



CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION NEWS

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NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

Hello everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful summer and got to relax a little and enjoy the summer "break." I also hope you had a productive and fun time at the SSSP meetings in August. Thanks to everyone who participated and especially those who organized sessions. Now it's Fall and time to turn our attention to next year's meeting, which will be held in New York City from August 10-12. In this newsletter you will find the official call for papers followed by a listing of sessions sponsored and co-sponsored by the Division. As you will see, our Division is involved in a record-breaking number of sessions (17 to be exact!) so I want

to thank everyone for volunteering in this respect and also want to encourage members to submit papers—early and often!

I would also like to take the opportunity to announce the Division's new newsletter editor, **Sarah Shannon**, who has graciously agreed to serve in this position. Sarah is affiliated with the School of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Sarah has been involved with SSSP for two years and has organized sessions for the Division in the past. Please join me in welcoming her. I'd also like to thank **William Wood**, who has served as newsletter editor for the past several years. William has been a fantastic asset to the Division and a great person to work with. Thanks again for serving, William!

Finally, I want to bring your attention to an important announcement in this newsletter. My term as Division Chair ends this August so you will find an announcement regarding the search for a new Chair for the 2007-09 term. I have had a very positive experience serving SSSP and especially the Division, in large part because of all the great people I have been able to meet and work with. I highly encourage members to consider running for Division Chair—you can nominate someone you think would be great for the job or of course, feel free to nominate yourself!

Enjoy the newsletter and take care.

Cheers,
Charis E. Kubrin

2007 Call for Papers

**The Society for the Study of
Social Problems
57th Annual Meeting
August 10-12, 2007
Roosevelt Hotel
Madison Avenue at 45th
New York, NY**

**RESEARCH MATTERS:
CREATING KNOWLEDGE,
POLICY, AND JUSTICE**

The Society for the Study of Social Problems has been hosting annual meetings for over half a century in various cities throughout North America. These meetings, as well as the publication of *Social Problems*, bring an interdisciplinary community of scholars, practitioners, advocates, and students together for the purpose of disseminating and promoting research that critically examines problems of social life. Defined in objectivist and constructionist terms, the social problems of interest have changed over time, but the larger commitment to developing research-informed social policies that enable us to dismantle barriers to justice has remained constant; indeed, this is one of the distinguishing characteristics—if not the central mission—of the SSSP. With this in mind, the theme of the 57th annual meeting in New York is “Research Matters: Creating Knowledge, Policy, and Justice.”

I have chosen this theme to direct attention to a series of questions prompted by a slew of recently published books that decry the decline of the public intellectual in modern life, the desire of many colleagues and students who sincerely want to “make a difference” by contributing to the amelioration of social problems, ongoing discussions among scholars about public sociology and engaged sociology, and my own experiences with bringing research to bear on pressing social problems related to crime, law, inequality, and marginalization. Does research matter? Under what conditions does the knowledge produced by research get utilized in the development and implementation of public policy and the pursuit of social, economic, and political justice? By whom and for whom is research conducted and deployed? How is research used by those seeking to address

social problems? In what ways do researchers play a role in alleviating social problems as well as contributing to the very conditions and constructions upon which social problems emerge, manifest, get institutionalized, and change? How and when is our research expressed in public debate? What is the content and extent of our influence? And finally, considering examples from the past, what does the future hold?

We know social problems will continue to persist, thus we will be reminded of the need for organizations like SSSP for a long time to come. In this historical moment, we are witnessing “hot spots” around the globe break out in war; inequalities between the haves and the have nots continue to grow and threaten to divide us, especially by race, ethnicity, class, nationality, gender, sexual orientation, (dis)ability, religion, and political persuasion; the erosion of civil rights embodied in such practices as wiretapping by the U.S. federal government as well as proposed and enacted policies related to same-sex marriage, immigration reform, and homeland security; the privatization of public services related to healthcare, schooling, and prisons such that the most disadvantaged among us become even more vulnerable; environmental degradation that threatens to make us extinct as the Bush administration flatly rejects scientific evidence of global warming; and a host of other social problems. As these and other social problems emerge, take shape, and generate consequences for human welfare, justice, and democracy, there is no doubt that research and its corollaries—education and informed policy and practice—can provide important tools needed to alleviate human suffering and promote justice. My heart hopes that happens. My intellect questions whether, when, and how that has happened in the past and can happen in the future. My humanity tells me we have to try. And my instinct tells me that cumulatively we can have some incremental impact.

I invite you to join me in New York to participate in the 57th annual meeting of the SSSP. Among other activities, I hope to engage in dialogue about the role of critical, scientific, and humanist research in diagnosing and constructing social problems as well as formulating and implementing policies designed to address them in a way that leaves us a more just community at the local, state, national, and international levels.

**Valerie Jenness, SSSP President,
University of California, Irvine**

2007 PROGRAM PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

Deadline for submission of papers/abstracts to session organizers or the Program Committee Chair	January 31, 2007
Participants must be notified by the session organizer of acceptance or referral of paper/proposal	February 19, 2007
Session/paper titles and contact information for each author must be in the Executive Office	March 1, 2007
Preliminary programs will be mailed to all current members	May 15, 2007
2007 Annual Meeting, Roosevelt Hotel, New York, NY	August 10-12, 2007
Deadline for names of session organizers for the 2008 Annual Meeting	September 17, 2007

<p>SSSP 2007 ANNUAL MEETING: Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Sessions Announcement</p>
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**AUGUST 10th – 12th
Roosevelt Hotel, Madison Avenue at 45th, New York, NY**

**2007 Crime and Juvenile Delinquency
Division Sessions**

Session 1: Prisons and Violence
Organizer: Rebecca Trammell
W: 619-316-3670; rtrammel@uci.edu

Session 2: Community Policing After 9/11
Organizer: Martha L. Shockey
W: 314-977-2725; shockeym@slu.edu

Session 3: Crime Stories: Numbers, Narratives and Neutralizations - **THEMATIC**
Organizer: Lawrence T. Nichols
W: 304-293-5801; larry.nichols@mail.wvu.edu

Co-sponsored Sessions

Session 8: Drug, Crime and Punishment - **THEMATIC** (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Drinking and Drugs; and Law and Society)
Organizer: Paul D. Steele
W: 606-783-2254; pd.steele@morehead-st.edu

Session 9: Educational Problems and Criminal Behavior (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Educational Problems)
Organizer: Aviva Twersky Glasner;
atwerskyglasner@bridgew.edu

Session 10: Youth Gangs and Gang Members (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Educational Problems)
Organizer: Billie Gastic
W: 215-204-8072; bgastic@temple.edu

Session 11: Crime and the Environment: Activists on the Frontline Speak Out (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Environment and Technology; and Law and Society)
Organizer: Steve Lang
W: 718-482-6090; slang@lagcc.cuny.edu

Session 12: “Scientists have Discovered...”: Disseminating Research through Media (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Health, Health Policy, and Health Services; Social Problems Theory; and Teaching Social Problems)

Co-organizer: Lara Foley
W: 918-631-2050; lara-foley@utulsa.edu
and

Co-organizer: Jessie Daniels
W: 212-481-8919; jdaniels@hunter.cuny.edu

Session 13: 9/11: Police and Police Response
(Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Law and Society)

Organizer: Lloyd Klein
W: 318-274-3309; kleinl@gram.edu

Session 14: Crime, Justice and Incarceration
(Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Law and Society)

Organizer: Jodie Lawston
W: 760-750-4623; jlawston@csusm.edu

Session 15: Prisoner Reentry (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Law and Society)

Organizer: Kris Paap
W: 315-792-7437; kris.paap@sunyit.edu

Session 16: Terrorism and Public Policy: The Aftermath of 9/11 (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Law and Society)

Organizer: Charles Trent
W: 212-960-0822; trent@ymail.yu.edu

Session 17: Violent Offenders, Victims, and Community/ Organizational Responses (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Law and Society)

Organizer: Stephen J. Morewitz
W: 415-252-0569; morewitz@earthlink.net

Session 18: NYC, Race, and Crime (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Law and Society; and Racial and Ethnic Minorities)

Organizer: Cary Federman
W: 973-655-7897;
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Session 19: Law and Sexuality (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Law and Society; and Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities)

Organizer: Lloyd Klein
W: 318-274-3309; kleinl@gram.edu

Session 20: Sex Offenders and the Legal System (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Law and Society; and Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities)

Organizer: Lloyd Klein
W: 318-274-3309; kleinl@gram.edu

Session 21: Effective Interventions with Juvenile Delinquents (Crime and Juvenile Delinquency and Youth, Aging, and the Life Course)

Organizer: Sarah Shannon
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Special Announcement

Help Serve the SSSP and Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division!

The CJDD is seeking a new Chair for the 2007-09 term, which will begin in August. Please consider nominating a fellow colleague and, of course, self-nominations are also welcome. Please send the nominee's name, affiliation and email address to Charis E. Kubrin at charisk@gwu.edu. Nominations must be received by Monday, November 13th at 5pm. C'mon and get involved!

Social Problems **Editorial Search**

The Editorial and Publications Committee of the Society for the Study of Social Problems is searching for the next Editor of Social Problems. The three-year term of the new Editor will begin at mid-year 2008 with responsibility for editing Volumes 56-58 (years 2009-2011). All members of the SSSP are encouraged to apply or nominate colleagues.

The Editor is responsible for soliciting, reviewing, and making final decisions on manuscripts, and for preparing four issues of the journal for publication annually. The editorial

office is responsible for managing the review process and for copy editing and proofreading in accordance with customary publishing standards.

The SSSP seeks an individual with a distinguished scholarly record, previous editorial experience (e.g., service as a journal editor or associate editor), strong organizational and management skills, an ability to work well with others, and a familiarity with and commitment to Social Problems.

The SSSP supports the editorial office with an annual budget and provides a modest stipend and travel expenses for the Editor. Support is also expected from the host institution. This support may include office space, utilities, the use of computers and other office equipment, stipends and tuition waivers for office personnel, faculty release time, and other basic expenses. Each year the Editor will be expected to submit a budget to the SSSP to cover operating expenses that the host institution does not support.

Applications, requests for further information, or names of potential nominees should be sent to: James D. Orcutt, Chair, SSSP Editorial and Publications Committee, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2270; [850] 644-6416 (Office); [850] 644-6208 (FAX); email: jorcutt@fsu.edu.

Deadline for Initial Nominations and Inquiries: January 31, 2007.

Member News and Accomplishments

Bruce Arrigo, Professor of Crime, Law, and Society at University of North Carolina at Charlotte has co-authored two new books: *The Terrorist Identity: Explaining the Terrorist Threat* (NYU Press, 2006) and *Philosophy, Crime, and Criminology* (University of Illinois Press, 2006).

Please note that **Aaron Kupchik** has moved from Arizona State University, in the School of Justice and Social Inquiry, to the University of Delaware, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice.

Eric Jensen has co-authored a new book as part of a series published for the Onati International Institute for the Sociology of Law: *Juvenile Law Violators, Human Rights, and the Development of New Juvenile Justice System*. (Oxford, UK: Hart Publishing, 2006).

Francis Cullen, **Gray Cavender**, William Maakstad, and Michael Benson, have published *Corporate Crime Under Attack: The Fight to Criminalize Business Violence, second edition* (Cincinnati: Anderson/Lexis Nexis, 2006). This substantially revised edition commemorates the 25th anniversary of the famous Ford Pinto trial. In addition to coverage of that landmark criminal trial, the book continues the analysis of corporate crime with discussions of Enron and the related corporate scandals of the past few years.

Sharon M. Bourgeois, Ph.D. is currently working on a research project concerning domestic violence within lesbian relationships.

Job Announcements

The **Sociology Department at John Jay College of Criminal Justice/CUNY** invites applications for a tenured position at Full Professor rank in the field of **terrorism and related studies** to begin in the Fall of 2007. Extraordinary candidates will be considered for a more advanced rank. Candidates must have a national and/or international reputation in research but also have a high regard for teaching and mentorship. Successful candidates will have opportunities to teach at the undergraduate, masters' and Ph.D. levels. The college, located near Lincoln Center in the heart of Manhattan, has a diverse student body of over 14,000 with students from 135 different countries. The college is designated an Hispanic serving institution and recently was

recognized as having the highest Hispanic student population in the Northeastern United States.

In addition, the Sociology Department at John Jay College/CUNY also invites applications two tenure track positions ranked at Assistant Professor to begin in the Fall of 2007. ABDs will be considered but their Ph.D.'s must be completed by August 2007. Extraordinary senior candidates will be considered for advanced rank. Candidates must demonstrate potential for excellence in research and dynamic teaching. Preference will be given to candidates whose research and teaching interests are in: **(i) restorative justice and/or conflict resolution, (ii) social control, including penology and corrections, and / or (iii) media, popular culture and crime.** A strong quantitative background and/or an interest in international, comparative perspectives would be a plus. Successful candidates will have opportunities to teach at the undergraduate, masters' and Ph.D. levels.

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To apply, send a letter describing your interests, research agenda, teaching experience, a curriculum vitae, a sample of your scholarly writing, and three letters of recommendation to:

Dr. David Brotherton, Chair
Department of Sociology
John Jay College of Criminal Justice/CUNY
899 Tenth Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

John Jay College/CUNY is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. Applications should be received by **November 15, 2006.**

Training Opportunities

University of Houston Office for Drug & Social Policy Research, funded by the National Institute on

Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health announces the **2007 National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse Summer Research Training Institute**
June 4 - 13, 2007

DRUG RESEARCH

While drug abuse continues to disproportionately impact ethnic minorities in the U.S., and in particular minority youth, the number of researchers studying the problem remains relatively small. Moreover, there are few training and research centers that focus on the consequences of drug abuse for Hispanic populations. There exists a need to prepare the next generation of drug researchers in this field.

THE RESEARCH TRAINING INSTITUTE

This training institute is designed to train promising graduate students in drug research methods. It aims to increase each student's knowledge of drug research issues, promote interest in, and professional commitment to Hispanic drug abuse, and to guide every student in the production of a publishable manuscript on Hispanic-focused drug research. The institute also aims to foster mentoring relationships between students and leading Hispanic drug abuse researchers.

THE WORKSHOP

Selected students will attend a multidisciplinary 8-day training, taught by NIDA-funded scientists, revolving around a series of lectures and workshops on Hispanics and drug research. On the final day of the training, students will present a two-page abstract of a proposed research project. Each fellow will be required to submit a paper of publication quality on this same project to the University of Houston, Office for Drug & Social Policy Research within the next 12 months of completing the program. To ensure continued professional development of all participants, each fellow will be encouraged to apply for a NIDA fellowship, a NIDA minority supplement grant or seek funding from another National Institutes of Health agency.

THE AWARD

A minimum of 10 NHSN fellowships are available. Ten additional students may attend if selected, but must cover their own expenses. Information on costs may be obtained from NHSN Summer Research Training Institute. The awarding of a Fellowship to this Institution carries the following financial

benefits: a five hundred dollar stipend, lodging, airfare, meals, and ground transportation to/from the airport in Houston. Lodging in a double room (with another NHSN Fellow) at the University of Houston Hilton Hotel and airfare will be paid directly through the University of Houston. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the Hotel. Students are eligible for reimbursement up to a specified amount for dinner at the location of their choice. Payment of the five hundred dollar stipend plus reimbursements (dinner, taxi) based on original receipts will be processed after the Institute. Any other out-of-pocket costs incurred by the participants are not eligible for reimbursement.

CRITERIA

Applicants currently must be advanced graduate students in good academic standing who have an interest in drug abuse issues among Hispanics. Preference will be given to students who have previous research experience and knowledge of the Hispanic population.

DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING SITE

The University of Houston is a state university located only minutes away from downtown Houston. Its enrollment is roughly 35,000 with a large community of international students. The spacious campus has a state-of-the-art athletic training facility, and both an indoor and outdoor swimming pool. There are several specialized libraries, such as architecture, and pharmacy, located across the campus in addition to the main library, M.D. Anderson Library, located a few minutes walk from the Hilton Hotel. The University of Houston Hilton Hotel/ Hilton College is an 86-room facility. Each guest room features voice mail, video service (if purchased), and a computer modem phone line. Guests may receive faxes at the Front Desk. Covered parking is available at an additional daily cost. The Hotel features over 40,000 square feet of meeting space with both tiered lecture rooms and smaller seminar rooms available. Each meeting room has audio-visual capability with Satellite, Internet, and Ethernet access. Eric's, an Italian/Latin fusion café, is located on the first floor of the Hotel and offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner dining plus a full bar

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TO APPLY

To apply submit via postal mail or e-mail the following: 1) application form; 2) a 500-word essay describing yourself, how you would benefit from participating in this institute and in a career on Hispanic drug research; 3) your application packet must include a résumé, listing your social security number, current address and e-mail, phone number, computer skills, and research software with which you are familiar; 4) two letters of recommendation, and 5) official transcripts from your currently enrolled institution or last completed degree. Click [here](#) to download the application form.

Please mail your applications to:

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DEADLINE

All applications must be received by February 28, 2007. Applicants will be notified of award decisions by April 2, 2007. For more information, please call the Office for Drug & Social Policy Research at 713.743.8345.