100 for each month thereafter. To post online, please go to www.asc41.com and click on Employment.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  Contingent on final funding authorization, the Department of Sociology at Northern Illinois University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position to begin in August 2010. We seek candidates with primary expertise and teaching interests in criminology. Interests in other areas of sociology are also desirable and will be considered with respect to the candidate’s fit with departmental strengths and needs. PhD in sociology or related field required; ABD will be considered, but the PhD must be completed by the start of the appointment. We seek a well-rounded scholar; the successful candidate will demonstrate a strong record of or potential for scholarly research, teaching excellence, and the ability to work with diverse student populations. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. The department and the university are committed to the principle of diversity and encourage applications from candidates who can contribute to this objective. Applicants must send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a sample of scholarly writing, teaching evaluations (if available), and three letters of recommendation to Kristen Myers, Chair, Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL 60115 by October 31, 2009. NIU is located in DeKalb, a rapidly growing exurb 65 miles west of downtown Chicago. NIU is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Institution.

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice seeks applicants for an Assistant Professor position to begin as early as January 2010. The position is designed to support the department’s new PhD program in Criminology and Criminal Justice. A Ph.D. in criminology, criminal justice, or sociology is required. The areas of expertise are open but preference will be given to candidates who have expertise in international, comparative, policy and/or evaluation research as they relate to criminology and the criminal justice system (police, courts, corrections, and/or law). Those applying are expected to have demonstrated the ability to teach and conduct research. Opportunities exist to participate in the University’s Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, the Women’s Studies Department, the Graduate Program in International Studies, the Center for Family Violence, Education and Research, and the Institute for Community Justice. Old Dominion University is located in southeastern Virginia near the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. Send applications to: Dr Garland White, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia, 23529. Submit letter of interest, vitae and contact information for 3 references. Review of applications will begin October 1st and continue until the position is filled. Inquiries regarding the positions should be directed to Dr. Garland White (gwhite@odu.edu). More information about the department is available at http://al.odu.edu/sociology. Old Dominion University is an Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action Institution and requires compliance with the Immigration and Control Act of 1986.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY  Penn State Beaver, Penn State New Kensington, and Penn State Shenango invite applications for three faculty positions in Administration of Justice (Assistant Professor, tenure-track or Instructor, fixed-term multi-year) to begin August 2010. Responsibilities: Develop degree program offered jointly by these three Penn State campuses. Teach courses in Administration of Justice, conduct research/stay current in discipline, and participate in various service activities. Qualifications: Ph.D. in Administration of Justice or Criminal Justice required for tenure-track positions; Master’s degree in Administration of Justice or Criminal Justice required for instructor positions. (Juris Doctorate is not a substitute for either degree.) To learn about the campuses, visit http://www.psu.edu/ur/cmpcoll.html. To learn about the positions and how to apply, visit http://www.psu.jobs/Opportunities/Opportunities.html and follow the “Faculty” link. AA/EOE.
TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY invites applications for a tenure-track position in Criminal Justice at the assistant or associate professor level beginning Fall 2010. Although interested candidates with any academic specialization are encouraged to apply, preference will be given to applicants whose teaching and research interests include one or more of the following areas: cybercrime and computer security and/or courts, law. Primary consideration will be given to candidates with an active research agenda, strong teaching skills, and a completed Ph.D. in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Computer Science, or closely related discipline. IT security experts holding a M.A. degree are also encouraged to apply. Please submit a letter of application expressing teaching and research interests, a vita, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and three letters of recommendation. TCU is situated in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metropolitan area in close proximity to state, local and federal criminal justice agencies and institutions. **Review of applications will begin September 15, 2009.** Send materials to Search Committee Chair, Department of Criminal Justice, Texas Christian University, Box 2296; Huntsville, Texas 77341-2296, garmstrong@shsu.edu. Electronic submission of materials is preferred. Sam Houston State University is an EEO/ Affirmative Action Employer. Review of materials will begin August 2009 and continue until the search is completed. *A Member of The Texas State University System*

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE invites applications for one tenure track assistant / associate professor position and one tenure track assistant professor position in the Justice Center, beginning in August 2010. All substantive specialties will be considered. Ph.D. in appropriate discipline; ABD considered if substantial progress is demonstrated and completion predates employment date. For the assistant / associate position, rural justice specialists are encouraged to apply. These positions are responsible for (1) teaching, (2) organizing, conducting, and reporting justice research; and (3) providing service to the University, community, and profession. These positions will be expected to organize and teach undergraduate courses, to design and implement applied quantitative and/or qualitative research, and to provide technical assistance to justice agencies. Applicants must be comfortable working in a cooperative, organized research setting with other faculty, public officials, and practitioners. We especially encourage applications from candidates who reflect the increasing diversity present in our community and student body, and who will enhance and promote engagement with other cultures. The standard instructional workload is three courses per semester, with course reductions granted for increased obligations. The Justice Center has a thirty year history of conducting research in the State of Alaska and has very strong research relationships with the justice community. Applicants should submit a cover letter, university application form, a detailed resume (containing educational preparation, work experience, research and publications), a writing sample, and the names of at least three professional references and their contact information to: https://www.uakjobs.com. Review of applications will begin Monday November 16, 2009. The University of Alaska Anchorage is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity Employer and Educational Institution.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, **Open Search:** Assistant/Associate and/or Full Professor; **Starting Salary:** Commensurate; **Closing Date:** 10/15/09 or until filled; **General Description:** The Department invites applications for 1-3 tenure-track faculty positions to begin Fall 2010. Although rank is open, junior faculty are encouraged to apply. The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Maryland is a quantitative program with award-winning faculty and an internationally renowned doctoral program. To learn more about our department see [www.ccjs.umd.edu](http://www.ccjs.umd.edu). **Qualifications:** A record of excellence in scholarship, a strong commitment to research and teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and a Ph.D. in Criminology and/or Criminal Justice or related social sciences field is required. For at least one position, a specialty in Policing or Corrections is desired. **To Apply:** Applicants should submit a resume and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three references to: Raymond Paternoster, Search Committee Chair, University of Maryland, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, 2220 LeFrak Hall, College Park, MD 20742. For best consideration, applications must be received by October 15, 2009. The positions will remain open until filled. The University of Maryland is an Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action Employer. Minorities and women are strongly encouraged to apply.
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE, Assistant Professor
Tenure-track, Fall 2010

Ph.D. required by 09/01/10. Candidates will be expected to teach in the B.A. and M.A. programs. Area of expertise is open. Applicant must be willing to teach core classes including Research Methods, Statistics and/or Theories. Excellent teaching is expected along with strong scholarship and service. All faculty are expected to teach general studies courses. Teaching load is three courses (12 credit hours) per semester. Additional duties, including student advisement, as negotiated under collective bargaining agreement. Academic experiences with culturally diverse populations desired.

Salary is dependent upon experience. Screening will begin October 1, 2009 and continue until position is filled.

Send letter of application describing qualifications and accomplishments, curriculum vitae, evidence of teaching excellence, graduate transcripts, and three letters of recommendation to: Dr. Cheryl Kaus, Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, AA96, P.O. Box 195, Pomona, NJ 08240. Stockton is an equal opportunity institution. www.stockton.edu

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA, TUSCALOOSA

DEPARTMENT CHAIR

The Department of Criminal Justice at The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, invites applications for a Department Chair. The Department is housed in the College of Arts & Sciences and has a vibrant undergraduate criminal justice program with 329 majors, an undergraduate sociology program with 78 minors, and a master’s criminal justice program with 30 graduate students. There are nine tenured-track faculty members and three full-time instructors. The Department of Criminal Justice’s mission is to advance and disseminate knowledge about crime, deviance, criminal justice, and social organization through research, teaching, and service. We prepare our students for careers in criminal justice administration and higher education. Additional information about the department can be found at http://www.as.ua.edu/cj/.

Position/Rank: We seek applicants at the rank of Full Professor who hold a terminal degree in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Sociology, or a related social science field.

Qualifications: The successful candidate should have administrative experience, leadership skills, and be able to develop a strategic plan to advance the department in teaching, research, and service. An excellent record of research productivity and funding is required. Strong faculty and student mentoring skills are highly desirable in this collegial department.

Appointment/Start Date: August 16, 2010.

Application Process: Applicants should submit the application, cover letter, and curriculum vitae on-line at http://facultyjobs.ua.edu. Review of the applications will begin December 15, 2009. Three letters of references should be sent to: The Department of Criminal Justice, The University of Alabama, Box 870320, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0320. Inquires should also be directed to the Department of Criminal Justice at (205) 348-7795 or cjdept@cj.as.ua.edu. The University of Alabama offers competitive salaries and benefits. Founded in 1831 as Alabama’s first public college, The University of Alabama is a major, comprehensive, student-centered research university. The University of Alabama is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and is committed to diversity and to equal opportunity for all. Applications from women, people of color, and disabled scholars are encouraged.
Utica College, located in central New York, is a private comprehensive institution distinguished for its integration of liberal and professional study. Our dedicated faculty and staff have built a tradition of excellence in teaching and learning with particular emphasis on providing individual attention to students.

Utica, New York is a business and cultural center of the Mohawk Valley of Central New York and is located in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains. The area has excellent public schools, affordable housing, and ready access to all major northeastern cities by air, rail and auto. Opportunities for both summer and winter recreation are abundant.

The Department of Economic Crime and Justice Studies invites applications for Research Director. The Research Director is responsible for research activities for Utica College’s Department of Economic Crime and Justice Studies, with special attention to the research activities of the Center for Identity Management and Information Protection (CIMIP) and the Computer Forensic Research and Development Center (CFRDC). Position begins January 1, 2010.

Reporting to the Executive Director for Economic Crime and Justice Studies, the Research Director will develop and maintain a comprehensive research program for CIMIP and CFRDC, which includes identifying and submitting grant proposals, monitoring the external funding environment for sources of support for related projects and ensuring efficient use of grant funds and timely reporting to funding agencies.

Earned doctorate and experience in research activities in criminal justice and related areas preferred. Candidates without doctorates but with strong records in grant activity and research will be considered.

Send cover letter, curriculum vita and list of three current references to George Curtis, J.D., Dean, School of Business and Justice Studies, Utica College, 1600 Burrstone Road, Utica, NY 13502-4892. Search will begin immediately and will remain open until filled. Utica College is an AA/EOE. Visit our Web site: http://www.utica.edu/finance/hr/jobs.cfm.
The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice invites applications for (1) tenure-track position to begin in the Fall of 2010. The position will be filled at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Required Qualifications include: PhD in criminal justice, criminology, or related field; evidence of strong record in or promise of scholarly research and publications, and evidence of teaching effectiveness. Experience in funded research is strongly desirable. A successful applicant must demonstrate the ability to contribute to the core research strengths of the School in the substantive areas of criminology, criminal justice, violence in society or program evaluation. The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice has a twenty member faculty and is in a period of dynamic growth, with outstanding support for research. The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice offers undergraduate, masters and doctoral degrees. Please visit our web site at http://ccj.asu.edu Application Deadline: October 16, 2009; if not filled, each Monday thereafter until the search is closed. Application Procedure: All application materials should be submitted electronically to Betty.Sedillo@asu.edu Application materials include: letter of application, curriculum vitae, and writing sample. ASU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer in policy and practice and the School actively seeks and supports a diverse workforce. Background check required prior to employment.
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RUTGERS SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of its nationally renowned School of Criminal Justice.

As chief academic officer and chief administrative officer of the School of Criminal Justice, the Dean bears responsibility for academic leadership, fundraising, strategic planning, budgeting, faculty recruitment and development, student/alumni relations, and day-to-day operations. The Dean represents the faculty to the university, the professional community, and the general public.

Located minutes from Manhattan, the Rutgers School of Criminal Justice has long enjoyed a reputation for academic excellence and pathbreaking applied research. The School offers undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral degrees. The master’s curriculum was recently updated to provide students a strong foundation in problem solving and analytical skills. The School enrolls over 300 undergraduates and 120 students in its doctoral and master’s programs. Students from around the world are drawn to graduate study in criminal justice at Rutgers because of the international focus of faculty research and the opportunity to study in a dynamic and cosmopolitan environment.

The Rutgers School of Criminal Justice's nationally-ranked faculty have long been committed to playing a leadership role in addressing the many challenges of advancing scholarship and improving clinical practice in the field of criminal justice. The School offers a rich and varied curriculum, with an array of interdisciplinary programs, including, but not limited to, partnerships with the Law School, the College of Nursing, the School of Public Affairs and Administration, and the Division of Global Affairs, all known for their comprehensiveness and breadth.

The Dean should be a well-regarded scholar in criminology or criminal justice with academic credentials appropriate for appointment to a senior faculty position and significant administrative experience. The SCJ also welcomes applications from candidates whose pathway into academic life may be non-traditional, or who are in earlier stages of their career than other applicants, but who evidence a strong potential for academic leadership.

The Rutgers School of Criminal Justice is committed to diversity and especially encourages applications from and nominations of women and minorities.

Applicants and nominees willing to be considered should submit a curriculum vitae or résumé that includes their home and office address and telephone number.

All correspondence regarding the search should be sent electronically (Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF files preferred) and addressed to:

Professor Marc Holzer, Chair,
and
Dr. Ilene H. Nagel
Leader, Higher Education Practice
Russell Reynolds Associates
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UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Faculty Vacancy
School of Criminal Justice

Assistant Professor

The School of Criminal Justice at the University of Cincinnati is seeking applications for a position at the rank of assistant professor, with the appointment starting September 1, 2010, although the start date is negotiable. Areas of specialization are open, but preference will be given to applicants with research and teaching expertise in one or more of the following areas: corrections, crime prevention, criminal justice, criminology and policing. Applicants must have a strong record of scholarship or provide evidence of the potential to develop a strong research program. Exceptional applicants who are ABD will be considered, but preference will be given to applicants who have a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice or a related discipline in the social or behavioral sciences by the time of appointment.

The University of Cincinnati is a Research I Institution that grants doctorates in 98 areas. The School of Criminal Justice grants the BS, MS, and PhD degrees. The School also houses the Criminal Justice Research Center and the Institutes for Policing and Corrections.

Further information about the University and the School is available at [www.uc.edu/CriminalJustice](http://www.uc.edu/CriminalJustice). The city of Cincinnati offers a range of multi-cultural activities and amenities in addition to attractive and affordable housing.

Interested persons should send curriculum vitae and three letters of recommendation to:

Dr. John Wooldredge, Search Committee Chair
School of Criminal Justice
University of Cincinnati
P. O. Box 210389
Cincinnati, OH 45221-0389

Review of applications will begin on November 15, 2009 and will continue until the position is filled. Position is contingent on available funding. The University of Cincinnati is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Women, minorities and veterans are encouraged to apply. Apply at [www.jobsatuc.com](http://www.jobsatuc.com). Position control number: 29UC4370
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The Faculty

Steven C. Beck (University of Cincinnati) Organizational Theory; Personnel Selection and Development; Domestic Violence
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Sandra Lee Browning (University of Cincinnati) Race, Class, Gender and Crime; Law and Social Control; Drugs and Crime
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James Frank (Michigan State University) Policing; Legal Issues in Criminal Justice; Program Evaluation
Paul Gendreau (Queens University, Visiting Scholar) Correctional Rehabilitation; Organization of Knowledge; Program Evaluation
Edward J. Latessa (The Ohio State University) Correctional Rehabilitation; Offender/Program Assessment; Community Corrections
Christopher T. Lowenkamp (University of Cincinnati) Correctional Interventions; Offender/Program Assessment; Criminological Theory
Paula Smith (University of New Brunswick) Correctional Interventions; Offender/Program Assessment; Meta Analysis
Christopher J. Sullivan (Rutgers University) Developmental Criminology, Juvenile Prevention Policy, Research Methods
Lawrence F. Travis, III (University at Albany, SUNY) Policing; Criminal Justice Policy; Sentencing
Patricia Van Voorhis (University at Albany, SUNY) Correctional Rehabilitation and Classification; Psychological Theories of Crime; Women and Crime
Pamela Wilcox (Duke University) Criminal Opportunity Theory; Schools, Communities, and Crime, Victimization/Fear of Crime
John D. Wooldredge (University of Illinois) Institutional Corrections; Sentencing; Research Methods
John Paul Wright (University of Cincinnati) Life-Course Theories of Crime; Biosocial Criminology; Longitudinal Methods
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