MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR—ERIC LAMBERT

Greetings! It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Winter/Spring 2011 Newsletter for the Department of Criminal Justice at Wayne State University.

It was a busy and productive semester for Winter 2011. Our Criminal Justice faculty and staff were busy ensuring a quality learning experience was offered to students. Over 30 criminal justice classes were offered in the Winter 2011 semester, and 15 criminal justice classes are being offered this semester, Spring/Summer 2011. Most of these classes are taught at the main campus of Wayne State University. Additionally, the Department has expanded its course offerings at our extension campus in Macomb County. So, at this time, the criminal justice major is offered at the main campus and the Macomb Campus.

We are excited about the offering of the undergraduate program at the Macomb Campus. If you know of potential students for the criminal justice program at either campus, please have them contact me. As I always state, one of the greatest joys of the Department (and me) is when Criminal Justice students are successful in their academic endeavors.

The Department takes great pride when students graduate and go out into the community to make a difference. I attended the May 2011 college commencement. It was a wonderful experience to see students graduate. I have now been at WSU long enough to see students I know graduate.

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CAREERS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Careers in Retail Loss Prevention

By Lisa Kane, Criminal Justice Alumna, 2000

Did you know that you could achieve a salary of over $300K working in the field of Retail Loss Protection? Not to mention, the many benefits such as Stock Options, a 401K plan that matches dollar for dollar up to 5% and a positive working environment. Sounds pretty amazing...right?

As I started my college journey, I had my career goal set on becoming a special agent with the FBI or Secret Service. Many of my college peers had the same career goals as well. I was unaware of the amazing opportunities that a career in Retail Loss Prevention had to offer.

I want to take this opportunity to share my career changing experience with you:

First, I found that positions within law enforcement and government sector positions were limited; hiring was sporadic. Within these public sector careers, a lot of Christmases, Thanksgivings, birthday parties and time with family are missed due to inconsistent schedules.

Second, one can only move so far in law enforcement, depending on the location and size of the department. Compensation is primarily based on pay grade vs. personal efforts and performance. Was this really the career environment and future that I wanted for me or my family?

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Message from the Chair—Continued

In my short time at the Department, I have also been impressed with faculty, staff, students, donors, and the alumni. I have also enjoyed getting to know them.

Again, welcome to the 2011 Winter/Spring Newsletter for the Department of Criminal Justice at Wayne State University. I also invite you to become more active in helping the program strive to become even better. Your participation and support make a difference, especially in the lives of our students. Working together we can build a better tomorrow for our students, alumni, and our community.

I wish you and your loved ones the best wishes for the summer and upcoming fall. Please stay in touch!

Eric G. Lambert
Professor and Chair

FACULTY RESEARCH MAKES A DIFFERENCE

The Criminal Justice faculty members have been busy with their research. In the past academic year, faculty members have published several dozen articles and many more book chapters in a wide array of peer-reviewed and competitive journals. This is an impressive accomplishment. The goal of the faculty members is to conduct cutting edge, high quality research that will ultimately improve the field of Criminal Justice and make a difference in the lives of others.

Just recently, Professors Eric Lambert, Brad Smith, and Jennifer Wareham, were invited to Washington, D.C. to share their data on a research project titled, “Law Enforcement Retention and Turnover.” Professors Smith, Wareham, and Lambert will be presenting their findings on the factors associated with police retention and turnover at the Bureau of Justice Statistics. The recruitment, hiring, and training of law enforcement officers are expensive and time consuming. It is important to explore and indentify those factors that push and pull police officers from remaining with the law enforcement agency. This study examined police turnover and retention across thousands of law enforcement agencies across the United States.

This research comes on the heels of just completing other groundbreaking research projects in criminal justice.

Professor Steven Stack was one of four Western suicide specialists invited to address an international conference on suicide research and prevention in Shandong, China, from March 29 to April 1, 2011. The event celebrated the opening of China’s third research center on suicide, at the College of Public Health at Shandong University. Professor Stack presented an analysis of recently released data from the World Values Surveys (1990-2007) indicating that recent declines in the Chinese suicide rate are linked to increases in cultural disapproval of suicide. Steven Stack joins a faculty mentoring network for supervising Chinese doctoral dissertations on suicidality.

Careers in Criminal Justice—Continued

Finally, during my senior year at WSU, I attended a career fair and spoke with a representative from Target. I found it random that Target was among the FBI, Secret Service and U.S. Marshall booths. The Target representative explained the great career opportunities Target had to offer to a future college grad like myself. For example: significant earning potential, great work-life balance, amazing benefits and more. It almost sounded too good to be true. I have always been one to take risks in my life...so I took a leap of faith and changed the direction of my career goal. I joined the Target Assets Protection Team; that was 12 years ago!

I have had a very successful career with Target, moving through positions within Assets Protection and Stores. I am currently the Group Assets Protection Leader, covering 68 Stores and leading over 10,000 Target team members!

Target has a remarkable career environment. The training you receive is thorough and continues throughout your career. The career opportunities are vast...the sky is the limit in regards to how far you can go and how much you can earn. Our technology is one of the best in the business and we continue to grow as a company...moving into Canada next year! Here are just a few of the many accolades that Target has received:

- Fortune Magazine rated Target #22 on its list of “Most Admired Companies.”
- Diversity, Inc. magazine ranked Target No. 44 on its list of “Top 50 Companies for Diversity.”
- Institutional Investor magazine ranked Target No. 2 on its “2011 All-America Executive Team: Most Admired Companies” list.
- CollegeGrad.com ranked Target No. 9 out of 104 companies on its list of “Top Entry-Level Employers.”
- Corporate Women Directors International named Target to its list of “Top 10 Companies with the Highest Percentage of Women Directors.”

I would love to share my experiences with you on how you can have a rewarding career at Target. Please feel free to reach me at lisa.kane@target.com
FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Black male suicidality linked to a cultural axis of nations.

A recent article by Dr. Steven Stack (with Dr. Augustine Kposowa) explored public opinion concerning suicide among black males. It applied recent developments in comparative cultural sociology to the issue of the approval of suicide among black males around the world. Controlling for a host of other confounders (such as religiosity, age, marital status, education), black males scoring high in "self expressionism," one of two major cultural dimensions of nations, were significantly more apt to approve of suicide than their counterparts. Self expressionism measures the degree of tolerance and trust. The data employed were from wave 4 of the World Values Surveys, the world’s largest public opinion data archive. This is the first study linking cultural axis and suicide for black males around the world. The article recently appeared in Social Science and Medicine, as "The effect of survivalism self-expressionism culture on black male suicide acceptability: a cross national analysis," volume 72, (2011), 1211-1218. Social Science and Medicine is the most highly cited journal in the social sciences.

Suicide Movies Social Patterns 1900-2010 (In Press)

How is suicide portrayed in American feature films, and what are the implications for suicide prevention? Dr. Steven Stack (with Barbara Bowman) author of the first-ever comprehensive investigation of over 1,500 suicides. The portrayal of suicide in cinema can impact public understandings and the effective prevention of suicide. The book presents a systematic analysis of 1,337 American and 135 British film based suicides over a period of 110 years. One key finding is that while research literature on suicide tends to emphasize individual psychiatric or mental health issues, the cinema strongly endorses social causes of suicide. The cinema is far more apt than academic research to stress factors such as relationship breakdown. Social stress factors including divorce, child custody issues, bullying, troubles with the criminal and civil justice systems, and economic stress factors such as job demotion, loss of work skills, unemployment, credit card debt, gambling losses, and home eviction/foreclosures are the centerpiece of most cinematic suicides. For example, fully one in five cinematic suicides involves persons in trouble with the criminal justice system. In contrast, academic work places emphasis on individual centered troubles including lifelong depression and alcohol abuse.

NEW CRJ FACULTY MEMBER WELCOMED

The Department has completed a search for a new assistant professor. Charles Klahm, a graduate of the doctoral criminal justice program at the University of Cincinnati will join the Department in August 2011. His area of expertise is policing. He is scheduled to teach a course on Policy and Society and another course on Politics in Criminal Justice. Please join me in welcoming Charles to the WSU Criminal Justice program.

COMING SOON - COMMUNITY FORUM FALL 2011

The Michigan Sex Registry And What it Means to Citizens

Sponsored by The Criminal Justice Alumni Community Outreach Committee

What questions would you like answered? E-mail your question to dz9258@wayne.edu.

Need help with textbook orders, course syllabi, identifying instructor of course, room location, or general information, contact Ms. La-Joyce Moody-Jones, department secretary, Room 3291 Faculty Administration Building, at 313-577-2705 or e-mail ac8562@wayne.edu
Each year, the Department of Criminal Justice asks an alumnus who has been successful to make a presentation to faculty, staff, students, and members of the community. Elena Herrada made the 2011 Criminal Justice Distinguished Alumni Presentation on March 28, 2011, Student Center. The title of her presentation was “The Criminalization of All of Us: Students, Immigrants, and Drivers.” She discussed the issue of fair treatment of all people by the criminal justice system and the issue of social justice. It was a wonderful presentation attended by students, faculty, staff, and community members.

Ms. Herrada earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice in 1980. She has been a long-time community activist in southeastern Michigan. She has been involved in a number of famous events in Detroit’s history. One of the most notable which caught national attention was the Larry Nevers and Walter Budzyn case; former police officers convicted in beating to death Malice Green, a Black motorist who was pulled over for a traffic stop on November 5, 1992. Elena Herrada was a member of the Race Relations Council during this case.

Currently, Ms. Herrada is a member of the Detroit Board of Education. She is also a founding member of Centro Obrero de Detroit, Fronteras Nortenas (An organization dedicated to chronicling the history of Mexicans in Detroit) and Friends of Chicano Boricua Studies at Wayne State University. Elena Herrada also serves on the board for the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan and the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights. She co-founded the Committee for the Political Resurrection of Detroit in an attempt to push a hard-hitting progressive agenda, and co-produced a documentary about the forced repatriation of Mexican immigrants during the Great Depression. She worked with Cesar Chavez in the 1970s. She collaboratively works with the Center for Chicano-Boricua Studies in the College Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Hello everyone!

I just wanted to send a quick note to say that with today being my last day, it has been an absolute pleasure working with you all. I have really enjoyed my time here and feel very lucky to have been given the opportunity to be your GTA. You all have been very welcoming, considerate and willing to help me when I needed it and I appreciate that very much. I have learned a great deal being in this position and could not have asked for better people to work with and for. Hope you all enjoy your summer and I hope to see you in the Fall!

Take care—Natalie Whittal

Dear Natalie Whittal,

It was my pleasure working with you this past academic year. You did an outstanding job. I hope you have an enjoyable summer as well.

Sincerely, Eric Lambert

Hi Natalie—Wow…. It's hard to believe you've already finished your first year!! I really enjoy working with you too and look forward to having you back in the fall.

Have a relaxing summer (after stats anyway ;-)

Marianka Holloway

Dear Natalie- Thank you for the special note. I have enjoyed your company as well and am very happy to have met you. I wish you much success in your education and future career.

Sincerely, Antonetta Gardner

Hi Natalie, I have enjoyed working with you as well sorry I couldn’t say a personal thank you yesterday. Have a great summer. Looking forward to seeing you in the Fall.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

I extend my congratulations to the following individuals who graduated with a B.S. in Criminal Justice during the 2011 Academic Year. Earning the degree is a major accomplishment. It takes hard work and dedication. I welcome each and every graduate to the ranks of the criminal justice alumni. The faculty, staff, and I look forward to working with all of you to build stronger ties between the department and our distinguished alumni.

Eric Lambert,
Professor and Chair

CRJ Bachelor of Science Graduates for Fall 2010

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WINTER 2011 STUDENT HONORS

More than 25 students, family, friends, faculty, and staff attended the 12th Annual Criminal Justice Honors Reception held on Thursday, May 5th, at 2:30 p.m., in the Faculty Administration Building. The reception was held to honor Criminal Justice students who graduated with distinction in May 2011. Students honored were (l-r): Jonathan Jenkins, Brittany McFall, Laura Rubino, Jeffrey Wallace and Milson Ma.
TO CRJ ALUMNI—A JOB WELL DONE!

Since arriving in the Department in July of 2008, I have had the opportunity to meet many alumni of the program. I am impressed with the caliber of the alumni of the program. They work hard to make a difference in their communities. Many have risen to top administrative positions. I can honestly state that one of my joys is when Criminal Justice alumni succeed in their chosen careers.

As I indicated in the last newsletter, in order to help connect with alumni and the community, the Department launched last year the Criminal Justice Alumni Advisory Board. The Board meets three times a year. The Board has set three major objectives for the upcoming year: fundraising, community outreach, and alumni development. Subcommittees have been formed for each of these areas. The subcommittee members are all alumni of the Criminal Justice program. They have already met once and will meet again soon. If you would like to join one of these subcommittees, please let me know. My e-mail again is dz9258@wayne.edu. The Chairperson of the Criminal Justice Alumni Advisory Board is Delores Jones. Ms. Jones, a WSU criminal justice alumna, has volunteered a great deal of her time to ensure that the Board and committees have been productive. I deeply thank her for this and all her support of the Department and WSU Criminal Justice students. If you see Ms. Jones, please thank her as well. If you would like to join the Board, please send me an e-mail and I will forward the information to Ms. Jones.

Eric Lambert, Professor and Chair

Giving to the Criminal Justice Scholarship Fund

One of the goals of the Department and its Chair, Eric Lambert, is to increase the amount of scholarship funds available for criminal justice students. Please consider a donation to the Criminal Justice Scholarship Fund. All donations will be used to provide scholarships for criminal justice students. There is a great demand among our students for financial support. Your donation will make a positive difference in the lives of criminal justice students!

Please let other Criminal Justice alumni know about the effort to raise scholarship funds for students.

In this newsletter you will find information on how to make a donation.

Working together, we can raise funds to help students pursue their education.

Some universities prepare students for graduation. We prepare students for life.

- I would like to make a donation supporting Wayne State University’s Criminal Justice Dept.
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☐ I please send me information on supporting WSU in my will
☐ I am already supporting WSU in my will
☐ I am interested in creating a named fund in support of the WSU
Alumni News and Information for Future Newsletters

We're interested in what you're doing now. Please take a moment to complete the following information and return it to us via fax, e-mail or US mail:

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From the Editor:

Dear reader,

I hope you have enjoyed reading this edition of the Criminal Justice News and have found some useful information. The newsletter is published twice each academic year and includes some of the activities our faculty, staff, alumni, and students have been working on for the current academic period. It includes research and development, successes and accomplishments of our alumni and our student academic achievements. I am very impressed with our faculty’s research and publication in areas that give me pause.

Our Criminal Justice alumni have come a long way from the survey sheet in 2008 to the board room; developing activities for its alumni to participate in and grow, as well as fundraising activities to help grow the Scholarship Fund which provides tuition assistance for our students.

I have enjoyed being the editor of this newsletter because it helps me to keep up with everything going on in the Department, as I hope it will help you. I know there will be more exciting news to come next year, but in the meantime, I hope you have a very enjoyable and prosperous summer!

Best wishes and warm regards,

Antonetta Johnson-Gardner

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**FACULTY**

Irshad Altheimer – Assistant Professor. His teaching and research areas are Macro-Level Criminological Theory, Comparative Criminology, Corrections, Neighborhood Processes and Crime, Juvenile Delinquency, Urban Criminology, and Diversity in Criminal Justice.

Thomas Kelley – Associate Professor. His teaching and research areas are Juvenile Justice and Delinquency, Child Abuse and Neglect, Correctional Counseling Methods, and Positive Psychology in the Field of Criminal Justice.

Eric Lambert – Professor and Department Chair. His teaching and research areas are Corrections, Death Penalty, Criminal Justice Attitudes and Views, and Organizational Effects on Criminal Justice Performance Outcomes.

Joseph Rankin – Professor and Associate Dean. His teaching and research areas are Families and Crime, Campus Crime, Social Control, and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency.

Brad Smith – Associate Professor. His teaching and research areas are Policing and Society, Police Brutality, Perceptions of the Police, and Community Policing.

Steven Stack – Professor. His teaching and research areas are Interdisciplinary Analysis of Suicidal Behavior and Attitudes, Deviant Behavior, and Death Penalty/Homicide.

Jennifer Wareham – Assistant Professor. Her teaching and research areas are Criminal Justice Research Methods, Quantitative Analysis of Criminal Justice Issues, Juvenile Justice, Juvenile Corrections, GIS Applications in the Field of Criminal Justice, and Ecological Causes of Crime.

Yuning Wu – Assistant Professor. Her teaching and research areas are Police, Citizen Evaluation of Criminal Justice, Comparative/International Criminal Justice, and Criminology.

Marvin Zalman – Professor. His teaching and research interests are Criminal Justice Policy, Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Criminal Law, and Wrongful Conviction. He also serves on the Criminal Justice Alumni Advisory Board and is the Criminal Justice Liaison for the Department.

**STAFF**

Marianga Holloway – Academic Services Officer and Advisor

Antonetta Johnson-Gardner – Administrative Assistant; also coordinator for development, alumni, and donations for the department. She serves on the Criminal Justice Alumni Advisory Board and as editor of the CJ Newsletter

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