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*Editor's Note:*

## Welcome . . .

. . . to our second annual edition of the Department of Criminology Newsletter! It had been an exciting 2011. **Dr. Thomas Mieczkowski** stepped down as Chair of the Department. He is currently on a one year sabbatical, **Dr. Michael Leiber** is the Interim Chair. We have hired **Rachael Powers** from SUNY-Albany as an assistant professor and **Andrew Franz** from the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg as an instructor. Both will begin their positions in the Fall of 2012. Welcome!

**B. Remy Cross** from UC-Irvine was hired for a one-year visiting professor position for the academic year of 2011-2012 as was **Rick Steinmann** for a one-year visiting instructor. Both will be leaving us at the end of the academic year. **Jennifer Lanterman** is finishing her Post-Doctoral Research. During her two-year term, she worked with Dr. Fridell on the National Police Research Platform and Dr. Lynch on the Sourcebook of Crimes of the Powerful. We appreciate your willingness to be part of the Department and good luck to each of you with your future endeavors.

**Dr. Shayne Jones** was promoted to associate professor with tenure. Congratulations!

The department experienced another productive year in terms of publications and grant productivity. In addition, both faculty and graduate students attended meetings at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association, the Southern Criminal Justice Association and the American Society of Criminology. There were over 30 people from the department who presented at the American Society of Criminology meeting in Washington, D.C.

**Mike Lynch** was the recipient of a Life-Time Achievement Award from the Division of Critical Criminologist of the American Society of Criminology. **OJ Mitchell** won the National Institute of Justice's W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship for "Race and Drug Arrests: Specific Deterrence and Collateral Consequences."

**Wesley Jennings** received the 2011 William L. Simon/Anderson Publishing Outstanding Paper Award from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. **Tara Richards**, who recently earned her Ph.D., was recognized by the Division on Women and Crime of the American Society of Criminology for her contributions to the field of women and crime by a graduate student.

The Department of Criminology now houses three refereed journals. **Mike Leiber** is the editor of the *Journal of Crime & Justice*; **Wes Jennings** is the editor of the *American Journal of Criminal Justice*; and **Lorie Fridell** and **Kim Lersch** are co-editors of *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies and Management*.

We continue to attract students both at the undergraduate and graduate levels. We have over 1,200 undergraduate majors and more than 50 graduate students. The Department continues by most rankings to be among the top 10 criminology and criminal justice programs. The Department also houses the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration (MCJA) program which is a specialized area of study specifically designed for practitioners with an emphasis on administration and management within the criminal justice system. The undergraduate major coordinator is Ms. Lisa Landis, [llandis@usf.edu](mailto:llandis@usf.edu). The graduate coordinator is Dr. Lorie Fridell, [lfridell@usf.edu](mailto:lfridell@usf.edu). The coordinator of the MCJA program is Dr. Max Bromley, [mbromley@usf.edu](mailto:mbromley@usf.edu).

We welcome your feedback with regards to the Newsletter and encourage you to contact us at anytime. Please do let us know what you are up to!

Michael Leiber, Editor  
Jennifer Peck, Assistant Editor  
Carl Root, Assistant Editor  
Charles Stickeler, Assistant Editor



# Faculty in Focus: Dr. Kathleen Heide

**Kathleen Heide** has been at USF for 30 years. She came to the Department of Criminology as a doctoral candidate from the School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany, in 1981 and completed her dissertation during her first semester. Soon after arriving at USF, Kathleen began her research on juvenile homicide offenders, an area that interested her since she was a student at Vassar College.

With a few small grants and the endorsement of Florida Governor Graham, Kathleen traveled throughout Florida interviewing adolescents who were convicted of first or second degree murder, or attempted murder. With the assistance of correctional staff, she screened manslaughter cases and interviewed juveniles when official documents indicated that their criminal behavior was more consistent with the murder charge initially handed down by the prosecutor than the charge to which they pled. Her final sample consisted of 59 offenders and provided the launching pad for her expertise in juvenile murder.

As Kathleen presented her research and published articles, lawyers took an interest in her work. Kathleen was asked to evaluate juveniles based on her clinical training and research findings. She was called to testify in court about her assessment of young people involved in murder. Due to changes in Florida in the late 1980s, experts who testified on mental health and treatment issues needed to be licensed by the State. Fortunately, Kathleen had studied under clinical psychologist Marguerite Warren, a pioneer in the development of Interpersonal Level of Personality Development, while at Albany and had received extensive training in clinical interviewing and assessment. Kathleen passed national and state tests and was licensed as a mental health counselor in Florida in 1990. She has been qualified as an expert to testify in several areas including psychology, criminology, adolescent homicide and parricide, child abuse, personality assessment, and forensic evaluation in Florida Circuit Courts and in various jurisdictions across the United States.

Over the years, Kathleen's empirical and clinical endeavors have blended nicely. She is the author of two widely acclaimed books on juvenile homicide (*Why Kids Kill Parents: Child Abuse and Adolescent Homicide* and *Young Killers: The Challenge of Juvenile Homicide*). She is the co-author (with Linda Merz-Perez, a former graduate student) of *Animal Cruelty: Pathway to Violence against People*. She is also the author or co-author of more than 100 other publications in the areas of adolescent homicide, parricide, juvenile justice, and violence.

Kathleen's fourth book, *Understanding Parricide: When Sons and Daughters Kill Parents*, has recently gone into production with Oxford University Press and is expected to be published in late 2012. This book will be the most comprehensive book available on the topic. In the book Kathleen intersperses case studies of parricide offenders she has evaluated in 12 states and Canada. One of the many strengths of the book is that Kathleen has followed up on adolescents she evaluated more than 20 years ago. It is a fascinating, although disturbing, read.

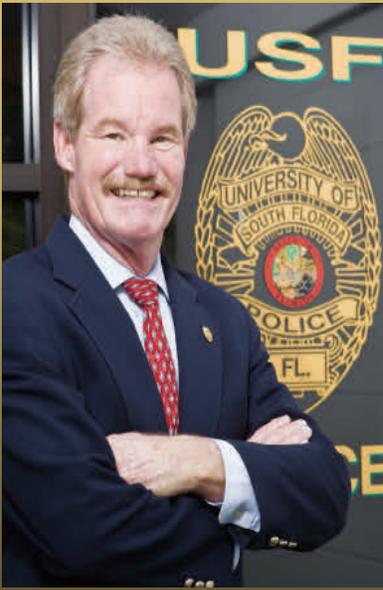
Kathleen is one of the most widely quoted professors in the nation on juvenile homicide and parricide. She is a frequent consultant to the national print and electronic media and numerous international newspapers and magazines. She has also appeared as an expert on many national talk and news shows including *Larry King Live*, *CNN*, *Good Morning America*, *Fox News*, and *20/20*.

Kathleen's expertise has been recognized on both national and international fronts. For example, she was granted full membership status in the American Psychological Association in light of her accomplishments in the field of psychology. She was recognized as a Distinguished Alumna by the School of Criminal Justice. She was one of a handful of experts invited by Queen Sofia of Spain to present her research on juvenile homicide offenders in Valencia.

Kathleen enjoys teaching both undergraduate and graduate students. Through her efforts, the mass lecture class *Crime and Justice in America* has become one of the most popular at USF. Over the years, Kathleen has received six awards for teaching excellence, including USF's most prestigious award, the Jerome Krivanek Distinguished Teacher Award. Kathleen takes pleasure in mentoring graduate students with their research and publications.

Kathleen believes very strongly in professional and public service. She is a member of four editorial boards. In addition, she is a member or former member of more than 10 community and state boards of directors, councils, or task forces. Kathleen is an active member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and has a federal security clearance. She is involved in search and rescue and port security operations. Kathleen is a Sea School graduate and Coast Guard certified commercial captain.





# Faculty in Focus: Dr. Max Bromley

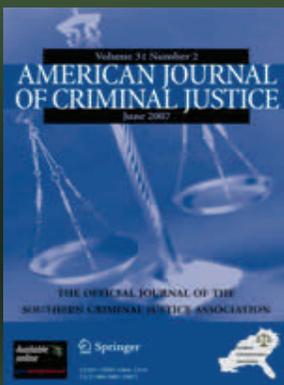
**Max L. Bromley** is now in his fourth decade and second career at the University of South Florida. He is the Director of the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration Program (designed specifically for criminal justice practitioners) at USF. Prior to becoming a full-time faculty member he served as the Associate Director of Public Safety at the university and worked in the criminal justice field for almost 25 years. He served on the statewide task force that established the first set of law enforcement accreditation standards for Florida. Dr. Bromley was also the Chairperson for USF's taskforce on campus security following the terrorist attack on September 11th.

Dr. Bromley co-authored the textbook *Crime and Justice in America*, 6<sup>th</sup> edition. He also co-edited *Hospital and College Security Liability* and was the senior co-author of *College*

*Crime Prevention and Personal Safety Awareness*. In addition, he has written dozens of scholarly articles, book chapters and technical documents on a variety of campus crimes and campus policing issues. Dr. Bromley assisted the U.S. Bureau of Justice statistics in developing and implementing the first national survey of campus law enforcement agencies. More recently Dr. Bromley has also been involved in research on comparing municipal and campus policing and the evolution of campus policing. His articles have appeared in *Policing*, *Police Quarterly*, *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, and *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice*. Dr. Bromley also wrote *Department Self-Study: A Guide for Campus Law Enforcement Administrators*, which was used at over 1,000 institutions of higher education to evaluate their campus police organizations.

Dr. Bromley and his wife Debbie have been married for 33 years. They are very proud of their two children. Their son Jeff is Assistant to the Athletic Director and Director of NCAA Compliance at Eckerd College and their daughter Melissa is a junior at the University of Central Florida studying Organizational and Interpersonal Communications. Regarding his 38 years at USF Dr. Bromley says: "I am very fortunate to have been a small part of the development of two dynamic departments at USF. It is a pleasure to be surrounded every day by bright, hardworking, and caring people."

## Home to Journals



*American Journal of  
Criminal Justice*

Wesley G. Jennings, Editor



*Journal of Crime & Justice*

Michael J. Leiber, Editor



*Policing: An International Journal  
of Police Strategies & Management*

Lorie Fridell & Kim Lersch, Editors

# Student Spotlight

## Tara Richards

Doctoral Student

**Tara Richards** recently graduated from the Criminology doctoral program. Tara's dissertation work focused on testing victim sex specific models of capital sentencing. Specifically, she examined whether different legal and extra-legal characteristics differentially impacted juror capital sentence decision-making for cases with male victims versus female victims. Tara received her bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Tennessee and her master's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. While at UTC, she served as the graduate assistant on an Office of Violence Against Women grant project focused on education and advocacy for victims of rape and sexual assault on campus.



Tara's current research interests concern the presentation, prevention, and intervention of two forms of interpersonal violence: domestic violence and sexual assault, with an expanding focus on related public policy issues. As a graduate student, Tara, and fellow graduate student Lane Kirkland Gillespie, compiled both qualitative and quantitative data on a population of femicide cases in North Carolina over a seven-year period. They have utilized this data to explore media interpretations of femicide from various perspectives including the prevalence of victim blaming language, the use of different media frames, and the prevalence and presentation of femicide followed by perpetrator suicide. Tara has also conducted both qualitative interviews and quantitative surveys with college students and college faculty concerning college student crime victimization and post-victimization help seeking behavior. Tara has taught multiple classes at both the University of South Florida and the University of Tampa and served as a graduate assistant to the Department of Mental Health Law & Policy's Dr. Holly Hills for the past three years.

In the 2010-2011 academic year, Tara served as a mentor for Teens in Action, a 10-month civic engagement program, where youth and mentors are paired with a nonprofit organization. Her group was paired with the Spring of Tampa Bay (one of Florida's largest domestic violence shelters) and was instrumental in planning an inaugural event called Priceless Prom to raise awareness about the increase in dating violence around prom time. This event was hosted on the University of Tampa campus, attended by over 120 people, and received local media attention.

Over the course of her three years in the Criminology doctoral program, Tara delivered thirteen papers at professional conferences and published ten empirical articles. She also co-authored a book chapter with fellow USF Criminology Ph.D. alumna, Dr. Joan Reid. In November 2011, Tara was awarded the American Society of Criminology Division of Women and Crime's Graduate Student Scholar Award for outstanding scholarship in the field of women and crime. Presently, Tara holds a Research Coordinator position at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI).

# Student Spotlight

## Nick Branich

Masters Student

**Nick Branich** is currently a second-year Master's student in the Criminology program at the University of South Florida. He also works as a graduate assistant for Dr. Christine Sellers and assists in her criminological theories course. Before joining the program, he received his bachelor's

degree in Justice Studies at James Madison University. After earning his Master's degree, Nick intends to enter into a doctoral program and work towards his PhD in Criminology. Ultimately, he would like to use his education to study the process of ex-offender reentry and reintegration as well as better informing reentry programs that are designed to help returning prisoners succeed in the community and reduce recidivism.

Currently, Nick is developing his thesis on the likelihood of property crime victimization in gated and non-gated communities. He is also working with another graduate student on an exploratory paper that investigates online transmission of techniques and rationalizations for off-line crimes such as shoplifting and fighting.

In addition to his studies, Nick pursues a number of pastimes. He enjoys exercising and is preparing to run in his first 5k race. He is also an avid traveler. Nick spent two weeks abroad in Australia and New Zealand for his last trip and is currently planning his next destination.



## Congratulations 2011 Graduates!



**MA:** *Robert Crapo*  
*Monica Landers*

*Jennifer Peck*  
*Ryan Parsons-Cohrs*

*Brittany Cross*  
*Marsha Fraser*

*Mark Singer*  
*Jordan Sullivan*

**Ph.D.:** *James Ray* – “Developmental trajectories of self-control: Assessing the stability hypothesis”. Major Professors: Shayne Jones & Michael Lynch, Committee: Wesley Jennings, OJ Mitchell, & Thomas A. Loughran

*Ruth Zschoche* – “A multilevel model of police corruption: Anomie, decoupling and moral disengagement”. Major Professor: Lorie Fridell, Committee: OJ Mitchell, Christine Sellers, & Sanja Kutnjak Ivkovich

*Wen-Hsu Lin* – “General strain theory and juvenile delinquency: A cross-cultural study. Major Professors: Christine Sellers & Richard Dembo, Committee: John Cochran & Tom Mieczkowski

*Mike Caudy* – “Assessing racial differences in offending trajectories: A life-course view of the race-crime relationship”. Major Professors: OJ Mitchell & Michael Lynch, Committee: Wesley Jennings, Michael Leiber & Thomas A. Loughran

*Tara Richards* – “Explaining the “female victim effect” in capital sentencing decisions: A case for sex-specific models of capital sentencing research” Major Professors: Dwayne Smith & Christine Sellers, Committee: Wesley Jennings & Holly Hills

## *Featured Alumni: Dr. Kristina Childs*

**Kristina Childs** received her Ph.D. from the University of South Florida in Criminology in December 2008. She received her Bachelors of Science in Psychology and Criminal Justice from Michigan State University in 2002. After graduating from USF, she completed a three-year post-doctoral fellow at the University of New Orleans, Department of Psychology. During this time, she was involved in the Models for Change: Systems Reform in Juvenile Justice Initiative funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Her involvement in this project focuses on evaluating several reform efforts across the state of Louisiana focusing on the development of alternative to formal processing, reducing disproportionate minority contact, increasing the use of evidence-based services, and helping local jurisdictions become data-driven decision-makers. She and her colleague Paul Frick received additional funding from the MacArthur foundation to continue their involvement in the Louisiana Models for Change initiative through 2012.



Dr. Childs joined the University of Central Florida, Department of Criminal Justice in August 2010 as an Assistant Professor. Her research agenda relates to juvenile justice system reform, with an emphasis on reducing disproportionate minority contact, increasing the use of evidence-based screening and assessment tools, and providing public-health services to youth involved in the juvenile justice system. Her research also focuses on understanding the link between substance use, delinquency, and risky sexual practices among adolescents. To date, Dr. Childs has published eighteen peer-reviewed articles, three technical reports, one book chapter, and co-edited a book.

## **2011 - 2012 Research Series Featured Speakers**

**Dr. OJ Mitchell**

**University of South Florida**

**“Race, Specific Deterrence, Defiance and Drug Arrests.”**

**Dr. Eugene Paoline**

**University of Central Florida**

**“Conducted Energy Devices (CEDs) and Injuries”**

**Dr. Nancy Rodriguez**

**Arizona State University**

**“The Collateral Consequences of Incarceration Revisited: A Qualitative Analysis of the Effects on Caregivers of Children of Incarcerated Parents”**

**Dr. Faye Taxman**

**George Mason University**

**“Which Criminogenic Need Changes Affect Criminal Offending and Drug Use Among Probationers?”**

**Dr. John Cochran**

**University of South Florida**

**“Public Support for Preventive/Corrective Remedies against Miscarriages of Justice in Capital Cases”**

# Award Recognition



**Dr. Michael Lynch** was recently awarded with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on Critical Criminology. Dr. Lynch was presented with the award at the American Society of Criminology's national conference in Washington D.C. The Lifetime Achievement Award honors an individual's sustained and distinguished scholarship, teaching, and/or service in the field of critical criminology.

**Dr. Wesley Jennings** is the most recent recipient of the 2011 William L. Simon/Anderson Publishing Outstanding Paper Award from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, for his work which appeared as a research note in the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*.



**Dr. Ojmarrh Mitchell** was recently awarded the National Institute of Justice's 2011 W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship. The Fellowship Program's objective is to provide talented researchers with an opportunity, early in their career, to elevate independently generated research and ideas to the level of national discussion. The NIJ typically funds one fellow annually under this program for an amount up to \$100,000.

**Tara Richards** was recognized by the Division on Women and Crime of the American Society of Criminology when they named her the first recipient of the Graduate Scholar Award. The award recognizes the outstanding contributions of graduate students to the field of women and crime, both in their published work and in their service to the Division on Women & Crime.



# Welcome New Graduate Students!

## PhD

Wyatt Brown  
Mathew Lynch  
Jennifer Peck

## MA

Jessica Boyd  
Patrick Depass  
Anthony Jaramillo

Melissa Lugo  
Virginia Mikell  
Veronica Winters

# *Student Organizations*

## CGSO

The Criminology Graduate Student Association (CGSO) is a student-led organization committed to professional development and community service. In 2011, the CGSO organized a Graduate Student Research Symposium for the fall semester. In addition, 11 members participated as volunteers in the October 2011 Oktoberfest in St. Petersburg, FL. The CGSO also facilitated the Criminology Department's holiday service project by collecting \$250 for the Florida Kinship Center in the School of Social Work's Holiday Share Drive as well as \$350 for the Metropolitan Ministries food drive. Combined with an effort to collect money and school supplies for Voices for Children to help a local school in need, the group was able to raise a total of over \$4,000 in funds to give back to the Tampa Bay community. The current CGSO officers include Carl Root (President), Jen Peck (Vice President), Chris Donner (Secretary), and Jon Maskaly (Treasurer).

## APS

Alpha Phi Sigma is the only Criminal Justice Honor Society for Criminal Justice Majors. The society recognizes academic excellence of undergraduate, graduate students of criminal justice, as well as juris doctorate. The Mission of Alpha Phi Sigma is to promote analytical thinking, rigorous scholarship and life long learning; to keep abreast of the advances in scientific research; to elevate the ethical standards of the criminal justice professions and to sustain in the public mind the benefit and necessity of education and professional training. In order to become a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, undergraduates must be a declared Criminology Major or Minor and have a 3.2 overall and major GPA; have completed at least 4 courses in Criminology; rank in the top 35% of their class. Graduate students must be enrolled in a graduate program; have completed four courses; have a minimum GPA of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale or rank in the upper 25% of their class. To apply go to [www.alphaphisigma.org](http://www.alphaphisigma.org) and click Membership Applications. Complete the application and bring it to the advising office for certification of grade point average.



# STUDENT ACTIVITIES



Above (left to right): Nick Branich, Dr. Shayne Jones, Dr. Lyndsay Boggess, Dr. Max Bromley



Above (left to right, back to front): Samira Kulsum, Jen Peck, Brandy Henderson, Amy Eggers, Kimberly Barrett, Rhissa Birones-Robinson, Erin Mulligan



Pictured Left (left to right): Chris Donner, Jerry Banfield, Jon Maskaly



Above (left to right): Lane Kirkland Gillespie, Wyatt Brown, Joy Camacho, Brian Sellers, Erin Mulligan, Kimberly Barrett



Above (left to right): Lane Kirkland Gillespie, Kimberly Barrett, Brian Sellers, Dr. Lyndsay Boggess, Tara Richards

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

**Carl Root** is the President of USF's Criminology Graduate Student Organization and a teaching assistant to Drs. L. Boggess and K. Lersch. He assists in courses on the Death Penalty, Miscarriages of Justice and a Survey of the Criminal Justice System. He also designed and teaches online courses in Terrorism/Counterterrorism and Social Forces and Policing Society for Eastern Kentucky University. This year, he presented research at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, the Crime, Media and Popular Culture Studies Conference in Terre Haute, Indiana and the American Society of Criminology meeting in Washington DC. This research covered a broad range of topics from an autoethnographic account of victimization via police brutality to content analyses of online differential association and the dramaturgy of tattoo television.

**Jennifer Peck** is a first year doctoral student who graduated this past May with her M.A. in Criminology at USF. She had an article accepted for publication (with Dr. K. Heide) in the *Journal of Family Violence*, presented papers at the Midwest Criminal Justice Association (MCJA) and ASC annual conferences, and assisted in teaching an undergraduate course "Theories of Criminal Behavior". In addition, Jen is the Assistant Managing Editor for the *Journal of Crime & Justice*, the Vice President of the Criminology Graduate Student Organization (CGSO), and served on the search committee as the student representative in the search for a new Dean of the College of Behavioral & Community Sciences. She is currently working with Dr. M. Leiber, Dr. N. Rodriguez (ASU), and Dr. K. Mack (UNI) on multiple manuscripts for publication.

**Brian Sellers** is graduate assistant to Drs. Fridell and Heide. Additionally, he serves as writing coach to students in the MACJA program. At FMHI, he is research assistant to Dr. Sarah Desmarais for a project implementing and evaluating the START-AV. He co-published a book with Oxford University Press entitled, *Ethics of total confinement: A critique of madness, citizenship, and social justice*. He also published "Male and female juvenile homicide murderers: An empirical analysis of U.S. arrests by offender age" in *Feminist Criminology* and "Male and female child murderers: An empirical analysis of U.S. arrest data" in the *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*. He co-presented two papers at the Addiction Health Services Research Conference in Fairfax, VA and presented a paper at the American Society of Criminology Conference in Washington, DC.

**Kimberly Barrett** progressed to doctoral candidacy in 2011. She was lead author on, "The Relation between Youth Fear and Avoidance of Crime in School and Academic Experiences," with Dr. W.G. Jennings and Dr. M.J. Lynch, recently accepted for publication in the *Journal of School Violence*. Kimberly had a book review published in the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, and was co-author on two peer reviewed manuscripts accepted into the *Journal of Child & Adolescent Substance Use* and *Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders*, respectively. At the 2011 ASC conference, she presented, "A Prospective, Intervention Study of Truant Youth, Mental Health, Substance Use, and Delinquency." Kimberly continues to assist Dr. R. Dembo in standard referral services for the NIDA funded, "Brief Intervention for Drug Use and HIV/STD Risk Prevention among Truants."

**Cedric Michel** is a fourth-year doctoral student. Along with Dr. John Cochran, he co-authored a manuscript published in the *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice* entitled, "The Effects of Information on Change in Death Penalty Support: Race- and Gender-Specific Extensions of the Marshall Hypotheses". He also presented a research paper entitled, "Linking Capitalism to Corporate Crime: Can Cognitive Dissonance Account for the Dismissal of Radical Criminological Explanations?" at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in Washington, D.C.

**Carol L S Trent** is an instructor in the Criminology department and serves as assistant to the Graduate Director for the department. She teaches International Criminology at USF Tampa. She co-authored a book chapter titled "A review of the cross-national empirical literature on social structure and homicide" for *The Handbook of European Homicide Research: Patterns, Explanations, and Country Studies*. Carol is also working with departmental faculty and the USF Graduate Council to implement forthcoming curriculum changes to the graduate program.

**Samira Kulsum** is a Ph.D student. She currently teaches 'Survey of the Criminal Justice System' course at USF. She presented a paper titled "Structural Strain Theory and Gang Membership" at the ASC Annual Meeting in Washington DC.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS ...

**Heng Choon (Oliver) Chan** is a doctoral candidate in the Criminology program. Currently, he is a full-time Criminology Researcher at the Department of Social Work and Social Administration of The University of Hong Kong, an adjunct Criminology lecturer at the Department of Applied Social Studies of City University of Hong Kong, and an adjunct instructor at the Criminology Department at USF. He published six articles, a sample of these includes: "Male and female juvenile homicide offenders: An empirical analysis of U.S. arrests by offender age groups." *Feminist Criminology*, 6(1), 3-31; "What propels sexual murderers: A proposed integrated theory of social learning and routine activities theories." *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 55(2), 228-250; and "Criminal recidivism among Hong Kong male juvenile probationers." *Journal of Child and Family Studies* (published online: November 2011). Oliver also has articles forthcoming in *Hong Kong Journal of Social Work*, *Journal of Forensic Sciences*, and *Crime and Delinquency*, as well as two book chapters. He presented papers at ASC and the Asian Criminological Society meetings.

**Gena Givens** co-authored the article, "Framing intimate partner violence: Why the media's spin matters in coverage of femicide," (*Violence Against Women*, forthcoming) and two technical reports: one pertained to substance abuse treatment effectiveness for probationers and was compiled for the Florida Department of Corrections, and the second was a final report for the SAMHSA-funded drug court listed below. Gena also presented "A comparative frame analysis of femicide in news coverage" at ASC. Currently, she has three co-authored manuscripts under review. Gena is a research assistant at USF's Florida Mental Health Institute on several research projects: one focuses on antipsychotic prescribing practices and the influence of co-occurring disorders on offending, one is examining the effectiveness of judicial interventions for prescription drug abuse, and one examines housing strategies for at-risk veterans. She also participates in a working group that focuses on prescription drug issues in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Lastly, Gena taught Research Methods and Theories of Criminal Behavior.

**Christopher Donner** is a research assistant to Dr. Lorie Fridell on the National Police Research Platform, a NIJ-funded longitudinal study of police personnel. He teaches Statistics at USF Tampa and taught American Law Enforcement at USF St. Petersburg. He presented a research paper entitled, "The relationship between Organizational Commitment and Ambition for Career Advancement among new Police Sergeants," at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in Washington, D.C. He co-authored a book chapter on police brutality and co-authored two manuscripts published in the *Journal of Police Crisis Negotiations*. He currently serves as Secretary of the Criminology Graduate Student Organization.

**Lane Kirkland Gillespie** is a doctoral student who advanced to candidacy in fall 2011. She co-authored the following journal articles: Richards, T.R., Gillespie, L.K., & Smith, M.D. "Exploring news coverage of femicide: Does reporting the news add insult to injury?" *Feminist Criminology*, 6, 178-202 and Gillespie, L.K., Richards, T.N., Givens, E., & Smith, M.D. "Framing intimate partner victimization: Why the media's spin matters in newspaper coverage of femicide" *Violence against Women* (forthcoming). She also presented two papers at ASC in Washington, D.C. Lane worked as the program assistant for the M.A. in Criminal Justice Administration program through the summer and now teaches in the Criminology department. She also serves as the student representative on the department's scientific review committee.

**Brandy B. Henderson** is a second year doctoral student in the Criminology program and serves as the Undergraduate Committee Member for the Criminology Graduate Student Organization (CGSO). She also taught an undergraduate class entitled "Survey of Criminal Justice Systems". This year she published her first article: Henderson, B. B., Hensley, C., & Tallichet, S. E. (2011). Childhood Animal Cruelty Methods and Their Link to Adult Interpersonal Violence. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 26, 2211-2227. She presented on the same article at the American Society of Criminology conference in Washington, D.C. She currently has an article on drug myth acceptance amongst college students under review, and several forthcoming encyclopedia entries for SAGE. Brandy also became the Assistant Managing Editor for the *American Journal of Criminal Justice* this year.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS ...

**Stephen G. VanGeem** recently completed his comprehensive exams and is now a doctoral candidate in the Criminology Department. In the past year he piloted a new online course--Crime and the Life-Course--for the University of South Florida, in addition to teaching the traditional face-to-face classes Survey of the Criminal Justice System and Social Science Statistics at USF. In November, his research entitled "'Rising Tides': Did shifts in economic conditions affect community crime careers in Seattle between 1996 and 2007?" was presented at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in Washington, D.C. He is currently a Lecturer at Utah State University where he teaches courses on Statistics, Research Methods, Criminology, and Social Deviance.

**Jon Maskaly** is a research assistant to Dr. Fridell on the NIJ funded National Police Research Platform. He is responsible for a myriad of duties on the project, but works mostly on the longitudinal supervisory component of the project. Jon presented multiple papers at the annual American Society of Criminology conference in Washington D.C. Additionally, this year Jon worked in collaboration with others to produce three published manuscripts. Two of the manuscripts examined school violence and were published in a special issue of *The Journal of Police Crisis Negotiations*. The other article examined the effects of alibis on mock juror verdicts and was published in *The Journal of Group Processes and Intergroup Relations*. This article was also nominated for Gordon Allport award for best article of the year on intergroup relations.

**Jerry Banfield** is the graduate assistant to the USF MACJA program director, Dr. Max Bromley. He was selected as a fellow in the first class of USF's Doctoral Leadership Institute that will focus on leadership development and grant a graduate certificate in leadership. Jerry also participated in a total of five conference presentations: "Beyond the Classroom: Accounting for community Characteristics on Rates of Serious Student offending" at the Southern Criminal Justice Association's annual conference in Nashville, "Beyond the Classroom: Accounting for Community Characteristics on Rates of Serious Student Offending", "Evaluating the Relationship between School Safety Measures and Crime in Schools", "Assessing the Impact of Bureaucracy on Job Satisfaction Using a Multi-Agency Sample", and "Herding Cats: Response Rate Challenges in a Longitudinal Study of Law Enforcement Supervisors" at the ASC Annual Meeting in Washington DC.

**Stephanie Laaninen** completed her graduate research assistantship at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute, where she maintained the Criminology Research Participant Pool, coordinated the logistics of the Implementation Science Committee, and aided in the development and execution of a series of behavioral health services research conferences. She is currently working on a NIDA-funded study testing the efficacy of an intervention aimed at reducing substance use and risky sexual behavior in youths entering the Tampa Juvenile Drug Court. She is recruiting drug court-involved youths and their families and conducting periodic assessments throughout their entire juvenile drug court involvement and at 18 months post-recruitment.

**Amy Eggers** is a research assistant to Dr. Ojmarrh Mitchell. She assists in the collection, verification, and coding of eligible studies for a meta-analysis of drug courts. A final report for the Campbell Collaboration was completed in conjunction with this project. This project also led to her first publication titled: "Assessing the Effectiveness of Drug Courts on Recidivism: A Meta-Analytic Review of Traditional and Non-Traditional Drug Courts." She aided in a search for eligible studies for a prison-based drug court meta-analysis that was also finalized. She presented "The Effects of a Strong Hispanic Presence and Family Dynamics on Community Crime Rates," at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in Washington, D.C. She also participated in the submission of encyclopedia entries to *The Social History of Crime and Punishment in America*.

**Rhissa Briones Robinson** is a research assistant to Dr. Richard Dembo on the NIDA-funded, longitudinal study entitled, "Brief Intervention for Drug Use and HIV/STD Risk Prevention among Truants." She also assisted Dr. Dembo with a process evaluation of the juvenile civil citation program in the 13th Judicial Circuit, Hillsborough County. She was a recipient of an APA Early Career Investigators Travel Award, and presented a poster entitled, "Brief intervention for truant youth sexual risk behavior and alcohol use: A parallel process growth model analysis," at their annual conference in Washington, D.C. She also co-presented, "Marijuana use and sexual risky behavior among truant youths: Impact of a brief intervention," and "A prospective intervention study of truant youth, mental health, substance use, and delinquency," at ASC's annual conference in Washington D.C.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS ...

**Wyatt Brown** is a research assistant for Dr. Shayne Jones and Dr. Max Bromley. He currently assists in data collection and maintenance for the College of Behavioral and Community Sciences' student and community databases. He is the Graduate Assistant for the class entitled "American Law Enforcement Systems". He is currently researching college campus violence and its effects on campus policing. He is further interested in the effects of gender bias in the relationship between impulsivity, depression, and deviant behavior. He has been selected to present his research project entitled "Delinquency: A Trajectory Analysis of African American Youth" at the 2012 American Criminal Justice Association's annual meeting in New York. He is a reviewer for the American Psychology- Law Society, Division 41 of the American Psychological Association. He was selected as first year representative for the Criminology Graduate Student Organization.

**Jason Dobrow** is a research assistant to Dr. Wesley Jennings and has assisted on a variety of academic activities including research, course design, and academic writing. He has actively promoted the USF Criminology program and has assisted in recruitment and outreach with prospective and incoming students. He has co-authored an encyclopedia chapter on Dr. Terrie Moffitt and is currently working on a book review on Restorative Justice. Outside of school, he has a school counselor license in the State of Florida and tutors at-risk youth in math and reading.

**Douglas Wholl** is a teaching assistant to Dr. K Heide. He aids Dr. Heide in class, grades papers, maintains online communications and grades, and acts as a liaison between Dr. Heide and the students. He has also been working with Dr. W. Palacios in the production of a manuscript on qualitative meta-synthesis. In addition, he has been preparing for comprehensive exams.

**Mathew Lynch** is a first year doctoral student in the criminology department. At USF, he is in the capacity of assistant editor to Dr. Lorie Fridell and Dr. Kim Lersch for *Policing; An International Journal for Policing Strategies and Management*. He assists in managing the journal's daily functions, reviewing manuscripts, assigning reviewers, and developing issues for publication. Mr. Lynch's research interests include Drugs and Crime, Corrections and Recidivism, Incarceration Treatment Alternatives, and Probation and Parole.

**Nick Branic** is a second-year master's student and works as a graduate assistant to Dr. Christine Sellers. He presented a research project entitled "P2P Criminality: An Exploration of Virtual Differential Association and Real Crime" at the 2011 annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in Washington, D.C.

**Stephanie Bramm** is a research assistant for Dr. Amy Cohn and Dr. Brett Hagman's Behavioral Health Research Lab. She assists in recruiting, interviewing, and data collection for two projects: the Women's Health Project and the Alcohol and Cognition Study. Currently, she is working on her thesis which examines General Strain Theory as a theoretical explanation of dating violence and substance use in a sample of undergraduate college students.

**Averi Fegadel** is a second year master's student. She is a volunteer and has worked closely with the Sexual Violence Task Force of Tampa Bay and Crisis Center of Tampa Bay in organizing community events and helping spread the word on sexual violence issues in the community. She is currently working on her thesis with Dr. Kathleen Heide on double parricide and familicide committed by juveniles.

**Veronica Winters** is a first year master's student. She received her B.A. in Psychology and Sociology from Flagler College. She will be attending ACJS in March, where she will be co-presenting a poster, "Explaining Psychopathy and Crime: Examining the Physical Impact of External Stimuli" with Melissa Lugo and Dr. Shayne Jones.

**Melissa Lugo** is a first-year master's student. She attended the University of Florida and received a Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Anthropology. She plans on presenting a poster on explaining the impact of external stimuli on psychopathy and crime with a fellow master's student Veronica Winters and Dr. Shayne Jones at the ACJS conference. Some specific areas of interest include juvenile justice, death penalty and white-collar crime.

# MACJA

The Master of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration (MACJA) is a specialized program of study specifically designed for practitioners with an emphasis on administration and management within the criminal justice system. The program is a highly concentrated and structured course of study taught on Saturdays over five consecutive semesters. Since 2006, 111 students have graduated from the program. These students represent 45 different criminal justice agencies located throughout the Tampa Bay area. A “Capstone Project” is developed over the five semesters of coursework. It is designed to propose a solution to a problem in the student’s current agency that could potentially be implemented. Dozens of graduates of the MACJA program have been promoted after being in the program and numerous Capstone Projects have been implemented by their agencies. For those interested in the program, contact Max Bromley: [mbromley@usf.edu](mailto:mbromley@usf.edu)

## Masters in Criminal Justice Administration Program (MACJA) Highlights:

A cohort-model weekend program developed specifically for criminal justice professionals completed in 5 consecutive semesters.

The primary goal of the program is to develop problem-solving skills in criminal justice practitioners.

Almost 80% of the 2011 graduating cohort expected to have their “problem-solving proposal” partially applied in their agencies.

Since its inception in August 2006, 111 students have graduated with an average cohort enrollment of 22.

Forty-five different criminal justice agencies have been represented in the MACJA program.

Approximately 50% of the MACJA students are from law enforcement agencies while the other half is distributed among corrections, probation, juvenile justice, and a variety of criminal justice service providers.

Local, state, federal, and private criminal justice agencies have had students in the MACJA program.

MACJA graduates serve in a variety of agency leadership positions and past or current students have been elected as presidents (Dave Romine, Rick Ramirez) and vice presidents (Rob Vincent) of the Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association.

In the cohort that graduated in the spring of 2011, nine of the students had job advancements or promotions while in the MACJA program.

Demographic characteristics of MACJA graduates include: 52% female, 48% male; 71% White non-Hispanic, 29% minority; age range 22-57; average 8 years since completion of their bachelor’s degree; student’s level within their agencies: 43% entry, 45% mid, 11% upper level.



Above (left to right): **Dave Romine, Dr. Max Bromley, Rick Ramirez, Rob Vincent**

## *MACJA Spring 2011 Graduates*

Erika Anderson

Jennifer Banfield

Daniel Beasley

Nicholas Bridenback

Danielle Bunch

Richard Davis

Casey Fox

Raquel Garrido

Terry Goswick

Elizabeth Hall

Christy Haynes

Jefferey Hill

Edward Hoiler

Alicia Jones

Sarah Lundquist

Richard Matos

Barry Maurer

Shenequia Pressley

Michael Pridemore

Randolph Weis

Naureen Yazdanie

Patrick Daley

Catherine Nalven

# Faculty Activity

**Dr. M. Dwayne Smith** continues to serve as Senior Vice Provost of the University of South Florida, but manages to remain involved in research and to work with graduate students. In addition to chairing or being a member of a number of university-level committees, he was chair of the search committee for a new Dean of the College of Behavioral & Community Sciences, served on two journal editorial boards, was co-author of an article published in *Feminist Criminology*, and had accepted a co-authored article in *Violence Against Women*, as well as a book chapter in the forthcoming *Key Correctional Issues*, 3rd edition. He was also co-author of a paper and a poster at the American Society of Criminology meetings, and presented a paper at the Homicide Research Working Group meetings.

**Dr. Wesley G. Jennings** published over 20 peer-reviewed articles in a number of criminological and criminal justice-related outlets. A sample of these publications include: Jennings, W.G., Khey, D., Mahoney, M., & Reingle, J. (2011). Evaluating the continuity of offending from adolescence to emerging adulthood and its effect on academic failure among college student arrestees: A research note. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 22, 578-592; Jennings, W.G., Gover, A., & Piquero, A.R. (2011). Integration of criminal justice and mental health service systems to focus on victimization. *International Journal of Offender Therapy & Comparative Criminology*, 55, 1272-1290; and Silver, E., Piquero, A.R., Jennings, W.G., Piquero, N.L., & Leiber, M. (2011). Assessing the violent offending and violent victimization overlap among discharged psychiatric patients. *Law & Human Behavior*, 35, 49-59. In addition, he was recently appointed as the new Editor of the American Journal of Criminal Justice. Finally, he was involved in year two research for his two-year federally funded grant from the National Institute of Justice investigating sex offender recidivism and collateral consequences.

**Dr. Michael Leiber** had four refereed publications and these appear in *Justice Quarterly* 28 (3): 460-492 (co-authored with D. Bishop and M. Chamlin); *Criminal Justice Policy Review* 22(3): 301-329 (co-authored with J. Reitzel & K. Mack); *Law & Human Behavior* 35: 49-59. (co-authored with E. Silver, A. Piquero, W. Jennings, and N. Piquero); and *Journal of Race and Justice* 1: 103-124. (co-authored with N. Rodriguez). He also had 2 book chapters published; one in D. Bishop & B. Feld (eds.) *Juvenile Justice*. Oxford University Press. Pgs. 445-484 (co-authored with D. Bishop) and another in N. Parson-Pollard (ed.). *Disproportionate Minority Contact: Current Issues and Policies*, Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press. Pgs. 51-76 (co-authored with M. Fields). He also provided consulting services related to race and juvenile justice, in conjunction with the Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), to the states of Massachusetts and Kentucky. Leiber also is the editor of the *Journal of Crime & Justice*, a journal of the Midwest Criminal Justice Association and serves as Interim Chair of the Department of Criminology.

**Dr. Max Bromley** continued to administer and teach in the MA in Criminal Justice Administration (MACJA) Program in 2011. During the Fall and Spring semesters, Dr. Bromley advises and mentors 40-50 active MACJA students. Upon request, Dr. Bromley provides advice and assistance to local criminal justice agencies that are led by students who have graduated from the MACJA program. Dr. Bromley also continues to be an active member of the Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association. He attended the November meeting of this group where two MACJA graduates were placed on the Association's Board of Directors after serving as their terms as Presidents of the group. A third MACJA graduate was sworn in as Vice President at the same meeting. Jerry Banfield, a doctoral student who works with MACJA, program is working with Dr. Bromley on analyzing exit data collected from graduating MACJA cohorts. During the year Dr. Bromley also reviewed several manuscripts being considered for future publication at the request of publishers.

**Dr. Michael J. Lynch**. During 2010-2011 Professor Lynch published a book (Radical and Marxist Criminology with Paul Stretesky), 5 articles and 4 book chapters. These publications examined radical criminology, green criminology, social movements, correctional trends and policy, and global warming and criminology. Professor Lynch also wrote a series of eight articles for AFSCME, USF's non-faculty Union, on the war against the working class. He co-chaired two completed Doctoral Dissertations (Mike Caudy and James Ray), a Master's Area Paper, and an undergraduate honors thesis. Professor Lynch received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on Critical Criminology of the American Society of Criminology for his contributions to radical scholarship, service and teaching.

# Faculty Activity ...

**Dr. Amy Cohn** published several peer-reviewed articles in the top three addiction journals. A sample of these publications: Cohn, A.M., Cameron, A.Y., Udo, T., & Hagman, B.T. (in press). A pilot test of the association between implicit alcohol cognitions, drinking restraint, and urge reactivity in hazardous college student drinkers. *Psychology of Addictive Behaviors*; Cohn, A.M., Hagman, B.T., & Graff, F. (in press). Modeling the Severity of Drinking Consequences in First-Year College Women: An Item Response Theory Analysis of the Rutgers Alcohol Problem Index. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs*; Cohn, A.M., and Hunter-Reel, D., & Hagman, B.T., & Mitchell, J. (in press). Promoting Behavior Change from Alcohol Use through Mobile Technology: The Future of Ecological Momentary Assessment. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*. She also co-authored book chapter entitled "Treatment for Offenders with Dual Diagnosis" and presented research at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies and the Research Society on Alcoholism conference. She was Principal Investigator of a USF grant entitled "Service utilization and mental health outcomes in substance using sexual assault victims: A daily diary analysis" and was involved as co-investigator on a one-year grant from the National Institute of Drug Abuse to examine predictors of substance use relapse in probationers.

**Dr. Ojmarrh Mitchell** won the National Institute of Justice's W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship for "Race and Drug Arrests: Specific Deterrence and Collateral Consequences." He wrote or co-wrote four chapters in edited books ("Meta-Analysis and the Relative Support for Various Theories" in *Measuring Crime and Criminality: Advances in Criminological Theory*, Volume 18; "Drug and Other Specialty Courts" in Michael Tonry's *Oxford Handbook of Crime and Criminal Justice*; "The Impact of Drug Treatment Provided in Correctional Facilities" in Leukefield et al.'s *Handbook of Evidence Based Substance Abuse Treatment Practice in Criminal Justice Settings*; and, "Criminal Justice, Race, and the War on Drugs" in Parsons-Pollard's *Disproportionate Minority Contact: Current Issues and Policies*.) He also co-authored a Campbell Collaboration systematic review concerning "The Effects of Drug Court on Criminal Offending" (with Criminology Ph.D. student, Amy Eggers), and an annotated Oxford bibliography on "Boot Camps and Shock Incarceration Programs." In addition to further his research agenda, Professor Mitchell has been active in the classroom by teaching five courses. For his teaching efforts, he was nominated by the Criminology Department for an USF Outstanding Teacher award.

**Dr. Kathleen Heide** had three articles published in peer-reviewed journals and another five articles accepted for publication in 2011. Published articles included "Male and Female Juvenile Homicide Offenders: An Empirical Analysis of U.S. Arrests by Offender Age" (with Dr. Eldra Solomon, Brian Sellers, Oliver Chan) in *Feminist Criminology*, 6(1), 3-31; "What Propels Sexual Murderers: A Proposed Integrated Theory of Social Learning and Routine Activities" (with Oliver Chan – first author -- and Dr. Eric Beauregard) in *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 55 (2), 228-250; and Charles Manson and the Family: The Application of Sociological Theories to Multiple Murder (with A.J. Atchison – first author) in *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 55 (5), 771-798. Dr. Heide wrote the Foreword to *Young Homicide Offenders and Victims* by Rolf Loeber and David Farrington (NY: Springer). Dr. Heide presented two papers at American Society of Criminology Conference: A Proposed Sexual Homicide Category: Psychopathic Sexual Homicide Offender (with Oliver Chan – first author, Dr. Shayne Jones, Dr. Wade Myers) and Treatment Considerations for Adolescent Parricide Offenders (with Dr. Eldra Solomon). Dr. Heide received two awards from the U.S. Coast Guard for outstanding volunteer contributions for Operations in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

**Dr. Leonard Territo**, professor emeritus, has had another very productive year. His co-authored book *The International Trafficking of Human Organs: A Multidisciplinary Perspective* published by CRC Press has just been released. The co-authored *Criminal Investigation* book that Dr. Territo has been involved in for the past 35 years has just gone into its 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. It is the leading book of its kind in the United States and has recently been translated into Chinese for use by Chinese criminal justice students and Chinese law enforcement officers. In addition, the 8<sup>th</sup> Edition of his co-authored *Police Administration* book has also just been released. He also is in the process of revising his *Stress Management in Law Enforcement* book (third edition), which is scheduled to be released this coming August 2012. Dr. Territo has recently signed a contract with CRC Press to co-author a book on *The Criminal Investigation of Sex Trafficking in the United States* (scheduled for release in May, 2013). Before moving to an academic position at USF, Dr. Territo was a homicide investigator with the Tampa Police department, was the Chairman of the criminal justice department at St. Pete Community College and later served as the Chief Deputy Sheriff in Leon County, FL where he was part of the investigative team that arrested mass murderer Ted Bundy.

# Faculty Activity ...

**Dr. Shayne Jones** was awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor this year. He published 5 peer-reviewed research articles in various criminology and psychology journals: Reid, J., & Jones, S. (2011). Tricked and tagged: Failure to acknowledge child sex trafficking victims' diminished culpability. *Victims and Offenders*, 6, 207-231; Ray, J., & Jones, S. (2011) Self-reported psychopathic traits and their relation to intentions to engage in environmental offending. *The International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 55, 370-391; Miller, J. D., Watts, A., & Jones, S. (2011). Psychopathy and gender: Testing whether gender moderates the relations between psychopathy and its nomological network. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 50, 564-569; Miller, J. D., Jones, S., & Lynam, D. R. (2011). Psychopathic traits from the perspective of self and informant reports: Is there evidence for a lack of insight? *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*, 120, 758-764; Jones, S. E., Miller, J. D., & Lynam, D. R. (2011). Personality, antisocial behavior, and aggression: A meta-analytic review. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 39, 329-337. He presented 7 papers at national and international conferences, and completed 26 reviews for various psychological and criminological journals.

**Dr. Lorie Fridell** continues her work as a Co-PI on the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) funded National Police Research Platform, which is a multi-component, multi-method pilot project collecting data on law enforcement personnel and agencies at 30 sites around the United States. With the \$387k subcontract from the prime institution, the University of Illinois at Chicago, Dr Fridell is supporting three graduate students and 50% of a Post Doc. The USF team's main charge is to implement the longitudinal study of first line supervisors; the team also assisted the larger Platform team in producing the 1100+ page final report for NIJ and a grant proposal for continued funding. Dr. Fridell is partnering with Post Doc, Jen Lanterman, to submit another Platform-related proposal to the National Science Foundation (\$564k). The COPS Office funded Dr. Fridell (\$200k) to provide two sessions at which police trainers from around the nation are trained to teach the two science-based "fair and impartial policing" (FIP) curriculums that she produced with an earlier grant and with experts from around the nation. Fridell's FIP perspective is reflected in the new (2011) Kansas Statutes on racial profiling (following her extensive work with the KS Governor's Task Force on Racial Profiling) and was spotlighted in an article in the leading magazine for the nation's chiefs, *The Police Chief*. She and colleague, Kim Lersch, were selected to be the new co-editors of *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies and Management*. She continues to serve as Graduate Director of the program.

**Dr. Richard Dembo** published 4 peer-reviewed articles in criminological and public health journals. These journal included *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, the *Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders*, and the *Journal of Child & Adolescent Substance Abuse*. He reviewed many manuscripts for a wide range of journals. He submitted a grant application to NIH, which was scored. He remained active on Hillsborough County, Juvenile Justice Task Force, and received a grant to complete a process evaluation of diversion services for the Task Force. He completed a book chapter, and had another article accepted for publication. Dr. Dembo's publication efforts involved his graduate students. He also continued his work on two, ongoing NIH grant projects (one on truancy intervention, the other a NIDA funded CJDATS2 research center consortium effort, in which he is involved in a multi-site HIV prevention, testing, and post-prison release service linkage project).

**Rick M. Steinmann** completed an encyclopedia entry on *Juvenile Offenders in Adult Court* for a SAGE 2012 publication entitled "The Social History of Crime and Punishment in America." Attended the following seminars/conferences: 1) Access to Equal Justice Conference: Race to Justice - Mass Incarceration and Masculinity through a Black Feminist Lens; 2) Violence Seminar: Understanding the New York City Crime Drop; 3) Qualitative Research Conference; 4) Introduction to Issues of Sexual Exploitation; 4) The Aftermath of Padilla v. Kentucky - A New Era for Plea Bargaining and Sentencing?; 5) Manatee County, FL Pretrial Court Symposium Program. He also attended two USF guest presentations given by men who were wrongfully convicted/incarcerated and are now exonerated. Taught the following courses: 1) Senior Seminar: Wrongful Convictions; 2) American Correctional Systems; 3) Criminal Rights/ Procedures; 4) Survey of Criminal Justice.

**Dr. Remy Cross** After receiving his doctorate in the Summer of 2012, Dr. Cross published an article on violent radicalism in the *Journal of Strategic Security* titled "Radicalism within the Context of Social Movements: Processes and Types" In addition he is teaching a graduate course on Political Violence and Terrorism during the Spring 2012 semester. Finally he has recently accepted a tenure-track position at Webster University in St. Louis, MO starting in the Fall of 2012.

# Faculty Activity ...

**Dr. Lyndsay Boggess** has two forthcoming articles on youth and race. The first article, co-authored with Dr. Mike Leiber, is forthcoming in *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* and examines sentencing disparity based on race for youth in 3 Midwestern counties. The second article studies Black and Latino youth violence in Los Angeles and is forthcoming in *Criminal Justice Review*. She has several projects in the works including a study on relationship between disorder and crime (with graduate student Jon Maskaly), gentrification and crime, and is beginning a couple of projects examining foreclosures and crime. She is on the program committee for ACJS and will attend the conference in New York City in March and plans on presenting her work at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA) this summer.

**Dr. John K. Cochran** published eight articles in 2011 including, “Structural Anomie and Crime: A Cross-National Test” (with Beth Bjerregaard) and “Social Learning and Self-Control: Assessing the Moderating Potential of Criminal Propensity” (with Angela Yarbrough, Shayne Jones, Christopher Sullivan, and Christine Sellers) each at the *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*; “Repetitive Intimate Partner Victimization: An Exploratory Application of Social Learning Theory” (with Christine Sellers, Valerie Weisbrock, and Wilson Palacios), *Deviant Behavior*; “The Gender Gap in Support for Capital Punishment: A Test of Attribution Theory” (with Denise Paquette Boots) in *Women and Criminal Justice*; and “The Effects of Information Change in Death Penalty Support: Race- and Gender-Specific Extensions of the Marshall Hypotheses” (with Cedric Michel) in the *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice*. He served as an external tenure and promotion reviewer for the University of Texas at Dallas, was on the editorial board of four journals, and served as an Ad hoc reviewer for 29 manuscripts submitted for publication in peer-reviewed journals. As Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs in the College of Arts & Sciences he was instrumental in the development of four new governance documents for the college and each of its three schools, the redesign of several college committees, and the clarification and advancement of the standards for tenure and promotion and faculty annual reviews.

**Dr. Tom Mieczkowski** has been busy with a number of projects – his favorite one being a total dis-assembly and renovation of his much beloved Lotus. On the academic side of things he and a couple of colleagues have got out some publications, including a book chapter with Wesley Jennings, articles in *Crime and Delinquency*, *Policing*, and *Police Quarterly* (both with Eric Beauregard), an article on the use of Psi as a concordance measure in Addictions Nursing (with a colleague at Wayne State), and a submission in process to *American Journal of Criminal Justice*. He has been busy with reviews as well, at least four this year so far. He has also rediscovered a branch of the literature called “fiction” and has become a fan of Cormac McCarthy, and a big fan of the Canadian writer Alice Munro. Currently working his way through the Cervantes classic *Don Quixote*, which as you probably know is about a crazy guy wandering around tilting with windmills – very reminiscent of his time as chair.....

**Dr. William R. Blount**, who officially retired in 2007 and was awarded Professor Emeritus that same year, continues to teach (Methods/Statistics) in the MACJA program and also in the CJMA program at Saint Leo University. After 40+ years it is just too much fun to stop. He is on the Board of Directors of THUSFAR, (The USF Association of Retired Faculty and Staff) which is an amazing collection of colleagues old and new who, in addition to providing intellectual stimulation in a wide variety of areas, also supports scholarships for USF students. He is one of the founding members of the Florida School of Addictions Studies, and having recently completed his second term as President, remains on the Board of Directors in this their 31<sup>st</sup> year of providing education and training (and CEU's) to alcohol and drug counselors across Florida. Ever interested in research and action programs which have a lasting benefit to society, he continues as a consultant to the Jim Walter Partnership Group's Anti Crime initiative completed in the area just west of USF, and with the Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services, Inc's Non Custodial Parent Program operating in Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas and Dade counties.

**Dr. Wilson R. Palacios** is currently in his second year in the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Clinical Researchers (LRP-CR). He continues to serve as a Co-Principal Investigator with Drs. Robert Heimer and Loretta E. Grau on the first longitudinal (prospective) cohort study examining multilevel factors in HIV Transmission among suburban injection drug users (IDUs) residing in Connecticut and is a visiting associate research scientist at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (CIRA): <http://cira.med.yale.edu/> Yale School of Public Health, Yale University.

# Welcome New Hires for Fall 2012!



**Rachael Powers** is a doctoral candidate at the University at Albany in the School of Criminal Justice. Her predominate research interest is in the area of violent victimization and she has forthcoming articles in Journal of Interpersonal Violence and Justice Quarterly. Her dissertation concerns the analysis of self-protective behaviors in non-sexual assault encounters using the National Crime Victimization Survey. With regard to teaching, she has previously taught Introductory Statistics and is currently teaching Introduction to Research Methods.

**Andy Franz** published on state non-enforcement of substantive laws, worked on a forthcoming environmental justice encyclopedia entry and a chapter on judicial responses to climate-change associated crimes in 2011. On the Vermont Law School grant, he studied energy production related crimes. For presentations, projects and teaching, he researched federal and international crimes, international tribunals, law-and-society methods, indigents, police corruption in organized crime, and comparative police oversight. Andy also supervised a case study of a socially disorganized community abutting Pennsylvania's most polluted river. A previous central-Floridian, he looks forward to reacquainting himself with state procedural and substantive criminal laws, demographics, contemporary issues and golfing.



## Thanks to our USF Criminology Staff!



**Chandra Davis:**  
Office Manager



**Lisa Landis:** Undergraduate  
Coordinator /Student Advisor



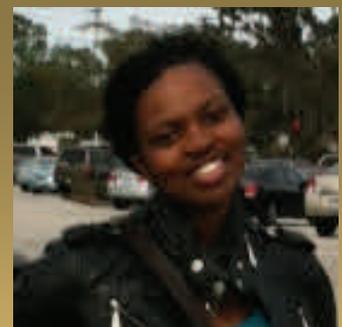
**Nadine Priester:**  
Program Assistant



**Racquel Reid:**  
Graduate Studies Assistant



**Courtney Lewellen:**  
Academic Advisor



**Nilesia Hall:**  
Office Assistant

We appreciate all that you do!



## *The Last Word:*

Dr. Michael J. Lynch

### **It's the End of the World – Does Criminology Know it?**

An R.E.M. song states, “It’s the end of the world as we know it, and I feel fine.” Unfortunately, this lyric sums up both the state of the world and criminology. Pollution and environmental destruction have run amuck: mountain top removal mining flattens the purple mountain’s majesty, buries stream headwaters, fills valleys, and pollutes rural groundwater supplies; fracking, a natural gas extraction process, literally cracks open the earth with high pressure streams of waters often mixed with toxic inorganic ingredients, waste products and salts, has been linked to widespread underground water pollution and the potential for earth quakes; Beijing and New Delhi are so polluted that their 33 million residents are exposed to hazardous levels of air pollution daily; the 550 million Chinese who live in the Yangtze River Basin are exposed to water born pollution from the more than 400,000 factories along the river; last year, global warming pollution increased by its largest margin in more than a decade; in the US alone, 3.3 billion pounds of toxic waste are released into the environment each year, and the more than 31,000 chemical accidents that occur caused \$37 million dollars in damages and 1,100 deaths; rain forests and the species that live there are disappearing at an increasingly rapid pace; and the polar ice caps and glaciers of the world are melting, raising sea level world wide. Environmentally speaking, the news has never been worse. But all this bad news and these forms of environmental victimization have hardly made a dent in the criminological literature.

In 1975 when I was still learning about environmental issues as a high school student, my friends and I were moved by Harold Melvin & The Blue Notes song, “Wake Up Everybody:” Wake up everybody no more sleeping in bed/No more backward thinking time for thinking ahead/The world has changed so very much/From what it used to be.../Wake up all the teachers time to teach a new way/Maybe then they’ll listen to what you have to say/Cause they’re the ones who’s coming up and the world is in their hands . . . Given my long involvement in environmental matters, I have always been quite amazed that criminology fails to address the tremendous scope of environmental crime and the level of environmental victimization all around us, and the laws and forms of social control brought to address these problems.

In the modern world, environmental victimization is so widespread that the number of environmental victimization incidents that occur in a single year far outnumber the number of NCVS violent crime incidents that occur in a decade and which occupy criminologists. Below, I provide a few examples of the extent of environmental forms of victimization.

In the US, it is estimated that 150 million people are exposed to air quality levels that violate the law *on average every day*. If we make a conservative assumption that those people are exposed “illegal” air quality during one-third of every day, and that each breath taken during that portion of the day is a violent environmental victimization that accumulates, in one year there are 473

*trillion violent air pollution victimization incidents in the US – 92 million times the estimate of violent crime incidents contained in the NCVS.*

In addition, 122 million American are exposure daily to water that violates legal standards. Thus, in one year we can estimate that this population suffers nearly 180 billion water pollution violent victimizations. We should also consider that 77 million Americans live within four miles of a known hazardous waste site (there are many unknown hazardous waste sites). This segment of the US population probably experiences an infinite number of exposures to the toxins that escape from those sites as air, water and land pollution. To be conservative, we can estimate the number of such pollution victimization incidents totals 1.4 trillion. These conservative estimates of violent environmental pollution victimization incidents in the US are about 475 trillion – a number that is equivalent to more than 90 years of NCVS violent crime victimizations according to current estimates.

That’s a lot of victimization – and it’s a tremendous level of legally defined violent victimization that has been excluded from the criminological literature. Yet, these three forms of violent environmental victimization are the tip of the iceberg.

World wide, for example, the UN estimated that nearly ten times as many people die from air pollution and global warming compared to homicides. This estimate excludes those exposed to environmental pollutants at work. In the US alone, it’s estimated that five times as many people die annually from repeated, persistent exposure to occupation toxins than die of homicide. And still, this is the tip of the iceberg.

What we often exclude even when we consider environmental violent victimization are the forms of those harms that impact non-human species (bird, animals, fish), ecosystem components (wetlands, forests, mountain ranges, rivers, streams and lakes) and even the most excluded victims, insects and the smallest, non-human species, microbes, many of which play essential roles in the reproduction of a healthy environment. While I could go on at great length here, space prohibits me. But, a great change in the world’s environment is coming that has been caused by a specific form of pollution – heat pollution or global warming. The great ocean chimneys, which once number 12, and churn the world’s oceans and mediate the climate, have declined in number to 2, victims of global warming and the receding polar ice cap. At the same time, oceans are acidifying as they absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, creating large dead zones in the ocean and impacting the world’s supply of sea foods.

In closing, I turn to the lyrics of one last song, “Where We Going to Go” by David Todd, also known as the “Climate Change Song” ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ax6O1Xun7cI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ax6O1Xun7cI)). The lyrics of this song express why it is important, even for criminologists, to pay greater attention to environmental crimes, law, justice and victimization.

They came in the night/They came in the day/They came till they took it all away/All they left was the background/No life can be found/Didn’t give a reason/Didn’t say why/Millions of trees had to die/In the name of progress was all they’d say/Step aside and get out of the way/What I want to know is where we going to go/When the suns a threat to walk below/And the pollution stops our rivers’ flow . . . /When the oceans rise and the strong winds blow/And the temperature melts the ice and snow/Time to wake/Won’t be long and it will be too late/Cause where we gonna go/I don’t know.