The Intersection of Policy and Evidence Based Programming

Slippery Rock University
Robert M. Smith Student Center
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Welcome!

As First Vice President of the Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Justice Educators, it is my honor to welcome you to the 2015 annual meeting at Slippery Rock University. The annual meeting provides PACJE with the opportunity to bring together a diverse group of individuals in the interest of higher education. This year’s theme, The Intersection of Policy and Evidence Based Programming, allowed for the inclusion of a broad range of topics related to our discipline. Criminology and criminal justice educators, practitioners, and students from across the state of Pennsylvania will present on a variety of pertinent themes including policing, courts, corrections, classroom teaching techniques, and research.

Jay Williams, the Western Regional Director of the PA Board of Probation and Parole, is the Keynote Speaker at this year’s meeting. As the theme of this meeting suggests, one of the challenges in the field of criminal justice is turning research into practice. Jay Williams has first-hand knowledge of the barriers to, and ease of, implementing evidence based programming. With the PA Board of Probation and Parole utilizing a new approach to offender supervision, the Effective Practices in Community Supervision (EPICS) program, it is working to turn evidence based programming into policy. Mr. Williams will share his experiences with implementing EPICS and other evidence based programs in Pennsylvania’s probation and parole system.

This year, PACJE will recognize two of its most instrumental officers – Bernard G. “Bernie” Meyer and James “Jim” Ruiz. Bernie Meyer, a longtime contributor to and past president (2002-2003) of the organization, passed away last May. In recognition of his contributions to PACJE, the Student Scholarship Awards were named in his honor. We will also recognize Jim Ruiz’s contributions to PACJE by presenting him with the PACJE Lifetime Achievement Award. He is being recognized for his service as a past president (2005-2006) and treasurer (2010-2015). Jim is retiring at the end of this academic year and we wish him the best.

The winners of our undergraduate and graduate awards for student papers as well as scholarship will be announced at the meeting. Also, during the meeting, please take the time to visit Pearson’s and Sage’s tables, which are located outside of Ballroom A.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of PACJE for their continued effort to keep this important organization alive. Your dedication is essential to the success of PACJE and the annual meeting. It is my hope that you will all have an enjoyable and productive day at the 2015 PACJE annual meeting.

Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D.
First Vice President
Schedule of Events

Friday, March 20th

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Registration & Evening Social
Fairfield Inn & Suites Slippery Rock – Meeting Room
Please plan to pay with cash, check, or credit card for on-site conference registration and annual dues.
Pizza and soda generously sponsored by SRU’s Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

PACJE Board Meeting
Fairfield Inn & Suites Slippery Rock – Meeting Room

Saturday, March 21st

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Registration/Continental Breakfast
Robert M. Smith Student Center 3rd Floor Lobby and Ballroom A

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Welcome Assembly
Robert M. Smith Student Center Ballroom A
Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D.
Slippery Rock University, PACJE First Vice President
Eva Tsuquiashi-Daddesio, Ph.D.
Slippery Rock University, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

**Panel and Roundtable Sessions**

**Event 1 – Panel: Pedagogy & Academia**
Ballroom B

Panel Chair: Jeremy Olson, Ph.D.

*Teaching Policy Evaluation*
Jeremy Olson, Ph.D., Seton Hill University

*Incorporating Experiential Learning in the Classroom*
Greg Koehle, Ph.D., Lock Haven University

*Conservation Law Enforcement: The Role of Curriculum in Higher Education*
Tamson Six, Ph.D., Lock Haven University

*The Impact of Sexual Orientation on College Sexual Assault*
Shannon Bair, Mercyhurst University

**Event 2 – Roundtable: Teaching Strategies in the Traditional and Virtual Classroom**
Ballroom C

Roundtable Moderator: David Champion, Ph.D.

Discussants: Sarah Kuehn, Ph.D., Patrick Harvey, Ph.D., Kerry Edwards, Ph.D., Xin Jiang, Ph.D., Susan Lubinski, J.D., Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D., & Youngyol Schanz, Ph.D., Slippery Rock University

**Event 3 – Panel: Corrections**
Room 320

Panel Chair: Katie Ely, Ph.D.

*Voices of Returning Citizens: The Impact of the Justice Bridge Housing Program on Offender Reentry*
Ed Bowman, Ph.D. & Katie Ely, Ph.D., Lock Haven University

*Inmate Reentry in a Rural Community*
Toni Warfel, Alexander Garancheski, & Justin Sweigart, Lock Haven University

*Parole Recidivism in a Rural Community*
Nick Thorburn & Brooke Pierson, Lock Haven University

**Event 4 – Panel: Gangs & Juvenile Delinquency**
Room 322

Panel Chair: Ms. Blake

*Are Gang Members Dysocial Psychopathy Serial Killers*
Raymona Blake, Penn State Harrisburg

*Traditional Organized Crime Vs. Non-Traditional Organized Crime*
Miranda Nowakowski, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

**Break**

Coffee, tea, and cookies, provided by Pearson, will be served in Ballroom A
Please take a moment to visit Pearson’s and Sage’s booths in the lobby

11:00 – 12:15 p.m.

**Panel and Roundtable Sessions**

**Event 5 – Panel: U.S. & Global Legislative Issues**

Ballroom B

Panel Chair: Peter Yaksick, Ph.D.

*The Internet and the Craigslist Killer: The Newest Scare?*
Alexandria Barnett, Neumann University

*Initiatives to Protect Children from Abuse: A Study of Pennsylvania and One County’s Perspectives*
Mandi Linz, Mercyhurst University

*Stress-Related Neuroplasticity: Implications in the Legal System*
Peter A. Yaksick, Ph.D., Mercyhurst University - North East Campus

*The Crime of "Affray": The Jurisprudence Analysis of the Crime of Disrupting Public Order in China*
Lei Wang, Penn State Harrisburg

**Event 6 – Roundtable: Leadership & Bridging the Police-Community Divide**

**Morning Session**

Ballroom C

Roundtable Moderator: Kerry Edwards, Ph.D.

Discussants: Kelseigh Biddle, Tyler Coleman, Ron Harris, Veronica Miller, & Justyne Wright, Slippery Rock University

**Event 7 – Panel: Policy**

Room 320

Panel Chair: Sarah Kuehn, Ph.D.

*Gun Control: Policy and Common Sense*
Garrett Treer, Neumann University

*Intimate Partner Violence Explained Using Intersectional Analysis*
Vanessa Trecki, Penn State New Kensington

*Once a Criminal, Always a Criminal? A Deception Game with Parolees and Non-Parolees?*
Sarah Kuehn, Ph.D., Slippery Rock University & Joachim Vosgerau, Ph.D., Tilburg University

*Do Pennsylvanians' Favor Get Tough Correctional Policies? Results from a State-Wide Survey*
Zachariah Biggers & Eileen M. Ahlin, Ph.D., Penn State Harrisburg
Event 8 – Panel: Police & Courts  
Room 322  
Panel Chair: Joseph P. Conti, Ph.D.

School Resource Officers - Do They Influence a Safer Educational Environment?  
Richard Ruck, Jr., East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania

Securitization of Urban Space: Assessment, Control and Perspective of Surveillance  
Cameron P. Kobielski & Christopher Magno, Ph.D., Gannon University

A Critical Examination of the Use of DNA Evidence in Sexual Assault Prosecutions. Is the Presence of Evidence, Always Evidence of Guilt?  
Joseph P. Conti, Ph.D. & Ted Yeshion, Ph.D., Edinboro University of Pennsylvania

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon  
Robert M. Smith Student Center Ballroom A  
Note: The Keynote Speaker is scheduled to begin at 1:00, so please be seated with your lunch by 12:45

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Speaker  
Jay Williams  
Western Regional Director, Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole

1:30 – 1:45 p.m.

Presentation of PACJE Lifetime Achievement Award  
Presenter: Katie Ely, Ph.D.  
Recipient: Jim Ruiz, Ph.D.  
Lock Haven University, PACJE President

Presentation of Student Paper & Bernie Meyer Student Scholarship Awards  
Presenter: Patrick Harvey, Ph.D.  
Slippery Rock University  
Presenter: Dave Champion, Ph.D.  
Slippery Rock University  
Presenter: Alida Merlo, Ph.D.  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

1:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks  
Katie Ely, Ph.D.  
Lock Haven University, PACJE President  
Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D.  
Slippery Rock University, PACJE First Vice President
2:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Panel and Roundtable Sessions

Event 9 – Panel: Students’ Perceptions of Crime & Criminal Justice

Ballroom B

Panel Chair: Sarah Kuehn, Ph.D.

Students and Academy Members: Perceptions and Views on the Utility of PWPD in the CJS
Sarah Parfitt, Kate Fisher, Sammi Lupher, Anthony Mineo, Elvage Murphy, J.D., & Deborah T. Vegh, Ph.D., Edinboro University of Pennsylvania

An Examination of African American Middle School Student’s Perceptions of their Suspensions: A Phenomenological Approach
Bridgette A. Miles, Ed.D., C.A.S.D. & Vincent E. Miles, Ph.D., Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology

The Change in Students’ Perceptions of Various Criminal Justice Related Issues after One Year of College
Sarah Kuehn, Ph.D., Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D., Taylor Shay, & Nichole Roessler, Slippery Rock University

Event 10 – Roundtable: Leadership & Bridging the Police-Community Divide

Afternoon Session

Ballroom C

Roundtable Moderator: Kerry Edwards, Ph.D.

Discussants: Jenna Caulfield, Dale Confer, Jim Lautenbacher, Shayla McKnight, Joseph Rose, & Ashley Wian, Slippery Rock University

Event 11 – Roundtable: The Good and the Bad of Police Body Cameras

Room 320

Roundtable Moderator: Rebecca Ridener, Ph.D.

Discussants: Matthew Cullen, John Drozdowski, Kelsey Landberg, Brittany Perry, Nicolas Pugh, & Morgan Sholler, Slippery Rock University

Event 12 – Panel: Theory

Room 322

Panel Chair: Youngyol Schanz, Ph.D.

Self-Control and Deviant Peer Association as Predictors of Cyberstalking Victimization
Jeffrey J. Roth, Ph.D., Penn State New Kensington

Prediction of Aggressive Behavior among College Students: Theoretical Explanation of the Relationship between Aggression & Self-Esteem
Youngyol Schanz, Ph.D., Slippery Rock University

Hirschi’s (2004) Revised Self-Control Theory
Brooke Mathna, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Examining the Boundaries of Revised Reintegrative Shaming Theory
Civon Fitch, Ph.D., Indiana University of Pennsylvania
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Jay Williams, Western Regional Director, Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole

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Directions & Parking Information

Robert M. Smith Student Center
Slippery Rock University
Slippery Rock, PA 15216
For assistance, call 724-738-4926

Meeting rooms are on the 3rd floor; Information Desk, Bookstore, and Starbucks are on the 1st floor.

From Fairfield Inn & Suites Slippery Rock
Turn right out of the hotel (onto Franklin Road). Turn left at the second stop light (Route 173/Main Street). Follow Main St. to the second stop light. Turn left at the light onto Kiester Road. Follow Kiester Road to the blinking light at the lower entrance to the campus. Turn left onto campus and bear immediately to the left onto W. Central Loop. Proceed through two stop signs and then turn right into the first parking lot (park here). The Student Center is the building directly up the hill (#40 on the map).

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