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THE CJ CHRONICLES

SCJ Students on the Right “Track”

Three PhD students are headed for tenure-track, assistant professor positions at other universities.

Elizabeth Brown has accepted a position in the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Niagara University -- a department otherwise known as “Albany West” for all the excellent UAlbany grads working there!

Bob Vasquez will join the Department of Criminal Justice at Texas State University - San Marcos this coming fall.

And, the faculty at Northeastern University’s School of Criminal Justice will welcome **Gregory Zimmerman** in the new academic year.

Please join us in wishing all of these students well as they embark on their new careers!



Apel Wins ACJS MacNamara Award

Professor Bob Apel’s paper, “Youth Behavior, School Structure, and Student Risk of Victimization”, published last year in *Justice Quarterly* (25:2:349-380) has been

selected to receive The MacNamara Award for Outstanding Journal Publication from the Academy of Criminal Justice Science. Apel coauthored the paper with Dr. John Burrow from the University of South Carolina .

The MacNamara Award recognizes outstanding scholarship published in one of the publication venues of the Academy (Justice Quarterly, Journal of Criminal Justice Education, and ACJS Today). The award was presented on March 12 during the ACJS annual meeting in Boston, MA.

Fader Receives FRAP-A Award

Professor Jamie Fader will receive an award through the University at Albany Faculty Research Awards Program (FRAP) to begin an interview-based study in Philadelphia entitled: “Selling Smarter: Risk Assessment and Apprehension Avoidance Strategies Among Drug Sellers in Urban Communities.” She will be headed to Philly this summer to begin data collection.



The FRAP provides seed funding to support faculty research and other creative endeavors. The awards are intended to stimulate new research that has the potential for subsequent external support. The FRAP-A selection process is highly competitive. Proposals are reviewed at the University level and judged against applications from every other unit in the University.

Presentations

Toch Key Speaker at NEPACS Conference

Professor Hans Toch will be a key speaker at the fourth NEPACS Conference, *The Isolated Prisoner: Challenging the Void*, in April. The conference will take place at St Aidan's College in the United Kingdom. NEPACS is a community-based program that supports offenders, ex-offenders, and their families.

Apel Talks Stats in MD...

Professor Bob Apel was invited to give a seminar as part of the Statistical Applications in Criminology and Criminal Justice Workshop at the University of Maryland. The presentation was entitled "Instrumental Variables in Criminological Research."

...and Delivers Colloquium in Albany

In February, Apel presented "Adolescent Work Stability and Early Adult Offending" at a colloquium sponsored by the Center for Social and Demographic Analysis and the Lewis Mumford Center.

Peterson Doubles Up on Gang Lectures

Professor Dana Peterson was invited to deliver a lecture at Union College in February. The title of her talk was "Girlfriends, Groupies, Gun-Holders, and Ghetto-Rats? The Role of Girls in Contemporary Gangs."

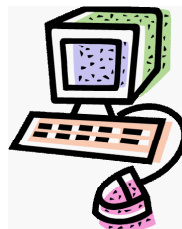
Peterson has also been invited to present "Girls in Gangs and Implications for Gender-Specific Programming" at the 8th Annual Youth Violence Prevention Conference in St. Louis, MO.

Bushway Speaks to NY Times

Professor Shawn Bushway was interviewed by the New York Times for an article titled "Running a Business After Doing Time." The story appeared in the February 22 Business section. Visit http://www.nytimes.com/2009/02/22/business/22proto.html?_r=1&emc=eta1 to read the complete article.

Presentations

Fader Blogs on Juvenile Justice



Professor Jamie Fader was a guest blogger for Changing Lives Through Literature, an alternative-to-incarceration program. Her blog on the juvenile justice system is posted at <http://cltlblog.wordpress.com/2009/02/25/juvenile-justice-a-case-for-transparency-and-research-based-accountability/>.

Awards & Honors

Bailey Elected EVP

Professor Frankie Bailey was elected Executive Vice President of Mystery Writers of America for the 2009-2010 term.

Boots in the Top 40

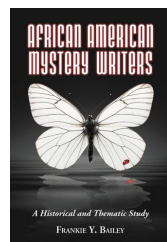


Michael Boots, director of development for SCJ, has been selected for *The Business Review's* 40 Under Forty list, recognizing the capital region's future business leaders. Boots and the others on

the list will be honored during a celebration on Thursday, May 7 at The Crowne Plaza in downtown Albany.

See the complete 40 Under Forty list at <http://albany.bizjournals.com/albany/event/5873>.

Bailey Nominated for Mystery Award



Professor Frankie Bailey's book *African American Mystery Writers: A Historical and Thematic Study* has been nominated for the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar® Award in the Best Critical-Biographical category. The winner will be announced at a banquet in April 2009.

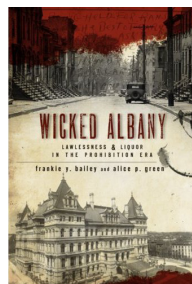
Publications

Books



Charles Lanier, William Bowers, and Professor James Acker have co-edited a new book, *The Future of America's Death Penalty: An Agenda for the Next Generation of Capital Punishment Research*. Published by Carolina Academic Press, The Future of America's Death

Penalty contains original chapters written by nationally distinguished scholars. The book is an ambitious effort to identify the most critical issues confronting the future of capital punishment in the United States. **PhD student Andrew Davies** teamed with Jonathan Gradess to contribute a chapter titled "The Cost of the Death Penalty in America: Directions for Future Research."



Wicked Albany: Lawlessness & Liquor in the Prohibition Era, a collaboration between **Professor Frankie Bailey** and alumna **Alice Green**, was published by The History Press in February.

Professor Dana Peterson and her colleagues (Finn-Aage Esbensen, Terrance J. Taylor and Adrienne Freng) are pleased to announce that their book, *Youth Violence: Sex and Race Differences in Offending, Victimization, and Gang Membership*, has been accepted for publication by Temple University Press. It is expected to be available in time for November's ASC meeting.

Papers

Professor Shawn Bushway has three new publications to report.



Stoll, Michael A. and Shawn D. Bushway (2008). "The Effect of Criminal Background Checks on Hiring Ex-Offenders." *Criminology and Public Policy* 7:3:371-404.

Gottfredson, Denise, Brooke Kearley and Shawn Bushway (2008). "Substance Use, Drug Treatment, and Crime: An Examination of Intra-Individual Variation in a Drug-Court Population." *Journal of Drug Issues* 38:2: 601-630.

Bushway, Shawn and Peter Reuter (2008) "Economists' Contribution to the Study of Crime and the Criminal Justice System." *Crime and Justice: A Review of Research* 37:389-451.

Professor Bob Apel reports two forthcoming papers.

He worked with **Associate Dean Greg Pogarsky** and recent **PhD graduate Leigh Bates** on "Sanctions and perceptions in a model of school-based deterrence." The paper will soon appear in the *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.



Apel also teamed with Marieke van de Rakt and Paul Nieuwbeerta on "Association of criminal convictions between family members: Effects of siblings, fathers and mothers," upcoming in *Criminal Behaviour and Mental Health*.

Ph.D. Visiting Weekend 2009

On March 20 and 21, the School of Criminal Justice will welcome seven prospective Ph.D. students for Visiting Weekend 2009. They are:

Ronald Eckert

Undergraduate

Shippensburg University
Criminal Justice

Graduate

Villanova University
Criminal Justice

Rachael Powers

Undergraduate

University of Alabama – Huntsville
Psychology/Sociology

Graduate

University of Maryland
Criminology

Jeanee Miller

Undergraduate

Temple University
Criminal Justice

Daniel Ragan

Undergraduate

Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Criminology

Graduate

Florida State University
Criminology

Kirstin Morgan

Undergraduate

University of California – Irvine
Criminology

Lacey Schaefer

Undergraduate

Wichita State University
Psychology

Graduate

Mississippi State University
Sociology

Robert Norris

Undergraduate

University of North Carolina – Greensboro
Sociology

Calendar of Events

Thu Mar 26	6:00 p.m.	GSA International Dinner	Deer Valley Apts.
Fri Mar 27	12:30 p.m.	GSA Brown Bag - K. Socia	DR 217
Fri Apr 3	12:00 p.m.	CSDA Brown Bag - S. Bushway	CSDA Library BA B-29
Fri Apr 17	12:30 p.m.	GSA Brown Bag - G. Rodick	DR 217
Wed May 6	3:00 p.m.	Hindelang Lecture	Richardson 002
Fri May 8	12:30 p.m.	GSA Brown Bag - A. Davies	DR 217
Sat May 16	9:00 a.m.	Graduate Commencement Ceremony	SEFCU Arena
Sat May 16	4:00 p.m.	SCJ Graduate Recognition Ceremony	Milne 200
Sun May 17	10:00 a.m.	Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony	Collins Circle Entry Plaza
Sun May 17	12:30 p.m.	SCJ Undergraduate Recognition Ceremony	PAC Main Theater