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Editors' Welcome:

This Spring marks the Division of Convict Criminology's (DCC) 3rd year as an official division of the American Society of Criminology (ASC). We have accomplished a lot in this short span of time. This is the second issue of the DCC's official newsletter, Criminology with Conviction, and the third issue will be released prior to ASC's 2023 annual meeting. The current issue features a brief article about mentorship by leffrey lan Ross, a letter from the DCC's inaugural Chair - Grant Tietjen, and an article from the division's current chair - Jennifer Ortiz. Division awards have been awarded each year to honor and recognize the great scholars, teachers, mentors, and activists in our network (2021 awardees will be featured in this issue & the 2022 awardees will be highlighted in the next issue). In 2022 alone, the DCC started an official mentorship program and was proud to award our first early career scholarships to two great early career researchers. We also held our first elections for executive board positions and sponsored more panels and roundtables than any year prior. Since the DCC's founding, our members have published numerous chapters, journal articles, and books. In fact, the past few years might be the most active period of scholarship in the history of the Convict Criminology network. The DCC continues to value the continued support from the DCC membership in ASC and all of our international allies.

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Meet the Editors

<u>Daniel Ryan Kavish, Ph.D.</u> — Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Daniel Ryan Kavish is an Assistant Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice at Southwestern Oklahoma State University and serves as an executive counselor for DCC. In addition to his service for DCC, Dr. Kavish also serves as a core affiliate member of the board for the Carceral Studies Consortium at the University of Oklahoma. His research interests include juvenile delinquency, stigma, masculinity, deviant subcultures, and racial disparities in the criminal justice system.

Dr. Kavish's work has been featured in academic journals such as Crime & Delinquency, Criminal Justice Studies, Contemporary Justice Review, Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice, and Qualitative Criminology. Likewise, he is featured in books such as Convict Criminology for the Future and Power and Pain in the Modern Prison: The Society of Captives Revisited. Dr. Kavish hopes that DCC is able to grow as a division of ASC and that Convict Criminology will continue to evolve as a discipline.

Doshie Piper, Ph.D. — University of the Incarnate Word

Dr. Doshie Piper is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at the University of the Incarnate Word. A specialist in community corrections, Dr. Piper is particularly interested in the intersection of reintegration and faith

community's capacity to deal with reentry challenges. Her courses typically include a service learning component to expose students to the realities of justice work.

As a scholar, Dr. Piper has published research in numerous books, peer-reviewed journals, and newspapers. Her research agenda has primarily been gender specific and responsive. She is currently researching gender in juvenile justice and schools.

Dr. Piper is a member of the American Society of Criminology (ASC) and the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS). She participates within these organizations as a member of multiple sections/divisions and serves as DCC's Treasurer/Secretary. Dr. Piper is also a member of many regional associations and local community organizations such

as the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ) and the San Antonio Police Department Recruitment and Training Advisory Board. Dr. Piper believes that criminal justice policy should reflect a commitment to providing opportunities for redemption and forgiveness.

A Letter from the Former Chair

I would like to take this time to say thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as the first Chair of the recently formed Division of Convict Criminology (DCC) in the American Society of Criminology (ASC). During the time I served from 2020 to 2022, the world endured some tough struggles such as the COVID-19 Pandemic, and a tumultuous political landscape at the national level. Yet, I would like to emphasize that DCC stepped up to the moment, and due to the tenacity and fortitude of our hardworking members and supporters, we have expanded our impact. We have established multiple initiatives, include the DCC Mentorship Program, and the DCC Scholarship Program for ASC Travel Grants. DCC also stood up for social equality, publishing multiple statements, including speaking out against racial bias in policing, calling on the ASC to condemn the violent January 6th riots, and advocating for implementation of proper COVID-19 safety policies in correctional facilities. Further, as my final action as the outgoing Chair at the 2022 ASC Meeting in Atlanta, GA, I proposed an initiative to begin work on a DCC Research Lab, to support DCC academics in their future and ongoing scholarship.

Our actions frame a culture of support and collaboration. Speaking to that, I would like to thank the many people have stepped up and put forth immense effort to build a supportive academic discipline that embraces the voice of people who are system contacted. Our ranks are filled by members with and without criminal legal contact, from various life and academic experiences. We are proud to have built the very foundation of this group on the principles of inclusiveness and diversity. These collective efforts have focused on standing up against systems of inequality and oppression within the criminal legal system and higher education, and creating opportunities for people with carceral lived experiences.

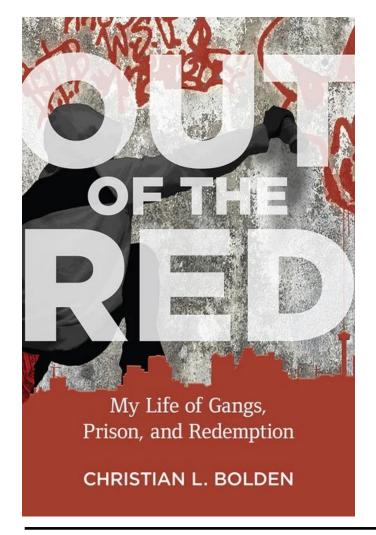
On a more personal note, serving as the Chair of DCC has given me the privilege of learning from exceptionally knowledgeable and dedicated scholars, allies, and activists. I consider this a gift. This work expanded my understanding of how the power of lived experience can speak truth to power. In our work, we talk directly about the influence of carceral experiences that we were personally engaged with. This provides more nuanced stances that inform justice concepts with inside perspective. This adds a genuine character to our scholarship, shaping our findings through the forge of our experiences, both harsh social realities and successes.

To conclude, I would like to welcome our newly elected DCC Chair, Dr. Jennifer Ortiz, a great colleague and friend, into her new position. Our membership is excited to work with her! We know that she will take this organization in the direction of inclusive justice and equality for system-contacted people.

Sincerely,

Grant Tietjen, Ph.D.
Inaugural Chair of the Division of Convict Criminology
Associate Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice
St. Ambrose University





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- DCC's 2020 Frank Tannenbaum Outstanding Book Award
- Faculty Senate Award for Research from Loyola University New Orleans

CONVICT CRIMINOLOGY 3.0: ENVISIONING A NEW FUTURE

Jennifer M. Ortiz, Ph.D. Indian University Southeast Chair of the Division of Convict Criminology

My first experience with Convict Criminology was as an undergraduate in the early 2000's. In an exchange with a member of the then-informal group, it became clear that my presence was neither welcome nor appreciated. The informal *Convict Criminology* group was reserved only for "real" convicts who served time in prison and subsequently earned college degrees. At 19 years old, I had never served a day in prison, but I was an active gang member who had been wrongfully arrested. I was also system-impacted via the men in my family who cycled in and out of the criminal legal system. However, in the early days of Convict Criminology, I was not considered a 'convict' and thus, my opinions and perspectives did not fit within Convict Criminology. As a result of this exclusionary view of whose experiences were worthy of inclusion, the original Convict Criminology group was comprised almost exclusively of white men who had access to higher education after their releases. Ironically, although the group sought to amplify the voices and lived experiences of formerly incarcerated persons, the membership did not reflect the reality that incarceration disproportionately impacts lower-income individuals from communities of color. While my intent is not to disparage the founding fathers of Convict Criminology because we would not exist were it not for the foundation they laid, I do want to highlight the stark differences between that original group and the present Division of Convict Criminology.

In the decades since the creation of Convict Criminology, the group has radically transformed. No longer are we an exclusive group whose membership is limited by time served. Today, the Division of Convict Criminology (DCC) is comprised of scholars from diverse backgrounds, experiences, gender, age, and race. Our inaugural and current executive boards reflect our shift towards inclusivity. Our membership consists of individuals who served time in prison and jail, individuals with criminal records who have never served time, individuals with incarcerated family members, and allies determined to fight back against an unjust system. Today, we are Convict Criminology 2.0 and people are taking note.

Our presence at the 2022 American Society of Criminology conference was felt by those in attendance. The DCC hosted seven panels and roundtables that were well attended, including a panel featuring the incoming ASC president, Shadd Maruna. In addition to our scholarship, we took great stride towards inclusive practices. In 2022, we launched our Early Career Travel Scholarship and our Mentorship Program. We awarded our first two travel scholarships, connected early career scholars with mentors, and voted to establish a research lab dedicated to developing opportunities for convict- or system-impacted scholars. As a result of our efforts, we have been contacted by organizations including the Prison Policy Initiative and the Sentencing Project, to develop collaborations. Convict Criminology 2.0 is a force to be reckoned with and it is all thanks to the tireless efforts made by our Executive Board and our membership. I thank each and every one of you, especially those who paved the road that allows me to serve as Chair of the DCC.

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As a woman of color, I recognize what I represent for Convict Criminology and the importance of my position as the Chair of the DCC. I do not take my responsibility lightly. The word proud does not begin to express how I feel about the progress the DCC has made over the past decade. I am truly humbled and honored to be selected as chair of this group. I only wish I could go back in time and let undergraduate Jennifer know that her voice matters. We have come a long way and we have much further to go. Thus, I am issuing a call to the DCC membership to develop an even bigger and brighter future for our division.

My vision for a Convict Criminology 3.0 centers on increasing our presence in order to create a more inclusive space for convict and system-impacted scholars. I believe we owe it to every person sitting in a cell right now to advocate for change within the historically racist, sexist, classist institutions in which we exist, including the American Society Criminology and the broader academic community. The DCC must be unapologetic in its demands for equity including the elimination of financial barriers to inclusion at conferences and universities. The DCC must engage in activism that challenges academia and the broader society's ongoing role in the oppression of scholars like us. As we continue to grow in membership, we must begin to harness our collective power for change.

The most important way we can utilize our power is to work to uplift early career scholars who are formerly incarcerated, have records, and who have family members affected by the criminal legal system. Our scholarship and mentorship programs are the first step towards that goal. We must also work collectively to ensure that our scholars are admitted to programs, hired at universities, are published, and obtain tenure. I know that these efforts will be difficult and I have no illusions regarding how much we can accomplish but we are more powerful than even we imagine. A scholarship for our membership was once just a dream; a dream that is now a reality. We can make anything happen if we work together.

Having only officially joined Convict Criminology four years ago, I recognize that there are existing divisions among our members that are rooted in longstanding issues, including the division name. I do not want to minimize or ignore the real issues raised by our membership. As chair, I want to hear those concerns and I want every member to feel respected, regardless of whether I agree with their views. It is my goal to foster an environment where everyone feels welcome and free to voice their opinions in constructive ways. Frankly, we cannot continue to grow without diverse perspectives.

My first order of business as Chair is to further diversify the opinions and perspectives that exist within our leadership. To this end, I ask that anyone interested in serving on leadership committees contact me directly. You can find a list of committees posted on our website (www.concrim.org). I also ask that members who have new ideas share their thoughts with the Executive Board. I encourage members to develop panels or roundtables at ASC that incorporate innovative subareas (e.g., health and incarceration). Let's make our presence felt at the 2023 ASC conference.

My second order of business as chair is to develop and expand international collaboration between the DCC and convict scholars around the world. I am in the early planning stages for an International Convict Criminology Symposium where we can virtually share our work and network with scholars from Great Britain, Italy, Australia, and any other country engaged in Convict Criminology. I hope to launch this initiative in 2024.

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This symposium would foster collaboration and comparative research that would allow us to fully understand the breadth of issues facing scholars within the criminal legal system. We must move beyond our Amerocentric focus to envision an international network of Convict Criminology that seeks to radically transform the world.

My third order of business as chair is to continue supporting system-impacted undergraduate and graduate scholars. I ask that our members uplift system-impacted undergraduate students who may not be able to envision themselves within elite academic spaces. At the 2023 ASC Conference, I hope to develop a thematic panel for student members that will allow them to present while being supported by our membership. If you are a student or know a student willing to participate in such a panel, please contact me. I also ask that members consider donating to the DCC Improvement Fund so we can continue offering scholarships to early career scholars. If every member donated \$10-20 per year, we could fund two scholarships every year. At the 2023 ASC conference we will also launch new fundraising initiatives including selling DCC merchandise. Lastly, I ask that members who are in advanced stages of their careers consider including our student members in their research projects and on publications that will help them further their careers. We need system impacted voices speaking at conferences and in publications around the world!

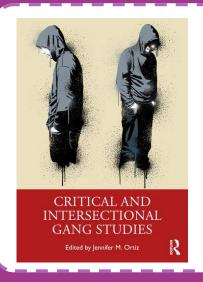
The Convict Criminology 3.0 I envision is one of unity, unapologetic activism, and uplifting all people who have been victimized by the criminal legal system. Convict Criminology 3.0 is for us and by us because in the end, we are all we have.

In unwavering solidarity,

Jennifer M. Ortiz, Ph.D.

Chair of Division of Convict Criminology
Associate Professor of Criminology
Indiana University Southeast

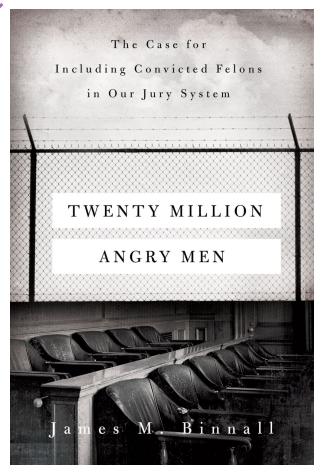




Dr. Ortiz is the editor of a great new book forthcoming from Routledge. It will be available for purchase on April 13, 2023 & for pre-order on March, 23, 2023.

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Edited by Jennifer M. Ortiz



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DCC 2021 Division Awards

John Keith Irwin Distinguished Scholar Award

Francesca Vianello, Ph.D. *University of Padua, Italy*

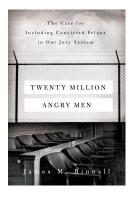


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James M. Binnall, Ph.D.

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Early Career Award
Jennifer M. Ortiz, Ph.D.

Indiana University Southeast



DCC 2021 Division Awards

Outstanding Article or Book Chapter Award

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The College of New Jersey & The University of Texas at Arlington





"Formerly Incarcerated Black Mothers Matter Too: Resisting Social Constructions of Motherhood"

The Prison Journal

Outstanding Teacher Award

Daniel R. Kavish, Ph.D.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University



Outstanding Mentor Award

Marianne Fisher-Giorlando, Ph.D.

Grambling State University



HELPING FORMERLY INCARCERATED PEOPLE GET INTO RESPECTABLE GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN CRIMINOLOGY/ CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Jeffrey Ian Ross, Ph.D. University of Baltimore

Earning a bachelor's degree from an accredited university in the United States is, in many respects, no small feat. This is especially true if you are the first person in your family to go to college, are a single mother, a foster child, are of limited financial means, and were formerly incarcerated or have a criminal conviction.

Even more challenging is when people with criminal records want to enter a graduate program to pursue a masters or a Ph.D. in criminology or criminal justice. Most people in this position are poorly equipped to make this kind of leap. Among numerous concerns is that many of these individuals have unrealistic expectations and are often poorly prepared for what awaits them.

Fortunately, members of the Convict Criminology network, including those who are part of the American Society of Criminology's Division of Convict Criminology (DCC), are frequently approached both by instructors who reach out to us on behalf of their formerly incarcerated students, or students themselves requesting our assistance regarding getting into an appropriate graduate school and identifying whom among our colleagues might be good mentors. Our response is that we are here to help.

Convict Criminology was established in the mid 1990s, by scholars (mainly those who had earned a Ph.D. or were on their way to completing one), who were previously incarcerated, justice impacted/involved, and those who shared our central goals. CC's primary mission is to elevate the convict voice that was frequently ignored or marginalized in scholarly research and policy circles. We also wanted to assist convicts and exconvicts in a mentoring capacity, and to weigh in on public policy decisions concerning the field of corrections by engaging in activism or policy work.

In many respects, providing advice to formerly incarcerated students about how to prepare for a graduate program, which ones to choose from, and which professor/s to work with (and whom they might want to avoid), is no different than what we would advise our typical students at the places we teach.

But the path for formerly incarcerated students wishing to pursue a masters or a doctorate in criminology/ criminal justice is a little more complicated. Formerly incarcerated students have more challenges including selecting graduate programs that are truly ex-convict friendly, and finding appropriate mentors in that program.

We point out that just because some universities or university systems no longer require prospective students to check a box indicating that they were either convicted of a crime or formerly incarcerated (part of the ban the box movement), doesn't mean it's a good place to start and complete a post-baccalaureate degree.

Similarly, even though an academic department mentions on their web site that they are inclusionary, promote social justice, and have professors who specialize in areas of study that align with the student's major interests, does not necessarily mean that they are good places for a formerly-incarcerated person to get an appropriate graduate education.

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Moreover, although a graduate program may be easy to get into, be relatively frictionless to receive instruction, of access, and "affordable, as with some for-profit universities, these options are frequently inappropriate educational institutions as places to study and earn ones masters or doctoral degree.

There are countless other issues to keep in mind. For example, some formerly incarcerated individuals decide to apply to graduate school some years after they earned their bachelor's degree. Thus, they may not know any of the professors in the program from which they graduated. Alternatively, their degree may not be in the fields of criminology or criminal justice, and could very well have been a professional degree (e.g., law). Thus the academic field of criminology and criminal justice seems attractive, but untested for them. One of the questions formerly incarcerated people inevitably ask is how open they should be about their criminal past; should they disclose it, if so, when should they disclose, to whom should they disclose, and how should they disclose? Sometimes this decision is made for them in the application process where they are asked if they have any prior criminal convictions.

Because of our collective experience and our network, we generally know which universities, programs, and scholars are best suited for prospective formerly incarcerated graduate students. Not only do we suggest the person, but we often reach out to them, and sometimes make introductions.

One of the first questions we ask formerly incarcerated students interested in pursuing graduate school is why they want to make this kind of investment of resources? Many students, regardless of their background, have unrealistic ideas about the costs and benefits of a graduate school education. We also ask why they don't want to do it at the place where they already earned their undergraduate degree. For some they want or need to spread their wings, including the possibility that the program from which they graduated/are graduating from may no longer serve them well, while others have alienated people at their home institution.

The CC network and the DCC believes in the power of mentorship. Thus, we help to put directly-impacted students in touch with supportive people in our network. We freely give our opinion(s) on respective programs, whom to work with, whom to avoid, and how to improve their chances of getting selected into a program, including whom to ask for letters of recommendation and what those letters should emphasize.

Graduate school, just like a bachelors can be a great experience for formerly incarcerated students. It may also be a pathway to open up more doors in terms of jobs and a career. This will insure that the person can put bread on the table, refrain from criminal activity, and create opportunities to engage in prosocial change.

*** This article is adapted from a blog post with the same title, written by Jeffrey Ian Ross, Ph.D. and originally published on his personal website.

The Division of Convict Criminology's Executive Board has issued the following statements. Links are provided below for digital readers, but all division statements can be found on our website: www.concrim.org

Statement against Police Brutality towards Black, Indigenous, and People of Color — 06/09/2020

Statement on COVID-19 and the Carceral System of the United States — 07/07/2020

Statement on the Violent Attempted Coup by Donald J. Trump Supporters — 01/11/2021

Statement on Banning the Box on College Admissions and Employment Applications — 01/22/2021

CALL FOR PAPERS

INSIDER PRISON PERSPECTIVES IN EUROPE AND THE AMERICAS

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Convict Criminology (CC) is a research-activist movement that started in North America in the 1990s. CC aims to develop a research activist agenda that is grounded in first-hand perspectives on prison life. This symposium focuses on the collaborative work of Criminology scholars and their students researching and writing with serving and former prisoners. Our postgraduate study group at HMP Coldingley prison call for 15-minute presentations under one the following four themes:

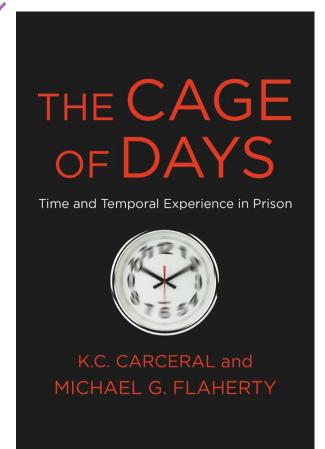
THEME ONE: Reforming prison

THEME TWO: Hope and Survival

THEME THREE:
Autonomy and Responsibility

THEME FOUR: Prisoner-University Partnerships

Please email a 200 word abstract of your proposed paper to Irene Sangaletti and Valentina Serra at CCatWestminster@gmail.com by 1 May 2023. We will subsequently invite the presenters to participate in an edited book of symposium proceedings to be submitted for publication by University of Westminster Press.



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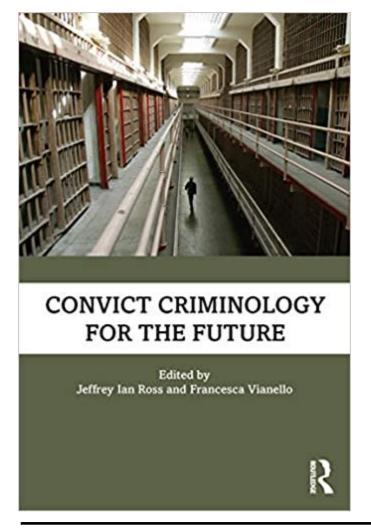
"In addition to appealing to researchers interested in the sociology of time, criminal justice, and symbolic interaction, the unique nature of collaboration and co-authorship between Carceral and Flaherty in this excellent book could prove beneficial in courses on qualitative methodology as well."

- Jamie L. Mullaney, Ph.D. Professor of Sociology, Goucher College

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- Adaptations to prison life
- Longstanding challenges for prisoners and formerly incarcerated people
- Post-secondary education behind bars
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- Conducting scholarly research in carceral settings

DCC Early Career Travel Scholarship

2022 Recipients



Kaelyn Sanders
Ph.D. Student
Michigan State University

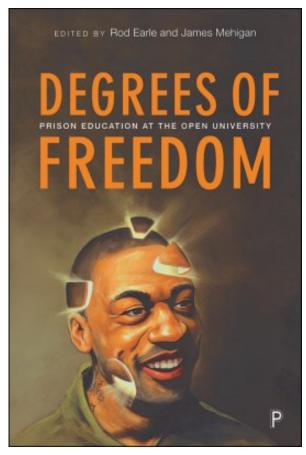


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Degrees of Freedom: Prison Education at the Open University

Rod Earle, Ph.D. & James Mehigan, Ph.D.

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- Vivid personal testimonies are supplemented by shorter reflective vignettes that combine to demonstrate the diversity of interest and experience among Open University students in prison.

DIVISION CONVICT CRIMINOLOGY

The Division of Convict Criminology (DCC) invites nominations for 2023 Awards

John Keith Irwin Distinguished Scholar Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

This award recognizes sustained outstanding professional contributions by an individual to the study of Convict Criminology. Scholarly contributions may be empirical or theoretical. Professional contributions also include advocating for Convict Criminology as an area of scholarship within criminology and related disciplines and mentoring graduate students. Persons who have made substantial practical contributions to insider perspectives of criminal and deviant behavior also are eligible to receive this award. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

• In 1967, John Keith Irwin founded Project Rebound, a program which helps those coming out of prison go to college. Irwin co-founded the Prisoners Union in 1971, which organized inmates to push for their civil rights and worked closely with the California legislature on the Uniform Sentencing Act passed in 1976. In 1985, he received the August Vollmer award from the American Society of Criminology. At a panel presentation at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in 1997, Irwin encouraged the establishment of the Convict Criminology group, a collective of formerly-incarcerated individuals who became professors that critically examine the carceral system.

Frank Tannenbaum Outstanding Book Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

This award recognizes outstanding scholarship in a monograph or textbook within Convict Criminology. Books published within three years of the award are eligible for consideration. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

Frank Tannenbaum is unofficially considered by many scholars to be the first "convict criminologist" in the United States. His book, Wall Shadows: A Study in American Prisons, was one of the earliest narrative accounts of incarceration experiences in criminology. In 1931, he reported to the Wickersham Commission study on Penal Institutions, Probation and Parole. He taught criminology at Cornell University. His conception of the "Dramatization of Evil" led to the further development of labeling theory.

Early Career Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

This award recognizes outstanding contributions to Convict Criminology scholarship by persons early in their professional careers. To be eligible for this award, an individual must have received his or her terminal degree no more than eight years before the year of the award and have developed a strong research agenda in Convict Criminology since the time of the terminal degree as indicated by regular publications. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

Outstanding Article or Book Chapter Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

This award recognizes outstanding scholarship in the form of an article or book chapter in Convict Criminology. Articles or chapters published within three years of the award are eligible for consideration. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

Student Paper Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

The Student Paper Award recognizes scholarly work of students in Convict Criminology. Students working by themselves or as part of a team of co-authors who are currently enrolled in an academic program or a recent graduate of such a program (no more than two years removed from the year of the award) at either the undergraduate or graduate level are eligible for the competition. Paper submissions may be conceptual, theoretical, and/or empirical (quantitative or qualitative) and must be a completed project directly related to Convict Criminology. Papers must be the work of one or more students but should not be co-authored with a faculty member, though a review and endorsement by a faculty member of the student's choice is required for submission. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

Outstanding Teacher Award (Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2023)

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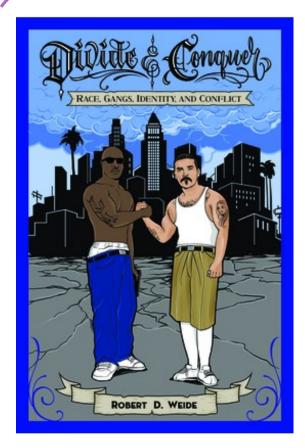
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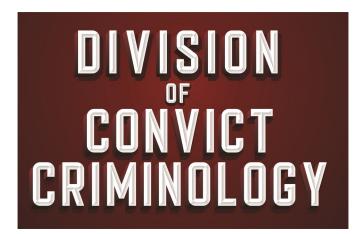
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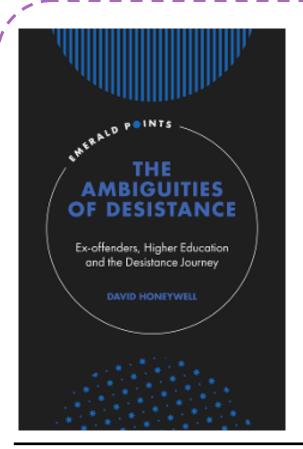
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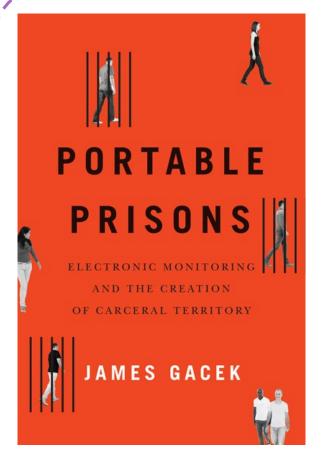
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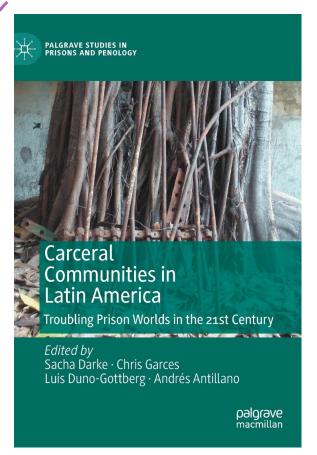
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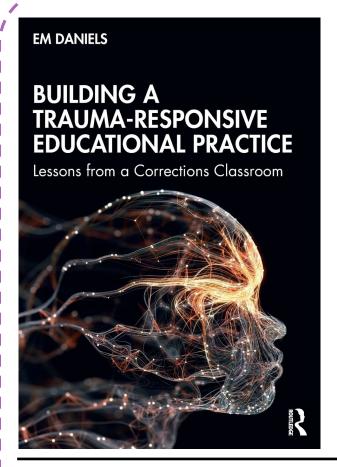
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