



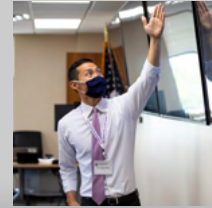
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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AND CRIMINOLOGY

Criminal Justice

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Homeland Security

Sociology

Criminology



Messages from the Chair

Welcome to our department and to our programs in Criminal Justice, Cybercrime & Homeland Security, and Sociology!

We appreciate the chance to share a little about our recent accomplishments as you consider the University of Scranton as your academic home for the next few years.

But first, we would like to offer a few things that distinguish us from other types of similar academic institutions and programs.

We offer a flexible curriculum that offers students the opportunity to take advantage of multiple internship opportunities and the ability to complete a minor or double major.

The Criminal Justice Department has collaborations with the University's Chemistry Department (for a Forensic Chemistry major) and the University's Business School (on a Forensic Accounting track and the 5yr BS/MS program).

Our faculty are nationally and internationally known and have experience in the field.

The students can engage with the active Criminal Justice club that regularly brings in speakers, coordinates off-campus trips, engages in community service and compete in national cybercrime competitions.

Our Criminal Justice program is one of only nine criminal justice undergraduate programs in the United States to obtain certification from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS).

Our Center for the Analysis & Prevention of Crime (CAPoC) and the Cyber-Forensics and Cybersecurity Lab gives students the chance to work with faculty and practitioners on research and skills that are pertinent to their future professional fields.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our department. I hope you enjoy the updates on our faculty, students and alumni shared here. We look forward to welcoming you to the department soon!

Yours in Justice,

Michael Jenkins, Ph.D.

ABOUT US

“We want students to work with Criminal Justice agencies to practice what they learned from their courses and the skills that they have had throughout their higher education.” - Ismail Onat, Ph.D.



We prepare students for fulfilling careers in policing, courts, corrections, cybercrime prevention and investigation and social service. Our students develop critical thinking, research, analytical and technological skills while learning about equality and social justice. We are just one block from downtown Scranton, which means we have easy access to state and federal courts, law firms, social service agencies, and the police department. We incorporate the principles of Catholic and Jesuit Education: especially with genuine care for each student and an emphasis on social justice.

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, as well as community and institutional corrections. It can prepare you as well for advanced study in law, criminology and public administration.



Cybercrime & Homeland Security

Cybercrime is a serious threat to organizations around the world. Because of that, the cybersecurity industry is rapidly growing everyday. Our program in Cybercrime & Homeland Security is designed to prepare you to meet the growing demand for evaluating and managing and defending from complex cybersecurity incidents and threats, as well as learn about the effect of terrorism on our country.

Sociology

Sociology majors have a strong background in writing, theory, critical thinking and research. These skills, that come along with the understanding of the nuances of human interaction, are essential to a number of different occupations such as: research, administration, public health, human services, business, counseling, corrections, law, politics and public relations.





“Our faculty have a diverse set of interests in the Sociology, Criminal Justice and Criminology fields that cover everything from Ethical Hacking, Crime Pattern Analysis and Evaluation of Social Interactions.” - Loreen Wolfer, Ph.D.

Ready to explore your options? We offer courses in:

- Criminal Justice
- Criminology
- Ethical Hacking
- Sociological theory
- Cyber-intelligence
- Race & Ethnic Relations
- American Policing
- Terrorism
- Homeland Security
- Law and American Court System
- Sociology
- Digital Forensic Investigation
- Emergency Management
- Police Criminalistics

“Our faculty are highly trained, professionally active, and at the top of their fields. All are doing research and taking students under their wing.” - James Roberts, Ph.D.

Internship Opportunities

- Drug Enforcement Administration
- Pennsylvania State Prison
- Scranton City Police
- U.S. Secret Service and U.S Marshals
- County Probation
- J.P. Morgan
- District Attorney’s Office
- Dunmore Police Department
- Lackawanna County Police
- Lackawanna County Sheriff
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- National Security Agency
- Community Intervention Center
- The Institute for Economic and Public Policy
- Cyber & Infrastructure Security Agency

Alpha Phi Sigma

The National Criminal Justice Society

2020 - 2021 Inductees

- Megan Crocco
- Sarah Kalada
- Kira Livezey
- Serena Mancini
- Brea Rutledge
- Kayla Stubits

Alpha Kappa Delta

The National Honor Society for Sociology

2020 - 2021 Inductees

- Kira Livezey
- Kayla Stubits

Where are our alumni?

- U.S. Secret Service
- U.S. Marshals Service
- FBI - Counterterrorism
- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Private Security Analysis
- Local & State Police Departments
- Federal Corrections
- Public Defenders Office
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Private Sectors for Cybercrime
- Civil Division in Courts

“We want to offer a hands-on learning experience in Criminal Justice: to get engaged in the local community and to see how their courses apply to their eventual practices that they might be involved in.” - Michael Jenkins, Ph.D.



Department News



Dr. Sinchul Back will be participating in the Association of Certified Examiner's Student Night. The topic will be "Ethics in the Face of Fraud." Back will be providing insights on how employers and employee's ethics can seriously impact business and society through reviewing fraud cases prosecuted by the FBI and DOJ. Attendees will learn how to identify ethical lapses in individuals and corporations and how to use digital forensics and fide evidence.

Back will be one of the four speakers at Temple University's AAPI Heritage Month. The event will be a chat with AAPI Academics researching Cybersecurity. Speakers will converse about their works, share their obstacles with AAPI academics and what needs to be done to encourage their field.



Dr. Ismail Onat and Mehmet Bastug co-authored in the article "Fears of cyberterrorism, terrorism, and terrorist attacks: an empirical comparison" in the Journal of Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression.

Bastug and Onat also presented their research article "The Influence of Media Exposure on the Fear of Cyberterrorism" at the American Society of Criminology in November of last year.

Bastug was named to the 100 member Certified Ethical Hacker of Hall of Fame by the EC-Council in 2021.



Dr. Meghan Ashlin Rich is on a research sabbatical in New Orleans studying pandemic effects on the arts and cultural communities in the city.

Rich is serving as a research Fellow to the Slattery Center for the Ignatian Humanities. Her research is a participatory ethnographic project, which includes a snowball sample of semi-structured qualitative interviews with those involved in artistic production organizations that support artists and the promotion of arts in the city. Rich was engaged in "participant observation" of Mardi Gras season, which comprises weeks of parades and other public celebrations. Dr. Rich looks forward to sharing her research with colleagues and students when she returns to the University of Scranton in Fall 2022.

Alumni Spotlight



Drew Clancy '06 graduated from the University of Scranton with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and he has a master's degree in Administrative Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University. He is a Sergeant with the Eatontown Police Department and is a certified firearm instructor.

In addition to returning to Scranton as a guest lecturer, Sergeant Clancy recently participated in Read Across America Week by reading to his son's kindergarten class.

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