# SOCIOLOGY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AND CRIMINOLOGY NEWSLETTER





#### WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to the University of Scranton and our Sociology, Criminal Justice & Criminology Department!

We are very glad that you are considering the University of Scranton and our Department as a possible choice to continue your education. While you are in this very important process, we would like to tell you a little about the current accomplishments of those affiliated with our Department. Hence this brief newsletter. Please consider what we believe distinguishes us from other types of similar academic institutions and programs.

- We provide outstanding internship opportunities and have revised our majors to encourage students to choose a minor or double major.
- We have developed collaborations with the University's Chemistry Department (Forensic Chemistry track) and Business School (Forensic Accounting track and 5yr BS/MS program).
- We have faculty that are nationally and internationally known in their fields and with experience in the criminal justice profession.
- We have an active Criminal Justice Student Club that regularly brings in guest speakers, coordinates offcampus trips, and engages in community service.
- In February 2016, we earned the distinction of being one of nine criminal justice undergraduate programs in the United States to obtain certification from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS).
- We are a Catholic and Jesuit University that is based on a 450 year-old intellectual tradition that strives for excellence and cares for each and every student.

We hope your brief stay on campus is a positive experience. If I can be of assistance in any way please feel free to contact me at james.roberts@scranton.edu.

Yours in Justice, James Roberts, Ph.D., Professor and Chair

#### **EUROPEAN TRAVEL COURSE FOR SUMMER 2017**

Dr. Harry Dammer, along with his students, will be traveling to Europe for a Special Topic course called "*International Justice*". The goal for this course is to see first hand how international justice agencies operate and to learn how law and criminal justice is practiced in Civil law/Continental law countries. Students will visit a Criminology Institute in Leuven, Belgium where they will learn about international justice and visit a number of justice agencies in the Netherlands including: International Criminal Court, International Court of Justice, International Criminal Tribunal for Yugoslavia, Interpol or Eurojust, Police agency or a prison in the Netherlands. This is a 3 credit course.

## Criminal Justice

A degree in criminal justice at the University of Scranton can prepare you for a career in federal, state, and local law enforcement, community and institutional corrections or for advanced study in law, criminology, and public administration.

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#### Sociology

Sociology majors also have a strong background in writing, critical thinking, theory, and research.

These skills, along with the understanding of the nuances of human interaction, are essential to a number of different occupations in areas such as: research, administration, public health, human services, business, counseling, corrections, law, politics, and public relations.

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#### **GRAFFITI TASK FORCE**



"The Criminal Justice Club was avid about getting a Graffiti Task Force initiated in order to have a long lasting and unique way of giving back to the surrounding community. It also ties in to the topic of criminal justice that we know and love (i.e., Broken Windows Theory). The members really enjoyed the tangible nature of this service event and had a blast painting!" *Natalie Caruso, Criminal Justice Club President far left* 

From left to right: Phyllida Whittaker, Tatiana Velazques, Natalie Caruso, Elizabeth Scott, Liam Gibson, Kelsey Rynearson, Amanda Mulhern, Ryan Clarkson

CENTER FOR THE ANALYSIS AND PREVENTION OF CRIME (CAPoC)

Opening in the Fall the Center for the Analysis and Prevention of Crime—housed in the University of Scranton's Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Criminology department—combines faculty expertise, practitioner insight, and student learning to enhance the technological and analytical capabilities of students, police officers, and other criminal justice agencies in the regional community. The main purpose of the Center is to help police and criminal justice practitioners more effectively navigate the challenging criminal justice environment, while engaging students in a unique, hands-on opportunity to improve our greater community.

If you are interested in working with our Center or in learning more about our services, please contact Dr. Michael Jenkins at <u>michael.jenkins@scranton.edu.</u>

### **RECENT FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS**

- **Professor David Friedrichs** has published a co-authored chapter on crimes of states in a leading Australian criminology text, and an article on Edwin Sutherland in *Critical Criminology*. He presented at a conference in New Orleans, and is scheduled to give an invited presentation at a conference in Toronto. He has been elected an Executive Counselor of the newly established Division on White-Collar Crime of the American Society of Criminology (ASC), and is serving on the Sutherland Award Committee of the ASC. He is serving on a doctoral dissertation committee at American University.
- **Dr. Michael Jenkins** presented "A Systematic Social Observation of the London Metropolitan Police" at the Fulbright Forum in Newcastle, England. He is currently studying the police use of force with the London Metropolitan Police.
- Dr. Ismail Onat published an article "An analysis of spatial correlates of terrorism using risk terrain modeling" in the Terrorism and Political Violence. His oped "Rethinking Turkey's Unstable Criminal Justice System After the Assassination of Russian Ambassador" ran in Vocal Europe Magazine based in Brussels.
- **Dr. Meghan Ashlin Rich** presented a paper at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. "Pushing Back against Gentrification: Strategies for Maintaining Artists and Diversity in Arts Districts."

#### The following students were inducted into *Alpha Phi Sigma*, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society:

Kipp E. Adcock Hugh J. Doyle Krysta L. Horocofsky Jessica E. McAleer Kaitlin E. Moloney Kelsey H. Rynearson Victoria Spagnolo Ariele M. Williams Jeffrey James Schlasta

The following student was inducted into *Alpha Kappa Delta*, the International Sociology Honor Society:

Jeffrey James Schlasta

#### **Internship Opportunities**

U.S. Marshals DEA Retreat (PA State Prison) Scranton City Police Bergen County Sheriff's Dept. U.S. Secret Service Office of Local Judges County Probation (Juvenile and Adult) Numerous Law Firms FBI Summer Program J.P. Morgan

#### Where are our Alumni?

- U.S. Secret Service
- U.S. Marshals Service
- FBI—Counterterrorism
- U.S. Immigration and Customs
- Enforcement
- . Private security analysts
- Local & state police and corrections departments
- . Federal corrections
- . Public defenders office
- Private defense attorneys