

# CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION NEWS

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## Note from the Chair

#### Hello friends!

My name is Christopher Dum and I am the new chair for our division, serving from 2023 through 2025. I want to thank our outgoing chair, Dr. Rob Peralta, for all of his terrific work for the division over the past few years. We have some wonderful years ahead of us and I am excited to see where we go together!

Just to give some background about myself, I was born in South Korea and adopted in the United States at just several months old. I went to college at American University in Washington, DC, and was just starting my first year when the 9/11 attacks occurred. I received my Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from the University at Albany in 2014 and then joined the faculty at Kent State University and have been there ever since! My research focuses on incarceration, public opinion, and using qualitative and experimental methods. I also run the ID13 Prison Literacy Project, which you can check out at www.id13project.com. When I'm not working, I like to enjoy live music, play with my dog Meeko, and watch movies.

One thing that I would like to bring to everyone's attention is a possible name change for the division. When Dr. Peralta took over as chair, one of the things we did was revise our mission statement. We did so because we felt the need to emphasize that crime/deviance/delinquency are so-

cial constructs, and that fact plays a large role in the work we do as a division and in SSSP as a whole. In line with this approach, I feel that it might be time to remove the "juvenile delinquency" label from the division name and replace it with something that aligns better with our understanding of social problems and how institutions use social control. That said, I will be sending out a survey this fall to get feedback from members about changing the name. Please keep an eye out for that survey.



I'm looking forward to working with and getting to know you! Please reach out with any questions and things you would like to talk about!

Best,

#### **Christopher Dum**

Associate Professor

Department of Sociology and Criminology

Kent State University

Chair, SSSP Division on Crime & Juvenile Delinquency (2023-2025)

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## Introductions

## Associate Chair

Dear Members of the Crime and Juvenile Delinquency 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 scholaractivist, 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 CJDD,

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 CJDD and creating opportunities that allow us to bridge the gap between research, practice and policy.

#### Rafia J. Mallick

Chair-Elect (2023-2025)



#### **Recent and Upcoming Publications**

**Bell, Charles** and **Miltonette Craig.** 2023. Suspended, restrained, and secluded: Exploring the relationship between school punishment, disability, and black and white parents' health outcomes. Children and Youth Services Review. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2023.107119</u>

Craig, Miltonette, Mijin Kim, and Dawn Beichner-Thomas. 2023. Incarcerated in a pandemic: How COVID-19 exacerbated the "pains of imprisonment." Criminal Justice Review. <u>https://doi.org/10.1177%2F07340168231190467</u>

**Budd, Kristin M.**, & Monazzam, N. (2023). Increasing public safety by restoring voting rights. The Sentencing Project. <u>https://www.sentencingproject.org/policy-brief/increasing-public-safety-by-restoring-voting-rights/</u>

Carpenter, Jennifer M. and **Mallick, Rafia**. 2023 (Upcoming). "Chapter 10: Is Collective Efficacy Real? Government-Sponsored 'Empowerment' and the Implications for Health, Crime, and Education in Poor Urban Neighborhoods." in Performative Urbanisms: The Forged Politics of Inclusion. Great River Learning.

Deirdre Oakley, Erin Ruel, Tanya Washington, Lucas Cortelloni, and **Rafia Mallick.** 2023. Community Needs and Challenges: Peoplestown and Summerhill. Parc Credit Union in partnership with Georgia State University.

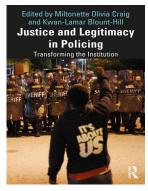
**Mallick, Rafia**, Munirat Sanmori, Ana Thuy, Ben B. Crumbley, Charles A. Spraggins, Danasia J. Battle, Laehlanni M. Benjamin, and Sean Xiao. 2023. Unraveling the Complex Surveillance Tapestry of Homelessness in South and Middle Georgia. Atlanta, Georgia, Georgia State University



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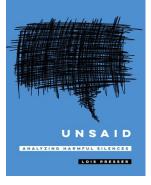
- Ruel, Erin, Deirdre Oakley, K. Juree Capers, Tanya Washington, Kim Skobba, Alana Anton, Kayliss Baxter, CC Cannon, Virginia Carr, Tyler Gay, **Rafia Mallick**, Lamarr Martin, and Chad Menear. 2022. Georgia Landscape Analysis for Four Core Impact Goals (Poverty, Incarceration, Voting Rights, and White Supremacy). Atlanta, GA. Georgia State University in partnership with University of Georgia and Southern Poverty Law Center.
- Stringer, Kristi, Dabshee, Maimoonah, Finney, Vanessa Tate and **Farrington, Morgan.** 2023. Prepare Alabama. Participatory Research: Policy, and Action Research in Alabama.
- Veloso, Diana Therese M. 2023. "The Experiences of Currently and Formerly Incarcerated Women in a Time of Pandemic: Implications for Life-Giving Communities." Acta Theologica Supplementum 35: Towards Life-Giving Communities in a Post-Pandemic World: Asian Feminist Theological Perspectives. <u>https://doi.org/10.38140/at.v35i1</u>

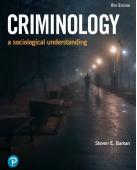
### **Recent and Upcoming Books**



**Craig, Miltonette** and Kwan-Lamar Blount-Hill. 2022. Justice and legitimacy in policing: Transforming the institution. Routledge.

**Presser, Lois.** (2022). *Unsaid: Analyzing Harmful Silences*. University of California Press





**Steven E. Barkan**. 2023. Criminology: A Sociological Understanding, 8e, Pearson.

#### **Member News**

Emeline G Renz, **Rafia Mallick**, and Deirdre A Oakley. Diversions from Policing as Usual -- A More Caring City with Atlanta's 311PAD? (Invited Presentation Session) 2024 International Conference on Urban Affairs (UAA). April 2024. New York, NY

**Morgan Farrington** has been voted as co-chair of AL Dept of Health's Ending the HIV Epidemic Committee

**Morgan Farrington** has accepted the position of PrEP Navigator with the Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County.

**Morgan Farrington** has decided to close the doors on their organization, GoodWorks: North AL Harm Reduction.

**Rafia Mallick**. Who Is the Culprit? Is It Religion or Patriarchal Traditionalism That Justifies Physical Violence? SWS Virtual Student and Junior Community Scholar Symposium (SJCSS). October 2023.



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

### **Job Postings**

Institution: Sociology at the University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Department: Sociology

Tittle: Assistant Professor in the area of Criminology (Tenure-Track position)

#### **Description:**

The Department of Sociology at the University of Tennessee – Knoxville invites applications for a tenure-track position at the level of Assistant Professor in the area of criminology, beginning August 1, 2024. We are particularly interested in candidates who can contribute to the Department of Sociology's strength in social justice

(http://sociology.utk.edu) and whose research resonates with our three other departmental areas: critical race and ethnic studies; environmental sociology; and political economy and globalization. Applicants must demonstrate promise of distinguished scholarship and excellent teaching and will be expected to seek external funding as a condition of tenure and promotion. A Ph.D. in Criminology, Sociology, or related area is required at the time of appointment.

The Department of Sociology at the University of Tennessee – Knoxville has a strong international reputation for excellence. We have built a mutually supportive and collegial atmosphere in which scholars make a variety of important contributions to research, teaching, and public engagement. The Department and the University are seeking candidates who can contribute in meaningful ways to the diversity and intercultural goals of the University. Currently the University has more than 29,000 undergraduate and 7,000 graduate students. The City of Knoxville has an attractive and walkable downtown, active neighborhoods, and eclectic cultural activities, restaurants and shopping. Trip Advisor recently named it a Top Ten Destination on the Rise. The Knoxville metropolitan area has a population of more than 907,000 and is located within easy driving distance to Atlanta, Nashville, Asheville, and the Great Smoky Mountains.

Review of applications will begin October 16, 2023 and will continue until the position is filled. Please upload a letter of application, curriculum vitae, one writing sample, research statement, and teaching statement to <u>apply.interfolio.com/130756</u>. In addition, we require two confidential recommendation letters, which will be solicited from two persons whom the applicant identifies. Direct questions to Dr. Lois Presser, Search Committee Chair, via e-mail (lpresser@utk.edu). More information on the Department of Sociology is at <u>http://sociology.utk.edu</u>.

The University of Tennessee is an EEO/AA/Title VI/Title IX/Section 504/ADA/ADEA institution in the provision of its education and employment programs and services. All qualified applicants will receive equal consideration for employment and admission without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, pregnancy, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, physical or mental disability, genetic information, veteran status, and parental status.

## Member News and Accomplishments Job Postings (Cont.)

Institution: Texas A&M University—College Station, Texas Department: Sociology Tittle: Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track position)

#### Description

The Department of Sociology in the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas A&M University invites applications for a full-time Assistant Professor position (Tenure-Track) in the area of Criminology, Criminal Justice, or Law and Society with a 9-month academic appointment starting August 1, 2024. We are seeking candidates with the promise of national and international prominence in the study of any aspect of the criminal justice system or carceral punishment, preferably in an area related to social justice studies, critical sociology, and or social psychology. The successful candidate will be expected to publish, seek grant opportunities, teach undergraduate and graduate courses, and engage in service activities.

Texas A&M University is one of the largest AAU universities in the U.S. with a student population of approximately 70,000 and is consistently rated as one of the top universities in the U.S., particularly on "best value" and "affordability"

(https://www.tamu.edu/assets/downloads/rankings.pdf). Texas A&M offers a wide range of research opportunities including the TAMU Energy Institute, Texas Federal Statistical Research Data Center (TXRDC), the Race and Ethnic Studies Institute (RESI), and the Glasscock Center for Humanities Research. Texas A&M University ranks in the top 10 university endowments in the U.S. and ranks among the top 10 U.S. public universities in research expenditures.

Texas A&M University is located in Bryan/College Station, a growing metropolitan community with a clean environment, attractive amenities, and a low cost of living. It has close proximity to the large metropolitan areas of Austin, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, and the U.S.-Mexico border. The University is a land, sea, and space grant university.

The Sociology Department is large and intellectually robust with roughly 30 faculty members, approximately 520 undergraduate majors and 70 graduate students.

#### Qualifications

Completed Ph.D. in sociology or closely related field is required. All methodologies, theoretical perspectives, and geographical areas of concentration are welcome. We are especially interested in candidates who conduct innovative crime or criminal justice related research that will augment existing research areas within the department and have the potential for external funding. An ability to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in theory and/or research methods is desirable.

## Member News and Accomplishments Job Postings (Cont.)

#### **Application Instructions**

Review of applications will begin October 27, 2023 and will continue until the position is filled. Applications are accepted online through Interfolio at <u>apply.interfolio.com/131992</u>

Interested candidates must submit:

- (1) Cover letter
- (2) curriculum vitae,

(3) personal statement to include philosophy and plans for teaching, research, and service and

(4) three letters of reference.

The letter of application should include the candidate's past accomplishments and future plans in research and teaching. The application materials must be submitted online at: apply.interfolio.com/131992

Please direct any applicant inquiries to Robert Durán and or Holly Foster, Recruitment Committee Co-Chairs, <u>rjduran@tamu.edu</u>, <u>hfoster@tamu.edu</u>.

#### **Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**

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## **Call for Submission**

We hope that everyone is having a great fall semester!! We invite you to submit any items you want included in the newsletter, particularly member news. You can do so by using this <u>Google Form</u>. We're happy to accept anything additional until January 28, 2024. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Stay tuned for more CJDD-related news and announcements!!!

