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| **Wednesday, November 13th** | | | |
| **Time** | **Session** | **Panelists** | **Location** |
| 9:30 to 10:50am | **Rutgers at 50: Theoretical Contributions to Criminology**  *This panel focuses on the theoretical contributions of Rutgers School of Criminal Justice scholars. Students, alumni, and faculty will look at broader theories in crime and justice like Routine Activities, Rational Choice, Broken Windows, and Just Deserts. Panelists will also discuss their own recent and ongoing theoretically relevant work on topics such moral foundations of offending and punitiveness and the dynamics of peer influences on delinquency and crime. Within this context the discussants will consider future directions in better understanding, preventing, and responding to crime—and Rutgers’ place in that future.* | Jean McGloin\* ‘04, Shannon Smith\*, Jason Silver\*, Merin Sanil\*, Kurt Fowler\* ‘19, Eeron Wilson\*, Andres Rengifo\* (Chair), Chris Sullivan\* ‘05 (Chair) | Foothill E - 2nd Level |
| 11:00am to 12:20pm | **Rutgers at 50: Reentry and Reintegration**  *Highlighting research by people connected to the Rutgers, Newark School of Criminal Justice, this panel examines recent advances in understandings of the promises and challenges of reentry and reintegration. The papers presented on the panel analyze policies and practices related to reentry, from the standpoint of institutional and community corrections officials, as well as people who have experienced reentry across the continuum of correctional involvement. Authors propose new frameworks for measuring desistance, describe the need for broader connections to extra-legal organizations and support systems, and center the perspectives and expertise offered by those directly impacted by reentry.* | Faye Taxman\* ‘82, Ebony Ruhland\*, Zachary Hamilton\* ‘10, Jennifer Tostlebe, John Michael Ursino, Baylee Allen-Flores, Alex Kigerl, Anthony Azari\*, Shadd Maruna (Chair), Johnna Christian\* (Chair) | Foothill C - 2nd Level |
| 12:30 to 1:50pm | **Rutgers at 50: Problems of Racial and Social Injustice**  *This panel explores various ways in which Rutgers SCJ, as an institution and as faculty, students, and alum, are engaged with issues of racial and social injustice. The panel includes papers on Black and Latinx preadolescents’ experiences with and views of the police; on the police use of deadly force against children and adolescents; on reflections of adults who, as children, had a parent who was incarcerated; and on the legal and procedures hurdles immigrants experience in court*. | Chris Chukwuedo\* ‘24, Joshua Ruffin, Delores Jones-Brown\* ’96 (Chair), Bahiyyah Muhammad\* ‘11, Lorena Avila Jaimes\* ‘24, Bill McCarthy\* (Chair), Ross Lee (Discussant) | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| 2:00 to 3:20pm | **Rutgers at 50: Advancing International Criminology**  *The School of Criminal Justice (SCJ) at Rutgers University-Newark has been a pioneering home of international criminology and criminal justice research, especially in the United States. The founding Rutgers faculty have conducted some of the first major cross-national studies of crime and justice, and have been central to efforts to establish the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. This long tradition has continued with many former and current students and faculty involved in ground-breaking international research. To honor the 50th anniversary of SCJ, panelists--former and current students and faculty--will trace this history and highlight a selection of international criminal justice research taking place in India and countries across Latin America. As was the case early on, this research is linked closely to pressing policy concerns and takes place in close collaboration with stakeholders outside of academia.* | Jay Albanese\* ’81 (Chair), Adriana Santos\*, Andres Rengifo\*, Frank Edwards\*, Ntasha Bhardwaj\* ’23 (Discussant), Lorena Avila Jaimes\* ‘24 | Foothill E - 2nd Level |
| **Thursday, November 14th** | | | |
| **Time** | **Session** | **Panelists** | **Location** |
| 9:30 to 10:50am | **Rutgers at 50: The Evolution and Impact of Police and Community Research**  *This panel explores the historical evolution of programs and studies created by Rutgers School of Criminal Justice (SCJ) faculty and students that address the relationship between the police and the community. The discussion includes a critical review of historical studies, such as the Minneapolis Hot Spots Experiment, and more recent innovations in community co-production, such as the Newark Public Safety Collaborative. Through a critical lens, the panel will assess the evolution and impact of these studies and their implications on communities most impacted by these studies and programs.* | David Weisburd, Brian Wade\* ‘23, Felipe Salazar-Tobar\* ‘24, Alejandro Gimenez Santana\* (Chair), Ebony Ruhland\* (Chair), Delores Jones-Brown\* ’96 (Discussant) | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| 11:00am to 12:20pm | **Rutgers at 50: The Aims and Consequences of Punishment**  *The School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers has been home to considerable scholarship about punishment philosophy and consequences. In the early years, much of the scholarship had to do with structuring the nature of punishments imposed on people convicted of crimes. Later years have examined the consequences of punishment, typically with a critical lens. This panel explores some of the themes that have emerged at the School.* | Todd Clear\* (Chair), Kip Schlegel\* ‘87, Ashley Balavender\*, Bahiyyah Muhammad\* ‘11, Colleen Berryessa\* (Chair & Discussant) | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| 12:30 to 1:50pm | **Roundtable: Rutgers at 50: Contributions to Understanding and Responding to Youth Crime**  *This panel brings together discussants across multiple career stages with varied interests and experiences, including both research and practice. Panelists, who comprise Rutgers University faculty, students, and alumni, will describe their own work and place it the context of the School of Criminal Justice’s important contribution to understanding and responding to youth crime. Topics to be covered include youth violence prevention, juvenile court and probation, interventions like “Scared Straight,” use of evidence-based practices, and the enduring impacts of juvenile justice involvement on youth and adolescents. Panelists will consider these questions in the context of current issues and future directions in responding to delinquency.* | Chris Sullivan\* ’05 (Chair), Craig Ortega\* (Chair), James Finckenauer\*, Kathleen Powell\* ‘19, Brielle Savage\*, Joel Miller\* | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| 2:00 to 3:20pm | **Rutgers at 50: Evidence-based Practices and Post-Conviction Policies**  *The Rutgers University-Newark School of Criminal Justice (SCJ) celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. Founded in 1974 by an act of the New Jersey Legislature, one of the only schools in America with this kind of legal charter, the SCJ has taught about and supported research on Evidence-Based Practices in a range of justice agencies and programs. This panel addresses post-conviction processes and policy. The panelists include Rutgers alumnae, faculty and student highlighting their research on such policies.* | Faye Taxman\* ‘82, Kristin Zgoba\* ‘04, Anthony Azari\*, Michael Ostermann\* ’09 (Chair), Candace McCoy (Chair) | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| 3:30 to 4:50pm | **Rutgers at 50: Assessing the Evolution of Crime and Place Research**  *This panel traces the history of crime and place research by faculty members, students, and alumni of Rutgers School of Criminal Justice in commemoration of its 50th anniversary. We frame the discussion by first acknowledging the role that the spatial analysis of crime has played in both effective crime reduction and harmful over-policing of communities experiencing hot spots of crime. We discuss how crime and place research has also informed problem solving, situational crime prevention, risk terrain modeling, and routine activities-informed interventions that focus not just on likely perpetrators of crime in specific places but also the contexts, opportunities, and non-police stakeholders who can be engaged to reduce crime. Crime and place research has further evolved to recognize the power of lived experience and community engaged research in response to violent crime, as well as how spatial analysis in combination with intelligence and risk analysis can be a powerful tool to promote safety and security across the globe.* | Lorraine Mazerolle\* ‘93, Joseph Richardson\* ‘03, Eric Piza\* ‘12, Christine Neudecker\*, Nancy La Vigne\* ’96 (Chair), Leslie Kennedy\* (Chair) | Foothill B - 2nd Level |
| **Friday, November 15th** | | | |
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| 11:00am to 12:20pm | **Rutgers at 50: NJ-STEP and Transformational Education in Prison and Beyond**  *This panel is focused on in-prison higher education programs and the transition to college campuses following incarceration experiences. Panelists include the current executive director of the NJ-STEP program at Rutgers University and two researchers who are studying how best to deliver high-quality in-prison education programs and the experiences of formerly incarcerated students as they transition to on-campus settings. Topics of the panel include both research findings and a discussion of the practical challenges of in-prison higher education and reentry programs.* | Christopher Agans\*, Ashley Appleby\*, Anthony Landers\*, Sara Wakefield\* (Discussant) | Foothill D - 2nd Level |
| 12:30 to 1:50pm | **Rutgers 50th Anniversary: The Progression of Research on Gender in Criminology**  *This panel discusses Rutgers scholars’ contributions to research on gender, crime, and the criminal legal system in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the School of Criminal Justice. We first trace the historical progression of this research, from the seminal work of founding SCJ faculty member Freda Adler to the present. The work of Rutgers faculty, students and alumni includes an earlier focus on gender and crime along with new frontiers of scholarship on how gender impacts experiences within criminal legal systems, both in the U.S. and internationally. Three exemplar presentations of this current work point particularly to Rutgers scholars’ ongoing contributions in this regard. We conclude with a discussion of why such work is critical for criminology, and how Rutgers – and the field – can continue to strengthen our understandings of gender in criminology.* | Jody Miller\* (Chair), Ntasha Bhardwaj\* ‘23, Pilar Larroulet\* (Chair), Raven Lewis\*, Vanessa Panfil (Discussant) | Foothill D - 2nd Level |