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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Elaine Gunnison  
Seattle University  
Seattle, WA

Happy Spring, WSC members! I am honored to serve as the new WSC President. I have been a member of the WSC for many years, and I also served as a Co-Editor of CCJLS for six years. I am very excited to serve in this new capacity, and I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone to my home city, Seattle, for the 2025 WSC Conference.

For those who were able to attend the recent annual (and 50th!) conference in Long Beach, California (February 8-10, 2024), I hope you had a wonderful time, learned about recent impactful research scholars and practitioners are engaging in, caught up with colleagues, and made new connections. The President’s Reception was led by Jenn Macy who not only welcomed our friends and colleagues from around the region and beyond, but she also kicked off the 50th WSC Anniversary Celebration. The conference was a solid success as we had as we had 380 registrants, 45 scheduled panel sessions, and 26 posters.

There were many highlights of the WSC Conference, but the Presidential Plenary Session entitled the, “50th Anniversary Panel: Past Presidents Look Back and Forward at the WSC” was a standout. Jenn Macy (California State University, Dominguez Hills) Chaired the Panel with featured panelists, and past WSC Presidents, Barbara Bloom (Sonoma State University), Meda Chesney-Lind (University of Hawaii at Manoa), Adrienne Freng (University of Wyoming), Jill Rosenbaum (California State University, Fullerton) and Christine S. Scott-Hayward (California State University, Long Beach).

As with any conference, there is never a dull moment, as during the Awards Luncheon we were briefly interrupted by a 4.6 magnitude earthquake. Interestingly, as we experienced it, we all sat at our tables and confusion quietly emerged. No one ducked under their table for cover (at least from what I saw), which isn’t that what we are supposed to do in these situations?! Following the brief interruption, it was back to business and the remaining awards were given. Awards were received by Andrea J. Ritchie (Barnard Center for Research on Women) for their scholarship on the intersection of women and crime (Meda Chesney-Lind Award), Dean Spade (Seattle University) received the Richard Tewksbury Award for their work on the intersection of crime and sexuality, Danielle Wallace (Arizona State University) won the Fellows Award for contributions to the field by someone associated with the western region, and Sam Vickovic (California State University, Long Beach) received the Joseph D. Lohman Award for outstanding contributions to WSC over the past several years, particularly for their work as a WSC board member and as Treasurer of WSC for many years. The President’s Award for positive influence on the current WSC president’s career went to Valerie Jenness (University of California, Irvine). Additionally, the W.E.B. DuBois Award for contributions to racial and ethnic issues in criminology went to Anthony A. Peguero (Arizona State University), the Morrison-Gitchoff Founders Award, for significant improvement of the quality of justice, went to Jennifer Lanterman (University of...
Nevada, Reno), the June Morrison Travel Award went to Sydney Jaw (University of Maryland), and the Miki Vohryzek-Bolden Student Paper Competition award winner was Justin Sola (University of California, Irvine). Finally, the Henry F. Fradella Award, for significant contributions to empirical scholarship on the legal aspects of criminal justice, went to Henry F. Fradella (Arizona State University).

Above all, this conference could not be executed successfully without the hard work and assistance of many. Much thanks go to the wonderful staff of the Hilton, Long Beach, the WSC’s outgoing and incoming Executive Board members, including program Co-Chairs Danielle Boisvert, Khadija Monk, and Brooke Nodeland and outgoing President Jenn Macy, our Executive Director Christine Scott-Hayward, and the many volunteers (including many student volunteers) who donated their time to assist. Finally, our deepest appreciation also extends to our institutional sponsors! Our institutional sponsor contributions are critical to supporting the events at the annual meeting as well as CCJLS.
FROM THE EDITOR

VICTORIA TERRANOVA
University of Northern Colorado

Welcome to the spring 2024 issue of The Western Criminologist! Enclosed are highlights from the 2024 annual meeting in Long Beach, CA. Congratulations to the award and student award winners! In addition to the awards ceremony, we had a memorable Presidential Plenary including past WSC presidents Barbara Bloom, Meda Chesney-Lind, Adriene Freng, Hank Fradella, and Christine Scott-Hayward. Mona Lynch also gave an insightful talk “Re-centering Law in the Criminology of Sentencing & Punishment” at the Keynote Brunch. It was a special meeting celebrating the association’s 50th anniversary and has been so great to see this association grow over the years.

Please take a few minutes to check out updates and commentary from our WSC members. Dr. Hank Fradella provides a brief on updates to the WSC website, Karen McQueen and Jodie Murphy-Oikonen also provide a new publication summary on their systematic review. Commentary from Todd Chamberlain is provided about technology innovations in criminal justice, along with commentary from Geneva Brown on the overturning of Roe v. Wade.

I will be transitioning out of the role of Editor for The Western Criminologist this spring. Sarah Yerich is slated to take over the position this fall. Thanks so much for the opportunity to share the news of the WSC. I have enjoyed making new connections and working with the outstanding association board members.

AN INVITATION TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

I would like to invite both practitioners as well as academics in the field of criminology and criminal justice to consider contributing your thoughts on a topic that is of interest to you and the WSC readership to be included in the Fall 2024 issue of our newsletter. Please send your article, or any questions, to:

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RUN FOR ELECTION TO THE WSC EXECUTIVE BOARD

Each year, the Western Society of Criminology elects two or three Executive Counselors to serve three-year terms. And, each year, the WSC also elects one person to serve three consecutive years in the offices of Vice President, President, and Immediate Past President, respectively.

Board Members:

- Form the policies of the WSC;
- Determine the date, location, and general program of the Annual Meeting;
- Ratify the budget for the WSC;
- Review the accounts and disbursements of the WSC;
- Act on resolutions submitted by the Resolution Committee;
- Coordinate a book exhibit to raise scholarship funds for students each year;
- Select editors for our journal, *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society*; and,
- Select award recipients from the slate of people nominated by the general membership of the Society.

We hope that you will choose to get more involved with the WSC by running for election to the Board! Nominations, including self-nominations, are welcome. Please contact Dr. Veronica Herrera, Chairperson of the Nominations Committee, for more information:

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WSC AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2024!

Dr. Henry Fradella

*Henry F. Fradella Award*: For significant contributions to empirical scholarship on the legal aspects of criminal justice.

**Henry F. Fradella** is a professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Arizona State University. In addition, he is an affiliate professor in the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law and a core faculty member in the University's interdisciplinary Law and Behavioral Science program. He earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Clark University, a master’s degree in forensic science and a law degree from George Washington University, and a Ph.D. in interdisciplinary justice studies from Arizona State University. In recognition of Dr. Fradella's significant contributions to empirical scholarship on the legal aspects of criminal justice, the Western Society of Criminology is pleased to create this new award in his name.

Dr. Fradella researches the historical development of substantive, procedural, and evidentiary criminal law; the evaluation of law's effects on human behavior; the dynamics of legal decisionmaking; and the nature, sources, and consequences of variations and changes in legal institutions or processes. He is the author, coauthor, or co-editor of 13 books including LGBTQ+ Issues in Criminology and Criminal Justice (Routledge); Sexual Privacy and American Law (Academica); Punishing Poverty: How Bail and Pretrial Detention Fuel Inequalities in the Criminal Justice System (University of California Press); Stop and Frisk: The Use and Abuse of a Controversial Police Tactic (New York University Press); Sex, Sexuality, Law, and (In)Justice (Routledge); Mental Illness and Crime (Sage); The Foundations of Criminal Justice (Oxford University Press); Defenses of Excuse in American Law (Academica); a casebook on criminal law (Oxford University Press); and four textbooks published by the Wadsworth/West Division of Cengage Learning, including America's Courts and the Criminal Justice System and Criminal Procedure for the Criminal Justice Professional. Dr. Fradella has also authored or coauthored more than 125 articles, book chapters, reviews, and scholarly commentaries.

A fellow and past-president of the Western Society of Criminology (WSC), Dr. Fradella served as the editor of that society’s journal, Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society, from 2013 through 2017. He also guest-edited three special issues of the Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice (2002, 2011, 2020). He currently serves as the Editor-in-Chief of Thomson/Reuter's Criminal Law Bulletin. Dr. Fradella received the WSC’s Joseph D. Lohman Award in 2014 for his professional service, the Richard Tewksbury Award for scholarship and activism on the intersection of crime and sexuality in 2017, and the President’s Award for contributions to criminology and positive impact on the career of 2021 WSC President Christine S. Scott-Hayward. Dr. Fradella has also received the 2023 Outstanding Scholarly Contribution Award from the American Society of Criminology's Division of Queer Criminology; the ASU President’s Award for Innovation in 2020 for helping to create ASU’s Law and Behavioral Science Initiative; a "best books of 2019" recognition for Punishing Poverty from the Vera Institute of Justice; and the Outstanding Book Award in 2019 for Stop and Frisk from the American Society of Criminology's Division of Policing.
**Dr. Mona Lynch**

*Paul Tappan Award: To honor outstanding contributions to the field of criminology*

Mona Lynch is Chancellor’s Professor of Criminology, Law, and Society at the University of California, Irvine. Dr. Lynch’s research and writing focuses on the social, psychological, and cultural dynamics of contemporary criminal adjudication and punishment processes, including how those processes produce inequalities. She uses multiple methodological approaches, including experiments, survey, ethnographic field methods, and archival and other social artifactual analysis to explore research questions of interest. Dr. Lynch has published over sixty journal articles and is the author of two award-winning books, most recently, *Hard Bargains: The Coercive Power of Drug Laws in Federal Court*, which was awarded the 2017 Michael J. Hindelang Award by the American Society of Criminology. Her research has been funded by the National Institute of Justice, the National Science Foundation, and Russell Sage Foundation.

Prior to joining UCI in 2008, she was a Professor in the Justice Studies Department at San Jose State University. She received her Ph.D. in Social Psychology from the University of California, Santa Cruz. In addition to her research and scholarship, Dr. Lynch is an active member of the criminology and law and society communities; she currently serves as co-editor of *Punishment & Society*. For her invaluable contributions to the field of criminology, Dr. Lynch is well-deserving of the WSC’s Tappan Award.

**Dr. Danielle Wallace**

*Fellows Award: To honor a person generally associated with the western region who has made important contributions to the field of criminology*

Danielle Wallace is an Associate Professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice and an Associate Director at the Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety at Arizona State University. She received her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Chicago. Her research agenda includes policing, racial/ethnic and disability-related disparities in policing, neighborhoods and crime, and issues related to incarceration, re-entry, and health.

Dr. Wallace’s recent work focuses racial profiling by police. She received an NSF grant, “Constructing Race-Specific Driving Patterns to Address Racial Profiling of Drivers by the Police” which combines criminological benchmarking techniques with transportation sciences to calculate racial profiling in San Diego. To date, all studies that have approached the question of whether police are profiling people of
color have experienced serious threats to validity. Thus, no measure of racial profiling exists that is without heroic assumptions having been made for its estimation. But Dr. Wallace and her colleagues in public policy, geography/GIS sciences, and civil engineering devised a way to assess race-specific driving patterns that they are currently using to estimate racial profiling.

Dr. Wallace also studies growing area of policing and disability, particularly surrounding neurodevelopmental disorders, like Autism Spectrum Disorder and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. Very little is known about how much contact disabled individuals have with the police or the nature of and outcomes related to that contact and her research stands to have a large impact on the field of policing—both scholastically and in practice—in this area. Additionally, Dr. Wallace has worked with national and local law enforcement agencies to assist them with identifying racially biased policing, implementing gun violence reduction programs, determining the effectiveness of their early intervention systems, and in technical and training assistance for law enforcement agencies adopting body-worn cameras.

Another facet of Dr. Wallace’s research surrounds incarceration, reentry, and recidivism. She takes a public health angle to this research, focusing on larger epidemiological trends or the physical or mental health of former prisoners. In mid-2020, she was awarded an NSF grant to examine the potential reciprocal relationship between COVID-19 infections in prisoners, staff, and communities surrounding prisons. The pandemic brought radical shifts to incarceration and release across the country. Prisons and jails were the site of some of the largest COVID-19 outbreaks in the United States during the early stages of the pandemic. Dr. Wallace and her team collected daily COVID-19 data from the federal prison system on staff and prisoners for 1.5 years. Her work shows that staff members were the node through which COVID-19 outbreaks likely came to the prison.

Dr. Wallace’s research has been published in top-tier criminology and sociology journals, including American Sociological Review, Criminology, Journal of Quantitative Criminology, Justice Quarterly, and the Journal of Crime and Delinquency Research, as well as top health studies outlets, such as American Journal of Public Health and Social Science and Medicine. For her substantial contributions to criminology, the WSC should recognize her with its Fellows Award.
Dr. Jennifer Lanterman

*June Morrison – Tom Gitchoff Founders Award: To honor a person who, through scholarship and/or activism, has significantly improved the quality of justice in the United States*

Dr. Jennifer Lanterman has been working to improve the quality of justice in Nevada for 11 years. She works with the Nevada Department of Corrections, Parole and Probation, jails, courts, and community providers to implement a uniform risk assessment system, a case planning and management system, and evidence-based programs for justice-involved people throughout the state. She works with law enforcement and clinical services in rural areas to divert people living with severe mental disorder from jails whenever possible. Her work also includes alternative sanctions for homeless offenders charged with low-level offenses and the use of technology to provide services to detained and incarcerated transgender inmates. She is working with Clark County to implement a pilot restorative justice program for juvenile offenders and victims. Finally, she serves on the Sentencing Commission with the goal of supporting research-driven legislation and agency policy. Collectively, these activities significantly improve the quality of justice for people in contact with the justice system in Nevada.

Dr. Sam Vickovic

*Joseph D. Lohman Award: To honor a person who has provided outstanding service to the Western Society of Criminology*

Sam Vickovic is an Associate Professor and Graduate Advisor at the School of Criminology, Criminal Justice, and Emergency Management at CSULB. His main areas of specialization are correctional officer well-being, predictors of entrance into law enforcement careers, and the intersection of media, crime, and criminal justice systems. He uses both quantitative and qualitative methods within his research. Recent research projects include an examination of how negative perceptions of law enforcement has influenced whether individuals want to pursue a career in law enforcement and research on predictors of correctional officer turnover, job stress, and job satisfaction.

In addition to teaching and scholarship, Dr. Vickovic has been an active member of the Western Society of Criminology for more than ten years and has served on the board since he was a graduate student. He first served as a student representative, and since 2017 has served as the Society’s Treasurer. This is a time-intensive role that involves managing the Society’s day-to-day finances, filing tax returns, and generally ensuring the financial health of the Society. For his years of dedicated service to the Western Society of Criminology, Dr. Vickovic is well-deserving of the Lohman Award.
Dr. Anthony A. Peguero

W.E.B. DuBois Award: For significant contributions to advancing awareness of racial and ethnic issues in criminology and criminal justice

Anthony A. Peguero holds a joint appointment at Arizona State University as a Professor of Sociology in the T. Denny Sanford School of Social and Family Dynamics and as a Professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. He also serves as the Director of ASU’s Laboratory for the Study of Youth Inequality and Justice. His research interests involve youth violence, socialization and marginalization, schools, and the adaptation of the children immigrants. Professor Peguero is also a member of Latina/o/x Criminology and Racial Democracy, Crime, and Justice Network and which both hold the goals of advancing research on the intersection of race, crime, equity, and justice.

Professor Peguero’s research focuses on youth violence, socialization and marginalization, education, and the adaptation of the children immigrants. Overarching themes in his research include: to highlight the barriers and challenges faced by the children of immigrants; to demonstrate how social inequality is central for sociological and criminological theories toward understanding and addressing youth violence; to explore how the intersection of race/ethnicity, immigration, and gender in relationship to youth marginalization, particularly within schools; and, to investigate policies intended to promote safety and equity for youth.

As a result of his research agenda, Professor Peguero has two books, more than 80 published or forthcoming peer-reviewed journal articles, 12 peer-reviewed book chapters, four edited special issues and two edited books. In order to pursue and support his research agenda, he has been successful in attaining approximately $6 million in external funding. Professor Peguero currently serves as deputy editor of Sociology of Education, Associate Editor for Race and Justice, and on the editorial board of the Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice. Additionally, he serves as the President of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and Executive Counselor for the American Society of Criminology, and a Council Member for both the American Sociological Association and its section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities.

Professor Peguero was a National Institute Justice W.E.B. Du Bois Fellow. His work has been honored by the American Sociological Association, Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance (Peterson-Krivo Mentoring Award, 2020); the Society for the Study of Social Problems (Joseph B. Gittler Award, 2020); Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Minority and Women's Section (Becky Tatum Excellence Award, 2018); Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (Tory J. Caeti Outstanding Young Scholar Award Winner, 2014); and, the American Society of Criminology (Coramae Richey Mann Award, 2013).
Dr. Andrea J. Ritchie

Meda Chesney-Lind Award: For significant contributions to scholarship or activism on the intersection of women and crime

Andrea J. Ritchie is a Black lesbian immigrant police misconduct attorney and organizer whose writing, litigation, and advocacy has focused on policing and criminalization of women and LGBTQ+ people of color for more than two decades. She was a Researcher in Residence on Race, Gender, Sexuality and Criminalization at the Barnard Center for Research on Women, where she launched the “Interrupting Criminalization: Research in Action” initiative. She is the author of Invisible No More: Police Violence Against Black Women and Women of Color (Beacon Press 2017); Say Her Name: What it Means to Center Black Women’s Experiences of Police Violence in Who Do You Serve? Who Do You Protect?: Police Violence and Resistance in the United States (Haymarket Press 2016); Surviving the Streets of New York: Experiences of LGBT Youth, YMSM and YWSW Engaged in Survival Sex (Urban Institute 2015); and Law Enforcement Violence Against Women of Color, in The Color of Violence: The INCITE! Anthology (South End Press 2006). She is the co-author of Say Her Name: Resisting Police Brutality Against Black Women (AAPF 2015); A Roadmap for Change: Federal Policy Recommendations for Addressing the Criminalization of LGBT People and People Living with HIV (2014); Queer (In)Justice: The Criminalization of LGBT People in the United States (Beacon Press 2011); and the forthcoming No More Police: A Case for Abolition (New Press 2022). In addition, she has published numerous articles, policy reports, and research studies.

She is a nationally recognized expert and sought after commentator on policing issues, and works with groups across the country to support campaigns to end profiling, police violence criminalization, mass incarceration, and deportation. She has testified before the President’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing, the White House Council on Women and Girls, the Prison Rape Elimination Commission, and a number of United Nations treaty bodies. She is a past member of the Movement for Black Lives Policy Table, and was a founding member of the Steering Committee of New York City's Communities United for Police Reform, a city-wide campaign to challenge discriminatory, unlawful and abusive policing practices in New York City. She was appointed to the New York City Council Young Women's Initiative in 2015, where she co-chaired the Anti-Violence and Criminalization Working Group. She was a 2014 Senior Soros Justice fellow, and a recent Senior Fellow at the Invisible Institute.
Dr. Dean Spade

*Richard Tewksbury Award: For significant contributions to scholarship or activism on the intersection of crime and sexuality*

Dean Spade is an Professor at Seattle University School of Law. He holds a BA from Barnard College and a JD from UCLA law school. Drawing upon perspectives from critical race theory, women of color feminism, and economic justice, his work focuses on queer and trans liberation, with a recognition that legal inclusion does not alleviate the structural conditions that result in trans people living in poverty, experiencing medical neglect, and criminalization.


He also authored or co-authored 35 articles that have appeared in venues such as the *Berkeley Women’s Law Journal*, the *Columbia Journal of Gender & Law*, the *Georgetown Journal of Gender & Law*, the *Harvard Journal of Law and Gender*, the *N.Y.U. Review of Law and Social Change*, *Signs*, the *UCLA Journal of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law*, and the *Women’s Rights Law Review*. In addition, Professor Spade actively engages the public by writing essays and reviews, as well as doing interviews and podcasts to promote understanding about LGBTQ+ issues, including work published in or broadcast on *Jacobin*, *Out Magazine*, *TIME*, *The Nation*, NPR, and the *Chronicle of Higher Education,* and the *Harvard Gay & Lesbian Review*.

In 2002, Professor Spade helped found the Sylvia Rivera Law Project (SRLP), a non-profit organization providing free legal services, engaging in impact litigation, and building community organizing led by and for transgender, intersex, and gender nonconforming people who are low-income and/or people of color. SLRP is also involved with prisoner advocacy, policy reform, and public education issues that impact these communities. Professor Spade teaches classes related to sexual orientation, gender identity, law and social movements, and legal ethics.
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WSC STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2024!

Miki Vohryzek-Bolden Student Paper Competition

Justin Sola
University of California – Irvine

“Theory with Consequents: Theories of Neoliberalism in the Study of Crime, Law, and Punishment”

Theories of neoliberalism, beginning as adjectival descriptors of policy and historical processes, are now deployed in crime and punishment research as the cause of a “global firestorm of law and order” (Wacquant 2014). These agentic theorizations of neoliberalism are potent and serve as a field-wide ‘sensitizing construct’ (Blumer 1954). However, agentic theories of neoliberalism may also backfire.

After tracking how neoliberalism became popular, I focus on crime and punishment research and identify two linked problems with agentic theories of neoliberalism: context collapse and lack of counterfactuals. Together, these problems threaten the causal validity of theories of neoliberalism and impede research designs. To avoid backfire, I suggest that scholars recognize neoliberalism as a historical construct that is insufficient as a cause of social outcomes. Instead, scholars should use history – including neoliberalism –as they consider and test counterfactuals relevant to causal structure of their research locale.

June Morrison Scholarship Fund

Sydney Jaw
University of Maryland, College Park
CALL FOR WSC AWARD NOMINATIONS

We invite you to nominate a deserving person for a WSC award.

Nominations for each of the following WSC Awards are currently being accepted:

- **Paul Tappan Award** for outstanding contribution to the field of criminology.
- **Fellows Award** conferred upon individuals generally associated with the Western region who have made important contributions to the field of criminology.
- **W.E.B. DuBois Award** for significant contributions to the field of racial and ethnic issues in criminology.
- **Meda Chesney-Lind Award** for significant contributions to the intersection of gender, crime, and justice.
- **Richard Tewksbury Award** for significant contributions to the intersection of sexuality, crime, and justice.
- **Henry F. Fradella Award** for significant contributions to empirical scholarship on the legal aspects of criminal justice.
- **June Morrison – Tom Gitchoff Founders Award** for significant improvement of the quality of justice.
- **Joseph D. Lohman Award** for outstanding service contributions to the Western Society of Criminology.

*Neither the nominator nor the nominee needs to be a member of the WSC.*

The deadline for submissions for each of these awards is **Friday May 3, by 5:00 p.m. PST**. Please submit your nomination via the WSC online submission portal [https://westerncriminology.org/awards/nominate-someone-for-an-award/](https://westerncriminology.org/awards/nominate-someone-for-an-award/).

If you have questions, please email the Chairperson of the Awards Committee:

Dr. Alyssa Chamberlain  
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CALL FOR WSC STUDENT AWARD APPLICATIONS

June Morrison Scholarship Fund: Using money raised from the Book Exhibit, the June Morrison Scholarship Fund provides supplemental funds to help defray the cost of student members’ participation at the annual meeting, provided that they are presenting papers at the conference. Typically, one or two awards are made to students attending the annual meeting of the WSC. The amount of the awards varies by year (usually between $200 and $300), depending on the sales of books at the Book Exhibit the prior year. Please note that this scholarship is not related to the Student Paper Competition. We encourage all students to apply, but preference will be given to students who have not previously received an award.

- **Eligibility:** Any student currently enrolled full-time or part-time in an academic degree program at either the undergraduate or graduate level is eligible to apply for this award, provided that he/she is presenting a paper at the annual conference. Conference registration and student membership dues must be paid prior to the scholarship being awarded.

- **Submission Requirements:**
  - A résumé or curriculum vitae
  - A cover letter, indicating your intent to apply for the award, including the following information:
    1. your full contact information, including your name, address, phone number, and email address;
    2. the name of your school, department, and whether you are a graduate or undergraduate student;
    3. the title of your paper presentation;
    4. a summary of other funding sources available to you, if any;
    5. a brief explanation of how conference attendance will be valuable to your career development (including how it will relate to future career plans); and,
    6. a brief summary of how your presentation fits into your larger research trajectory (i.e., what, if any, are your plans for the project you plan to present at the conference, such as use in project, thesis, or dissertation; submission for publication to a specific journal; etc.).
  - An e-mail message from a faculty sponsor from your school to the Chairperson of the Awards Committee, Dr. Alyssa Chamberlain, indicating his/her support of your request for travel funds.

  **Email the information to Dr. Alyssa Chamberlain**
  
  Alyssa.Chamberlain@asu.edu

  by 5:00 p.m. PST on Friday September 20, 2024.

  Winners will be notified in writing by November 8, 2024.
Miki Vohryzek-Bolden Student Paper Competition: Students are invited to compete in the Miki Vohryzek-Bolden Student Paper Competition sponsored by WSC each year. Appropriate types of papers include, but are not limited to, policy analyses, original research, literature reviews, position papers, theoretical papers, and scholarly commentaries. We encourage all students to apply, but preference will be given to students who have not previously received an award. Please note that papers co-authored by faculty will not be considered.

• Eligibility: Any student currently enrolled full-time or part-time in an academic degree program at either the undergraduate or graduate level is eligible to submit a paper. Students from all majors are eligible, however, all entries must be related to criminology, criminal justice, or criminal law and society. Papers must not exceed 30 pages, including abstract, text, references, tables and figures, notes, et cetera. Papers exceeding this limit will not be considered. Papers must be double-spaced, typed in 12-point font on pages using one-inch margins, and conform to a standard format for the organization of papers and citation (e.g. APA, ASA, Bluebook). The WSC Awards Committee is responsible for evaluating papers meeting the guidelines described above.

• Award Prize: Students selected for this award will be recognized at the WSC’s annual conference; will receive a reimbursement of student conference fees (less membership dues); and will receive a cash award of between $125 and $250 for first place, depending on whether the paper was sole-authored or co-authored. Additionally, if the award recipient desires, the best paper will be submitted for review to the journal of *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society*. In rare circumstances, a cash award of up to $100 may be awarded to a second place paper. Please note that the cash award must be used to fund travel or hotel expenses for the award recipient to attend the WSC conference. An award winner who does not attend the conference will not receive the cash stipend.

• Please Note: The paper that students submit to compete in Miki Vohryzek-Bolden Student Paper Competition need not be the same paper that they present at the conference. We recognize that conference presentations may be works in progress or may be a result of joint efforts with faculty mentors. In contrast, papers submitted for the Student Paper Competition must be completed papers that were written by a student (or co-authored by two or more students) without the assistance of faculty. Papers are welcome from students matriculated at any college or university anywhere in the world.

Email the information to Dr. Alyssa Chamberlain
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by 5:00 p.m. PST on Friday September 20, 2024.

Winners will be notified in writing by November 8, 2024.
People wishing to present at the conference will be able to submit proposals through our online abstract submission system starting July 8th through the submission deadline September 6, 2024. We encourage the submission of complete panels of three (3) to four (4) papers.

Panel Topics

- COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCESSES (INCLUDING SENTENCING)
- CORRECTIONS
- CRIME ANALYSIS (INCLUDING GEOGRAPHY & CRIME AND SOCIAL NETWORKS & CRIME)
- CRIMINOLOGICAL THEORY
- CYBERCRIME
- DRUGS/SUBSTANCE ABUSE & CRIME
- FORENSIC SCIENCE
- SEX, GENDER, SEXUALITY, & CRIME
- RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES
- JUVENILE JUSTICE
- LEGAL ISSUES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CRIMINAL LAW, CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, & EVIDENCE)
- ORGANIZED CRIME & GANGS
- PEACEMAKING CRIMINOLOGY
- POLICING
- SEX CRIMES
- TEACHING & ASSESSMENT IN JUSTICE EDUCATION
- TERRORISM
- WHITE COLLAR CRIME

In deciding the most appropriate topic area for your abstract, think about the main focus of your paper or presentation and how it might fit within a panel organized around a larger topical theme. For example, if your paper examines both race and juvenile issues, think about whether you would like to be placed on a panel with other papers discussing race issues or other papers dealing with juvenile issues and then submit it to the topic area in which you think it fits best.

All presenters are asked to submit an abstract of 1,100 characters or fewer to only one of the panel topics listed above. In addition to the abstract, please include the name, mailing address, email address, and phone number for all authors on the submission for the participant directory.

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**A New Resource on the Website – Hank Fradella**

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**Responding to sexual assault: A systematic review of police training interventions and outcomes**

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A systematic review by Dr. Karen McQueen and Dr. Jodie Murphy Oikonen entitled “Responding to sexual assault: A systematic review of police training interventions” was recently published in *Crime & Delinquency*. The findings from the review, which included 10 published papers on 12 studies, suggest that specialized sexual assault training can improve various police attitudes, knowledge and behaviors. However, this body of literature is underdeveloped and further research is needed before specific recommendations regarding police training can be made.

**Enhancing Workforce Analytics in the Criminal Justice System through Technological Interventions: A Focus on Analytics Solutions**

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Abstract:
This article delves into the complex challenges faced by the criminal justice system in recruiting and retaining adept personnel. With an emphasis on technology's role, it explores the potential of analytics solutions in mitigating these issues. The article presents a comprehensive perspective on the application of advanced analytics, focusing on how such technology can reshape workforce management strategies within the criminal justice system. While referencing SAS as a prime example, the article underscores the broader impact of technology-driven workforce analytics.

Introduction:
In today's dynamic landscape, the criminal justice system grapples with unprecedented hurdles in effectively recruiting and retaining skilled professionals. This predicament resonates across various sectors within the system, including law enforcement, courts, and corrections facilities. The inefficiencies stemming from workforce shortages impede the overall mission of these institutions. This article aims to explore how technology, particularly analytics solutions, can offer innovative remedies...
to these challenges. It delves into the transformative potential of analytics-driven workforce management, utilizing SAS as a prominent case study while recognizing the wider technological context.

Workforce Management Dilemmas:
The complexities of workforce retention and recruitment are paramount in the criminal justice system. Acknowledged by entities like the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and the Police Executive Research Forum, these issues take center stage in discussions around law enforcement. Similarly, the shortage of prison staff echoes the challenges faced by Custodial Officers and incarcerated individuals, exacerbating the prevailing concerns. Addressing these issues is pivotal to the effectiveness of the criminal justice system’s core objectives.

The Technological Paradigm in Workforce Analytics:
Amid these challenges, the infusion of technology offers a ray of hope. Analytics solutions, in particular, have emerged as potent tools in reshaping workforce management paradigms. This article elucidates the potential transformation brought forth by these technologies:

1. Data Integration and Synthesis:
At the heart of analytics-driven workforce management lies the assimilation and synthesis of data from diverse sources within the system. This process aggregates information related to HR metrics, training records, performance indicators, career trajectories, and employee sentiment. By harmonizing this data, advanced analytics solutions unravel actionable insights that can guide decision-makers.

2. Pattern Recognition and Interpretation:
Analytics solutions excel in recognizing patterns and relationships within datasets. By applying techniques such as correlation analysis, these solutions unearth significant attributes shared among various employee cohorts. For instance, correlations might highlight the link between attrition rates and training effectiveness, fostering strategies that emphasize training during recruitment.

3. Predictive Analytics and Informed Decision-Making:
The integration of predictive analytics augments decision-making processes. By forecasting future workforce attributes and outcomes, these solutions empower leaders to make informed choices. This technology can recommend optimal actions based on the analysis of historical and real-time data, prioritizing decisions that yield the highest return on investment.

4. Simulation and Policy Analysis:
Analytics solutions enable scenario-based simulations and policy analyses. By subjecting HR policy changes to these simulations, decision-makers can assess potential outcomes and gauge the impact on key performance indicators. This aids in informed policy formulation and implementation.

5. Resource Optimization and Cost Mitigation:
Utilizing algorithms and machine learning, analytics solutions optimize resource allocation. This encompasses human resources and budget allocation, ultimately enhancing retention rates and organizational stability. The resultant reduction in turnover costs is a significant benefit of this technology.
Conclusion:
The transformational potential of analytics solutions in addressing workforce challenges within the criminal justice system is evident. While referencing SAS as a prime exemplar of this paradigm, it is essential to acknowledge the broader landscape of technological interventions. The amalgamation of data-driven insights, predictive analytics, and resource optimization culminates in a holistic approach to workforce management. This, in turn, translates to heightened efficiency, reduced turnover costs, and the creation of safer and more effective communities. Embracing analytics-driven technology serves as the cornerstone for a progressive future within the criminal justice system.

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Miranda and the Womb: Prosecuting Women in the Post Roe Era

Geneva Brown

The U.S. Supreme Court finally overturned Roe v. Wade on June 24, 2022, in Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization. The Supreme Court no longer to the usual approach of piecemeal dismantling of the historic decision. The Supreme Court has allowed individual states to decide whether women have the right to terminate their pregnancies. The aftermath created a patchwork of states that are now radically limiting women’s access to abortion. The constitutional implications are broad. Women face prosecution if they delay terminating their pregnancy. Health care providers face prosecution if they provide abortions which introduces ethical and legal quandaries. Many states are drafting laws that have competing and conflicting interests. Even more disturbing are states are aggressively protecting life from conception and prosecuting pregnant women of attempting to abort their fetuses at any stage of the pregnancy.

Now, women in the critical stages of their pregnancy risk prosecution. States are closing the window to when they can legally terminate their pregnancy. States are barring abortions past six weeks into pregnancy. Instead of risking criminal charges women are crossing state lines. Women travel to abortion-on-demand states such as Illinois. An entire cottage industry burgeoned in Illinois due to out-of-state women traveling to obtain abortions. Women are provided health care, transportation and lodging during their stay.

Crossing state lines does not preclude women from being prosecuted. While Justice Brett Kavanaugh remarked in his concurrent opinion in Dobbs that women traveling for abortions would be free from prosecution, states are still using laws to quell travel for abortions. Idaho prosecutes people who assist minors crossing state lines to seek abortions. Texas and Oklahoma allow private citizens to sue those who assisted women obtaining out-of-state abortions.

Miranda v. Arizona is the 1966 Supreme Court decision that allowed defendants being interrogated by law enforcement the right to remain silent and not to incriminate themselves. Women seeking to terminate their pregnancies will have to consider what actions they take that could lead to prosecution for themselves and persons who assist them. The post-Roe environment is now hellbent on reducing legal access to abortions and prosecuting those who attempt to exercise a diminishing right.

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