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## Welcome from David Farrington

Welcome to the second Newsletter of 2016! This will be my last welcome message, as Friedrich Lösel will be taking over as DLC Chair at the ASC. At the same time, Alex Piquero will take over from Rolf Loeber as DLC Vice-Chair. This seems, therefore, an appropriate time to take stock of the history of the DLC so far.

The DLC was founded at the ASC in 2012, and its membership has steadily grown to over 300. Perhaps the most significant development has been the founding of our own journal, the *Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology*. Tara McGee and Paul Mazerolle have done a great job in editing this journal! I am extremely grateful for their altruism, and for the wonderful support of Katie Chabalko at Springer. I am confident that our journal will soon be recognized as one of the most important journals in criminology. Please submit your high-quality articles to our journal!

Many thanks to all members of the DLC Executive Board for their selfless work on behalf of the DLC. As you will see in this Newsletter, Elaine Doherty has organized a number of DLC panels at the ASC. Please attend them! Elaine has also been re-elected to the DLC Executive Board for a further two years, so you should congratulate her on this!

Many thanks to Tom Arnold and Rolf Loeber for their work in producing this Newsletter. Both Tom and Rolf will be leaving the DLC Executive Board at the ASC, and I hope that DLC members will recognize their contributions at the DLC Open Meeting on Thursday November 17 at 2.00-3.20pm. Tom has also masterminded the DLC website.

Many thanks to Jesse Cale for chairing the DLC Nominations Committee and presiding over a smooth changing of the guard this year! Next year will also be important for the DLC, because it will be necessary to elect a new Secretary/Treasurer, two new Executive Counselors, and a new Graduate Student Representative.

I am particularly grateful to the DLC Secretary/Treasurer, Tara McGee, who has been my rock over the past four years and who has undertaken a huge amount of work for the DLC (in addition to all her work for the DLC journal). It will be very important for the DLC, and especially for the new Chair, to elect a similarly altruistic and hard-working Secretary/ Treasurer next year.

Many thanks to Arjan Blokland for chairing the DLC Membership Committee and for presiding over the DLC Table at last year's ASC. The DLC will be very grateful for volunteers to sit at the DLC Table at this year's ASC. Please contact Arjan about this and on any ideas you might have about how to increase the membership of the DLC.

I am very happy that we have managed to develop a good Constitution for the DLC, and I am very grateful to Adrian Raine for serving for four years as "Past Chair" and for chairing the DLC Constitution Committee last year. Adrian will also be leaving the DLC Executive Board at the ASC, and I will replace him as Past Chair.

I am extremely pleased that the DLC has established four awards: the Life-Time Achievement Award (given this year to Alfred Blumstein), the Early Career Award (given this year jointly to Lia Ahonen and Michael Rocque), the Outstanding Contribution Award (this year recognizing articles by Alex Piquero, Carol Schubert, and Robert Brame, and by Torbjorn Skardhamar and Jukka Savolainen), and the Outstanding Student Contribution Award (this year recognizing articles first-authored by Amanda Gilman and Fredrik Sivertsson). This recognition of the work of Scandinavian researchers in developmental and life-course criminology is surely remarkable!

Many thanks to Evan McCuish for his work as the DLC Graduate Student Representative, and especially for spearheading the establishment of the Outstanding Student Contribution Award. Evan will also be leaving the DLC Executive Board at the ASC, and we should all wish him well in his new career as an assistant professor at Simon Fraser University. It is important that a new Graduate Student Representative should be appointed who will help to recruit graduate student members of the DLC and also suggest how their interests might best be served.

Although he is not a member of the DLC Executive Board, Darrick Jolliffe has also made great contributions to the DLC, in organizing our annual social event at the ASC, and in chairing the new DLC Outreach Committee, which promotes the DLC through Facebook and Twitter. All DLC members should have received an invitation to this year's social event, which will be held at Barcadia on Thursday November 17 at 6.30-8.00pm. Please come and meet your friends and have a good time!

As you will see, Darrick Jolliffe, Alex Piquero, and I have written an article in this Newsletter arguing that more research is needed on life-course-persistent offenders. Please think of submitting an article to the next Newsletter, for the edification of all your colleagues in developmental and life-course criminology!

In conclusion, I would like to thank all DLC Executive Board members and all members of DLC committees for their altruistic work on behalf of the DLC. Many thanks to Beth Huebner for acting as our liaison with the ASC Executive Board. It has been a pleasure and a privilege for me to serve as the first Chair of the DLC, and I think that the DLC has come a long way in its first four years! I am confident that our new leaders Friedrich Lösel and Alex Piquero will take the DLC onward and upward to greater heights! As always, the DLC Executive Board would greatly welcome suggestions from you about activities that the DLC might engage in that would advance developmental and life-course criminology and criminal career research. I look forward to seeing you in New Orleans if not before!

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## Spread the Word!

Please send this newsletter to any of your colleagues who have an interest in developmental and life-course criminology. We would like to increase our membership so that we can build a larger DLC community of scholars.

Visit our web site at <http://www.dlccrim.org>

## Joining the ASC Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology (DLC)

If you would like to join the American Society of Criminology (ASC) Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology (DLC), you first need to be a member of the ASC. When you join the ASC, be sure to check the box that says "Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology."

To learn more about the ASC, visit

<http://asc41.com/index.htm>

To join the ASC and DLC division visit

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## Secretary/ Treasurer's Report

The Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology has continued to grow since we last reported; see Arjan's article in this newsletter for more details. We encourage all of the Division members to renew their membership of the Division if you haven't already done so. This will ensure you receive your electronic subscription to the Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology next year when free public access finishes.

Thank you to everyone who encouraged their developmental and life-course criminology colleagues who have not already done so, to join the Division. For those of you who have more people to contact, here is the link for ASC membership:

<http://www.asc41.com/appform1.html> If they're already ASC members, they can download the membership form and just complete the Division section and submit that to the ASC office.

We will be having our Division's annual meeting on Thursday 17 Nov, in New Orleans as part of the ASC annual meeting – see the conference program for more details. If you would like to submit an agenda item, please send it to me. We will also be having a social event on the evening of Thursday 17 Nov. See Darrick's article in this newsletter for more information on that. Members should have all received an invite to the event via Eventbrite. If you haven't received your invite, please contact me.

Financially the Division is doing well and we now have the financial resources to engage in some activities for members. Our expenditures this year have been:

- website hosting fees < <http://www.dlccrim.org> >
- awards
- social function at ASC conference in New Orleans
- promotional materials
- JDLCC membership subscriptions

Full financial details for the Division will be provided at our annual meeting in New Orleans and can also be obtained directly from Tara.

## DLC Committees

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## Nominations Committee Report

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Chair of the DLC Nominations Committee

In June 2016 the nominations committee sought nominations for the positions of Chair, Vice-Chair of the division, and one Executive Counsellor to chair the DLC program committee (each for a two-year term, from November 2016 to November 2018). This year, David Farrington (Chair) and Rolf Loeber (Vice Chair) were no longer eligible for re-election as they have served two consecutive terms in their respective positions. Elaine Doherty was eligible for re-election as an Executive Counsellor chairing the Program Committee.

The nominations committee received one nomination for Chair, one nomination for Vice-Chair, and two nominations for the Executive Counsellor position (chairing the DLC program committee). As such, the nominations committee did not have to vote on names to forward for the ASC election ballot because there were no more than two names for each available position. It is in those cases where there are more than two nominees for a position that the nominations committee will vote and submit their recommendation on which two to forward to appear on the ASC election ballot.

This year we are very pleased to announce that Friedrich Lösel will take up the position of Chair of the DLC Division, and Alex Piquero will take up the position of Vice Chair, both from November 2016 through November 2018. We are also pleased to announce that Elaine Doherty was re-elected by division members and will continue in her role as an Executive

Counsellor chairing the DLC program committee until November 2018.

The next call for nominations will occur in May 2017, and we will be seeking nominations for the positions of:

- Secretary/Treasurer (2017-2019);
- Executive Counsellor chairing the membership committee (2017-2019);
- Executive Counsellor chairing the nominations committee (2017-2019);
- Post Graduate representative (2017-2019).

On behalf of the DLC division, we would like to express our sincerest thanks to David and Rolf for their leadership over the past four years and establishing a strong foundation for the division from which to move forward.

## New Board Members



**Friedrich Lösel**

Friedrich Lösel, Dr. phil., Dr. sc. h.c., is emeritus professor and past director at the Institute of Criminology, Cambridge University (UK), and the Institute of Psychology, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (Germany).

Formerly, he was senior lecturer at Bamberg University, professor at Bielefeld University, director of the Social Sciences Research Center at Nuremberg, and project director at two Advanced Research Centers of the German Research Foundation.

He has carried out research on juvenile delinquency, developmental prevention, family education, offender treatment, prisoners and their families, football hooliganism, school bullying, psychopathy, resilience, close relationships, child abuse and other topics.



One of his current research projects is the 'Erlangen-Nuremberg Development and Prevention Study' that investigates about 600 children and their families from preschool to youth age.

Friedrich has published about 30 books, research monographs and special journal issues and about 400 articles in journals and books. Friedrich has served in numerous national and international capacities, e.g. as president of the European Association of Psychology and Law, president of the Criminological Society of the German-speaking countries, panel-chair of the Violence Commission of the German Government, and member of the expert panel on future policy strategies of the German Federal Chancellor.

Currently he works on the Correctional Services Accreditation and Advice Panel of England and Wales, on the coordinating group of the Campbell Crime and Justice Collaboration, as speaker of the steering committee of the new German National Center of Crime Prevention, and on various national and international advisory panels on crime prevention and control.

In recognition of his work he has received various awards, including the Sellin-Glueck Award of the American Society of Criminology (ASC), the Lifetime Achievement Award of the European Association of Psychology and Law, the Jerry Lee Award of the ASC Division of Experimental Criminology, the Lifetime Achievement Award of the ASC Division of Developmental and Life Course Criminology, the Joan McCord Award of the Academy of Experimental Criminology, the German Psychology Prize, and the Stockholm Prize in Criminology.



**Alex Piquero**

Alex R. Piquero is Ashbel Smith Professor of Criminology and Associate Dean for Graduate Programs in the School of Economic, Political, and Policy Sciences at the University of Texas at Dallas, Adjunct Professor Key Centre for Ethics, Law, Justice, and Governance, Griffith University, Faculty Affiliate, Center for Violence and Injury Prevention George Warren Brown School of Social Work Washington University in St. Louis, and was Co-Editor of the Journal of Quantitative Criminology from 2008 to 2013.

Prior to arriving at UT-Dallas, he was on the faculties of Florida State University, University of Maryland, John Jay College of Criminal Justice/City University of New York, University of Florida, Northeastern University, and Temple University.

He has published over 400 peer-reviewed articles in the areas of criminal careers, crime prevention, criminological theory, and quantitative research methods, and has collaborated on several books including Key Issues in Criminal Careers Research: New Analyses from the Cambridge Study in Delinquent Development (Cambridge University Press, co-authored with David P. Farrington and Alfred Blumstein) and Handbook of Quantitative Criminology (Springer, co-edited by David Weisburd).

His work has been cited over 21,000 times (h-index=82) and he has been ranked as the #1 criminologist in the world since 1996 in terms of scholarly publications in elite criminology/criminal justice journals.

In addition to his membership on over a dozen editorial boards of journals in criminology and sociology, he has also served as Executive Counselor with the American Society of

Criminology, Member of the National Academy of Sciences Panel Evaluating the National Institute of Justice, Member of the National Academy of Sciences Panel on A Prioritized Plan to Implement a Developmental Approach in Juvenile Justice Reform, Member of the National Academy of Sciences Panel on Modernizing the Nation's Crime Statistics, Member of the Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network at Ohio State University, and Member of the MacArthur Foundation's Research Network on Adolescent Development & Juvenile Justice.

Professor Piquero has given congressional testimony on evidence-based crime prevention practices in the area of early-family/parent training programs, and has provided counsel and support to several local, state, national, and international criminal justice agencies, including various police and correctional agencies. In 2015, United States Attorney General Eric Holder appointed him to the Office of Justice Programs Science Advisory Board.

Professor Piquero is past recipient of the American Society of Criminology's Young Scholar (2002) and E-Mail Mentor of the Year (2005) Awards, Fellow of both the American Society of Criminology (2011) and the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2011), recipient of the Western Society of Criminology President's Award (2017), and has also received numerous teaching awards including the University of Florida's College of Arts & Sciences Teacher of the Year Award (2004), the University of Maryland's Top Terp Teaching Award (2008), the University of Texas Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award (2014), as well as the University of Texas at Dallas Diversity Award.

Professor Piquero has served on a large number of departmental, school, college, and University committees, including most recently Co-Chair of the UT-Dallas Committee on Qualifications (i.e., University tenure and promotion committee).

In August 2015, he was selected by UT-Dallas President Wildenthal to serve on the UT System Working Group for Concealed Carry and he is organizing the UT-Dallas implementation

of the new Campus Carry Bill. His research has been featured in several television and newspapers including: *The New York Times*, *Reuters*, *CNN*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Huffington Post*, and *the Dallas Morning News*.



## DLC Social Event at the ASC Conference in New Orleans

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We are looking forward to seeing you at the DLC Social Event at the ASC in New Orleans. This is a chance to share a drink, some food and fabulous company with all (paid-up) members of the DLC.

The DLC 2016 Social Event will be held at the:

**Barcadia**  
**601 Tchoupitoulas Street**  
**New Orleans, LA 70130**

The time and date will be:

**Thursday November 17**  
**6:30pm until 8pm**

There will be some food and drinks can be purchased. The venue is a short 10 minute walk north from the conference hotel, so do come and enjoy some appetizers and great company. Also, bring quarters as Barcadia has a wall of 80s arcade games!

See more information at:

<http://barcadianeworleans.com/>

In order to attend the DLC social event you must be a paid up member of the DLC.



## Awards Committee Report

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### **The DLC Awards Committee has chosen the following award winners for 2016:**

#### **The Life-time Achievement Award:**

This award recognizes an individual who has a record of sustained and outstanding contributions to scholarly knowledge on developmental and life-course criminology (including criminal career research).

The 2016 winner is:

Alfred Blumstein  
Carnegie-Mellon University

#### **The Early Career Award:**

This award recognizes an individual (within 4 years after receiving the Ph.D. degree or a similar graduate degree) who has made a significant contribution to scholarly knowledge on developmental and life-course criminology in their early career.

The Committee chose two winners this year:

Lia Ahonen  
Orebro University (Sweden) and the  
University of Pittsburgh

and

Michael Rocque  
Bates College

#### **The Outstanding Contribution Award:**

This award recognizes an outstanding DLC book, article, or book chapter published in the previous two years (2014-2015). The Committee chose two winners this year:

Piquero, Alex R., Schubert, Carol A., & Brame, Robert (2014). Comparing official and self-report records of offending across gender and race/ethnicity in a longitudinal study of serious youthful offenders. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, 51, 526-556.

Skardhamar, Torbjorn, & Savolainen, Jukka (2014). Changes in criminal offending around the time of job entry: A study of employment and desistance. *Criminology*, 52, 263-291.

#### **The Outstanding Student Contribution Award:**

This award recognizes a student first author of an outstanding DLC book, article, or book chapter published in the previous two years (2014-2015).

The Committee chose two winners this year:

Gilman, Amanda B., Hill, Karl G., & Hawkins, J. David (2015). When is a youth's debt to society paid? Examining the long-term consequences of juvenile incarceration for adult functioning. *Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology*, 1, 33-47.

Sivertsson, Fredrik, & Carlsson, Christoffer (2015). Continuity, change, and contradictions: Risk and agency in criminal careers to age 59. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 42, 382-411.

David P. Farrington will present all these awards at the ASC in the DLC Open Meeting on Thursday November 17 from 2.00-3.20pm in the Compass Room of the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. Please come and congratulate all these award winners!

### **Biography: Alfred Blumstein**

Alfred Blumstein is a University Professor and the J. Erik Jonsson Professor of Urban Systems and Operations Research emeritus and former Dean (from 1986 to 1993) at the H. John Heinz III College of Carnegie Mellon University.

He has had extensive experience in both research and policy with the criminal justice system since serving the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice in 1966-67 as Director of its Task Force on Science and Technology.

He has chaired various NAS panels, including one on Research on Criminal Careers. In 1998, he was elected to membership in the National Academy of Engineering.

On the policy side, Dr. Blumstein served from 1979 to 1990 as Chairman of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, the state's criminal justice planning agency, and on the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing from 1986-96. He recently served as chair of the Science Advisory Board of the Office of Justice Programs in the U.S. Dept of Justice.

He was the recipient of the 2007 Stockholm Prize in Criminology. Dr. Blumstein is a Fellow of the American Society of Criminology, was the 1987 recipient of the Society's Sutherland Award for "contributions to research," and was the president of the Society in 1991-92.

His education includes a degree of Bachelor of Engineering Physics and a Ph.D. in Operations Research, both from Cornell University.

His research has covered many aspects of criminal-justice phenomena and policy, including crime measurement, criminal careers, sentencing, deterrence and incapacitation, prison populations, demographic trends, juvenile violence, drug-enforcement policy, and redemption from a stale criminal record.

### **Biography: Lia Ahonen**

Dr. Ahonen earned her degree at Örebro University, Sweden in 2013 and is currently a Visiting Research Fellow at the Life History Studies Program, Department of Psychiatry, University of Pittsburgh, PA, USA and Assistant Professor in Criminology at Örebro University, Sweden. She is also the former department chair of the Psychology Department, Örebro University, Sweden.

Her research interests are juvenile delinquency and serious antisocial behavior, violence and mental illness, gun violence and policy, juvenile justice organizations, corrections and general justice related policy issues.

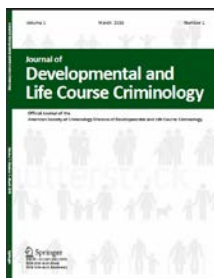
Dr. Ahonen has received immediately after her graduation three grants to pursue research on longitudinal data from the Pittsburgh Girls study, and she has previously published on both the Pittsburgh Girls Study and the Pittsburgh Youth Study. Dr. Ahonen is also involved locally in a nationwide longitudinal study on the relationship between marijuana use and the developing brain (The ABCD Study).

### **Biography: Michael Rocque**

Michael Rocque is an Assistant Professor in the Bates College Department of Sociology. He is also the Senior Research Advisor for the Maine Department of Corrections. Michael received his BA from the University of Maine, Orono, his MA from the University of Maryland, College Park, and his PhD from Northeastern University in 2013.

Michael's research focuses on life-course criminology, crime prevention, and corrections. He has been published in the Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency, Justice Quarterly, the Journal of Criminal Justice, and the Journal of Experimental Criminology. Along with Nicole Rafter and Chad Posick, he is the author of the 2nd edition of the Criminal Brain (NYU Press). His first solo book Desistance from Crime: New Advances in Theory and Research will be published in April of 2017 (Palgrave-MacMillan).





## Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology Report



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The Division's Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology recently published a special issue on Gendered Experiences in Developmental Pathways to Crime. It was published in Sept 2016 and the articles are listed below and available on this link:

<http://link.springer.com/journal/40865/2/3/page/1>

You can read more about our reflections on the topic and the papers in the special issue in our Editorial Introduction. The papers published include:

- The Relationship Between Developmental Trajectories Of Girls' Offending And Police Charges: Results From The Pittsburgh Girls Study (Lia Ahonen, Wesley G. Jennings, Rolf Loeber, David P. Farrington)
- Running the Gauntlet: Understanding Commercial Sexual Exploitation and the Pathways Perspective to Female Offending (Lisa Pasko, Meda Chesney-Lind)
- Age-Graded Pathways into Crime: Evidence from a Multi-Site Retrospective Study of Incarcerated Women (Sally S. Simpson, Mariel Alper, Laura Dugan, Julie Horney, Candace Kruttschnitt, Rosemary Gartner)

- How "Gendered" Are Gendered Pathways into Prison?: a Latent Class Analysis of the Life Experiences of Male and Female Prisoners in The Netherlands (Katharina J. Joosen, Hanneke Palmen, Candace Kruttschnitt, Catrien Bijleveld, Anja Dirkzwager, Paul Nieuwebeerta)
- The Effects of Age at Prison Release on Women's Desistance Trajectories: a Mixed-Method Analysis (Erin M. Kerrison, Ronet Bachman, Raymond Paternoster)
- Catching Up in Crime? Long-Term Processes of Recidivism Across Gender (Fredrik Sivertsson)

A further special issue on gendered pathways into crime will be published later in 2017 and the final issue of the journal for 2016 will be published in December. There are also new articles being added regularly to online first, so be sure to check out the latest papers at <http://link.springer.com/journal/40865>

The Journal seeks to advance knowledge and understanding of developmental dimensions of offending across the life-course. Research that examines current theories, debates, and knowledge gaps within Developmental and Life-Course Criminology is encouraged. The journal welcomes theoretical papers, empirical papers, and papers that explore the translation of developmental and life-course research into policy and/or practice. Papers that present original research or explore new directions for examination are also encouraged. The journal also welcomes all rigorous methodological approaches and orientations. The Journal of Developmental and Life-course Criminology encourages submissions from a broad array of cognate disciplines including but not limited to psychology, statistics, sociology, psychiatry, neuroscience, geography, political science, history, social work, epidemiology, public health, and economics.

The Journal's co-editors-in-chief are Tara Renae McGee and Paul Mazerolle of Griffith University, Australia. The Associate Editors are Alex Piquero, USA; Ray Corrado, Canada; Georgia Zara, Europe; and Darrick Jolliffe, UK. The Editorial Manager of the Journal is Fiona Saunders and the journal is hosted by Griffith University. Further information about the journal can be found on the journal's website <http://www.springer.com/40865> and any queries can be directed to Tara, Paul, or Fiona at [<jdldcc@griffith.edu.au>](mailto:jdldcc@griffith.edu.au).

We welcome your submissions!



## Outreach Committee Report

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The DLC Outreach Committee is continuing to promote the DLCC through Facebook and Twitter, but we need your help.

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## Membership Committee Report

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We have reached a milestone! At present the current membership of the Division is over 300.

We are happy and proud that the Division has generated the interest and enthusiasm of so many researchers and bid a warm welcome to all those who have joined the Division over the summer.

Members now come from 18 different countries across the globe, and not just those that have a reputation for doing life-course research, like the US, Australia, the UK, Scandinavia, the Netherlands and Germany, but also countries where life-course criminology is still budding like Brazil, Japan, Korea and Turkey.

We hope that membership of the Division will help researchers in these countries to establish high-quality life-course research projects and encourage them and other members to make use of the experience and expertise available within the ranks of the Division.

The upcoming ASC meeting will see the return of the Division table where those interested can be informed about the workings of the Division, and of course can join the Division – if they have not done so already.

Like last year, we call upon volunteers to sit behind the table during conference hours. Members willing to help out can send me an email with your preferred time slot. We will then draft a schedule taking turns behind the table so that there will plenty of time to attend presentation and enjoy the conference.

If you were at the table last year and got yourself a bag with the Division's logo, don't forget to bring it and advertise the Division during your visit to New Orleans.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



## DLC Panels of Interest at the Upcoming ASC Conference

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We have an exciting program this year with a record number of panels focusing on developmental and life course criminology. The DLC program committee organized this year's highlighted panel and 11 thematic panels. Additionally, there are 18 thematic panels and regular sessions of interest that were independently submitted under the sub-area of Developmental and Life Course Perspectives. These panels are listed below by date and time with a double asterisk (\*\*) denoting the DLC organized panels. I look forward to seeing everyone in New Orleans!

### HIGHLIGHTED PANEL

Thursday, Nov 17th  
12:30pm to 1:50pm

Mapping the "Life Course" of Developmental and Life Course Theory: A Discussion-Based Session Reflecting on the Past and Charting Pathways for the Future

David Farrington, Peggy Giordano, Lisa Broidy, and Lila Kazemian will engage in a discussion that takes stock of developmental and life course criminology as it has matured over the past several decades. Drawing on the insights from these developmental and life course panelists who represent multiple generations of thought, this discussion-based panel will reflect upon the field's past and identify the most pressing challenges that face us today. The session will include a moderated discussion involving the panelists and audience members, led by Bianca Bersani.

Chart A, Riverside Complex

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16

8:00 am to 9:20 am  
 \*\*Applying Criminal Career Thinking  
 Grand Salon 7, 1st Level

9:30 am to 10:50 am  
 \*\*Revisiting Roxbury: Crime, Gang Networks and the Life Course  
 Grand Salon 24, 1st Level  
 \*\*Developmental and Life Course Consequences of Parental Incarceration  
 Marlborough A, 2nd Level

11:00 am to 12:20pm  
 Alternative Perspectives to Understanding Persistence and Desistance from Offending  
 Bridge, Riverside Complex  
 \*\*From Cradle to Grave: Crime Across the Entire Life Course  
 Steering, Riverside Complex

12:30 pm to 1:50 pm  
 \*\*Decisions in Context: Using Life Course and Narrative Analysis to Analyze Offender and Officer Actions  
 Eglinton Winton, 2nd Level

2:00 to 3:20pm  
 \*\*Factors that Promote or Impede Desistance for Serious, Violent, and Sexual Offenders  
 Camp, 3rd Level

3:30 to 4:50pm  
 \*\*Desistance In and Out of Prison  
 Grand Salon 4, 1st Level  
 \*\*Antisocial Behavior, Violence, and Offending Across the Life Course  
 Grand Salon 9, 1st Level

5:00 pm to 6:20 pm  
 \*\*Developmental and Life Course Perspectives on Early and Late Onset Offending  
 Grand Salon 3, 1st Level  
 \*\*Examining Theoretical Propositions for Offending Career Dimensions  
 Prince of Wales, 2<sup>nd</sup> Level

### THURSDAY, NOV. 17

8:00 to 9:20am  
 \*\*Contemplating Criminal Career Dimensions  
 Grand Salon 7, 1<sup>st</sup> Level

9:30 to 10:50am

**\*\*Exploring and Explaining Pathways in Crime**  
Grand Ballroom A, 1st Level

11:00 am to 12:20 pm

**\*\*Life Course Implications of Violent Offending and  
Victimization**  
Chart C, Riverside Complex

**\*\*Intergenerational Effects of Parental Deviance and  
Incarceration**  
Grand Salon 10, 1st Level

**\*\*Examining the Impact of Job Skills, Work, and  
Financial Independence on Offending Outcomes**  
Grand Salon 24, 1st Level

12:30 pm to 1:50 pm

**\*\*Longitudinal Data Release: Causes and Correlates  
of Delinquency and Northwestern Juvenile  
Project**  
Grand Salon 21, 1st Level

DLC Highlighted Panel (see first listing above)

2:00 to 3:20pm

**\*\*Revisiting the Critical Role of Childhood Factors  
in Predicting Later Life Outcomes I**  
Starboard, Riverside Complex

5:00 to 6:20pm

**\*\*Longitudinal and Life Course Perspectives on the  
Development of Psychopathy and Antisocial  
Behavior**  
Jefferson Ballroom, 3rd Level

## **FRIDAY, NOV. 18**

8:00 to 9:20am

**\*\*Revisiting the Critical Role of Childhood Factors  
in Predicting Later Life Outcomes II**  
Grand Salon 19, 1st Level

**\*\*Adapting to Your Audience, A SNAP Story**  
Grand Salon 6, 1st Level

9:30 am to 10:50 am

**\*\*Education, Punishment and Antisocial Behavior:  
Effects Across the Life Course**  
Grand Salon 10, 1st Level

11:00 am to 12:20pm

**\*\*Narrating the Life Course and the Process of  
Desistance**  
Grand Salon 13, 1st Level

**\*\*Life Circumstances and Desistance from  
Offending**  
Marlborough B, 2nd Level

2:00 to 3:20pm

**\*\*Romantic Relationships and Criminal Offending**  
Prince of Wales, 2nd Level

**\*\*The Gendered Context of Life Events and Their  
Impact on Offending and Desistance**  
Quarterdeck A, Riverside Complex

## **SATURDAY, NOV 19**

8:00 to 9:20am

**\*\*The Role of Peers in Crime and Deviance over the  
Life Course**  
Quarterdeck B, Riverside Complex

11:00am to 12:20pm

**\*\*The Importance of Parenting across Multiple  
Dimensions of the Life Course**  
Grand Salon 9, 1st Level

# **Will there be a New ASC Division of Biopsychosocial Criminology?!?!**

DLC division-members whose interests include psychological and biological influences in addition to social factors may be interested in a round-table at ASC in November this year on the possible formation of a Division of Biopsychosocial Criminology. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday November 16** from 11:00am to 12:20pm in the Hilton Hotel, Durham Room, 3rd Level. Introductory comments will be given by David Farrington, Adrian Raine, JC Barnes, and Eric Connolly. All are very much welcome!

Adrian Raine.



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## Send us Your Recent and Upcoming Citations

If you have one or more recent publications that might be of interest to Developmental and Life-Course scholars, please send the citation(s) to the next editor of the DLC Criminologist.

## MORE RESEARCH IS NEEDED ON LIFE- COURSE PERSISTENT OFFENDERS!



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### Background

A number of methods of classifying offenders have been proposed by researchers. However, Moffitt's (1993) developmental taxonomy, in which offenders are classified as either life-course-persistent (LCP) or adolescence-limited (AL) offenders, has proven to be, arguably, the most influential. In this theory, AL offenders are hypothesized to restrict their involvement in antisocial behavior to their teenage years, with these offenders naturally 'growing out' of offending later. LCP offenders, on the other hand, start offending in childhood and early adolescence and do not desist for many years, committing a range of serious offenses, including violence, throughout their life-course. LCP offenders are thought to comprise a

relatively small proportion of the general population (about 5%) but to be responsible for a disproportionate amount of offending.

It is important to distinguish LCP offenders from chronic offenders, defined as those who account for a disproportionate number of offenses in a cohort. Wolfgang et al. (1972), in their study of 9,945 boys born in 1945 in Philadelphia, found that 6% of the boys accounted for 52% of all of the crimes of the cohort up to age 18. A number of other studies in different geographical locations have noted a similar proportion of chronic offenders (e.g. Blumstein et al., 1985). There is clearly overlap between chronic offenders and LCP offenders, but the major distinction is that chronic offenders are classified according to the number of their offenses relative to others in the cohort. By definition, every cohort of offenders will have those who will have committed more offenses and comprise a chronic group, but this chronic offending may not be persistent. In contrast, LCP offenders are classified according to the duration of their criminal careers. LCP offenders are likely to be chronic offenders across the life-course, but chronic offenders may not be LCP offenders (e.g., Piquero et al. 2010).

It is also important to distinguish LCP offenders who are identified based on the duration of their offending in prospective longitudinal studies from offenders with LCP trajectories of offending. Trajectory analysis, pioneered in criminology by Nagin and Land (1993), has become extremely popular in the last 20 years, but there are questions about the ability of this statistical method to accurately represent the reality of types of offenders and changes in offending across the life-course (Skardhamar, 2010). Trajectories are statistical concepts, and assigning particular offenders to particular trajectories may be problematic. The important point is that offenders who are assigned to LCP trajectories do not necessarily have long criminal careers. We believe that prospective longitudinal studies starting in childhood or adolescence and following up into late adulthood are the only way to properly investigate LCP offending.

## Method

We have completed a systematic review whose main purpose was to study LCP offending, defined according to criminal career duration, using prospective longitudinal studies.

The inclusion criteria for this systematic review were:

1. The study must be based on a general community sample of at least 300 individuals.
2. The study must have started collecting information in childhood or early adolescence and have follow-up information about offending up to at least age 30. Studying offending up to at least age 30 allows for a clearer determination of whether individuals are LCP or AL offenders, as opposed to simply following individuals until late adolescence or very early adulthood in the 20s.
3. The study must contain measures of self-reported or official offending.
4. Only longitudinal studies in which the findings were reported in English were included. Beyond this there were no geographical restrictions on where the studies were conducted.

## Results

### Studies Located

Relevant papers, information and in some cases data were obtained based on searches and contacts with principal investigators (for full results, see Jolliffe et al., 2017). Only 30 longitudinal studies could be identified which followed individuals up to at least age 30. Of these, 11 had data on both self-reported and official offending, 18 had only official offending and one had only self-reported offending. It was not possible to obtain relevant information about LCP offenders from many of these studies.

It seems that only 10 studies have published papers on the prevalence of LCP offenders. The estimated prevalence of male LCP offenders

ranged from 1.6% (Montreal Two-Sample Longitudinal Studies; LeBlanc & Frechette, 1989) to 29.1% (Jyvaskyla Longitudinal Study of Personality and Social Development; Pulkkinen et al., 2009). There was considerable variation in the estimated prevalence of LCP offenders, which, was at least partly attributable to different definitions of LCP and different measurement features of the prospective longitudinal studies (e.g., using combined official and self-reported offending, different lengths of follow-up).

Unfortunately, none of these studies had conceptualized LCP offending based on criminal career duration. LCP offenders were typically defined as those who committed an offense as a young person (usually up to age 17) and again as an adult (usually from age 18 up to the most recent follow-up age of that study). While this definition might make intuitive sense as it reflects committing offenses both as a 'youth' and as an 'adult', according to most criminal justice systems, this definition is much too inclusive. Using a 'youth' plus 'adult' offense to define 'persistent' means that those who committed repeated offenses between the ages of 10 and 30 would be included in the same category as those who committed only two offenses at ages 17 and 18. In order to study true LCP offending, or offending that continues across much of the life-course, it is essential to define LCP offending based on offending for a minimum length of time, or a set criminal career duration.

### LCP Offenders

In 7 cases it was possible to obtain actual data, making it possible to impose a common definition of LCP offending which was based on criminal career duration. This common definition required a first offense up to age 20 and then at least another offense at age 30 or later. For the Pittsburgh Youth Study (PYS) the definition of offending was based on arrests, and for the Seattle Social Development Project (SSDP) it was based on self-reported offending. For all other studies the definition was based on convictions.



**Table 1. Key Features of Life-Course-Persistent Offenders**

	<b>PYS</b>	<b>CSDD</b>	<b>1953 BC</b>	<b>1958 BC</b>	<b>SSDP</b>	<b>Transfive G3</b>	<b>Transfive G4</b>
Prevalence of LCP	13.5	11.9	3.7	2.8	3.0	11.4	10.1
Av. Age of Onset	14.2	15.4	15.4	15.4	13.0	15.5	16.3
Av. Offenses per Offender	21.2	9.9	8.8	9.4	239.5	10.9	17.4
Av. Duration (years)	19.0	29.9	19.5	16.7	18.8	29.8	25.5

Notes: PYS=Pittsburgh Youth Study (Loeber et al., 2008), CSDD=Cambridge Study in Delinquent Development (Farrington et al., 2013), BC= British Birth Cohort Studies (MacLeod et al., 2012) SSDP=Seattle Social Development Project (Hawkins et al., 2003), Transfive= Dutch Birth Cohort Studies (Bijleveld & Wijkman, 2009).

Table 1 shows that the estimated prevalence of LCP offenders ranged from 2.8% to 13.5%. Again, key features of the studies, such as the duration of the follow-up period and the measurement of offending, influenced this estimate. Importantly, Table 1 also shows that the average criminal career duration ranged from 16.7 years to 29.9 years.

### Comparison with Trajectories

It is more realistic to define LCP offenders based on a first offense up to age 20 and a last offense at age 40 or later. When this definition was applied in the CSDD, there were 37 LCP offenders (9.4%), 88 AL offenders (with a first offense up to age 20 and a last offense before age 40; 22.4%), 41 late-onset offenders (with a first offense after age 20; 10.4%) and 227 nonoffenders. These categories were mutually exclusive and exhaustive. Eighteen males were

excluded because they died or emigrated permanently before age 40.

Farrington et al. (2013) analyzed trajectories in the CSDD up to different ages. Up to age 56, there were five trajectories: nonoffenders, low adolescence peak offenders, very low rate chronic offenders, high adolescence peak offenders, and high-rate chronic offenders. In another analysis, we also defined chronic offenders as those with 10 or more convictions. These 29 males (7.4% of 393 males at risk) accounted for 451 of the 846 convictions (53.3%). Table 2 shows that 17 of those 29 males were identified as high rate chronic offenders in the trajectory analysis, while 11 were identified as high adolescence peak offenders (and one was a low adolescence peak offender).

**Table 2. Trajectories, Chronics, and LCP Offenders**

<b>Trajectories</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>CHR</b>	<b>LO</b>	<b>AL</b>	<b>LCP</b>
Nonoffender	234	227	7	0	2	5	0
Low adolescence peak	88	0	87	1	14	69	5
Very low rate chronic	38	0	38	0	25	0	13
High adolescence peak	13	0	2	11	0	12	1
High rate chronic	20	0	3	17	0	2	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>37</b>

Notes: NO=Nonoffender, NC=Non-Chronic offender, CHR=Chronic offender, LO=Late Onset, AL=Adolescence Limited, LCP=Life-Course-Persistent

Importantly, 18 of the 20 high-rate chronic offenders were identified as LCP offenders (Table 2). However, they comprised only about half of the LCP offenders (18 out of 37). Of the other LCP offenders, 13 were identified as very low rate chronic offenders, five were low adolescence peak offenders, and one was a high adolescence peak offender. This analysis shows that LCP offenders, defined according to the duration of their criminal careers, are not the same as high rate chronic offenders identified in trajectory analyses.

### Conclusion

Very little is known about LCP offenders, defined according to criminal career duration, despite the fact that a number of studies possess the data to investigate this. A minimum definition of LCP offenders would suggest that they should start offending by age 20 and continue offending to at least age 30. A more reasonable definition of 'life-course persistent' would require a continuation of offending at least to age 40. On this definition, very few researchers have ever studied LCP offenders. Clearly, more research on this important offender type is urgently needed.

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## A Note from the Editor

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This newsletter is number eight in the series, and it looks like this will be the last newsletter that I will be editing. It has been a fun time working with everyone associated with publishing these newsletters, and I would continue doing so if I was able. However, I am taking on a new job that will be taking up a considerable portion of my days. I will probably not have the time needed to devote to editing the DLC newsletter and maintaining the DLC website and will have to step aside and let someone else have all the fun.

We are very grateful to the people who have contributed to putting these newsletters together. The publication process involved interaction between many people over the past four years and it was very nice to get to know all of you.

This newsletter is designed to promote DLC scholarship. If you would like to place something in the next newsletter, please send your proposal to the next editor.

Please remember that the DLC web site is available at <http://www.dlccrim.org>. Ideas for improving the DLC web site are welcome.

I wish you the best.

Tom Arnold

## Upcoming Events and Announcements

The newsletter committee encourage members to inform about upcoming meetings, conferences, courses and other interesting events relating to the division.

Please let us know if you have published something new this next year and we will try to get it into the next newsletter.