MAY 3, 2013

Continuing Education Event

The Criminal Justice Department will be hosting its annual continuing education event in Casey Commons.

The event, “Rethinking Criminal Justice and Mental Health: Evolving Policy in an Era of Risk Assessment and Evidence-Based Practice” will feature panels on topics at the intersection of crime, criminal justice and mental health with relevance to law enforcement, courts, corrections, mental health and social services, victim services, juvenile justice, media, public safety and the community. The keynote speaker will be Bruce Arrigo, Editor of the Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice, and author of numerous books and articles on crime, criminal justice, and mental health. The event will be open to the public and costs are as follows: $150.00 (General); $125.00 (SU Alumni/Faculty/Staff); $75.00 (SU Criminal Justice Faculty/Staff/Advisory Committee); $25.00 (SU Criminal Justice Student). To register, contact Kate Reynolds at reynoldk@seattleu.edu or (206) 296-5470.

AUGUST 12 – 16, 2013

First Annual Summer Criminal Justice Leadership Academy at Seattle University

We will focus on burgeoning topics and challenges that face tomorrow’s leaders. Our target audience is mid- to senior level leaders throughout the CJ system who are expected to take on strategic, mission-critical leadership roles in the coming years. Topics include leadership, change management, group violence reduction, justice reinvestment initiatives, criminal justice and mental health, crisis management and media relations, and innovations in CJ social networking data. Confirmed speakers include Gil Kerlikowske, Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Bernard Warner, Secretary of the Washington State Department of Corrections, Scott McClellan, former White House Press Secretary, Seattle University faculty, and other nationally known speakers. Attendees will receive a reading packet, lunch, and certificate of continuing education hours. Cost for the academy is $1,700 weekly or $500 for single day attendance. Group discounts and early bird registration discounts are available. For more information or to register, contact Kate Reynolds at reynoldk@seattleu.edu or (206) 296-5470.
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This course examines criminal behavior from a typologies framework with focus on the application of theory and research on offender types to criminal justice practice. Questions addressed include: What is a typology? How are typologies constructed? What’s the difference between a theory and a typology? How are criminal typologies used in theory development and the stages of the criminal justice process? What ethical issues arise when typologies and profiles are used in police investigations, sentencing, correctional management and treatment, and prediction of dangerousness? Central topics in the course include: The role of typologies in the criminal justice system and the nature and dynamics of criminal behavior and specific crime types (violent, sex, economic, public order, political, cyber, copycat). The course is intended to provide students with an understanding of the theory and purpose of typologies of crime and criminal behavior with review of classic and contemporary criminal typologies and criminal behavior research. Readings include a mix of texts and academic journal articles. Texts include:


The course meets on 10:00am - 5:00pm on 4 Saturdays during Summer Intersession (mid Aug - mid Sept). The class sessions incorporate lecture, seminar discussion, in-class exercises, videos, and student presentations.

ALUMNI PROFILE

Teneshia Thurman

Teneshia Thurman grew up in Columbus, Ohio and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology and Criminology from The Ohio State University. During her time there, she worked with Sexual Assault Response Network for Central Ohio (SARNCO) and while with the organization realized the importance of working with victims of crime. Although she enjoyed working in victim services, she had always wanted to travel to Brazil. After completing her degree she traveled to Brazil where she taught English. While there, she witnessed how poverty and crime impacted the daily life of the people she was serving. When she returned to Ohio she decided to pursue her Master’s degree in Criminal Justice. Teneshia knew, when looking for a master’s program, that she wanted to move west and discovered Seattle University’s Criminal Justice Program.

During her time at Seattle University Teneshia worked as Dr. Helfgott’s research assistant on the 4-volume Edited Criminal Psychology Reference set. When she started her Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice she was not certain whether she wanted to continue working in victim services, work

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Dr. William Parkin

D r. Parkin is in his first year at Seattle University after graduating last summer from the City University of New York, Graduate Center in Manhattan, where he also taught and conducted research at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Prior to that, he received an M.S. in Justice Studies from Arizona State University and a B.S. in Sociology from James Madison University. Research interests include ideologically motivated violence, violent victimization, and the portrayal of criminal justice issues in the mass media. At the moment, he is working on publishing portions of his dissertation, which focus on victims of far-right, ideologically motivated homicide. In addition, Dr. Parkin’s current research efforts include conducting a cross-national study comparing victims of ideological violence in the United States and Germany, examining the question of sampling efficiency in print based media research, and utilizing content analysis methodologies to analyze the media frames used to discuss mental illness in offenders who commit acts of terrorism. Directly related to his research interests, Dr. Parkin is a co-PI on a collaborative research grant through the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism at the University of Maryland, which is funded by the Department of Homeland Security. Classes that Dr. Parkin will be teaching in the graduate program include Restorative Justice, Terrorism & Homeland Security, Crime Mapping, and International Crime, Justice & Literature, a special topics course offered during the August intersession. In addition, he is always willing to work on research projects with students wherever overlapping interests exist. In his free time, Dr. Parkin enjoys exploring Seattle, reading graphic novels, watching comedies, and writing for audiences outside of academia.

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within a government agency, or pursue academia. Realizing that she wanted to pursue her research interest, and with guidance from Dr. Gunnison she decided to apply to Ph.D. programs. She completed her Master of Arts Degree in June 2012 and started a Ph.D. program in Criminology, Law and Society at George Mason University in September 2012. Teneshia is currently working at the Center for Advancing Correctional Excellence. Even though she is busy with class work and her work at the Center she remains involved in victim services, and in January 2013 she will begin volunteering with the Fairfax County’s Office for Women & Domestic and Sexual Violence Services. She is very excited and looking forward to working with individuals in a domestic violence intervention program for perpetrators of domestic violence.

During her free time Teneshia likes to explore the Northern Virginia area, and likes the fact that New York City is only a four-hour drive away. Even though she is trying to make Northern Virginia her new home she misses Seattle, and is already planning to visit all the friends she made while living here.

Beatrice Thomas (Rödig Yenderrozos)

B ea was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico and spent the first half of her childhood there. After moving to Seattle with her family, she still visited Puerto Rico often and spent as much time as she could there with her grandparents.

Criminal Justice was not a field Bea intended on entering when she began her undergraduate years at SU. She comes from a family background of the U.S. Army and the FBI and the last thing she wanted to do was to follow in those footsteps. Because she was always interested in analyzing people, she thought family counseling would be a good path. She soon realized this was not where her talents were. After taking an elective course of Introduction to Criminal Justice, Bea realized she found the field fascinating and began to take more classes in Criminal Justice, realizing that Criminal Justice was the right field for her because of her own interests, not because of her family's background. She registered for her degree on the Forensic Psychology track and has been happy with her decision since.

One of the opportunities Bea is most grateful for is her experience in a year-long internship at the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission. She was fortunate enough to work with the Basic Law Enforcement Academy through researching their implementation of problem-based learning. She also had the opportunity to attend various training sessions including the Interview and Interrogations Class (facilitated by the FBI) and Crisis Intervention Training – Grace Under Fire.

Opportunities to apply theories with various projects instead of simply discussing these theories is a major reason for why Bea chose to attend SU for the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice program with a specialization in Investigative Criminology.

Nowadays, Bea spends most of her time studying. Reading is among her passions along with traveling. She also loves spending time with her family and her husband, Stephen. She is looking forward to tackling the challenges of an exciting career along with the rewarding challenges of being a new wife and mother.
DR. COLLINS continues to work on an evaluation of a non-profit organization that provides civil legal representation and other support services to at-risk youth. He is continuing his research on the intersection of social support and public policy formation, economic research focused on substance abuse treatment, and is working with criminal justice faculty on an evaluation of the IF Project. He is lead-Editor for a book titled “Crime and Justice in the City as seen through The Wire,” which will be available from Carolina Academic Press, April, 2013.

DR. GUNNISON (with Jackie Helfgott) completed their book entitled, “Offender Reentry: Beyond Crime and Punishment” (Lynne Rienner publications) and the book is due to be published in October of 2013. Both Dr. Gunnison and Dr. Helfgott are now conducting a national survey of corrections officials on the topic of reentry. Dr. Gunnison is also a member of the research team evaluating the Seattle Police Department’s “IF” Project.

DR. HELFGOTT recently completed a number of projects including a 4-volume Edited Criminal Psychology Reference set (Praeger) forthcoming in March 2013, a co-authored book (with Elaine Gunnison) entitled Offender Reentry: Beyond Crime and Punishment (Lynne Rienner), an evaluation of the Seattle Police Department Crisis Intervention Response Team Pilot Program (with Matt Hickman), and is currently finishing up a book project entitled No Remorse: Psychopathy & Criminal Justice (Sage). She is also currently co-investigator with CJ Department faculty; Gunnison, Collins, Rice, and Sumner) on an evaluation of the Seattle Police Department’s “IF” Project and is working on finishing up several journal articles reporting results from collaborative research projects.

DR. HICKMAN is currently working on an edited volume entitled, Forensic Science and the Administration of Justice (to be published by Sage), which will compile current social science research on the forensic sciences. He also recently completed an analysis of Seattle Police Department use of force records (with MACJ graduate Loren Atherley) and will be continuing with that line of research.

DR. RICE’S article (with Robert Agnew) “Social Psychological Correlates of Radicalization and Terrorism” was published in Jacqueline Helgott’s edited reference collection Criminal Psychology (Praeger). His article “Injustice, Emotions and West Baltimore Collectives” was published in Peter Collins’/David Brody’s edited volume Crime and Justice in the City as seen through The Wire (Carolina Academic Press). Dr. Rice is also a member of the research team evaluating the Seattle Police Department’s “IF” Project, the research team exploring racially biased policing in Seattle, and is also working on a book proposal.

DR. PARKIN is currently working on research that compares victims of ideologically motivated homicides to “routine” homicide victims. In addition, he is also involved in two content analysis projects. The first examines how print media frames the national discussion around violence directed at abortion providers. The second project tracks differences in how the news media discusses mental illness and ideological offending across extremist ideologies.

DR. SUMNER is currently working on qualitative research that examines transgender correctional policy and culture in Italy and in the United States. She is also working with CJ Department faculty on an evaluation of the Seattle Police Department’s IF project.

Student News

HEATHER BURNS presented her thesis in Chicago at the ASC conference in November. Her thesis is entitled, “Evaluation of NYPD policing techniques through mapping comparisons of crime and Stop-Question-Frisk hotspots.” She is also currently working on a project for Mayor McGinn’s office with Lindsey Gillon. They are doing a qualitative analysis of data collected at Safe Communities meetings in each precinct as a part of #19 of the SPD 20/20 initiative. Their finished written report will assist the Mayor and SPD in making future decisions about reducing crime and creating safer neighborhoods by engaging the community. See: www.Seattle.gov/safe. She recently was hired as an assistant for the Washington State Patrol’s Criminal Investigation Division.

KALLI FOSTER successfully defended her thesis entitled, “Restorative Retelling: A Program Analysis with Observation.”

LEVI GIRAUD (2012 alum) was hired as a crime analyst for the Fargo Police Department.

ANA VALENTINA HUMPHREY was hired as an interpreter and monitor for the Department of Homeland Security through Lionbridge Federal. She also provides interpretation services for the State of California Department of Social Services, and for Arizona Juvenile Court Center.

KELLY MEDUNA has started an internship with the U.S. Marshals.

MOLLY MEE was hired a Criminal Intelligence Analyst for the Washington State Fusion Center in Seattle.

KYLE SCHWAB received a promotion at the King County Medical Examiner’s Office and is now the new Medicolegal Research Coordinator. He also got engaged to be married in December.

BREANNE TROTTER was hired as a District Court Clerk in Seattle in November.

NICHOLE TUCKER and HEATHER BURNS presented on their co-authored paper “An investigation of city crime prevention efforts in a Seattle urban core public park” in Chicago at the ASC conference in November.