Prisoner Reentry: The Status of Research, Policy and Practice after Twenty Years

In 1999, Attorney General Janet Reno wanted to know what the U.S. was doing to help individuals being released from prison. This presentation will address what we have learned twenty years later – about the practice of prisoner reentry in U.S. communities, about research and evaluation on prisoner reentry, and about federal, state, and local policies related to prisoner reentry.

Wednesday, May 8th
Reception at 4:30 p.m.
Lecture at 5:00 p.m.

Standish Room, Science Library, 3rd Floor
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This event is free and open to the public.
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Christy Visher is Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice at the University of Delaware and Director of the Center for Drug and Health Studies – a research center affiliated with the Department focused on substance abuse, health risk behavior, and justice system policies. Over the past three decades, her research has focused broadly on crime and justice topics, including prisoner reentry, crime prevention strategies, implementing evidence-based practices in the criminal justice system, and incapacitation. Dr. Visher designed and implemented the path-breaking longitudinal study of men and women released from prison, Returning Home: Understanding the Challenges of Prisoner Reentry. Her most recent funded research projects examine strategies to curtail substance abuse among probationers, health challenges facing probationers, and implementation approaches to improve evidence-based practices for assisting men and women exiting prison with histories of substance abuse. Dr. Visher has an M.A. and Ph.D. in Sociology from Indiana University, Bloomington.