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Note from the Chair

Greetings friends!

I hope you all had a great academic year and are enjoying the summer. First off, I want to remind everyone that we as a division have voted to change our name to the Crime and Justice Division. The name change is something that our previous chair, Dr. Robert Peralta, discussed with me when I stepped into the role as chair. I believe our new name signifies our division's mission of understanding that crime is a complex social problem, and that its creation, definition, and responses require critical examination of what justice means. My sincere thanks to everyone who was part of the process, from submitting potential names, to voting when the time came.

This year's annual meeting in Montreal is fast approaching, and its theme, "Toward a Sociology of Violence" could not be more relevant at

this time. Our division is sponsoring or co-sponsoring a whopping 10 sessions! There are so many amazing presentations for us to enjoy! If you would like to browse the sessions, you can do so by clicking [here](#).

Our division meeting will take place Friday, August 9th from 4:30-6:10pm in Ballroom West. In advance of that meeting, please reach out to me if you have ideas for sessions you would like to see the division sponsor in 2025, and if you would like to serve as an organizer/presider for the session. One of the great aspects of SSSP annual meetings is that members play such an important role in creating the program, so please make your voice heard if you wish!

I hope you all have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Montreal in August!

Best,

Christopher Dum



Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division Members at the 2022 SSSP Meeting in Los Angeles, CA

Introductions

Associate Chair

Dear Members of the Crime and Justice Division,

My name is Miltonette Craig, and I am honored to serve as the Associate Chair for 2023-2025. I am an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Criminology at Sam Houston State University, and I earned my Ph.D. from Florida State University and J.D. from Georgia State University.

Serving in this position is important because I share the Division's dedication to promoting scholarly work on issues that affect system-impacted individuals, especially concerning critical analyses of systemic biases and reform proposals. As a scholar-activist, my research centers on racial and ethnic bias embedded in the American policing institution and critically examines proposed solutions to ending police violence. As Associate Chair, I look forward to continuing the Division's efforts to support activists and scholars in their essential work that analyzes and proposes substantive solutions to inequity in the criminal legal system. I also share the Division's goal of fostering inclusive and effective teaching methods in the study of social problems related to crime and institutions of social control. I will actively support the Division's commitment to DEI in our activities and interactions—with an increased commitment to this aim amid the active suppression of DEI efforts throughout the nation.



The E-Board looks forward to organizing future panels, workshops, and other opportunities that facilitate networking, scholarly collaboration, and mentoring for our members—and we welcome your suggestions about programming that is important to your professional development. Please join me in thanking our outgoing leadership, Chair Rob Peralta and Associate Chair Charles Bell, for all of their work. We will make you both proud!

With kindest regards,

Miltonette Olivia Craig

Associate Chair (2023-2025)

Introductions (Cont.)

Chair-Elect

Hello Members of Crime and Justice Division,

My name is Rafia J. Mallick and I am honored to serve as the Chair-elect for our division. I am a third-year Ph.D. student in Sociology at Georgia State University (GSU), based in Atlanta, Georgia. I hold a B.A. in Sociology from the University of Punjab, Pakistan (2007). In 2011, I graduated from Hofstra University, NY, earning a Master of Arts in Applied Research and Policy Analysis. Recently, I graduated with a Master of Arts in Sociology from the University of Oklahoma (2021). Additionally, I completed a graduate certification in Geo-Spatial Information Systems (GIS). I have worked as a research assistant and data analyst for different community-based projects in Pakistan, New York, Oklahoma, and Georgia. Currently, I am working as a Graduate Research Assistant at GSU. My research uses mixed methods including quantitative and qualitative methods and spatial analysis. My research interests focus on the assimilation of immigrants in the United States, anti-Asian racism, the production and reproduction of ethnic enclaves, street harassment, and crime in urban neighborhoods.



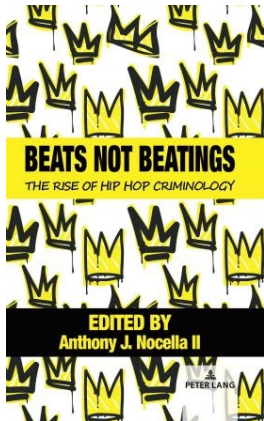
Serving in this role holds significance because my values align closely with the Division's mission of advancing scholarly research on those impacted by the criminal justice system and other forms of social control through institutions. As an urban sociologist, my research primarily focuses on the racial and ethnic injustices faced by immigrants in the United States, along with their coping strategies to navigate these contested spaces. Thus, this role has given me the opportunity to further the division's vital work in supporting scholars and activists in their pursuit of a safe and equitable world. Looking forward to serving the members of Crime and Justice Division and creating opportunities that allow us to bridge the gap between research, practice and policy.

Rafia J. Mallick

Chair-Elect (2023-2025)

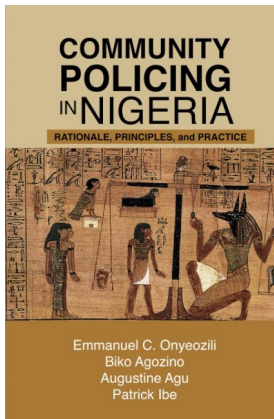
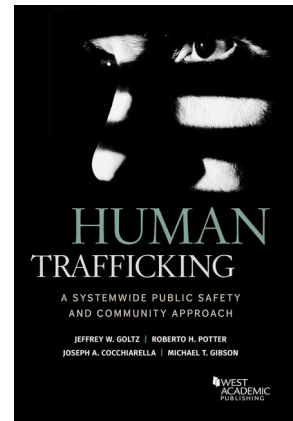
Member News and Accomplishments

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Onyeozili, Emmanuel, **Biko Agozino**, Augustine Agu, and Patrick Ibe. 2021. *Community Policing in Nigeria: Rationale, Principles, and Practice*. Virginia Tech Publishing.

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Member News & Publications

The **ISA (Igbo Studies Association) Book Award Committee** is delighted to announce the book that won the **2024 Don Ohamadike Book Prize Award**:

Onyeozili, Emmanuel, **Biko Agozino**, Augustine Agu, and Patrick Ibe. 2021. *Community Policing in Nigeria: Rationale, Principles, and Practice*. Virginia Tech Publishing.

To download a free copy of the book and for more information, go to: <https://lib.vt.edu/magazine/spring-2022/scholarship/community-policing.html>

Dr. Diana Therese Veloso is a newly minted Reservist with the Philippine Navy. She holds the designation of Data Processor Chief (DPC), with the rank of Chief Petty Officer (CPO). DPC Veloso completed the Basic Citizen Military Course (BCMC) conducted by the Philippine Navy Naval Reserve Command and graduated on 6 May 2023 with outstanding marks. She was a member of the adjudged Best Team in Land Navigation during the conduct of the BCMC Field Training Exercises.

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Member News and Accomplishments

Job Postings

Institution: Michigan State University

Department: Criminal Justice (Cybercrime/Cybersecurity)

Title: Assistant Professor School of Criminal Justice

Description:

Michigan State University actively promotes a dynamic research and learning environment in which qualified individuals of differing perspectives and cultural backgrounds pursue academic goals with mutual respect and shared inquiry.

The School of Criminal Justice (SCJ) at Michigan State University invites applications for a 9-month tenure-system position at the Assistant Professor rank beginning August 16, 2025. Michigan State University is the pioneer land-grant institution located in East Lansing, Michigan. The SCJ is a national leader in criminal justice and criminology research and education. Housed in the College of Social Science, the SCJ has 27 tenure system faculty members. Currently, there are over 1,100 students enrolled in the SCJ's programs to include doctoral (n = 32), master's (n = 245), and baccalaureate (n = 920) degree programs. The School's faculty is committed to excellence in research and scholarship befitting a major research university (see the School's website at: <http://cj.msu.edu/>). True to the land-grant mission of Michigan State University, the School has a strong and proud tradition of both advancing and translating knowledge into practice and policy through engagement with local, state, national, and international partners in both public and private sectors. The School's faculty, academic specialists, and outreach specialists are highly active in securing and implementing external grants and contracts to advance its mission.

Qualifications:

The candidate must demonstrate expertise in the area(s) of cybercrime and/or cyber security. Cybercrime includes a wide range of offenses which target computer systems, data, finances, and people. Preference will be given to candidates whose work can build

on current faculty strengths in areas such as cybercrime and digital forensics, terrorism and radicalization, and youth violence prevention. Preference will also be given to candidates with experience or aptitude for external funding and those with experience or aptitude for developing community/practitioner engaged research partnerships. However, all areas of research in the space of cybercrime and cybersecurity will be considered. A Ph.D. in criminology or criminal justice, or in a relevant social science field, such as economics, political science, psychology, public health, sociology, or social work is required prior to the position start date. Additionally, candidates must have demonstrated potential for excellence in teaching and research. Prior experience with course development related to cybercrime and/or cyber-security is preferred.

Review of applications will begin on September 2, 2024, and will continue until the position is filled. Please submit: 1) letter of application that includes a description of professional experience, career goals, and research and teaching philosophy; 2) a diversity statement addressing how past and/or potential contributions to diversity, equity, and inclusion will advance MSU's commitment to inclusive excellence; 3) curriculum vitae; and 4) three letters of reference. Electronic submission is required through the MSU Applicant Page (MAP) at jobs.msu.edu, posting #955627. Inquiries may be directed to the chair of the search committee: Dr. David Carter at carterd@msu.edu. MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer.

MSU is committed to achieving excellence through a diverse workforce and inclusive culture that encourages all people to reach their full potential. The University actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans and persons with disabilities