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MARCH 13-17, 2012

ACJS Conference

Location: New York, NY

APRIL 14, 2012

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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Location: Seattle University

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OCTOBER 16-19, 2012

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Criminal Justice Conference

Location: Coeur d'Alene, ID

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CELEBRATION!

Retirement Party for Father Kelliher

Date/time: May 10, 2012 5:30 p.m. - 10:00pm

Location: The Commons, Casey Bldg

After 40 years of faithful service at Seattle University, Father Kelliher is retiring. Fr. Michael Kelliher, S.J. was one of the founding members of the Criminal Justice Department which was established in 1972. He completed his Master's and Doctoral Degrees in Criminology at the University of California at Berkeley with his primary area of study being the etiology of crime. In 1979, he received a "Certificate" as a polygraph examiner from "The Backster School of Lie Detection," and opened an office in the Lyon Bldg. on Third and James streets in downtown Seattle. He served on two State Commissions, "The Law Enforcement Training Board" (1974-1978), and the "Board on Correctional Training" (1980-1986), having been appointed by two Washington state governors — Daniel J. Evans and Dixie Lee Ray, consecutively.



Dr. David Pollick, the Dean of Arts and Sciences appointed Fr. Kelliher as Director of the Criminal Justice Program in spring of 1986, and then in 1987, chose him to be the Chair of the new Criminal Justice Department with a totally redesigned curriculum. He served as Chair of the Department until 1997.

Fr. Kelliher's research interests have been in the areas of The U.S. Federal Prisons, the Prisons of the Transportation Era in Australia, and the movement of Restorative Justice, in New Zealand, South Africa and Northern Ireland and the United States. He is a member of twelve state and national organizations relating to the criminal justice system, and has been listed in *Outstanding Educators of America* (1974), *American Men and Women of Science* (1978), and *Who's Who in the West* (1980-81). He will be greatly missed by students, faculty, and staff. Come, stop by, and wish Father Kelliher a fond farewell!



Letter from the Director



ELAINE GUNNISON, Ph.D.

In Fall, I was able to work out an arrangement with the library so that you can review past MACJ theses. You will have access to the theses M-F from 9-5 p.m. at the library. Since these are archived, you will not be able to check them out.

I am currently working with the library to get copies of the current theses in place for circulation. However, I cannot guarantee that. All MACJ completed theses submitted to the department from this point forward will be able to be circulated though. To request a MACJ thesis to review, use this link: <https://www.seattleu.edu/library/collections/request/> For those MACJ students who want to review theses but are unable to do so within the library timeframe, you can always set up an appointment with Devin to review the departmental copies that are housed in my office. These theses are also uncirculated.

Many of the faculty and several students are attending the upcoming annual Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference in New York City. It will be a great opportunity to learn about research being conducted by other faculty and students at universities from across the nation in an exciting location. The department strongly encourages you to present/attend conferences as part of your education at SU. We do offer a small travel award that can assist you in your efforts to travel to conferences. Feel free to contact Devin for the travel award application. Also, the Graduate Student Council offers funding for various activities including conference travel. For an application, see: <http://www.seattleu.edu/gsc/Inner.aspx?id=21390>.

If you have any contributions that you would like to make to the MACJ newsletter or have ideas about features for upcoming editions, please send them to me at gunnison@seattleu.edu or Devin at mackrell@seattleu.edu.

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COURSE SPOTLIGHT

Typologies of Crime and Criminal Behavior

CRJS 515: SUMMER 2012

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:

- Clinnard, M.B, Quinney, R, & Wildeman, J. (1994). *Criminal behavior systems: A Typology*. Cincinnati: Anderson Publishing Co.
- Helfgott, J.B. (2008). *Criminal Behavior: Theories, Typologies, and Criminal Justice*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- Miethe, T.D., McCorkle, R.C., & Listwan, S.J. (2007). *Crime profiles: The anatomy of dangerous persons, places, and situations*. Los Angeles, CA: Roxbury.

The course meets on 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. 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 SPOTLIGHT

Rene Matson



Rene Matson grew up in Western Washington and has lived there most of her life. She obtained a Bachelor of Science in Anthropology with a specialization in Biological Anthropology and a Bachelor of Arts in German Language from Central Washington University in 2005. At the time she graduated, the job market was pretty slow. Since she was interested in crime scene and death investigation, she began searching for other higher education options to increase her knowledge and make her more marketable in the field.

Rene found Seattle University's Master of Arts in Criminal justice program in 2006 and applied to attend. She was in the inaugural class for the program. As Rene reports, "Although it was a brand new program, the classes offered were great." She was able to take classes that not only covered theory, but that were also practical in nature such as the Crime Scene and Medicolegal Death Investigation class. In 2009, she obtained her MACJ degree with a specialization in Investigative Criminology.

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FACULTY PROFILE

Mac Pevey

Mac is a product and graduate of Seattle University's (SU)

Criminal Justice program. Following the completion of his Bachelor of Criminal Justice from SU in 1997, he continued his education at Washington State University (WSU) in Pullman, where he earned his Master of Arts in Criminal Justice. Mac has an extensive background in Community Corrections and Probation & Parole, in his studies as well as in the field. His professional experience began with an internship at the United States Probation Office, while attending SU. Following his graduation from WSU, Mac began working for the Washington State Department of Corrections (DOC)



as a research analyst, but then eventually matriculated out into the field as a Community Corrections Officer (CCO). In his 12 years with DOC, Mac has held positions in the field as a Lead CCO, Community Corrections Supervisor, Program Administrator and is currently serving as a Field Administrator. In his current role Mac has oversight and responsibility of community corrections operations in Pierce, Mason and Kitsap counties, where his staff, disbursed among 11 field offices, are charged with supervising approximately 3,200 high risk adult felony offenders. In addition to his duties as a Field Administrator, Mac is also a Department certified academy instructor, use of

force instructor, and a supervision/ leadership instructor.

Mac has been an Adjunct Professor at SU since 2004, during which he has taught a number of Criminal Justice courses including: Working with Offender Populations, Punishment & Social Theory, Sociology of Punishment, Community Corrections and other continuing education events. Mac has also proudly sat on the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee since its inception.

In his free time, Mac enjoys spending time with his wife (Lisa) of 10 years and their 6 year old son Mackenzie. In addition to his family, Mac enjoys fishing, hunting and spending time with his friends.

Rene Matson *(Cont'd from page 2)*

After graduating, Rene worked as a Community Corrections Officer for the Washington State Department of Corrections (DOC). She conducted intakes for community custody and participated in administrative violation hearings through the DOC hearings process as well as misdemeanor probation violation hearings in the King County Superior Court. Unfortunately, she was laid off due to budget cuts. After leaving the DOC, she obtained a part-time position as a Resident Monitor with Pioneer Human Services at the Peninsula Work Release facility. She finds that working with convicted felons in a facility is very different than working with them once they are on community custody or probation, but finds the work to be very interesting and rewarding. Recently, she obtained a position with the Department of Licensing in the License Integrity Unit. In this position, she assists investigators with identity theft and fraud cases.

Rene still aspires to work one day within the crime scene or death investigation field. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Clark, and their dogs as well as traveling, camping, watching movies and reading.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Lomo Mawakii

Lomo David Mawakii was born in Northern Uganda Africa but raised as Southern Sudanese. Both Lomo and his family were displaced from their country due to the civil war that lasted for over 21 yrs. and cost nearly 2.5 million lives. Lomo and his family—forced to leave the country because of political and religious prosecution—were displaced into Uganda. They came to the United States through a refugee asylum in 1998. Given his experiences (i.e., moving from one refugee camp to another, changing schools) and memories (e.g., gun shots, family and friends lost), he never pictured that he would finish any level of education.

Lomo applied and was accepted to Washington State University in Pullman. He graduated with two Bachelor of Arts degrees in Criminal Justice and Sociology with an emphasis on law and social control and a minor in Business Administration. Upon graduation, employment was bleak. He moved back to Kennewick and got a job in



LOMO MAWAKII

a meat processing plant. After a year Lomo needed a change and in 2007 moved to Seattle. Despite spending his days and nights looking for a job, he had no luck securing employment in his desired field. He decided to enroll in bartending school and worked at that part-time while still looking for a job in law enforcement.

A few months later, he was hired as a corrections officer for the Washington State Department of Corrections. Lomo loves his job and has learned a lot about the criminal justice system as a result. His thirst for knowledge led him to the MACJ program. His future goals include obtaining a law degree so that he can someday provide social justice to his people.

Currently, Lomo enjoys playing soccer and listening to music. In his spare time now, life is a little bit different. He tries to spend some time with family when he can, work overtime, and keeps in touch with his Mom who is still in Uganda.



Faculty Research NEWS

DR. ALEXANDER is currently working on research related to juveniles' satisfaction with their juvenile court experience and a book chapter on juvenile corrections.

DR. COLLINS is working on two book projects due to be published at the end of this year and beginning of next year (co-authoring one and co-editing one): *Criminal Justice Management: Theory and Practice in Justice Centered Organizations* (Routledge) and *Crime and Politics in the City: As seen through The Wire* (Carolina Academic Press). He is also working on several research projects focused on a range of topics.

DR. GUNNISON is currently interviewing community corrections officers for a book, co-authored with Jacqueline Helfgott, entitled, *Success on the Streets: Creating Opportunities for Offender Reentry*. She is currently preparing a book proposal for a *Community Corrections* text for Sage.

DR. HELFGOTT is working on several book projects: *No Remorse: Psychopathy & Criminal Justice* (Sage), *Success on the Streets: Creating Opportunities for Offender Reentry* (Lynne Rienner) (coauthored with Elaine Gunnison), and she is serving as Editor of a 3-volume Criminal Psychology Reference set (Praeger). She is principal investigator (with Matt Hickman, co-investigator) on an evaluation of the Seattle Police Department Crisis Intervention Response Team Pilot Program, and is finishing up several additional projects.

DR. HICKMAN has an article forthcoming in the *Journal of Forensic Sciences* entitled, "Effect of Forensic Evidence on Criminal Justice Case Processing," and is preparing a book proposal for an edited volume that will focus on social science research on the forensic sciences.

DR. KING-STARGEL is received an award for her work on the Citizen Review Panel for the Tacoma Police Department. Mayor Strickland gave her a Certificate of Recognition for serving as Chair of the panel and leading it through the initial 3 years of its existence and for her total four years of service. She is also conducting a study to see if line police patrol officers use their agency's code of practice in work decision making by surveying about 5 mid-size police departments in the PNW.

DR. RICE is continuing to develop an online criminal justice prediction market (with Dr. Hickman), exploring defiance and desires for forgiveness amongst police killers, and contributing to book projects by Dr. Helfgott and Dr. Collins on terrorism and criminal psychology and emotions, collectives and *The Wire*.

Student News

CARLA HOUGH presented a paper entitled, "The Hacker: Myths, Meaning and Social Pathology" in 2011 at the *SecureWorld Expo* Seattle conference. She also published an article entitled, "The Hacker: Once an Innocent Identity is Now and Identity in Crisis," in 2011 for *Hackin9 IT Security Magazine*. Additionally, Carla attended *The Underground Economy 2011 Conference* in Lyon, France. She will be presenting findings from this conference in a Criminal Justice Research brown bag presentation during Spring quarter of 2012.

GEORGE DAVISSON (2009 Alumni) was the recipient of the 2011 Officer of the Year Award for North Precinct.

JAMES KIM (2011 Alumni) was promoted to Sergeant and supervising a patrol squad in the North Precinct.

BRITTANY MILLER (2011 Alumni) was just hired as an investigation specialist at Target.

STANLEY PATRZALEK and his wife welcomed a baby boy named, Gardner McKay Patrzalek (right) on November 22, 2011. Gardner weighed 8 lbs., 5 ozs. and was 21 inches in length.



BECK STRAH (2011 Alumni) is now employed with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy at the Snohomish County Jail.

MATT VIELBIG (2011 Alumni), SU Public Safety Officer/Shift Supervisor, was awarded a U.S. Patent for his innovative firearms modification that has the potential to lead to safer outcomes for both officers and citizens when involved in or exposed to the exchange of gunfire.

MATT WILLMS presented a paper entitled, "Nightlife-Entertainment: From Carnival to Criminology of the Skin" at the *American Society of Criminology Conference* in November of 2011.

MEGAN YERXA presented a paper entitled, "Assessing a Risk-Based Model to Target Residential Burglery" at the *American Society of Criminology Conference* in November of 2011.



MATT WILLMS



MEGAN YERXA

Department News

We have successfully completed our faculty search process. We will have two new faculty joining our department in September 2012 —Professors Jennifer Sumner and William Parkin!

DR. JENNIFER SUMNER received her PhD in Criminology, Law, & Society from University of California-Irvine in 2009 and is currently an Assistant Professor in the Dept of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Penn State Harrisburg. Her research areas include transgendered inmates and prison policy.

WILLIAM PARKIN is a doctoral candidate in Criminal Justice at the City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice. His research areas include ideologically motivated violence; the relationship between the mass media and the criminal justice system; victimization theory; and the application of interdisciplinary research methods to criminological inquiry.

The Cultural Competency in Criminal Justice Continuing Education Event will be held on May 4, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. in the Casey Commons.

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