From the Chair

Time certainly flies! I am now in my third year as Department Chair, still enjoying the fun and challenges of leading this great department. Even after 20+ years on the faculty, the University still has procedures that I am learning and it still surprises me in some of its policies.

Nancy Denton

The department continues to change. Last year’s new colleagues, Tse-Chuan “TC” Yang from Penn State and Zoya Gubernskaya from the University of California at Irvine have already had their first term renewal. Both are doing very well and the department is enjoying their presence and contributions. And in the fall of 2014 we recruited two more new colleagues, Trevor Hoppe from the University of Michigan and Stacy Torres from NYU. Trevor studies deviance and sociology of law, while Stacy is an ethnographer who studies aging, families, and medical sociology. We are eager for them to join us! Trevor will arrive in August of 2015, Stacy in August of 2016 as she will spend one year at UC Berkeley doing a post-doc.

Another big departmental change is in the staff. The Administrative Manager, Stacey Zyskowski, moved to the School of Criminal Justice last August. And on January 5, 2015 Jaime Galusha became our new Administrative Manager. Jaime had worked for many years in the CAS Dean’s office and she seems to be enjoying seeing things from the departmental side! We also have a new secretary, Lisa Klein, who started in July 2014, replacing Melanie Lawyer who moved to the School of Business. Lisa previously worked in Residential Life so she is getting used to seeing the academic side of things for the students. Both Jaime and Lisa are doing very well and we are super happy to have them.
Cathy Rose celebrated 30 years of New York State employment this spring and officially retired on May 30, 2015. We cannot imagine her not being here, and we took the opportunity to get materials organized during her last month in hopes that we have a chance of finding them without her guidance!

On May 8, 2015 we celebrated the careers of three of our esteemed colleagues who retired: Glenna Spitze at the end of August 2014, Chris Bose at the end of December 2014, and Russ Ward, at the end of August 2015. Together they have 112 years of collective experience at Albany, having arrived in 1978, 1979, and 1974 respectively. We had a nice event at the University Art Museum and were able to recruit a speaker who had been here longer than any of them, Professor John Pipkin from the Department of Geography and Planning. Their contributions to the department and university have been enormous and we will greatly miss them. Fortunately, all three will be around at least through the summer.

In the fall we received the report from our External Reviewers, Professor Pam Stone from Hunter College and CUNY Graduate Center and Professor Ralph Taylor from Temple University. They complimented the department on its faculty, research productivity, and graduate student placement and research productivity. They also identified some challenges that the department faces like the need for an undergraduate advisor and the very large size of our undergraduate classes, particularly those at the 300-level. We have written a response to the suggestions of the reviewers and are awaiting feedback from the CAS Dean’s Office. These reviews, while a lot of work, actually challenge the department to examine itself and its curriculum. It is particularly important as the new president has identified some key areas that he would like to focus on, and the department wants to participate in them to the extent possible.

President Jones visited the Sociology Department on March 3, 2015. It provided us with the opportunity to introduce ourselves and our research to him, as well as hear about his plans for the university. He is particularly interested in expanding our portfolio of degree programs, recruiting more international and out of state students, broadening our community engagement, and growing our resources.

Along with publishing journal articles, members of our department received accolades and honors during the year. Professor Christine Bose presented her Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS) 2014 Distinguished Feminist Lecture on global inequalities on two different college campuses during the 2014-15 academic year. Karyn Loscocco again participated in the university’s Faculty Dialogue in Action Initiative during the 2014-15 academic year. Zai Liang spent the 2014-15 academic year in New York City as a Russell Sage Scholar, while Sam Friedman enjoyed her Fulbright at the Institute of Population Studies at Hacetteppe University in Turkey.

Looking forward, Angie Y. Chung has been selected to receive the Dr. Thomas Tam Visiting Professorship in Asian American Studies at CUNY Graduate Center. Joanna Dreby’s new book, *Everyday Illegal: When Policies Undermine Immigrant Families* has been
well received. TC Yang and Zai Liang received one of the President’s Initiative Awards to study the health of young immigrant children. More details on these and other accomplishments appear below.

As usual we had our Annual Theodore G. Standing Lecture—the 45th—on April 10, 2015. This is a wonderful event where we honor our “founders” with awards to our current students. Professor Nazli Kibria from Boston University gave a stimulating talk titled “Enemies from Within or Without: Muslims and Media Narratives of the Boston Marathon Bombings.” Dr. Kibria’s research includes family, immigration, race and globalization, with a focus on South Asia. Her current projects include the racialization of Muslim Americans and the consumption patterns of new middle class families in emerging world economies.

In closing, let me say that I still find this to be an exciting time to lead the Sociology department at Albany, so much so that I have agreed to do it for the next few years. We have wonderful faculty, graduate students, staff, and adjunct lecturers. Finally, please know that we are eager to stay in touch with our alums and learn what they are doing. Let us hear from you!

Elizabeth Popp-Berman

Since our last newsletter the department saw six students finish their dissertations—Joseph Gibbons, Ilir Disha, Kirsten Lauber, Nickie Michaud Wild, Suzanne Strong, and Josh McCabe. Our graduates have taken positions that include tenure-track jobs at the University of Hartford, San Diego State, Pace University, and the University of Frankfurt, as well as a postdoctoral position at Wellesley College. Congratulations to all of them, and we wish them the very best as they move to the next stage of their careers.

At the other end of the pipeline, we welcomed eight new graduate students to the program: Ertugrul (Arthur) Akyol, Kenneth Chen, Jonathan Fulton, Kaitlin Meck, Wen-Ling Kung, Kyle Maksuta, Zequon (Amanda) Tang, and Felice Wu. Our cohorts continue to be globally diverse, with representation this year
from Turkey, Taiwan, Saudi Arabia and China, as well as various parts of the U.S. At this point in the academic year, they are old hands at graduate school, but nevertheless we appreciate all they have added to the program.

Our graduate students continue to win recognition for their work. At the national level, Allison Houston won the 2014 Howard B. Kaplan Memorial Award from ASA’s Medical Sociology section, and Kristen Hourigan won the Siegel Graduate Fellowship for Victimology Studies from the American Society of Criminology for her dissertation research, “Exploring the Social Causes and Consequences of Forgiveness/Non-forgiveness after Loss of a Loved One to Homicide.”

At UAlbany, Joe Gibbons received the 2015 Distinguished Dissertation Award for “Segregation and the Adaption of Community-Based Organizations to Multiethnic Immigration in Newark and Jersey City: 1990-2010,” bringing our department’s streak to nine years running. In addition, Yuching Cheng won a Benevolent Association Research Grant, Gowoon Jung won an Initiative for Women Award, and Rakkoo Chung won a Dissertation Research Fellowship Award.

The department of course recognized students as well at the annual Standing Lecture. This year, Sehwa Lee won the Liska Dissertation Award, Joshua McCabe received the Meadows Research Award and Lei Lei earned an honorable mention, and Samantha Applin won the Meadows Teaching Award.

Another important part of professional development is, of course, presenting papers at conferences and publishing research. This year thirteen graduate students presented at ASA meetings in San Francisco, eight at the Eastern Sociological Society in New York City, four at the American Society of Criminology meetings in San Francisco, and six at the Population Association of America meetings in San Diego. Students also attended more specialized conferences and workshops. Wendie Choudary and Lei Lei attended the Penn State Stratification Conference, and Colleen Wynn attended the Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop at the Columbia Population Research Center.


We initiated two new efforts to strengthen graduate student recruiting and transition to the department this year. Our first admitted student visit day, with grad student hosts, course visits, individual faculty meetings, and meals with grad students and faculty, was a great success. Seven prospective students visited and at the end of the day, six wanted to attend!
We have also reorganized the orientation course for first-year students, focusing on the first-year adjustment with topics like “How to ‘read’ 1000 pages a week” and “How the discipline works.” More advanced grad students generously sat on panels discussing the TA and RA experience, “What I wish I knew my first semester,” presenting at conferences, and what to do in the summer. In the next year, the graduate committee and I will be working to improve mentorship and advising for students further along in their graduate careers as well.

As always, it takes a lot of people to make all these things happen. I would particularly like to thank Cathy Rose, graduate secretary, who retired in May and who will be very, very hard to replace. Colleen Wynn did an enormous amount of work as SOS president, particularly around organizing the visit day for prospective students. The graduate committee of Ron Jacobs, Steve Messner, Kate Strully, and Kathy Trent attended many meetings and endured many emails from me this spring, for which I thank them. Sam Friedman has been generous with her time during my first year on the job. Nancy Denton has been extremely supportive of the graduate program as a whole and a helpful sounding board when issues arose. Others who deserve mention include Jaime Galusha, Lisa Klein, and Rachel Sullivan. Thanks to all of you, and others I have undoubtedly missed, for help making the graduate program work. Let’s make it even better next year!

From the Undergraduate Director

Jim Zetka

The Undergraduate Committee has been so effective in its work that the undergraduate program is now humming along like a well-spun top!! Ok. Ok.--that statement is a bit of a stretch, but we have worked hard to improve our program, nonetheless.

We introduced the new department-based general education competencies in the fall. Our program will now teach information literacy primarily in the methods course, advanced writing and oral discourse in the senior-level seminar, and critical-analytical skills throughout the curriculum. We have made this transition rather seamlessly and so far the sky hasn’t fallen on us.

We also began a departmental dialogue regarding on-line courses and their role in our program. While we recognize the growing popularity of these courses -
they are convenient, do not require presence, and can be “cash cows” for the university - we are also concerned about their negative effects upon the undergraduate and graduate experiences. We have discussed as a department how to balance the benefits with the costs. This discussion will continue.

We have also been examining our enrollment numbers, which are quite difficult to interpret. It looks as if the trends we have been seeing the last few years in the university have begun to affect us a bit. Our first major numbers dropped some, although this was moderated by a slight increase in the number of students choosing sociology as a second major. Our graduating major numbers have also dropped a bit, and for the first time in a number of years we did not hold our departmental graduation ceremony at the spacious confines of the SEFCU Arena, but at a smaller and more intimate setting—the gym. We were bumped by a bigger and meaner competitor. Any thoughts on how to get sociology a membership in the STEM club, and talked up in their well-greased marketing-campaign, with their spiffy television commercials and such?

We have continued our truth in advertising campaign working to upgrade our course descriptions in the Undergraduate Bulletin. Next year we anticipate some new, hot, and exciting courses as we encourage faculty to offer courses they teach periodically as topics courses as permanent offerings written up in the Undergraduate Bulletin. Take that STEM!

We have also worked especially hard this year, with Nancy Denton’s enthusiastic leadership, to minimize and correct advising errors to the best of our abilities. And we will continue to do so in the future.

Finally, I’m not new to the role anymore (just old), but I am still quite dependent upon the help of others in doing the Undergraduate Director’s job. I would like to thank the new department manager (Jaime) and staff—Lisa and Cathy—for all of their help and good cheer. I would also like to thank the departmental chair—Nancy Denton—for helping me with many difficult advising cases, especially with so many faculty taking leave during the spring semester. Her honest efforts and endless good cheer are much appreciated.

Of course, I want to thank all the undergraduates for continuing to make the Undergraduate Director job the interesting experience it has been, and for at times stretching my emotional range of expression. I enjoyed seeing many of your smiling faces, at least one last time, at the graduation ceremony this year. Hip hip hooray!

From the Center for Social and Demographic Analysis

The Center for Social and Demographic Analysis (CSDA) had another terrific year under the skilled leadership of the center’s director, Timothy Gage (professor in Anthropology and Epidemiology), the new associate director, Benjamin Shaw (professor and chair in the Department of Health Policy, Management & Behavior), and the developmental core director, Nancy Denton (professor and chair in Sociology). This past year, the center’s
colloquium series attracted a number of outstanding speakers, including Christine Bachrach (Maryland Population Research Center) who presented thought-provoking work on models of fertility intentions, Pamela Smock (University of Michigan) who shared astute reflections on fifty years of family demography, and Gary Gates (UCLA Law School) who presented stimulating findings about lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender families.

Kate Strully

CSDA’s research associates have been hard at work this past year conducting path-breaking population research, particularly related to spatial inequalities and vulnerable populations. Angie Chung (Sociology) recently received a grant from the National Science Foundation to study immigration and politics in urban neighborhoods in greater Los Angeles. Scott South (Sociology) obtained a grant from the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development to study factors that impede and facilitate young adults leaving of the parental home. And, Robert Rosenswig (Anthropology) received a grant from the National Science Foundation to study the development of the Izapa polity, which existed in the Mexican state of Chiapas in the pre-Columbian period. Center associates have also obtained prestigious fellowship during sabbatical years. Samantha Friedman (Sociology) is currently conducting research on residential segregation in Turkey as a Fulbright scholar, and Zai Liang (Sociology) is conducting research on immigrant communities in the U.S. as a visiting scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation. CSDA is also been home to highly productive working groups this year. The working group on aging has been holding regular meetings to share members’ works-in-progress and is currently developing a proposal for the University Presidential Initiative Fund. The Urban China Research Network also had a great year, holding a highly productive conference at UAlbany last April which attracted doctoral students and professors from various universities in China and the U.S.

CSDA had another banner year, but it would not have been possible without the center’s immensely talented staff who deserve recognition: Walter Ensel, Linda Lawrence, Jin-wook Lee, Jeffrey Napierala, Hui-Shien Tsao, and Ruby Wang.

From the President of Students of Sociology (SOS)

This year, Students of Sociology focused on utilizing student and faculty expertise to develop skills and explore opportunities for success and professional development in graduate school as well as in our future careers. We hosted two graduate student panels. Our first panel was how to maximize time in
graduate school, focusing on time management, organization, and productivity. The second was on internships and non-academic jobs. We also hosted panels on grants and the job market featuring faculty members. This year, SOS also sponsored a departmental mentorship program between the first and second year cohorts to help students transition into their first year in the program.

Colleen Wynn

In an effort to strengthen our interdisciplinary relationships, SOS cosponsored a graduate student mixer with the graduate students in the Educational Administration and Policy Studies Department. We also co-hosted a series of film nights with the Anthropology Graduate Student Organization, which featured critically acclaimed films and anthropological and sociological discussion. We look forward to sponsoring more professional development and social events in the future!

Special thanks to the departmental staff for helping us to plan all of our events this year, and thank you to all the faculty and graduate student speakers that have taken time out of their busy schedules to participate as well. Thanks to all grad students for helping to make these events a success! We look forward to helping out the next cohort as they take over SOS next year.

Congratulations to Our Recent Ph.D. Recipients (since last Newsletter)

Ilir Disha
“The Role of Immigrant Assimilation and Segregation in Explaining the Effect of Immigration Size on Neighborhood Crime”

Joseph R. Gibbons
“Segregation and the Adaption of Community-Based Organizations to Multiethnic Immigration in Newark and Jersey City: 1990-2010”

Kirsten Lauber

Nickie Michaud Wild
“Political Criticism and the Power of Satire: The Transformation of ‘Late Night’ Comedy on Television in the United States, 1980-2008”

Suzanne Strong
“Racial Conflict and Bias Crimes across US Cities: An Analysis of the Social Threat Perspective”

Josh McCabe
Enetering Graduate Students Fall 2014

**Ertugurl Aykol** graduated from Bilgi University in 2010. He is primarily interested in Cultural Sociology, but his ultimate aim is exploring the connection between sexism and violence, although he understands all of these are an ongoing process of exploration.

**Zequn Tang** graduated from SUNY at Buffalo in 2014 with a degree in Economics. She is interested primarily in Family Demography and Urban Sociology, but also looks forward to expanding her horizons within the department.

**Wen-Ling Kung** graduated from University of Essex in 2009 with a MA degree in sociology. She is interested primarily in Gender, Sexuality and Family.

**Kyle Maksuta** graduated from The University of Akron in 2013 with a degree in sociology. He is primarily interested in researching Crime and Deviance, but is also looking forward to exploring other avenues of sociological study within the department.

**Kaitlin Meck** graduated from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania in 2013 with a BA in sociology. In addition to the Sociology PhD program, she is also enrolled in the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality MA program, and is primarily interested in Families, Gender, and Sexuality.

**Kenneth H. Chen** was born in Stony Brook, New York, but mostly grew up in Taiwan. He graduated from the Department of Humanities and Social Science from National Tsing Hua University in Taiwan, with a BA in sociology and anthropology. His current interests are primarily in Immigration Studies, Cultural Sociology and the Sociology of Education.

**Jonathan Aldrin Fulton** received his undergraduate degree in sociology from UAlbany in 2014. He is most interested in Crime and Deviance but has lately added Immigration Studies to his interests. He looks forward to branching out into other fields and to bring the knowledge gained back to his main field of interest.

**Fen-Chieh Felice Wu** graduated from National Chengchi University with a major in diplomacy and a minor in sociology. Her primary interests include Social Psychology, Political Sociology, Gender, and Sociological Theories.

**Graduate Student News**


**Kate Moloney**, with Professor Scott South, published “Ethnic Density and Obesity: Evidence from Fixed-Effects
Models”, which appeared in *Health & Place* 31(5): 199-207

**Kristen Hourigan** won the Siegel Graduate Fellowship for Victimology Studies through the American Society of Criminology, Division on Victimology for her dissertation research project entitled, “Exploring the Social Causes and Consequences of Forgiveness/Non-forgiveness after Loss of a Loved One to Homicide” (editors’ note: as featured on our departmental webpage at [www.albany.edu/sociology](http://www.albany.edu/sociology))

**Jing Li** won the dissertation grant from the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for the 2013-2014 academic year. Li is an Assistant Professor (Political Science) in the School of International Relation and Public Affairs at Fudan University

**Wendie Choudary** interned at the NYS Office of Children and Family Services in the Data Warehouse from January 2014 to September 2014. In March, she interviewed, and subsequently has been offered a position, at the Census Bureau. Wendie and **Lei Lei** attended the Penn State Stratification Conference on *Residential Inequality in American Neighborhoods and Communities* in September. She enjoyed discussions with Barrett Lee, Daniel Lichter, John Iceland, Matt Hall, among others.

**Alumni News from our PhD Graduates**

**Stephen C. Light** will happily return to the faculty of SUNY Plattsburgh as Professor of Sociology in the fall of 2015 after eight years as Associate Dean of Arts and Science and five years as Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs.

**Gene Shackman** continues to direct the Global Social Change Research Project ([http://gsociology.icaap.org/](http://gsociology.icaap.org/)) and produce reports about global social change. He has expanded the project to include a Linkedin discussion group. Gene also started another Linkedin group, “Public Social Science,” aimed at making social science research easy to understand. Links to both groups are on the project website.

**Heather Laube** was awarded a Fulbright at Karl-Franzens University in Graz, Austria. There she is teaching courses in the Institute for American Studies and conducting research. Her research focuses on the role that feminists play in transforming academia, the ways they practice their politics through their work and how the possibilities and constraints of the academy shape individual careers, the construction of knowledge, disruption, and protest. See [http://tinyurl.com/laubefulbright](http://tinyurl.com/laubefulbright)

**Brian McKenzie** has been in the news about bicycling and walking to work and published on access to supermarkets among poorer neighborhoods. See [http://tinyurl.com/mckenzienpr](http://tinyurl.com/mckenzienpr) and [http://tinyurl.com/mckurban](http://tinyurl.com/mckurban)

**Lori Martin** is no longer at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. She joined the faculty at Louisiana State University in 2013 ([lorim@lsu.edu](mailto:lorim@lsu.edu)). She continues to publish extensively, including *Big Box Schools: Race, Education, and the Danger of the Wal-Martization of Public Schools in America* (in press) Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books.
Eunju Lee, Assistant Professor of UAlbany's School of Social Welfare, is one of five recipients of a $200,000 fellowship award to support a faculty mentor and doctoral students examining poverty and child neglect (2014-2016). The grant supports child maltreatment research and the development of the next generation of child maltreatment researchers. The program is funded by the Children’s Bureau in the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Eunju sends her thanks to the department's esteemed faculty members for providing a great training and continuous mentorship!

Lori Collins in July 2014 took a position as Vice President of Academic Affairs at Antioch College in Yellow Springs OH.

Bonita Veysey in September 2014 was appointed to the Chancellors Office as Vice Chancellor for Planning and Implementation to be the primary facilitator of the implementation of the Rutgers University-Newark Strategic Plan under the amazing leadership of Chancellor Nancy Cantor.

Faculty News

Angie Y. Chung, in collaboration with co-P.I.s Jan Lin and Sookhee Oh, has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant to examine the role of immigrant pro-growth elites in promoting land intensification and (re)development projects in Koreatown and Monterey Park, Los Angeles. She will spend her summer as a Visiting Research Scholar at the CUNY Graduate Center and her fall sabbatical conducting interviews and participant observation as a visiting researcher at the UCLA Asian American Studies Program. Angie was also featured as an expert commentator on WalletHub.com regarding the benefits and challenges of living in a racially-diverse city.

Joanna Dreby’s latest book, Everyday Illegal: When Policies Undermine Immigrant Families, can be found at http://tinyurl.com/drebybook. She also has a supporting website (https://joannadreby.wordpress.com/), a Facebook page that you can LIKE! (https://www.facebook.com/Everydayillegal), and published a column with the Center for American Progress in conjunction with the book release (http://tinyurl.com/drebycolumn). She will be doing a round table on WAMC about the book (look for forthcoming details on our department website).

Richard Lachmann edited and contributed a chapter to a special issue of Political Power and Social Theory on “The United States in Decline.” He also published articles in Sociology of Education and Poetics in 2014. He lectured in China in summer 2014 and taught at the University of Lisbon in May 2015.

Zai Liang spent the 2014-2015 academic year as a visiting scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation in New York City and is working on a book about new employment patterns of Chinese immigrants in the United States. He was invited to give presentations at Princeton University, CUNY Graduate Center, Queens College, Vanderbilt University, and Pace University. In March 2015, Zai gave a keynote speech at a conference on “Ethnicity, Migration, and the State” held at Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China.
Steven Messner has been collaborating with colleagues at the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence at the University of Bielefeld in Germany on elaborating Institutional Anomie Theory (IAT). IAT was originally formulated as a macro-level theory designed to explain variation in crime rates across large-scale social collectivities (e.g., societies). In the collaborative work, the researchers have been applying insights from IAT at the individual level to understand prejudices against vulnerable groups. An initial study emerging from this project will be published in Social Science Research.

Tse-Chuan Yang, with Stephen Matthews and UAlbany second-year sociology graduate student Kiwoong Park, won a Population Association of America Best Posters Award at the 2015 annual meetings for his poster on “Income Inequality and Mortality in U.S. Counties, 1990-2010: A Dynamic Spatial Panel Analysis.” In addition, TC, Zai Liang and Erin Bell were awarded a grant from the inaugural UAlbany Presidential Initiatives Fund for Research and Scholarship (in the Advanced Data Analytics category) for their proposal titled “Fragile Families and the Well-being of Young Children of Immigrants: A Bi-National Pilot Project.”

From Our Emeriti

Donald J. Hernandez was selected by the Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice (Division 37 of the American Psychological Association) as the 2015 recipient of the Distinguished Contribution to Child Advocacy Award, which is presented annually to a non-psychologist who has made significant contributions to advocacy on behalf of children, youth, and families.

Lawrence E. Raffalovich (with Rakkoo Chung) have a forthcoming article, “Models for Pooled Time-Series Cross-Section Data,” in International Journal of Conflict and Violence, Focus Section: Methodological Issues in Longitudinal Analyses of Criminal Violence. He also continues collaborative work with Steve Messner and Sylwia Piatkowska.

Welcome to a New Faculty

Trevor Hoppe comes to Albany after finishing a postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Criminology, Law & Society at University of California at Irvine. His research examines the punitive social control of sexuality and disease.

Trevor Hoppe

Trevor completed his PhD in Sociology and Women's Studies at the University of Michigan in 2014. His dissertation examined the application of HIV law in Michigan, particularly how health officials, district attorneys, and judges...
interpret and apply the criminal disclosure law that makes it a felony for HIV-positive people to have sex without first disclosing their HIV-positive status. He was awarded best dissertation prizes from the American Sociological Association sections on Sexualities and Medical Sociology.

In addition to his doctorate, Trevor holds an MPH degree from the University of Michigan, as well as an MA in Sexuality Studies. His research has been published in a range of peer reviewed journals, such as Social Problems, Punishment & Society, Law & Social Inquiry, Social Science & Medicine, and Sexualities.

He is currently working on two book projects. The first, Punishing Disease, expands on his dissertation research to examine how punishment became a legitimate response to controlling disease. The second, The War on Sex, is a collection of essays forthcoming with Duke University Press and co-edited with David Halperin that analyzes the criminal regulation of sex.

Beyond academia, Trevor likes to kayak, hike, travel, and even snowshoe.

And a Fond Farewell

On May 30th Cathy Rose retired after serving sixteen and a half years in the Sociology department. Cathy started her state career in 1985 at the Department of Agriculture and Markets as a stenographer in the Legal Bureau. In 1990 she accepted a position at the University, in the Office of Student Accounts. After enjoying eight years there, she was promoted to a Secretary I and brought her talents to our department.

Cathy Rose

Cathy has worked for six chairs, six graduate directors, four administrative managers, and twelve different office staffs. Over the course of time, she was asked to take over as the Graduate secretary and has since helped over two hundred graduate students navigate the University system!

Cathy saw us through our many departmental transitions. In 2002, she managed our move from Social Science to Arts & Sciences, seeing that everyone's boxes were packed and ready when the movers arrived and making sure they were delivered to their appropriate offices. Several times when we were without an Administrative Manager, she was the person who kept the department on course. The same was true when we lost staff in the Main Office, she stepped up and made sure that things got done. Cathy will be missed, but certainly never forgotten!
Thanks to Our Departmental Staff

In addition to the retirement of Cathy Rose, this year saw a complete renewal of our administrative staff. You can now find Stacey Zyskowski in the School of Criminal Justice as their Student Services Coordinator and Melanie Lawyer in the Dean’s Office in the School of Business.

We are pleased to welcome Jaime Galusha as our new Administrative Manager.

Lisa Klein

Lisa started her state service with the Department of Corrections in the Health Services Department in 2007. She transferred to Residential Life on UAlbany’s Alumni Quad in September 2013. The following spring she was chosen for “New Student Programs” in Residential Life’s Orientation program because of her outgoing and friendly nature. Lisa accepted a promotional transfer to sociology in July and we all hope she stays with us for many years to come.

Jaime Galusha

Although this is her first professional position, Jaime joined us with extensive experience at UAlbany. She started working at the University in 2001 and spent the previous eleven years in the CAS Dean’s Office. She received her Bachelor’s degree in English in December of 2012.

We are also pleased to welcome Lisa Klein as our departmental secretary.

We’d Like to Hear From You!

Comments, submissions, information updates should be sent to: socio@albany.edu or Department of Sociology, AS351, University at Albany, SUNY, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12222

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