

Criminology & Criminal Justice Newsletter Fall 07

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New CCJ Faculty

The department is happy to welcome three new tenure-track assistant professors. **Kristin Carbone-Lopez** received her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Minnesota in 2006. Her research considers the intersection of gender, crime and victimization, with a particular emphasis on violence between intimate partners. Kristin has a joint appointment with the Institute for Women and Gender Studies.

Lee Ann Slocum received her Ph.D. in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of Maryland in 2007. Her research focuses on intra-individual change and stability in offending and substance use over time, with a specific emphasis on understanding the role of stressors in the process. She is also interested in the study of person-environment interactions and selection processes, intergenerational patterns of antisocial behavior, and research methodology.

Andres Rengifo received his Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from the City University of New York (CUNY) Graduate Center - John Jay College in 2007. His research focuses primarily on communities and crime, emphasizing the linkages between neighborhood effects, social networks, and informal controls. Andres' current areas of interest include the study of incarceration and reentry using network simulation as well as the development of a network-based approach to measure local processes of social integration.

Faculty Awards

Richard Rosenfeld was promoted to the rank of Curator's Professor. A Curators' Professorship is the highest and most prestigious academic rank awarded by the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri. It is awarded to a select few "outstanding scholars with established reputations."

Jody Miller will be awarded the Chancellor's award for Excellence in Service. This Award recognizes and honors outstanding academic, humanitarian, or professional service on the campus and/or beyond the boundaries of the University. The award ceremony will be held on September 18, 2007 in the JC Penney Conference Center. Jody will also be honored at the Annual Founders dinner held on September 25th at the Ritz-Carlton.



(Dr. Jody Miller is featured in the far left of the photograph with the other recipients of Chancellor's Awards)

Dave Curry, Beth Huebner, Dave Klinger, and Jody Miller were awarded the UM-St. Louis Meritorious Service Award from Office of Disability Access Services.

Jennifer Cobbina will be awarded the American Society of Criminology Graduate Fellowship for Ethnic Minorities.

Special Appointments

Jody Miller and **Dave Curry** have been appointed Program Committee Co-Chairs for the 2008 Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings to be held in St. Louis, Missouri.

Richard Wright was named the new editor of the *British Journal of Sociology* in April, 2007. The editorial term is six years.

Employment News

Chris Melde, Ph.D. accepted an Assistant Professor position at Michigan State University.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to the 83 undergraduate students who received their Bachelor of Science degree in Spring and Summer 2007.

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS to Michael Bollinger, Dan Chambers, Mary Ann Coker, James Sengheiser, Alicia Bilzing, Mark Bobmeyer, Heather Boland, D'Andre Braddix, Dan Chambers, Joshua Cobb, Andrew Dacey, Nicole Jamison, Dorothy Kenoyer, Mark Koupal, Stephen Liford, Milton McDaniel, Erica Pyszka, Sarah Soos, Christina Stephan, Carrie Stevens, Jessica Sunderland, Joseph Trotter, William Wilson, and Michael Zika who graduated with Latin Honors.

CCJ Chair's List. Four undergraduate students were nominated to the CCJ Chair's List. Students on this list must be CCJ majors, have a GPA of 3.2 or above, and be nominated by a member of the CCJ faculty. Recipients include: Daniel Bonebrake, Stephen Liford, Kyan McCoy, and Carrie Stevens.

Scholarships. Two students, **Nicholas B. Schroer** and **Jared Armstrong** were awarded the *Doris Fishman AOJ Scholarship*. Each student received \$1,000. Two students were given the *Jennings Do-Dads Juvenile Justice Scholarship* - **Shelia Ann Anderson** and **Nicholas B. Schroer**. Each student received \$3,000.

Congratulations to Ben Voss who presented his research, "Relationship between fear of crime, gang involvement, and hidden weapons carrying among adolescents" at the 2007 Undergraduate Research Day at the Capital and at the 2007 Undergraduate Research Symposium at UMSL.

M.A. PROGRAM NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received their M.A. degrees during the Spring and Summer semesters: Scott Jacques, Darren Kennemer, Brian Oliver, Alison Parmenter, Michele Stacey, Katherine Taylor, and Clinton Vestal.

WELCOME to the 2007 MA cohort: Adam Baggett, Lennetta Brown, Anna Buechter, Matthew Durbin, Elizabeth Elliott, Jane Gehrs, Amanda Gendon, Laura Herman, Kimberly Hutchison, Dorothy Kenoyer, Sandra Kolb, Milton Mcdaniel, Meghan Rogers, and Derek Strauser.

Students who plan on **graduating in December 2007 or May 2008** 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 dates. Students should contact M.A. Graduate Director David Klinger to confirm their graduation date. The M-1 Form (and all other Graduate School Forms) are available on-line. Go to "Rules and Regulations" under the UMSL Graduate School web page to find the forms.

Ph.D. PROGRAM NEWS

New Ph.D. Students

WELCOME to **Ethan Amidon** (B.A., University of Maryland), **Ekaterina Archakova** (M.A., University of Missouri-St. Louis), **Dena Carson** (M.A., University of South Florida), **Krystle Leugoud** (B.A., University of Missouri-Columbia), **Natalie Metz** (M.A., Southern Illinois University-Carbondale), **Breanne Pleggenkuhle** (B.A., Wartburg College), and **Kaitlin Rayne** (B.A., University of Denver).

New Ph.D.s

Congratulations to **Chris Melde** for successfully defending his dissertation. Dr. Melde's dissertation is entitled, "Peer-Group Composition and the Perceived Risk of Victimization: Modeling Fear of Crime in a School-Based Sample". The chair of his committee is Finn Esbensen.

Congratulations to **Rob Fornango** for successfully defending his dissertation. Dr. Fornango's dissertation is entitled, "Structural Changes and Neighborhood Homicide Trends in St. Louis, Missouri, 1980 – 2000: A Multi-Level and Spatial Analysis". The chair of his committee is Richard Rosenfeld.

New ABDs

Congratulations to **Robin Schaum** for successfully defending her dissertation proposal. Ms. Schaum's project is entitled, "The Marriage Certificate as a Shield? The Role of Marital Status and Violent Victimization". The chair of her committee is Janet Lauritsen.

New Ph.D. Candidates

Congratulations to **Jennifer Cobbina** and **Mark Berg** for successfully completing the comprehensive exams. Graduate students are designated "Ph.D. Candidates" after they have completed coursework and exams.

Dissertation Deadlines

In order to receive the Ph.D. by the end of this semester, 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 Ph.D. by May 2008 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.**

Comprehensive Exams

The Winter 2008 comprehensive exams will take place on December 6th-8th. Students who plan to take their exams should confirm their place with Rick Rosenfeld, the chair of the Ph.D. program.

Professional Development Seminars

Attendance at professional development seminars is required for all Ph.D. students.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenters</u>
9/28	<i>Writing for Publication</i>	Wright & Rosenfeld
10/19	<i>ASC Presentations</i>	
10/26	<i>The Professional Meeting</i>	Lauritsen
11/2	<i>Criminology & Social Change</i>	Miller & Curry

OUR INFLUENCE

Publications

Department members published the following articles, chapters, and books since January 2007
** indicates graduate student, ** indicates alumni graduate student):

Research Articles

Eric Baumer and **Regan Gustafson***. 2007. "Social Organization and Instrumental Crime: Assessing the Empirical Validity of Classic and Contemporary Anomie Theories." *Criminology*, 45 (3), 617-663.

Shawn Bushway, Brian Johnson, and **Lee Ann Slocum**. 2007. "Is the Magic Still There? The Use of the Heckman Two-Step Correction for Selection Bias in Criminology." *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*. 23(2).

Finn-Aage Esbensen and **Karin Tusinski***. 2007. "Youth Gangs in the Print Media." *Journal of Crime and Popular Culture* 14:21-38.

Heather R. Hlavka, Candace Kruttschnitt and **Kristin C. Carbone-López**. 2007. "Revictimizing the Victims?: Interviewing Women About Interpersonal Violence." *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 22; 894-920.

Huebner, Beth M. 2007. "Racial and Ethnic Differences in the Likelihood of Marriage: The Effect of Incarceration." *Justice Quarterly*, 24(1)156-183.

Huebner, Beth M., Sean P. Varano, and Timothy S. Bynum. 2007. "Guns, Gangs, and Drugs: Recidivism among Serious, Young Offenders" *Criminology & Public Policy*, 6(2),187-222.

Huebner, Beth M. and **Regan Gustafson***. 2007. "The Effect of Maternal Incarceration on Adult Offspring Involvement in the Criminal Justice System." *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 35(3), 283-296.

Klinger, David. 2007. "Impact munitions: a discussion of key information." *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management*, 30, 385-397.

Maher, Timothy. 2007. "Cops on the Make: Police Officers Using Their Job, Power and Authority to Pursue Personal Sexual Interests." *Journal of the Institute of Justice and International Studies*, 7.

Oliver, Brian E.* 2007. "Three steps to reducing child molestation by adolescents." *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 31(7):683-689.

Rosenfeld, Richard, Robert Fornango**, and **Andres Rengifo**. 2007. "The Impact of Order-Maintenance Policing on New York City Robbery and Homicide Rates: 1988-2001." *Criminology* 45:355-383.

Stults, Brian J. and **Eric P. Baumer**. 2007. "Racial Context and Police Force Size:

Evaluating the Empirical Validity of the Minority Threat Perspective." *American Journal of Sociology* 113: 507-46.

Zhang, Sheldon, Ko-Lin Chin, and **Jody Miller**. 2007. "Women's Participation in Chinese Transnational Human Smuggling: A Gendered Market Perspective." *Criminology*. 45 (3).

Book Chapters

Silverblatt, Art and **Richard Rosenfeld**. 2007. "Growing Up on Screen: The Cult of Adolescence in American Film, 1938-1986." Pp. 84-105 in *Genre Studies in Mass Media*, by A. Silverblatt. Armonk, NY: M. E. Sharpe.

Research Grants

Janet Lauritsen was awarded a grant entitled "Gender and Violent Victimization, 1973-2005", with Karen Heimer, from the National Institute of Justice.

ALUMNI NEWS

Tenured and Promoted

Lisa L. Sample was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor at the University of Nebraska.

M. Dyan McGuire was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor at Saint Louis University.

Awards and Publications

Ackerman, Alissa R. and **Peterson, Elicka S.L.** (2006). Part One—Laws pertaining to sexual offenders in Florida: Suggestions for future legislation. Sex Offender Law Report Vol. 7(4): 54-64.

Ackerman, Alissa R. and **Peterson, Elicka S.L.** (2006). Part Two—Laws pertaining to sexual offenders in Florida: Suggestions for future legislation. Sex Offender Law Report Vol. 8(1): 43-59.

Burruss, George W. and Hect-Furlow, M. (2007). Teaching Statistics Visually: A Quasi-experimental evaluation of teaching chi-square through computer tutorials." *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*. 18:209-230.

Mullins, Christopher W. and Dawn L. Rothe. (2007). "Darfur: The Forgotten Ones." *Critical Criminology*. 15(2)

Rothe, Dawn and **Mullins, Christopher W.** (2007). "Darfur and the International Legal Order: Genocide or Crime against Humanity?" *Humanity and Society*. 31(1):83-107.

Mullins, Christopher W. and Robin M. Cardwell-Mullins. (2006). "Bad Ass or Punk Ass?: The Contours of Street Masculinity" *Universitas*. 3(1).

Ruddell, Rick, and Martin G. Urbina. (2007). "Weak nations, political repression and punishment." *International Criminal Justice Review* 17: 84-107.

Ruddell, Rick, and G. Larry Mays. (2007). "Rural jails: Problematic inmates, overcrowded cells, and cash-strapped counties." *Journal of Criminal Justice* 35: 251-260.

Sample, Lisa L. (2006). "An Examination of the Degree to Which Sex Offenders Kill." *Criminal Justice Review*. Vol. 31 (3): 230-250.

Sample, Lisa L. and Bray, Timothy M. (2006). "Are Sex Offender Different? An Examination of Re-Arrest Patterns." *Criminal Justice Policy Review*. Vol. 17 (1): 83-102

Book chapters

Miller, Susan L., and **Peterson, Elicka S.L.** (2006). The impact of law enforcement policies on victims of intimate partner violence. In R. Muraskin (Ed.), *It's A Crime: Women and Justice* (4th ed.). New Jersey: Prentice Hall.

Rothe, D. and **Mullins, Christopher W.** 2007 "Genocide, War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity in Central Africa: A Criminological Exploration" in Haveman, R. and A. Smeulders (eds.), *Towards a Criminology of International Crimes*, Antwerp: Intersentia.

Mullins, Christopher W. 2007 "Women and Violence on the Streets: Resistance and Empowerment in Streetlife Social Networks." In

T. Anderson (ed.) *Women, Power and Drugs*. Piscataway, NJ: RutgersUniversity Press.

Rothe, D. and **Mullins, Christopher W.** 2007 "The International Criminal Court." In Barak, G. (ed.) *Controversies in Criminal Justice*: Greenwood Press.

Other Publications

Catalano, Shannan (2007). Intimate Partner Violence in the United States. Bureau of Justice Statistics Website:

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/intimate/ipv.htm>.

Grants

Thomas J. Holt. (2007). Principal Investigator. Examining the creation, distribution, and function of malware on-line. National Institute of Justice.

Giblin, Matthew J., **George W. Burruss**, and Joseph A. Schafer. (2007). "Collaborations to Prevent Campus Crime: Examining the Relationship between Local Law Enforcement and Post-Secondary Institutions in Illinois and the United States." Funded by Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Giblin, Matthew J., and **George W. Burruss**. (2007). "Innovation Diffusion Channels and Community Policing: The Impact of Institutional Forces on Organizational Practice." Funded by the National Institute of Justice.

Lisa L. Sample. (2007). Principle Investigator. Nebraska's Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Program Evaluation. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services.

Employment News

Kelli Burmeister (Dyer) was promoted to Researcher, Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections, State of Colorado. Kelli was the lead person on the report: "Recidivism Evaluation of Committed Youth Discharged in Fiscal Year 2004-05". She claims that she is able to apply on a daily basis much of what she learned from her UMSL faculty.

Darren Kennemer recently was hired as a U.S. Probation Officer with the United States District Court – Eastern District of Missouri.

Jo Ellen LaRue was hired by the Missouri Department of Corrections as a Probation Officer 2. She was able to bypass the entry-level phase of this position because of her graduate education at UMSL.

Rick Ruddell has moved to Eastern Kentucky University where he is Graduate Program Coordinator in the College of Justice and Safety.

Other

Margaret Mary "Maggie" McGuire, born on June 25, 2006 in Guatemala, was adopted by **Dyan McGuire**. Maggie came to her new home in the US on April 25, 2007. Dyan reports that Maggie is doing great. She talks a little but doesn't walk as she has staff to carry her around and doesn't see the need to tax herself in that regard.

Corinne Zi Yu Burruss, born on March 13, 2006 in Yang Xi, China, was adopted by **George** and Shari **Burruss** (and big sister Carol) on Christmas day, 2006. Corinne has adjusted to living in Southern Illinois and enjoys her new role as center of the universe.

GOT NEWS?

We would like to hear from you. The newsletter welcomes news from alumni of our graduate program. Keep us posted on your professional activities! Send your information to Beth Huebner (Huebnerb@umsl.edu).