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WELCOME FROM THE DIVISION CHAIR - FRIEDRICH LÖSEL

HIGHLIGHTS

- > Welcome from the new chair
- > Award winners
- > New research

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This Spring 2017 Newsletter is the first one during my office as Chair of the ASC Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology. It is a great honor for me that Division members felt that I should follow David

Farrington, our past chair. I have been ambivalent about my candidacy for this office because I was aware that it is nearly impossible to fill the large boots that David, as a giant of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology, has left for his successors. However, due to my research on resilience I am convinced that human beings can learn from challenges and sometimes they cope better than they feared. Research on resilience has told us that one needs some personal resources and, in particular, social resources to master challenges. I have carried out many functions in my life and hope that these experiences provided me with some individual capacities for chairing the Division. More important are the social resources that I expected and have indeed experienced from the start of my office.

David gave me detailed advice on the chair's role. He often tells colleagues not to waste too much time in administration and he is a very effective role model for handling administrative tasks. He said to me that chairing DLC will not be much work because there is a great team of colleagues and friends who are extremely efficient. For a developmental researcher the time frame from last November to now is rather short, but my experience shows that his diagnosis was highly valid. This leaves me with the pleasant 'duty' of expressing my gratitude to members of the Executive Board.

At first I wish to thank David for all his work on founding and leading the Division. I remember that his initiative was triggered by strange decisions of a criminological journal that even did not review a submitted paper because they felt there is already (too) much developmental criminology. As one would expect from theories on reactance, David counter-acted. Developmental and life-course criminology is indeed one of the most successful areas in criminology over the last decades. Among other indicators this is shown by numerous important research projects and publications in our field. Prospective longitudinal research has made great progress and programs and evaluations of developmental prevention have also strongly expanded. Approximately half of the winners of the Stockholm Prize in Criminology have carried out their main research on developmental topics and the 2017 laureate, Richard Tremblay, also comes from our quarters. A brief bio of Richard is included in this newsletter. The Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology became quickly established and broadly recognized. After a few years the Division of DLC Criminology is already the fourth largest ASC Division and in close distance to the somewhat larger ones.

Since David was the initiator and driver of this successful journey, the Division's Executive Board decided to name the newly established lecture of the Division of DLC Criminology's Lifetime Achievement Award Winner after him.

As a consequence we can listen to the first David Farrington Lecture in 2017 at Philadelphia. These lectures will become an attractive part of our members' meetings that are open to all ASC conference delegates. Of course, we discussed with David the naming of the award after a living person, but there are other examples for that, and we all hope that he will be with us for many more years and publications. My forecast is that we can celebrate his thousandth publication (confidence interval plus/minus 3) around the time of the first David Farrington Lecture in November. In accordance with the practice of other ASC Divisions the Division of DLC Criminology Lifetime Achievement Award will remain unnamed.

I also wish to thank Rolf Loeber, another giant in developmental and life-course criminology. Rolf has been Vice-Chair during David's time as chair and has also been extremely helpful in launching the Division. I am sure we all can rely on his further support and advice in the future. My sincere thanks also go to Adrian Raine who has been Past Chair and strongly involved in drafting our constitution. He is now chair of the new ASC Division of BioPsychoSocial Criminology. Similar to other divisions, this will not be a competitor to our Division but demonstrates the overlap of areas in criminology. Another person whose period on the Executive Board has ended is Tom Arnold. He has been our very successful Newsletter and Website Editor, but now needs to invest more time in his tenured career. Many thanks, Tom, for your great work! We are also grateful to the work of Evan McCuish who had left the Division's Executive Board as our Graduate Student Representative and became an

assistant professor at Simon Fraser University.

I am very grateful that Henriette Bergström accepted our invitation to take over the position of Newsletter Editor from Tom Arnold. She very quickly settled into this new role and you can see the excellent product in front of you. As you may know, the Division also has a new Vice-Chair, Alex Piquero. Alex and I had many email exchanges over the last months and I am happy that we agreed about everything. Obviously, similar views and attitudes are a matter of basic scientific orientation and not of age, culture, nationality etcetera. I am looking forward to a great cooperation on the Division's Executive Board. Another new member on the Board is our Graduate Student Representative, Erin Castro from the University of Florida. Welcome! Many thanks also to those student members who also have been ready to stand as candidates and Jesse Cale for organizing the election.

Alex and I are grateful that most of the members of the Board remained in office, although some terms will run out soon. The greatest asset of the Division was and is, of course, Tara McGee. I am sure that you all agree when I particularly applaud her for her perfect work as our Secretary and Treasurer. I am personally particularly grateful that she currently cares for a smooth transition on the Board. She is doing that not only in addition to her regular duties at Griffith University, but also to her demanding role as Editor in chief (together with Paul Mazerolle) of the Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology and most recently her

office as President of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology. Congratulations and many thanks!

Other colleagues who agreed to continue as Executive Counselors on the Board are Arjan Blokland, Jesse Cale and Elaine Doherty. Many thanks to them for continuing their service to our Division! I also wish to express my gratitude to Darrick Jolliffe who is leading our Outreach Committee. He and his committee members care for our presence in the social media on the internet. Darrick will also once again prepare our Social Event at Philadelphia. It will take place in the evening after the Division's members' meeting. For further details see the autumn newsletter and the email invitation that will be sent out. I also wish to thank Patrick Lussier for contributing an article on DLC perspectives on sexual violence and abuse to this newsletter and all colleagues who share their recent publications with us.

Let me finally come back to the size of our group. As mentioned, we grew fast, but we could expand further and thus strengthen our financial basis. Please alert interested people in your department to our activities and website. Tell them that our annual membership fee of \$10 is extremely cheap and it includes an electronic copy of the journal. You may consider forwarding them a copy of this newsletter. Let us work on further development not only in research but also in the life of the Division. I thank you in advance and look forward to meeting you at Philadelphia in November.

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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

<http://asc41.com/appform1.html>



SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

The Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology has continued to grow but it is important that we make sure members renew their memberships and we continue to encourage others to join; see Arjan's article in this newsletter for more details. Renewing your Division membership via the ASC membership form will ensure you receive your electronic subscription to the Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology.

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 16 Nov, in Philadelphia as part of the ASC annual meeting. We will also be having a social event, organized by Darrick Jolliffe, on the evening of Thursday 17 November. Members will receive invitations and more information about that later in the year.

Financially the Division is doing well. We have not had any expenses this year but later in the year we will have to purchase website hosting fees, award plaques, and the Division's social function. Full financial statements can be obtained directly from Tara.

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DLC PANELS OF INTEREST AT ASC 2017

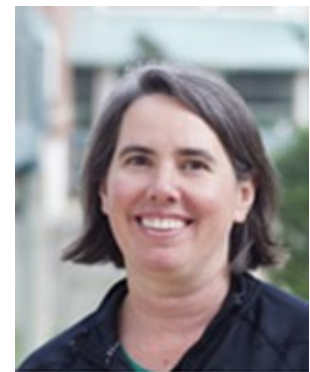
The DLC has organized several exciting thematic panels this year that will discuss a range of topics important to developmental and life course criminology. Amber Beckley has organized a panel of researchers who are using the impressive Nordic register data to study crime and its consequences over the life course; Leanna Bouffard has organized a group of presenters who will consider issues in developmental and biosocial criminology with a specific focus on gender; Jessica Craig has organized a set of presentations that examines Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) under a variety of conditions; Kim Kras has organized a series of papers that focus on prisoner reentry within a life course framework; Evan McCuish has organized panelists who will discuss the overlap and distinctions between chronic, serious, and persistent offending; Kimberley Meyer organized a panel of researchers focusing on juvenile offenders and their turning points into and out of crime; and, finally, I have compiled a set of presentations focused on the interrelationships between substance use, crime, and the criminal justice system into midlife. Below is a list of the panel titles and panelists. Thanks to the program committee for putting together some great panels!



Crime and its consequences: Studies using Nordic register data

Discussant: Amber L. Beckley

- ⇒ Long-term Prediction of Youth Crime
Torbjørn Skardhamar, Torkild H. Lyngstad, and Richard Berk
- ⇒ Criminal Careers and Types of Occupations – What kinds of jobs are criminally active persons typically employed in?
Mikko Aaltonen and Frank Weerman
- ⇒ Atypical desistance: Turning away from persistent offending into ideologically motivated crime
Jerzy Sarnecki



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ACEs and their Impact on Later Life Outcomes

Chair: Jessica Craig

- ⇒ Longitudinal Patterns of Maternal Spanking: Variations by Race and Ethnicity
Wendi Johnson
- ⇒ The Racial and Gender Differences in the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Juvenile Residential Placement
Haley Zettler, Kevin Wolff, Michael Baglivio, Jessica Craig, and Nathan Epps
- ⇒ Exploring Protective Factors in the ACE-Offending Relationship
Jessica Craig, Michael Baglivio, Alex Piquero, Kevin Wolff, & Jonathan Intravia

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Bringing Gender In: Issues in Developmental and Biosocial Criminology

Chair: Danielle Boisvert

- ⇒ Further Evaluating the Role of Sensation Seeking in the Relationship between Resting Heart Rate and Antisocial Phenotypes in Males and Females
Nicolas Kavish, Danielle Boisvert, Todd Armstrong
- ⇒ The Relationship between Psychopathic Personality Traits and Rape Myth Acceptance across Gender
Eric Cooke, Richard Lewis, Danielle Boisvert, Leana Bouffard, Brittany Hayes, Todd Armstrong
- ⇒ Psychopathy and Low Reactive Autonomic Nervous System Function as a Buffer against Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in Victims
Richard H. Lewis, Danielle Boisvert, and Todd Armstrong
- ⇒ Stress Sensitization and Biological Stress Responsivity: A Developmental Approach to the Impact of Stress across Gender

Navigating Reentry in a Life Course Framework

Chair: Kimberly R. Kras

- ⇒ Inequalities by Crime Type: The Cost of a Sex Offense Conviction
Beth M. Huebner, Breanne Pleggenkuhle, and Kimberly R. Kras
- ⇒ Goals for Desistance: Future versus Reality Among a Group of Men with Sex Offense Convictions
Kimberly R. Kras, Breanne Pleggenkuhle, and Beth M. Huebner
- ⇒ When poverty doesn't lead to crime: Understanding buffering effects for women offenders
Miriam Northcutt Bohmert
- ⇒ Strategies to Avoid Offending among Female Desisters and Persisters
Jennifer E. Cobbina, Merry Morash, Deborah Kashy, and Sandi W. Smith

Chronic and Serious Offending: Two Sides of the Same Coin?

Chair: Evan McCuish

- ⇒ Early-onset, Chronic Offending, and Life-course Persistence: When the Concepts of Career Criminal and Offender Dangerousness Do Not Converge
Patrick Lussier, Evan McCuish, Martin Bouchard, and Raymond Corrado
- ⇒ Chronic, dangerous, or both? Using psychopathy to help explain the unfolding of a more serious criminal career
Evan McCuish, Patrick Lussier, and Raymond Corrado
- ⇒ An examination of developmental patterns of chronic offending from self-report records and official data: Evidence from the Pittsburgh Girls Study
Wesley G. Jennings, Rolf Loeber, Lia Ahonen, Alex Piquero, and David Farrington

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Turning Points to Desistance for Today's Youth

Chair: Kimberly S. Meyer

- ⇒ How I Turned Out: Juvenile Probationers' Views on Getting into and Out of the System
Kimberly S. Meyer
- ⇒ The Changing Transition to Adulthood for Contemporary Delinquent Adolescents
Timothy Kang
- ⇒ All in the Family? Assessing Trauma Associated with Family Members' Justice System Involvement
Stephanie Ann Wiley and Lee Ann Slocum

Relationship of Drugs, Crime, and Criminal Justice Involvement Across the Life Course

Chair: Elaine Eggleston Doherty

- ⇒ Duration and Timing of Substance Use Careers and Their Relationship with Crime
Elaine Eggleston Doherty, Kerry M. Green, and Margaret E. Ensminger
- ⇒ Childhood Adversities and Early Adaptation: Their Combined Impact on Adult Crime and Substance Use
Margaret E. Ensminger, Elaine Eggleston Doherty, Kerry M. Green, and Cristan Smith
- ⇒ The Interrelationship of Substance Use and Crime over the Life Course of an Urban African American Cohort
Kerry M. Green, Elaine Eggleston Doherty, and Margaret E. Ensminger

Roundtable Session: The Replication Issue in Science and its Relevance for Criminology

Chairs: Robert F. Boruch, University of Pennsylvania & Friedrich Lösel, Cambridge University and Erlangen–Nuremberg University

Discussants:

- ⇒ David P. Farrington, Cambridge University
- ⇒ Denise Gottfredson, University of Maryland
- ⇒ Mark Lipsey, Vanderbilt University
- ⇒ Lorraine Mazerolle, University of Queensland
- ⇒ Lawrence W. Sherman, Cambridge University and University of Maryland
- ⇒ David Weisburd, Hebrew University and George Mason University

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



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The DLC Executive Board has established four awards: The Life-Time Achievement Award, the Early Career Award, the Outstanding Contribution Award, and the Outstanding Student Contribution Award. Nominations are now invited for the 2017 Awards. Developmental and life-course criminology includes criminal career research. Nominees do not need to be DLC members. Send materials to David Farrington (dpfl@cam.ac.uk), Chair of the DLC Awards Committee, by **June 30, 2017**. Recipients will receive their awards at the ASC meeting in November in Philadelphia.

The **Life-time Achievement Award** recognizes an individual who has a record of sustained and outstanding contributions to scholarly knowledge on developmental and life-course criminology. Nominators should send an email specifying the contributions of the nominee to developmental and life-course criminology plus a vita of the nominee.

The **Early Career Award** recognizes an individual who received a Ph.D. or similar graduate degree no more than four years ago (no earlier than 2013) who has made a significant contribution to scholarly knowledge on developmental and life-course criminology in their early career. Nominators should send an email specifying the contributions of the nominee to developmental and life-course criminology plus a vita of the nominee.

The **Outstanding Contribution Award** and the **Outstanding Student Contribution Award** recognize an outstanding DLC book, article, or book chapter published in the previous two years (2015-2016). For the Outstanding Student Contribution Award, the first author must have been an undergraduate or graduate student when the work was submitted for publication. Nominators should submit a copy of the work and a one page summary of its significance.

Send materials to David Farrington
(dpfl@cam.ac.uk),
by
June 30, 2017.

NOMINATION REPORT

Election of Graduate Student Representative

In February 2017, the Nominations Committee sought nominations for the Graduate Student Representative, as the previous holder of this post (Evan McCuish) was no longer a graduate student. Five nominations were received, and all were placed on an election ballot sent out to all DLC members. Erin Castro received the most votes and has been welcomed to the DLC Executive Board as the Graduate Student Representative.

Call for Nominations for the 2017 Election

The DLC nominations committee is currently seeking nominations for the positions of **Secretary/treasurer**, and two **Executive Counsellors**. All Executive Counselors chair one DLC Committee and the current post holders chair the Membership and Nominations Committees in 2017. The appointments will be for two years, from November 2017 to November 2019. This year, Tara McGee (current Secretary/Treasurer), Arjan Blokland (Executive Counsellor/Chair of the Membership Committee), and Jesse Cale (Executive Counsellor/Chair of the Nominations Committee) are no longer eligible for re-election as they have served two consecutive terms in their respective positions.

Nominees must be current members (including student members) in good standing of the Division. Self-nominations are accepted. Please send the names of nominees, the position for which they are being nominated, and a brief bio which will be used in online voting, via email



before June 30, 2017 to:

Jesse Cale

Chair, Nominations Committee

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All nominations should include a statement that the nominee is willing to serve if elected.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Ever since its establishment, membership numbers of the division have been looking good, and this year is no different! Over the last three years membership has risen steadily and continuously, from 200 paying members in spring 2014, to 217 in 2015 and an all-time spring high of 230 as of April 2017.

As membership numbers are based on division members who have 'paid their dues', spring numbers tend to lag behind autumn numbers somewhat because former members have yet to renew their membership. As in other years, the majority of the current members will need to renew their membership at some time during the course of this year. Something that is easily forgotten in the hustle and bustle of every day academic life.

To accommodate our membership and to prevent you from having to worry about another yearly deadline, may I remind you that the division offers the possibility of a three year membership. At present just 16 percent of our current members have signed up for this three year option. Given the unpredictable stock market and low interest rate, investing in a three-year division membership seems a wise decision indeed!

With the days slowly getting longer in the northern hemisphere, as a division we are already looking forward to the next ASC meeting in November. Of course we will be present in



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Philadelphia with a division table, host thematic sessions, and have our award ceremony - all in an effort to introduce the developmental and life-course approach to novice researchers and honor those that have paved the way for future generations. Responses to these events have been positive, yet, if you feel that something is missing, or have an idea of what the division could be doing but at present is not, please do not hesitate to contact us with your thoughts and comments.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Developmental Life-Course Criminology Outreach Committee promotes DLC research, research opportunities and the happenings of the Developmental Life-Course Criminology Division of through Facebook and Twitter. The number of 'likes', and 'followers' has steadily increased but in order to continue this we need 'engaging content'. Please let us know about your papers, conferences, blog posts or anything else to help keep the page active.

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DLCC Public Event at American Society of Criminology AGM November 2017

The Outreach Committee of the DLC are continuing to aim for delivering a true public outreach event at the upcoming American Society of Criminology AGM in Philadelphia in November. Amber Beckley's brilliant idea is to give a series of four, very short, but interesting talks that would appeal to the general public at the Philadelphia Public Library in the evening of Wednesday November 15th.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to deliver one of these talks to the public. We were overwhelmed with the response and we will respond to everyone that has contacted us to let you know.

If you have other ideas about how we might promote the DLCC please contact me (d.jolliffe@gre.ac.uk) or any of the other members of the outreach team.

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Darrick Jolliffe

JOURNAL OF DEVELOPMENTAL AND LIFE-COURSE CRIMINOLOGY REPORT

The Division's Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology recently published the first issue for 2017. Articles can be accessed via the Springer website: <https://link.springer.com/journal/40865/3/1/page/1>

“All in the family?” The Relationship Between Sibling Offending and Offending Risk
Joris Beijers, Catrien Bijleveld, Steve van de Weijer, Aart Liefbroer

Understanding How Incarceration Challenges Proximal Processes in Father-Child Relationships: Perspectives of Imprisoned Fathers
Susan Dennison, Holly Smallbone, Stefano Occhipinti

The Protective Effects of Family Support on the Relationship Between Official Intervention and General Delinquency Across the Life-Course
Beidi Dong, Marvin D. Krohn

Relationship Status, Romantic Relationship Quality, Monitoring, and Antisocial Influence: Is There an Effect on Subsequent Offending?
Sara B. Zedaker, Leana A. Bouffard

The Relationship Between Co-Offending, Age, and Experience Using a Sample of Adult Burglary Offenders
Brendan Lantz, R. Barry Ruback

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>

In June we will be publishing our second part of the special issue on *Gendered Experiences in Developmental Pathways to Crime*. To be alerted to its publication, you can register for updates to the Journal on the Springer website <https://link.springer.com/journal/40865> Use the link under ‘Stay up to Date’ on the right hand side.

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

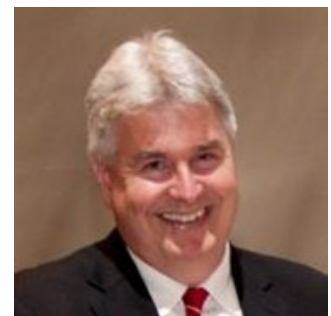
original research or explore new directions for examination are also encouraged. The journal also welcomes all rigorous methodological approaches and orientations. The Journal of Developmental and Life-course Criminology encourages submissions from a broad array of cognate disciplines including but not 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 <jdlcc@griffith.edu.au>.

We welcome your submissions!



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THE 2016 AWARD WINNERS!

The Life-Time Achievement Award:

Alfred Blumstein, Carnegie-Mellon University

The Early Career Award (-s):

Lia Ahonen, Örebro University (Sweden) and the University of Pittsburgh
and

Michael Rocque, Bates College

The Outstanding Contribution Award:

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, Torbjørn, & 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:

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.

Alfred Blumstein: Life-Time Achievement Award

I was delighted to be honored by the DLC with its Lifetime Achievement Award. The award was particularly exciting because I started life as an engineer, and so an immigrant to the field of criminology. That immigration occurred 50 years ago when I was recruited to chair the Task Force on Science and Technology for Lyndon Johnson's President's Crime Commission. There was lots of discussion about aggregate crime rates and I felt impelled to partition that into issues of individual offenders - their prevalence, individual career lengths, and their offending frequency (designated by λ , consistent with its use to denote event frequency in stochastic processes). That was particularly relevant in the context of sentencing policy, since high- λ offenders represent prime candidates for incapacitation and prison sentences much longer than a criminal career duration are wasteful in terms of incapacitation. That opened the door to other facets of the sequence of events in a criminal career like escalation or de-escalation based on the changes in seriousness in the individual's sequence of offenses. Also, a crime-switch matrix is helpful in characterizing that progression. My more recent interests have focused on providing recognition that most criminal careers end and that ending is reflected in a reasonable period without further offending, and it is important to provide opportunity for redemption when that ending can be recognized, thereby enabling fuller opportunity for employment.



Lia Ahonen: The Early Career Award

The Division of Developmental and Life Course Criminology initiated a prize to award successful individuals in the early stages of their careers. Lucky for me, it was not an award for young scholars, but for early career accomplishments despite age! I was very humbled by the nomination from my colleagues, and the positive evaluation of the review group. I was proud to share the 2017 award with Michael Rocque, Bates College.

The DLC early career award is an important milestone for any early career researcher struggling to make ones work visible to a larger audience. For me, the award is an acknowledgement that what I have learned from my many outstanding colleagues over time have payed off. I was fortunate enough to receive long-term funding both from the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare and from the Swedish Research Council, to work at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA to study delinquency, violent crime and especially girls. I have since then widened my scope of research to include gun violence, mental illness and organizational development. I want to express my gratitude to my mentor, colleague and very good friend Professor Rolf Loeber for facilitating this work and for always believing in me. I am also grateful for the collaborations with Professor David Farrington and many other colleagues. I would also like to thank my Swedish colleague and friend Jûrgen Degner, Örebro University for long standing collaborations and inspiration over the years.

An award is never a sole accomplishment but the result of fruitful collaborations.



Michael Roque: The Early Career Award

It was an incredible honor to receive the DLC's Early Career Award this past November at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. That one of my academic heroes, David Farrington was the scholar who presented the gold disc to me was surreal. I'm so grateful to the division for their recognition of my work in life-course criminology, which is a relatively recent area of study for me. As a student studying for my Master's degree at the University of Maryland, I began to focus on race and justice, a track I continued into my doctoral studies. However, after taking a course on theory with John Laub, I knew I wanted to dig into developmental and life-course criminology. So at Northeastern University, I decided to turn some of what I had been thinking about in terms of desistance from crime into my dissertation project. There I sought to develop and test a "maturation" perspective, which suggests most existing theories of desistance represent pieces of a maturation puzzle that, put together, can get us closer to understanding why people slow down and eventually stop offending. I have dabbled in a few other life-course projects but desistance remains my primary interest. My forthcoming book, "Desistance from crime: New Advances in theory and research" (Palgrave MacMillan) provides a detailed overview of what we know about desistance and what we still need to examine. I look forward to continuing collaborations with this wonderful division in the shared goal of furthering our knowledge on crime and deviance over the life-course.



Alex Piquero: The Outstanding Contribution Award

It was a great honor to receive the Division's Outstanding Contribution Award for my paper comparing self-reported and official arrest records across race/ethnicity and gender with my colleagues Robert Brame of the University of South Carolina and Carol Schubert of the University of Pittsburgh. Our study, using longitudinal data on a sample of serious adolescent offenders from the Pathways to Desistance Study, was among the first studies to ever consider such a comparison. We hope that others can improve upon our work with different sampling frames, measures, and for longer time periods. My current research continues to explore criminal careers and testing life-course theoretical models, as well as integrating those two aspects of criminology on the topic of immigration and crime.



Fredrik Sivertsson: The Outstanding Student Contribution Award

I was very glad when David Farrington emailed me and said that he was going to present me as one of the outstanding student contribution award winners at the DLC members meeting in New Orleans. I was also very glad to learn that it was Gary Sweeten who nominated the paper. I am also very grateful to Jerzy Sarnecki who provided me with data for the paper and who introduced me into the field of developmental- and life course criminology during the time of my master thesis. The paper was coauthored together with Christoffer Carlsson and it combines quantitative and qualitative data from a rich longitudinal dataset of delinquent boys in order to maximize prediction of adulthood offending using childhood risk factors and to explore the life histories of contradictory cases that in most quantitative studies of long term prediction are reduced to either false positives or false negatives. Although these narratives were based on relatively few cases we believe they informed us of the complexity of criminal careers at the individual level. This was the first published paper in my forthcoming dissertation. I am currently involved in a large-scale research project lead by Felipe Estrada and my two supervisors Anders Nilsson and Olof Bäckman. The project contains a broad range of population-based register data

and is fruitful for criminological life course research. A key theme in my dissertation is the association between past and future offending. In my second paper, recently published here in the journal of developmental and life course criminology, I use event history methods to examine long-term processes of recidivism in a birth cohort of convicted males and females followed up to age 47. I found that these processes were very similar across the sexes with a peak risk of recidivism relatively close to the previous conviction and thereafter a decline as time passes. Perhaps more interestingly, and what I believe was the main finding, was that the predictive value of gender was conditional on criminal history so that first and second



convicted males were at higher risk for recidivism in relation to their female counterparts but that the predictive value of gender for recidivism disappeared already from the third conviction. For the continuation of my dissertation, I will try to dig deeper into the interaction between criminal history and gender in producing recidivism patterns. I hope that my dissertation as a whole will be able to contribute with knowledge to the field of DLC. The prize I received in New Orleans really encouraged me to continue on the DLC trajectory!

Amanda Gilman received the Outstanding Student Contribution Award

Gilman, A.B., Hill, K.G. & Hawkins, J.D. (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, 1, 33-47.

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Jukka Savolainen and Torbjørn Skardhamar: The Outstanding Contribution Award

Our paper argues that much of the evidence in support of the influential turning point hypothesis of desistance is equally consistent with contradictory perspectives. The key issue, often ignored in prior research, has to do with the *timing of change* in offending vis-à-vis employment transitions. Turning point hypothesis assumes that desistance is a gradual process, typically *set in motion* by prosocial life transitions to employment, marriage, etc. Using administrative data from Norway, we examined changes in criminal offending among persistent offenders around the time they made transitions to stable employment. Our design included a matched comparison group of similar offenders who did not make the transition. Our main estimation method was smoothing spline regression which allowed us to model monthly changes in offending before and after the employment event. The results were quite clear: it is exceedingly rare for offenders to make employment transitions without having first experienced sustained declines in offending. We concluded that employment should be viewed primarily as a consequence, not a cause of desistance. As we note in the article, this approach can be applied to other life course transitions, including marriage.





Professor Lösel takes over as
chair of the DLC division



Professor Farrington receives
a gift for his service to the
division



DLC members at the DLC social in
New Orleans

**STOCKHOLM PRIZE WINNER 2017:
PROFESSOR RICHARD E. TREMBLAY**

Richard Tremblay is Professor at University College Dublin's School of Public Health, Emeritus Professor of Pediatrics and Psychology at the University of Montreal, director of the Centre of Excellence on Early Childhood Development (Canada), Director of the Childhood and Human Development Research Centre at University College Dublin (Ireland) and founding editor of the web-based Encyclopedia on Early Childhood Development. Over the past thirty-five years he initiated five large scale longitudinal-experimental studies with an integrated bio-psycho-social approach to unravel the early development of antisocial behavior and to identify effective early preventive interventions. He published more than 500 articles that appeared in the leading journals of numerous disciplines (Criminology, Education, Epigenetics, Neuroscience, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, Psychology, Sociology). According to Google Scholar these publications have been cited more than 40,000 times. His major scientific contributions have been recognized in many ways by various international scientific societies as well as national societies in North America, Europe and South America. For example, he received the Sellin-Glueck Award from the American Society of Criminology, the Joan McCord Award from the Academy of Experimental Criminology, the Scott Award for lifetime contribution to research on aggression from the International Society for Research on Aggression, the Laufer Award from the French Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, the International Scientific Research Prize from the Italian Società Libera, and the Stockholm Prize in Criminology. For his work on children's education he was named Grand Officer of the Gabriela Mistral Order of Merit by the President of Chile. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Experimental Criminology, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and a Fellow of the American Academy for the Advancement of Science.



DLC CRIMINOLOGY PANELS OF INTEREST AT THE STOCKHOLM CRIMINOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

As highlighted in the welcome by Professor Lösel, several of the winners of the Stockholm Prize in Criminology have studied DLC criminology topics. We hope to see many of the Division's members at the Stockholm Criminology Symposium in Stockholm, Sweden, June 19th to 21st! For those of you who are planning on attending, here are some panels that might be of interest to you:

Monday 19th of June 2017:

9 am - 10.30 am: The Intertwined Development of Overt and Covert Antisocial Behavior from Infancy to Adulthood.

1.30 pm - 3 pm: Campbell Collaboration Crime and Justice Group: Systematic Reviews and Experiments in Youth and Criminal Justice.

1.30 pm - 3 pm: Key Issues in the Development of Girls Delinquency and the Evaluation of an Intervention for Girls at Risk for Delinquency

Tuesday 20th of June 2017:

11 am - 12.30 pm: The Intergenerational Transmission of Violence

1.30 pm - 2.30 pm: The Prize Winner's Lecture

3 pm - 4.30 pm: Predictors and Outcomes of Offending Across the Life-Course

Wednesday 21st of June 2017:

9 am - 10.30 am: Recent Findings from the Cambridge Study in Delinquent Development (CSDD).

1 pm - 2.30 pm: Early Development of Problematic Personality Traits and Early School Adjustment - Results from the Swedish Prospective Sofia Study.

DEVELOPMENTAL AND LIFE-COURSE PERSPECTIVE: THE NEXT GENERATION OF RESEARCH THEORIZING ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND ABUSE

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There have been three influential generations of theorizing and research on sexual violence and abuse (Lussier & Cale, 2016). For the most part, these three models emerged in a very specific social context characterized by either fear or panic, ideological thinking or populism. In response to fear and panic, a first generation of research emerged in the 1960s, which provided a mental health and psychiatric viewpoint on sexual violence and abuse. A clinical profile of individuals and their mental state at the time of the offense provided ground-based information about “sex offenders”. In response to the emergence of a growing ideological portrayal of sexual violence and abuse, sociological and social psychology research set in motion the second generation of research in the 1980s which moved research from psychiatric institutions and treatment settings to college and university campuses. This second generation of research and theorizing put much emphasis on the sociocultural factors of “sex offending”. In response to populism, a third set of research was set in motion around the middle 1990s focusing on known, convicted sex offenders. This generation of research helped identify risk factors specific to “sexual recidivists” and implementing a longitudinal viewpoint on sex offending, albeit a limited one. In spite of these three generations of research and theorizing on “sex offenders”, “sex offending” and the “sexual recidivism”, perhaps surprisingly, several myths, unsubstantiated claims or simply erroneous conclusions remain about individuals involved in sex offenses.

There is now well over fifty years of research examining the background of individuals involved in sex offenses. This research has been focusing on individual characteristics and,

more specifically, the cognitive, affective, physiological and behavioral aspects of individuals having perpetrated acts of sexual violence and abuse. Research conducted on university and college campuses have changed the portrayal of the driving mechanisms of sexual violence and abuse by shifting the discussion from mental health issues to social cultural dimensions. Most of this research, however, was conducted using retrospective information making it difficult to draw meaningful conclusions about the onset, course or desistance from sexual violence and abuse. For example, it is unclear whether attitudes supportive of sexual violence and abuse is a risk factor of the onset of such behaviors or, rather, are a direct consequence of the onset of sexual violence and abuse. In spite of the limitations, researchers have shown the presence of much heterogeneity suggesting that perpetrators of sexual violence and abuse differ along well-known dimensions, such as attitudes and beliefs supportive of sexual violence and abuse, as well as social opportunity, male-bonding, impulsivity and self-regulation deficits, vulnerability experiencing and dealing with negative moods and negative emotional states, alcohol and drugs misuse and abuse. In fact, most of the research thus far helped identify potential “risk factors” that are well known to criminologists studying criminal violence, chronic offending and life course antisocial trajectories. The problem, however, is that far from all individuals involved in sexual violence and abuse fit the profile of a “chronic” or a “life course persistent” offender.

Another line of research has focused on the identification risk factors predictive of sexual recidivism among individuals convicted of a sex offense. Sexual recidivism studies have shown that factors commonly known as predictors of general recidivism also help predict sexual recidivism, at least to some extent. While research has shown that sexual recidivism to be uncommon and that risk factors of general recidivism alone to be of limited value in making meaningful risk assessments in the context of parole hearings, for example. Such risk assessments need to be supplemented with risk factors more specifically predictive of sexual recidivism. It is well-known now that offender’s age as well as static and historical risk factors relating to characteristics of the sex offense and those referring to an extensive and diversified criminal history background are predictive of sexual recidivism. These risk factors have little to offer, however, in terms of explaining persistence of sexual violence

and abuse. In fact, this line of research has little to offer in terms of distinguishing patterns of persistence and desistance as well as life adjustments and life transitions of individuals having been convicted of a sex offense and labeled a “sex offender” (e.g., see Berg, Bijleveld & Hendriks, 2017). Of importance, this variable-oriented approach taken so far has several pitfalls and a person-oriented approach taking into account developmental life course patterns could improve both assessments and interventions with children, adolescents, young adults and adults (Lussier & Davies, 2011).

Altogether, there is research examining the background of individuals having committed a sex offense and another line of research examining their future involvement in sex offense. To date, however, there has been very limited research examining the link between past and future criminal behavior. As a result, little is known about the developmental life course of sex offending over time and very little is known about age-graded risk factors and their developmental course. For example, when and how do rape myths and false beliefs about women and sexuality develops over time and how this developmental course relate to the onset, course, and desistance of sexual violence and abuse? A fourth generation of research and theorizing was set in motion in the early 2000s with the emergence of prospective longitudinal research aiming to describe and explain the onset, developmental course and desistance from sex offending (for a review, Lussier, 2017). A developmental life course approach to sexual violence and abuse has gained momentum in the past decade with the emergence of trajectory analyses to study the longitudinal pattern of offending among individuals having committed a sex offense (e.g., Cale, Smallbone, Rayment-McHugh & Dowling, 2016; Deslauriers & Beauregard, 2014; McCuish, Lussier & Corrado, 2015; Francis, Harris, Wallace, Knight & Soothill, 2014). Indeed, the need for prospective longitudinal studies to better describe, explain and predict longitudinal offending patterns among those having committed a sex offense has been stressed before (Blokland & Lussier, 2015; Lussier & Cale, 2013). Most of the research thus far has centered on the longitudinal description of offending patterns. The next step is to identify age-graded risk, promotive and protective factors of sexual violence and abuse as well as the developmental course of those risk factors (e.g., Thompson, Swartout & Koss, 2013). While the first three generations of research and theorizing had mostly implications of societal *response* to

sexual violence and abuse, the developmental life course approach could provide a foundation for the *prevention* of sexual violence and abuse.

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

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I am honoured to take over the role as newsletter editor from Tom Arnold. I hope that I will continue his great work and serve the Division as well as he has!

The current issue is the first issue of the fifth volume of this newsletter. The Division has come a long way since its inception, and I hope that the newsletter reflects these developments.

I will be working on developing the format of the newsletter in the upcoming months. The goal is to provide an interesting, up-to-date newsletter that is easily accessible and fun to read for all members.

If you have any ideas for newsletter developments or if you want your work to feature in the newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact me!