



College of Criminal Justice

Mid-Semester Recap

Graduate Program

Beto Chair Lecturer, Dr. Delbert Elliott

Dr. Delbert Elliott was our first Beto Chair Lecturer for Academic Year 2007-2008. Dr. Elliott is a Distinguished Professor Emeritus in the Department of Sociology at the University of Colorado and Director of the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence in the University's Institute of Behavioral Science. His September 18th Beto Lecture, entitled "The State of Violence Prevention Research and Practice" allowed us to benefit from his unique perspective on the subject, based upon his life's work in this area. Along with others, 25 graduate students attended his

lecture and nine doctoral students took advantage of the subsequent informal colloquium with Dr. Elliott. As always, thanks to Dr. Dennis Longmire and the committee for overseeing this event.

The Beto Chair Lecture Series brings in top scholars in criminology and criminal justice to speak on crucial crime and law enforcement topics. Doctoral students are invited to attend an exclusive question and answer reception with the visiting speaker. For more information or to suggest future speakers, please visit www.betochair.com.



Greetings from Dr. T!

This newsletter is a new way for us to highlight your graduate student accomplishments, professional development opportunities and other useful information. We invite you to call or come by any time to make us aware of noteworthy achievements by you or your peers and we welcome your suggestions for items to include in future issues.

I look forward to working with you.

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Academic Employment Workshop

Twelve graduate students participated in this October 1 professional development session. Conducted by Professors Dennis Longmire and Victoria Titterington, topics and discussion included the job search process in academia, contents and styles of curriculum vitae and interviewing techniques. This session will be repeated **Friday, October 19 from 1:00 to 3:00pm in the Friel Room** for those who were unable to attend the first one. Please R.S.V.P. to Dr. T at titterington@shsu.edu.

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ) News

The Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice has recently published Volume 4 of the first issue of the Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice. During the recent SWACJ Annual meeting, Napoleon Reyes received kudos for his work as Managing Editor of the journal under the leadership of General Editors Dr. Will Oliver and Dr. Wesley Johnson.

Kudos also to Hector Esparza Jr. who won first place in the graduate student paper competition. Judith Harris won second place for her paper entitled, "Negotiated Control of Lived Space in Urban Environments: A Theoretical Critique."

The American Society of Criminology (ASC)

The 2007 meeting for the American Society of Criminology is taking place November 14-17, 2007 in Atlanta, Georgia at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis. The meeting starts on Wednesday, November 14, 2007. Regular sessions will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday and extend through the morning of Saturday, November 17, 2007. The conference will end at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday with a closing brunch. The Criminal Justice Ford Excursion (named the "SHSU Mobile Think Tank") will travel to ASC. Students may sign up in Room A214 in the Graduate Office. Eight seats are available. All students that are interested in attending and riding in the Excursion must have travel applications on file with the CJ Accounting Office. The Excursion will leave the CJ Center on Tuesday, November 13 at 8:00am and return on Saturday, November 17th after the last panel presentation.

The American Society of Criminology is an international organization concerned with criminology, embracing scholarly, scientific, and professional knowledge concerning the etiology, prevention, control, and treatment of crime and delinquency. This includes the measurement and detection of crime, a review of legislation and the practice of law, as well as an examination of the law enforcement, judicial, and correctional systems. For more information about the conference, please visit their website at www.asc41.com.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER

November 2—FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.

November 21, 22, 23—TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY. Thanksgiving holidays for students and faculty begin at 9:00pm, Nov. 20.

December 6—THURSDAY, Last day to resign.

December 7—FRIDAY. Study day.

December 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY. Final Examinations.

December 15—SATURDAY. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.

December 17—MONDAY. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar's Office. Fall Semester Ends.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2008

Advanced Registration for Spring 2008 begins November 9, 2007 to November 16, 2007. Graduate students may register online beginning Monday, November 12 at 5:30pm.

Do's and Dont's

- ✓ Do send your photo, CV, list of publications and other pertinent information to Harriett Brewster at icc_hhb@shsu.edu in the CJ Publications Office (936) 294.1688). These will be uploaded to the College of Criminal Justice website at <http://www.cjcenter.org/> for viewers to learn more about you and, in turn, more about our college.
- ✓ Do be mindful of others trying to study/work in graduate student offices and computer labs and keep the noise down.
- ✓ Do remove hot plates & space heaters in student offices. These are strictly prohibited by the SHSU Fire Marshal. Offices will be inspected in late October for compliance students failing to comply are subject to losing graduate office privileges.
- ✓ Don't live in your office. University policies prohibit this (Student Guidelines, Code of Student Conduct and Discipline, Section 5.2.16 &17). Students failing to comply are subject to losing graduate office privileges.

IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to **Vidisha Barua** for her recently published book review:

Barua, Vidisha. (2007). "Crime and social control in Pakistani society: a review of *Moth Smoke*." *Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture*, 14 (2), 227-236.

Professional papers presented at the October 4-6 Southwest Association of Criminal Justice Meeting in Corpus Christi:

George Day (in collaboration with Dr. Yan Zhang) – "Preliminary Testing of Agnew's General Theory of Crime & Delinquency" – Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Yan Zhang.

Hector Esparza – "Suicide in Texas Prisons: A Descriptive Comparison of Suicides & Attempts in 2004" – Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Brian Lawton.

Napoleon Reyes – "Whence Legal Pedagogy for Criminal Justice" – Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Janet Mullings.

Sam Swindell – "Whence Legal Pedagogy for Criminal Justice" – Faculty sponsor: Dr. Michael Vaughn.

Fall 2007 Masters/Dissertation Timeline

- Oct. 5 Submit draft thesis/dissertation (at least one full chapter) to the Library for format and style review.
- Nov. 2 Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.
- Nov. 14 Last day to obtain signatures from the thesis/dissertation committee on the title page and abstract of the thesis/dissertation and signature of thesis/dissertation chair on route sheet. Submit route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean's office.
- Nov. 16 Last day to submit final thesis/dissertation (defended and signed) and Route Sheet to the Director of the Library.
- Nov. 26 Last day to make all final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit Route Sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.

Upcoming Events

October 19	Academic Employment Workshop	1:00--3:00pm	Friel Room
October 23	Beto Chair Lecture, Dr. John I. Kleinig	9:30--11:00 a.m.	CJ Courtroom
	Informal Colloquium w/ Doctoral Students	11:00--Noon	Bates Room
October 31	Practice Presentations for ASC	9:00--5:00p.m.	Texas Room
November 2	Thesis/Dissertation Preparation Workshop		CJ Courtroom
November 14-17	American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Meeting		Atlanta, Georgia
TBA	"Capital Punishment & the U.S. Supreme Court;" a panel discussion sponsored by the Institute for Legal Studies in Criminal Justice (ILSCJ)		



BY THE NUMBERS

New Ph.D. students	11
New M.A students	8
New M.S. Weekend, Online & University students	21
New Forensic Science students	14
New Security Studies students	7
Total new and returning CJ graduate students	202
New faculty	5
Total tenure track faculty	33
% of U.S. adults holding masters degrees	6.8
% of U.S. adults holding doctoral degrees	1.3

The College of Criminal Justice would like to welcome all new and returning students for the fall 2007-08 academic year. Throughout the year, the new Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies, Dr. Victoria Titterington, would like to meet one-on-one with each graduate student to discuss the graduate curriculum, research interests, professional development, and teaching/research assistantships. Students may contact Karen Caldwell at ICCSJ@shsu.edu to schedule an appointment.

BY POPULAR REQUEST

Graduate Students will now have the option of enrolling for Summer thesis/dissertation hours as one 10-week course, thereby saving \$\$ by paying course fees only one time.

Dungeon Concerns

The Physical Plant staff has corrected the problem with the swipe card reader which allows access to the CJ graduate student offices and computer lab in the "dungeon." Please contact the Graduate Programs office at X43637 for additional maintenance concerns.

New ABD's

Congratulations to **Tarik Eser** for successfully defending his dissertation proposal. Mr. Eser's project is entitled "The Impact of the Turkish Policies Toward the PKK Terrorist Organization: A Time Series Intervention Analysis" and his committee chair is Dr. Richard Ward.

Congratulations to **Mary Sarver** for successfully defending her dissertation proposal. Ms. Sarver's project is entitled "Leadership Styles of Texas Police Chiefs" and her committee chair is Dr. Holly Miller.

Congratulations to **Irfan Demir** for successfully defending his dissertation proposal. Mr. Demir's project is entitled "An Analysis of Shift Work in the Turkish National Police in Light of Herzberg's Motivation Hygiene Theory" and his committee chair is Dr. Larry Hoover.

Congratulations to **Kathy Brown** for successfully defending her dissertation proposal. Ms. Brown's project is entitled "Child Abduction Murder: An Analysis of the Effect of Victim-Offender Relationship, Age, Gender, Forensic Evidence, and Time and Distance Separation on Case Solvability" and her committee chair is Dr. Janet Mullings.

Congratulations to **Chang Bae Lee** for successfully defending his dissertation proposal. Mr. Lee's project is entitled "A Longitudinal Study of Offenders Sentenced to Probation" and his committee chair is Dr. Raymond Teske.

Congratulations to **Bitna Kim** for successfully defending her dissertation proposal. Ms. Kim's project is entitled "Prosocial and Antisocial Risk-Taking Behavior among Adult Females: Testing General Power-Control Theory" and her committee chair is Dr. Jurg Gerber.

Bright Ideas

Send us your suggestions regarding the Criminal Justice Graduate Program to Dr. T at titterington@shsu.edu

Master's Program

Congratulations to **Chantal van Reeuwijk** for successfully defending her thesis proposal. Ms. Van Reeuwijk's project is entitled "Subtypes of Psychopath: Examining Personality and Factor Based Approaches & Distinguishing the Subclinical from the Successful" and her committee chair is Dr. Holly Miller.