As the Chair of the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, I welcome you to our Spring 2016 Newsletter that has been masterfully produced by Amanda Porterfield, Administrative Assistant in CCJ. To familiarize yourself with the Department, I encourage you to visit our website (http://www.umsl.edu/ccj/) and to review prior newsletters available on the website. These informative newsletters highlight departmental activities and achievements each year.

Last year we were saddened to learn of the passing of our long-time colleague, G. David Curry, who had retired in 2011. A special session was convened at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology to honor Dave’s memory as well as his contributions to the discipline. On a more positive note, we are pleased to welcome a new colleague, Karlijn Kuijpers (Ph.D. Tilburg University, the Netherlands) who joined us as an assistant professor in January 2016. Karlijn was previously on the faculty of Leiden University and her areas of research interest include victimization and intimate partner violence.

We are proud to report that the Criminology and Criminal Justice Undergraduate Student Association has established itself as an active student organization. In the past year, visits have been made to the State Prison in Potosi as well as the Federal Correctional Facility in Greeneville, IL. For more information about the CCJUSA, please contact one of the following faculty members who serve as advisors to the organization: Professor Tim Maher, Professor TJ Taylor, or Professor Matt Vogel.

Best wishes for a productive and informative year.

Finn Esbensen, Ph.D.
E. Desmond Lee Professor of Youth Crime and Violence and Chairperson

**Welcome from the Chairperson**

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**Faculty Awards, Appointments, & Projects**

Stephanie DiPietro received a New Scholar Award from the American Society of Criminology’s Division on People of Color and Crime.

Finn Esbensen was a Keynote Speaker at the “Youth Violence: Cutting to the Core” conference at Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, July 2015. His presentation was entitled “Youth Gangs: What do we know and what can we do?”

Finn Esbensen organized two events: The 14th Annual Youth Violence Prevention Conference, University of Missouri-St. Louis, April 2015 and The Eurogang Workshop – XIV – Blaubeuren, Germany, June 2015.

Beth Huebner was promoted from Associate to full Professor.

Beth Huebner was named a member of Mayor Francis Slay’s St. Louis Crime Commission

Matt Vogel has been granted a courtesy affiliation with TU Delft in the Netherlands through 2020. He is working with an international, interdisciplinary group examining the causes and consequences of neighborhood change in European cities.

**New Faculty**

After an international search, we are delighted to announce that Karlijn Kuijpers has joined us as Assistant Professor. Dr. Kuijpers received her PhD from the International Victimology Institute Tilburg (Intervict), Tilburg University, the Netherlands, in 2011 and joined us for the Spring 2016 semester.

**A Note of Appreciation**

Special thanks to our adjunct faculty members. Without their continued cooperation and support, it would not be possible for us to offer the variety and number of courses that we do.

Gabe Crocker, Heather Donovan, Michael Guzy, Brenda Loftin, Shannon McAllister, and Kim Rensing.
Congratulations
Karlijn Kuijpers and Matt Vogel welcomed a baby boy on May 26, 2015.

Obituary
Glen David Curry, Emeritus Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, passed away on April 27, 2015.

Dave was born into a coal-mining family in McDowell County, West Virginia. After the mines closed, his father transplanted the family into a series of abandoned houses/trailers that served as temporary residences while he unsuccessfully looked for full-time work. Because of the constant moves, Dave never finished the twelfth grade, but his test scores were so high that he was admitted to the University of Southern Mississippi, earning a B.S. in Sociology (with a minor in Mathematics) in 1969. He then served in Vietnam as an intelligence officer.

Upon his return, he enrolled at the University of Mississippi, serving as the state coordinator of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, and then entered the doctoral program in Sociology at the University of Chicago, graduating in 1976. He subsequently accepted a position at the University of South Alabama, where he served regularly as an expert witness for an NAACP-affiliated law firm and the Southern Poverty Law Center. He also intensified his work with the VVAW. These activities did not sit well with the local power brokers and an agent from the Alabama Bureau of Investigation was assigned to go undercover with the VVAW. That agent convinced one of Dave’s associates that he needed cocaine to treat some headaches he was suffering. Unfortunately, Dave helped facilitate the drug delivery. Although he was not involved in the actual transaction, he was arrested, convicted on three counts, and eventually served 14 months. In 2000, he received the last presidential pardon granted by Bill Clinton.

Dave joined the CCJ faculty at UMSL in 1994 after garnering acclaim for his work in military sociology and youth violence. Not only did he continue to be a prolific researcher but he also was highly devoted to his teaching and service responsibilities. He retired in 2011 for health reasons. Dave was an inspiration to faculty and students alike as a scholar, as a gentleman and as a good friend.

Doctoral Program News

New Doctoral Students
Welcome to Briana Balone, Cherrell Green, Kaylin Haff, Benjamin Hamilton, Anthony Michalka and Paige Vaughn.

New PhDs
Congratulations to Timothy Dickinson and Mikh Gunderman for successfully defending their dissertations:

Timothy Dickinson, “Talk and Deterrence in Drug Markets.” Committee Co-Chairs: Richard Rosenfeld and Richard Wright. Dr. Dickinson is now a Visiting Assistant Professor in the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.

Mikh Gunderman, “Loss, Hope, and Redemption: The Consequences of Methamphetamine use in a Sample of Incarcerated Women.” Committee Chair: Kristin Carbone-Lopez. Dr. Gunderman is now an Assistant Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at Missouri Southern State University.

New ABDs
Congratulations to Jaclyn Cwick, Shytierra Gaston, Jordan Pickering, Maribeth Rezey, and Niquita Vinyard for successfully defending their dissertation proposals:


Doctoral Student Awards and Accolades
Jaclyn Cwick received several awards in 2015: American Society of Criminology’s Division on Corrections and Sentencing’s Dissertation Scholarship Honorable Mention; First Place for Research in the Social Sciences at the UMSL Graduate School Research Fair; Sigma Xi Research Fair Award for Research in the Social Sciences; and an UMSL Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship.

Maribeth Rezey received the Larry J. Siegel Graduate Fellowship for Victimology Studies (American Society of Criminolo-
CheyOnna Sewell (L) and Maribeth Rezey were each awarded a Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) Graduate Research Fellowship through the BJS 2015 Graduate Research Fellowship Program for Criminal Justice Statistics. CheyOnna’s project is titled “An Investigation of Violence against Women, Gender Inequality, and Racial Inequality.” Maribeth’s project is titled “Understanding the Decline in Child Victimization: A National- and State-Level Analysis of Child Abuse and Neglect Trends.” The awards were presented on November 13, 2015 by Dr. Howard Snyder, the Chief of Recidivism, Reentry and Special Projects for the Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice.

Dissertation Deadlines
ABDs must be ready to submit a copy of their dissertation in “essentially final form” to the Graduate School six weeks prior to the end of the semester. Students who plan to receive the PhD in May 2016 must have their dissertation completed by April 1st. Finally, students who plan to complete their degree by the end of this academic year must have completed the dissertation by July 1st. Remember, you must be enrolled in the semester in which you defend your dissertation. Also, be aware that summer graduations are much more difficult to coordinate because of faculty research obligations. Be sure to plan ahead.

Got News?
We would like to hear from you! Please let us know about your professional accomplishments and personal updates. Send your information to Amanda Porterfield, porterfielda@umsl.edu

Master’s Program News
Welcome to the 2015 M.A. Cohort
Kelly Brauweiler, Shelby Emerson, Heidi Freye, Claire Greene, Kai Jones, Stephen Koehne, Kimberly Latham, Kimberly Leach, Danielle McCrady, Emily Mouyard, Madeline Oberman, Abigail Orscheln, Kevin Sanders, Michael Thomas, and Dakotah Urban.

Congratulations
The following students received their Master of Arts degree during the 2014-2015 school year: Andrew Bonnel, Jennifer Gerlomes, Brittany Jaecques, Christopher McDaniel, Andrew Morrow, Christina Nielsen, Jesse Parrett, Erica Preiss, Eva Roeder, and Corinne Seckinger.

Scholarship
The Edward G. Longinette Scholarship: Ann Kneib and Anthony Michalka

Reminder
Students who plan on graduating in May 2016 should have already filed an M-1 Form (Program for Master’s Degree) with the Graduate School. MA students should contact their faculty advisor if they have any questions about anticipated graduation date. Students should contact Graduate Director Beth Huebner to confirm their graduation date. The M-1 Form (and all other Graduate School Forms) is available online: on the UMSL Graduate School web page, go to “Current Students,” then “Forms.”

Bachelor’s Program News
Online Degree Program
We continue to increase our online course offerings for undergraduate students. We now offer online all courses required to complete the BS degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice.

The following courses are available for online instruction: 1100 Introduction to Criminology & Criminal Justice; 1110 Theories of Crime; 1120 Criminal Law; 1150 Violence in America; 2130 Criminal Justice Policy; 2210 Research Methods; 2220 Statistics; 2240 Policing; 2251 Youth Gangs; 2260 Courts; 3230 Crime Prevention; 3270 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency; 3345 Rights of the Offender; 4320 Forms of Criminal Behavior; 4325 Gender, Crime and Justice; 4335 Probation and Parole; 4390 Seminar in Criminology & Criminal Justice

Congratulations
Congratulations to the 159 undergraduate students who received their Bachelor of Science degree during the 2014-2015 school year. We also had 15 students graduate with a Minor in Criminology & Criminal Justice.
Special congratulations to our students who graduated with Latin honors: Julianne Altman, Matthew Benson, Joseph Burgess, Lacey Cather, Colin Dowd, Shelby Emerson, Ryan Ferguson, Maria Judge, Joseph Kuczka, Kleanthe Kuraj, Danielle McCrady, Bethany McMechan, Stephanie Meritt, Deann Porter, Gwen Smith, Erika Stasiak, and Nick Viviano.

Scholarships

Jennings Do-Dads Juvenile Justice Scholarship
  John Hoetling
  Alex Idoux
  Cara Sampson

Doris Fishman Administration of Justice Scholarship
  Cara Sampson

Charles G. Huber Jr. Endowed Scholarship in Criminology and Criminal Justice
  Kalie Cunningham

CCJ Chair’s List

Thirty-four undergraduate students were nominated to the CCJ Chair’s List. Students on this list must be CCJ majors, meet a cumulative grade-point average threshold, and be nominated by a member of the CCJ faculty. Congratulations to Julianne Altman, Gary Arturo II, Danielle Aubuchon, Shawket Barwary, William Brawner, Jr., Allison Conder, Jaimi Cook, Caroline Croci, James Day, Jared Dillmon, Mallory Jansen, Alysa Kaiser, Danyelle Kirkorian, Stephen Koehne, Kelby Kramer, Amanda Loelke, Scott Lussier, Dominic Margherio, Brittany Martin, Shenika Mays, Kent Meyer, Daniel Mueller, Jerrell Norman, Jennifer O’Neill, Caitlin Phillips, Diane Quensen, Zijada Rahmanovic, Robert Rivers, Cameron Roark, Chris Ruhland, Cara Sampson, Nick Viviano, Carlyn Vogel, and Jacquelyn Winford.

Our Influence

Research Grants and Awards


Beth M. Huebner (Principal Investigator). “Sex Offender Ab-sconder Research Study – Phase 2.” Missouri State Highway Patrol.


Beth M. Huebner (Co-investigator, with Alexes Harris [PI], Karen Martin, Mary Pattillo, Becky Pettit, Bryan Sykes, Sarah Shannon, and Chris Uggen). “Multi-state Study of Monetary Sanctions.” Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

Rick Rosenfeld (Principal Investigator). “Evaluating the Law Enforcement, Prosecutor, and Court Response to Firearm-related Crimes in St. Louis.” National Institute of Justice. Professor Rosenfeld is partnering with the Regional Justice Information Services (REJIS) on this project.

Publications

Department members published the following articles and book chapters from October 2014 to December 2015.

* indicates student, ** indicates alumni

ARTICLES


Elaine E. Doherty and Jaclyn M. Cwick*. 2015. “Unpacking the Complexity of Life Events and Desistance: An Application of Conjunctive Analysis of Case Configurations to Developmental and Life-Course Criminology.” Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology, online first.


**BOOK CHAPTERS**


**BOOKS**


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**ALUMNI NEWS**

**Awards, Accolades, and Projects**

Dennis Mares (PhD 2003) and Ken Moffett published an article named “Climate change and interpersonal violence: a ‘global’ estimate and regional inequities” in *Climatic Change*. As a result of this, they were asked by the Washington Post to write an article: “Climate negotiators, listen up: A warmer world is a more violent world,” [http://wapo.st/1Q4mXy6](http://wapo.st/1Q4mXy6).

Chris Melde (PhD 2007) received the 2015 Tory J. Caeti Memorial Award from the Juvenile Justice Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

Andrea Nichols (PhD 2011) received a New Scholar Award from the American Society of Criminology’s Division on Women and Crime.

**Research Grants**


**Career News**

Beginning in the fall of 2015, Chris Melde was appointed as the Associate Director of the School of Criminal Justice and the Director of Graduate Studies in that school at Michigan State University.

**Publications**

Please see “Our Influence” for alumni publications with cur-
rent department members.

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