Honors Day: Recognizing Our Spring 2021 Winners

The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice is proud to recognize the winners of our 2021 Honors Day Awards, featuring scholarship and merit-based award winners.

Dr. Lesley Reid Appointed Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs

Dr. Lesley Reid, a former chair of the department and interim dean of the School of Social Work, was recently named Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs.

A Message from Dr. Lisa Dorr, Interim Chair of CCJ

Read a message from Dr. Lisa Dorr, who will serve as the interim chair of the department. Dr. Dorr currently serves as the Associate Dean of Social Sciences for the College of Arts and Sciences, and is a professor of history.
CCJ Welcomes Dr. Yi Ting Chua

Dr. Yi Ting Chua joined the faculty of the department this year as an assistant professor.

CCJ Participates in the Southern Criminal Justice Association Conference

See photos from the event!
Dr. Stephen Clipper applied for external funding with an interdisciplinary team based out of the University of Houston-Downtown. This proposal was submitted to Harris County, TX in response to a request for proposal seeking help analyzing criminal justice system data from Harris County and the state of Texas and then providing recommendations to improve equitability in the criminal justice process locally. Dr. Clipper also recently published a book chapter titled, “Schools, Friends, and Drugs: Examining Interactions between Individual and Environmental Determinants of Adolescent Substance Use” published in an edited book titled Voices on Social Education.

Dr. Susan Dewey is currently funded by the Correctional Education Association to conduct a four-year assessment of tablet-based education for prison administrations in North Carolina and Kansas. Dr. Dewey’s recently published work has appeared in Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research, Drugs: Education, Prevention and Policy, Criminology & Criminal Justice, The Routledge Handbook of the American Dream, and the Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice, among others.

Dr. Brittany Gilmer and Dr. Joshua Wakeham published an article in The Journal of Middle East and Africa titled, “Between Ransom and Release: Exploring Caringscapes of Ransom Kidnappings by Somali Pirates”. Drawing on accounts from the memoirs of former hostages, the study explores the complicated relational dynamics of care that emerge between the pirates and their hostages. In particular, it focuses on the ways in which the locations of the hostage situations shape the manner and quality of care across four geographical zones in Somalia.


Dr. Daisy Muibu was recently awarded three grants: 1) UA - Office for Research and Economic Development (ORED) research grant; 2) the UA - College Academy for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity (CARSCA) research grant; and 3) the Association for the Study of The Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) research grant award. Over the summer of 2021, Dr. Muibu made use of the ORED and CARSCA grants to survey security guards about their perceptions of women in private security work in Kenya over the summer 2021. The ASMEA grant, on the other hand, was used to examine residents’ perceptions of various armed military and police forces operating in southern Somalia. Dr. Muibu recently published three articles: “Police Militarization and Public Perceptions: Exploring Residents’ Attitudes in Kismaayo, Somalia” in The Journal of the Middle East and Africa, “Assessing the Impact of Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism on Public Perceptions Among Ethnic Minorities in Kenya” in Journal of Policing, Intelligence and Counter Terrorism, and “Police Empowerment and Police Militarization in Times of Protracted Conflict: Examining Public Perceptions in Southern Somalia” in South African Journal of International Affairs.

Dr. Ariane Prohaska published a chapter entitled “‘I Think They Capitalized… on a Lot of People's Loss’: Perceptions of Reconstruction after the Tuscaloosa Tornado” in an edited volume entitled The Impact of Natural Disasters on Systemic Political and Social Inequities in the U.S.
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