It’s September and we start a new year filled with new students, new excitement, new senior thesis projects, and a new faculty member! We are thrilled to have Dr. Chunrye Kim as an integral part of our department, teaching Social Deviance and Theories of Crime. We hope everyone gets to meet her soon and welcomes her warmly to the Saint Joseph’s University community.

We ended last year with a wonderful celebration of our 2017 graduates, many of whom are going on to law school, graduate school, a year of service, and a variety of different jobs and career trajectories. We also inducted several of these graduates and current seniors into the sociology honors society (AKD) and celebrated their many accomplishments.

Over the summer we had several remarkable events, including a new class with Dr. Susan Clampet-Lundquist that traveled to Greece, a Summer Scholar project under the direction of Dr. Keith Brown on the SNAP nutrition benefits in Philadelphia, and a very exciting presentation of $10,000 to a local elementary school thanks to the fundraising efforts of Dr. Maria Kefalas’ Social Problems class.

Our faculty continue to be productive in their scholarship with several publications from Dr. Chunrye Kim and Dr. Melissa Logue. Dr. Susan Clampet-Lundquist won a book award. And Dr. Christopher Kelly delivered the keynote address at an international conference on interrogation.

The 2017-18 academic year promises to be a busy and productive year for the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice.

Congratulations to our Class of 2017 Graduates

Congratulations to our 2017 Sociology and Criminal Justice undergraduate degree recipients:

**B.S. in Criminal Justice**

Raymond Bechtel  
Brian Bishop  
Alexis Bush  
Ashley Obiang Bindang  
Sharon Copper  
Annemarie DiBlasio  
William Dixon  
Sinead Egan  
Daniel Elitz  
Matthew Engelhardt  
David Fugelo  
Emily Gingrich  
Katherine Gross  
Jessica Haly  
James Hennessey  
Chelsea Herrmann  
Maryanne Kannampuzha  
Fatoumata Keita  
Robert Lawn, Jr.  
Jackson Lewis-Bernardo  
Edward Markowski  
Tracey Morris  

Robert Mott, II  
Jay Nichols  
John Rudolf Pernini, Jr.  
Shanean Ridges  
Kelsey Roder  
Micaela Saperstein  
Kyle Smith  
Brittany Stokes  
Daniel Tully  
Ashley Varghese  
Darren Weidman  
Rose Anne Yago  
Justin Young

**B.S. in Sociology**

Kathryn Begley  
Emma Callahan  
Rachel Camelotto  
Grace Davis  
Sarah Traynor DeMarco  
Kelly Gilbert  
Jacqueline Manning  
Miranda McBride  
Rebecca McIntyre  
Mary Meed  
Steven Pennington  
Raquel Portieles  
Kimberly Reid  
Caroline Rogers  
Natali Salcedo  
Emily Fielding Seeburger  
Claribel Villa

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DEPARTMENT EVENTS

FALL SEMESTER EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES:

We Tortured Some Folks: Due Process and the War on Terror
Guest Speakers: Mark Fallon, Club Fed (affiliation); Stephen Brown, Dechert LLP (affiliation)
Day/Time: Tuesday, October 24th, 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Location: Forum Theater, Campion Student Center

Human Trafficking: Global Issue, Local Crisis
Guest Speakers: Marlon Miller, Claire Renzetti, Kelly Sagastume
Day/Time: Monday, November 13, 2017, 4:00—6:00pm
Location: Doyle Banquet Room South (Campion Student Center)

DEPARTMENT NEWS

POWER Community organization
We have begun a new POWER University group this year with over 10 students from SJU and about 30 more from Villanova, LaSalle, and Cabrini. Students who are Sociology/CJ majors and minors are involved in this group.

Claudia Plaza Barnils, ’18 Sociology at the POWER launch retreat on Sunday, Sept 10th.

Pictured with Dr. Clampet-Lundquist: Alayna Wacher, SOC, Kyle Smith, CJ, Ryan Foley and Beth Ford McNamee, Campus Ministry.
Alpha Kappa Delta Induction Ceremony

Congratulations to our fifteen Sociology and Criminal Justice majors and minors who were inducted into *Alpha Kappa Delta*, the International Sociology Honor Society, at the AKD Induction Dinner/Ceremony on April 27, 2017.

Here are the names of the inductees:

Emily Baumley
Alyssa Duffner
Danielle Godfrey
Colette Hanlon
James Hennessey
Angelina Leone
Theresa L’Etoile
Hugh McIntyre

Claudia Plaza Barnils
Natali Salcedo
Emily Seeburger
Ashley Varghese
Stephen Weinmann
Rose Yago
Matthew Yohe

Guest speaker at the event, Josh Power, Director of Admissions & Graduate Studies at Fels Institute of Government, spoke on the topic: Critical Questions and Inconvenient Truths: Applying a Sociological Lens to Our Changing World.

Sociology Students Raise $10,000 for James R. Ludlow Elementary School

Last semester, seventy students in two Social Problems courses, taught by Dr. Maria Kefalas, professor of sociology and instructor of the courses, raised $10,000 for the James R. Ludlow Elementary School in Philadelphia over the spring 2017 semester.

Students were assigned to organize campaigns to raise awareness and funds for the school which they accomplished through bake sales, selling clothes and sports equipment online, and creating videos to fundraise online.

Pictured above are some of the SJU students visiting the Ludlow School on May 12th, 2017 for an event where they presented a check to the school principal, Carol Williams, and the school children who will benefit from their generous gift. The money from the fundraising event will help purchase 24 new computers, an 80 percent increase over the number of computers currently available to students now.
HIGHLIGHTS OF SUMMER COURSE
GREECE: Contemporary Greece at the Intersection of Economic & Social Upheaval with Dr. Susan Clampet-Lundquist

Greece is at the epicenter of two main socioeconomic forces that have been creating crises within the European Union: economic disaster and a massive influx of immigrants. Dr. Susan Clampet-Lundquist and nine of her students traveled to Greece in May to understand how the world’s oldest democracy handles these two crises and helps us to understand what happens elsewhere, such as growth of populist anger among people in the U.S. as we face growing economic inequality and seek to implement just immigration reform.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Colette Hanlon, Sociology major, ’18, worked with her Summer Scholar mentor, Dr. Keith Brown, Associate Professor in Dept. of Sociology. Colette’s research topic was on SNAP benefits in the Philadelphia community.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. SNAP offers nutrition assistance to millions of eligible, low-income individuals and families and provides economic benefits to communities.

Becky Ward, ’18 Sociology, and Hailey Miller, ’18 COMM, won a Fair Trade photo competition that funded a trip to Equador over the summer to meet fair trade farmers.

SOC 377—INSIDE OUT—Service Learning

Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program brings together students from universities and adult students who are incarcerated to learn about and discuss topics such as the causes of crime, victims, the rationale of the criminal justice system, and restorative justice.

Admitted Students’ Day

Last semester, during Admitted Students’ Day, several of our SOC and CJ majors attended the Community Fair, representing the Dept. of Sociology and Criminal Justice. They met with potential majors to answer questions and give their perspective of being a Hawk at SJU. They were enthusiastically cheered on by the Hawk himself!

Pictured: Cara Furman ’18, Emily Seeburger, ‘17, and Kyle Smith, ‘17.
FACULTY NEWS
In July, Dr. Christopher Kelly, assistant professor in the Dept. of Sociology, delivered the keynote address at the 10th annual International Investigative Interviewing Research Group (iIIRG) conference in Monterey, CA. Entitled, "The Subtle Science and Exact Art of Investigative Interviewing," Dr Kelly put forth his vision for the future of interrogation science.

New Department Faculty Member
We would like to welcome Dr. Chunrye Kim, the newest member of the Dept. of Sociology & CJ faculty, who is teaching her first two courses this fall, Theories of Crime and Social Deviance.

Dr. Susan Clampet-Lundquist, Assistant Professor and co-author of “Coming of Age in the Other America” was awarded the William J. Goode Best Book award, the ASA Family section, at the annual American Sociological Association conference in Montreal in August.

Dr. Tia Pratt, Visiting Instructor, Dept. of Sociology, received the Jack Shand Research Award from the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. The value of the grant is $2,800.

Marybeth Ayella, Assistant Professor in Dept. of Sociology, presented her topic “Identity Transformation: Getting out of a Cult” at the American Sociological Association annual conference in Montreal in August.

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS:

Kim, Chunrye (2017). The impact of perceived childhood victimization and patriarchal gender ideology on intimate partner violence (IPV) victimization among Korean immigrant women in the USA, Child Abuse & Neglect

Logue, Melissa. Latinos in the War on Drugs: Analyzing the Role of Offenders’ Citizenship Status and Family Ties on Downward Departures, Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice (Pending publication)
2017 GRADUATION PICTURES
Congratulations to our award recipients:

Rebecca McIntyre—Sociology Award, Faith Justice Award, and the Matthew G. Sullivan, S.J., Latin American Studies Program Award

Kyle Smith—Kane Award
Grace Davis—Faith & Life Award (Leadership & Service)
Caroline Rogers—Gender Studies Program Award
Sinead Egan—Criminal Justice Award

PLS Award Recipients (Adult continuing education)

Congratulations to our undergraduate PLS Criminal Justice award recipients:

James F. Hennessey - Criminal Justice Award
Brian D. Bishop - The Sergeant Patrick McDonald Criminal Justice Award

Graduate Criminal Justice Award
Congratulations and best wishes to the Graduate Criminal Justice award recipient:

John Storti, III
Kyle Smith ‘17, undergraduate CJ major, has committed to a year of service with Urban Servant Corps in Denver, CO where he started in August. He will be volunteering on the staff of the St. Francis Center, a shelter for those suffering homelessness. He is very thank

Thomas Lafferty ’17

After graduating with his Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice in May, Thomas Lafferty packed his bags and traveled to Swaziland in June, one of Africa’s smallest countries, where he is presently a youth development volunteer for the Peace Corps for 27 months.

Before his trip to Swaziland, Thomas learned the language of siSwati to prepare himself for this endeavor, where he will focus on helping young people to improve their educational goals and make good life choices. He will also teach English, and help them to develop effective life skills.

While attending SJU as a graduate student, Thomas worked in the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice for two years as a graduate assistant, where he says “The faculty are the most prestigious group of individuals I have ever worked with, and the program has allowed me to hone my research and writing skills. These tools will be important when I’m teaching English and preparing secondary school students for college.”

Additionally, his work with the World Affairs Council’s Global Smarts Mentoring Program, a partnership between SJU and the Council, also readied him for his Peace Corps mission. His volunteer work included weekly classroom instruction of six Gesu middle school students. Last spring, his group effectively represented Kenya at the Jr. Model United Nations debate conference held at Temple University.

Most important to Thomas, “volunteering with the Peace Corps will allow me to do what I love most: work with children on a consistent basis, helping them develop essential skills” and he believes that SJU has prepared him well for the next phase of his life.