#### NOVEMBER 2023

NEWSLETTER



We are thrilled to share the latest newsletter for the ACJS Corrections Section! We look forward to seeing our members at the upcoming ASC meeting, and encourage you to <u>register for the ACJS meeting in</u> <u>Chicago in March, 2024</u>. You may have also received an email to vote for positions in the <u>ACJS National</u> <u>Executive Board</u>.

The Corrections Section is holding elections this year for the following two-year term positions: Secretary/Treasurer (replacing Stacy Haynes) and Executive Counselor (replacing Robert Hanser). You can see the candidate bios in this issue. In December, members who are eligible to vote will receive an email from ACJS with a ballot. The results of the election will be shared in early 2024 and in our next edition of the newsletter. Newly elected officers will start their terms after the conclusion of the 2024 ACJS meeting.

If you would like to contribute a correctionsfocused teaching note, research note, working in the field, student spotlight, or any other related materials, please email us at <u>acjs.corrections@gmail.com</u>. The notes can range from 500 to 2,000 words including references. We look forward to hearing from you!

- Newsletter Committee (Stuti Kokkalera, Stacy Haynes, Dragana Derlic, Jennifer LaPrade, Cynthia Zhang and Karen Hamer)

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## **Message from the Chair**

### By Dr. Peter B. Wood



Fellow ACJS and Corrections Section members new and old, welcome to our Fall 2023 Newsletter--which has a new look and format thanks to the Newsletter Committee: Stuti Kokkalera (Sam Houston State University); Stacy Haynes (Mississippi State University); Dragana Derlic (Kentucky Wesleyan College); Karen Hamer (The University of Texas at Dallas); Cynthia Zhang (Evergreen Campus LLC) and Jennifer LaPrade (Missouri State University). The Section depends entirely on elected members and volunteers to accomplish its goals and serve our membership, and this committee represents the best of our membership. And much appreciation to immediate past-chair Adam Matz for his excellent leadership of the Section over the past two years.

At our 2023 annual business meeting in National Harbor, MD we recognized Dr. Lisa Carter as the Correction Section's 2023 Outstanding Member for her continued contributions to the section. Dr. Carter was recently elected to Vice-Chair of the Corrections Section and will follow Peter Wood as the Chair of our section in Spring 2025. Her continued support and guidance will be invaluable to the section over the next four years. And we thanked Dr. Natalie Goulette for her undaunting service to the section for six years as Vice-Chair, Chair, and Past-Chair. A heartfelt thanks to these CS members for their willingness to volunteer their time and effort to the section!

Also, at our business meeting Ms. Xiaosheng Iris Lou received the Correction Section's Kelly Cheeseman Outstanding Student Travel Award. Dr. Jeff Bouffard and Dr. Nicole Niebuhr received the Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research (CPPR) Paper of the Year Award for "<u>Social Influences on Decisions to Refrain or Desist from</u> <u>Two Common Crimes among Incarcerated Men</u>".



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We also hosted Ms. Vanessa Bright from the non-profit <u>Maryland Reentry</u> <u>Resource Center</u> at our section business meeting. In 2019, Vanessa started Maryland Reentry Resource Center with a desire to use her experience, resources, and expertise to empower formerly incarcerated individuals to become thriving and productive citizens in the communities to which they return. Vanessa is the author of two books, <u>Dollars and Cents for Parents and Children</u> and <u>Create Your Life Plan Now: Your Roadmap to Reentry</u>. She holds a Bachelor of Business Management from the University of Georgia, an MBA from Howard University, and a Master of Social Work from Catholic University. She is also a Licensed Master Social Worker. Ms. Bright spoke about her mission to establish and grow the MRRC and thanked the section for our donation.

Our section's peer-reviewed journal, Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research, is now published five times a year by Taylor & Francis and is growing with more issues as well as more downloads and citations. Much appreciation to our outgoing Editor Dr. Tina Freiburger (U Wisconsin-Milwaukee) who raised CPPR's profile in the discipline over the past three years, and welcome to our incoming CPPR Editor Dr. Ryan Labrecque (RTI) who will take over CPPR editorship in Spring 2024. All ACJS and Corrections Section members are encouraged to submit manuscripts to CPPR. See instructions for authors on the journal home page.

In addition, the Corrections Section is hosting a special paper session at the 2024 ACJS meeting in Chicago featuring research from our members and papers recently accepted (but not yet published) in CPPR. Section Executive Counselor Rob Hanser will chair the paper session titled "ACJS Corrections Section Research". Please consider attending this session featuring five research papers from our members. I hope to see you all at the 61st annual ACJS conference in Chicago, IL, March 19-23, 2024!



### **Nominees for the Board**

Secretary/Treasurer



### Stuti S. Kokkalera, PhD



I am honored to be nominated for the Secretary/Treasurer position for the ACJS Corrections Section. I am currently an assistant professor of criminal justice and criminology at Sam Houston State University. My primary area of research is understanding parole decision-making and how it impacts diverse populations. Specifically, most of my work has engaged with scholarship on individuals sentenced to life as juveniles (juvenile lifers). Additionally, through collaborations with colleagues and students, I have expanded my research agenda to examining a variety of sentencing and correctional practices.

I have been a member of the Corrections Section since my time as a PhD student. The Section has been a wonderful space for connecting with like-minded scholars. I have regularly attended Section meetings at ACJS and volunteered at the Section outreach table. More recently, I have taken on the responsibility of the Corrections Section newsletter committee— an avenue that has tremendous scope and potential to recruit and retain members. As Secretary/Treasurer, I will dedicate my time to advance the goals of the Section through budget management, assisting with the annual meeting, writing up semi-annual or annual reports, organizing the newsletter, and member recruitment.



## **Nominees for the Board**

### Executive Counselor



### Jeff Bryson, PhD



Jeff Bryson holds a Ph.D. in public safety (criminal justice) and is currently in his 6th year of teaching after a 30-year career in corrections. His correctional work has been with mental health. He completed a master's degree in counseling with an emphasis in marriage and family therapy and is an LPC in WV and an IMFT in OH. He served on AAMFT's ethics and judicial committees and was a member of its equity and diversity task force for ethics and judicial policies. He is also a clinically certified sex offender treatment specialist through the NAFC. He is interested in bringing a greater mental health emphasis to correctional programming and policy development. He assisted a prison in WV in their policy to decrease the use of restrictive housing.

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## A Note from the Field My Journey from Addiction to Redemption: The Story of a Formerly Incarcerated Reentry Coordinator

By Paige Miller

When Dr. Stacy Haynes contacted me and asked that I write an article for this newsletter, I wasn't sure exactly what to write. But then I thought, this is a great opportunity for students, faculty, and corrections practitioners to hear about the life experiences of an individual who has "made good," despite a number of challenges. So, here goes.

I became addicted to prescription pills in my early 30s. My addiction progressed and by the time I reached my late 40s I was addicted to illegal drugs and had lost complete control of my life. I was in and out of drug treatment centers, jails, and prisons for the next decade. During this time, I lost custody of my children, my marriage, my job, and my home. In 2020, I was sentenced to 10 years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections. In accordance with MDOC guidelines, I spent the next 2 ½ years in prison before being released on parole on June 13, 2023.







I reached a point during my incarceration where I stopped questioning why I ended up in prison and became focused on how to never repeat the experience. I enrolled in every program offered and became a voracious reader. I was particularly interested in anything that pertained to Cognitive Behavioral Therapy "CBT." I was reading my Bible for spiritual growth but soon discovered that the New Testament held many scriptures such as "take every thought captive" and "as a man thinketh in his heart so he is" that were remarkably like philosophical works, particularly writings about the Stoics schools of thought. These same basic tenants were used in modern CBT to help people in all forms of recovery, including substance abuse. In the past, I had assumed that the key was to be clean and sober. I was never able to maintain that sobriety. Now I have come to understand that my addiction was only a symptom of the problem. The problem itself was in my thinking.

Movies and television depict incarcerated people as uneducated, violent, and somewhat dimwitted. My experience in the jail and prison systems showed this to be anything but true. I think the public would be shocked to know how many long and philosophical discussions are held behind those bars and walls about the meaning of life, moving on from our past and that age-old human question of why we are here and if we can change on any fundamental level and become the person we want to be. What I've learned through my addiction, incarceration, and recovery is that as human beings we all find it nearly impossible to move on from the pain of our past to become something else. We tend to experience our past as if it's the present and for that reason we cannot move forward. All these things are rooted in the thought world. If you can control your mind and emotions, you can control your life and your decisions.

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I began working for MDOC Works as an inmate in 2022. The people in this organization truly believe that offenders can be rehabilitated and become productive members of society upon release. Bradley Lum, our CEO and the MDOC Deputy Commissioner of Workforce Development, and Bubba Weir, our Chief of Grants, have been a lifeline for me and others. This is about so much more than just "getting us a job." My entire life has been changed and that has changed the lives of my children and my grandchildren. MDOC Works hired me upon release from prison and I am currently working as the Thinking for a Change Program Coordinator. I have the privilege of going into prisons and teaching a program that focuses on CBT as a method of change.

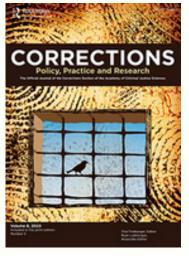
I believe my life experience as an addict and an inmate makes me uniquely qualified to reach other addicts and incarcerated individuals. My coteacher recently told our class "You would never have known Ms. Paige had been to prison if she had not told you." As much as I appreciate the sentiment, I don't believe that to be a true statement. I believe they would have known; in the same way that I recognize a former inmate when I meet them in the free world. I have no idea why it's possible for us to do so. My best guess is that there is some form of trauma that stamps itself on us. On some level, we intrinsically know that this is another person who has survived what we survived.

I am living proof that someone can lose everything and still find their way back. I can stand before them and say "I was wearing those same striped pants 4 months ago. This is possible. This is real. I am not an anomaly." It is vital that this process begin within the facilities. This may be the only time in the life of that person that they are still enough and receptive to learn something that requires this much effort. People who changed their lives in a significant way after prison are often said to have either found religion, gotten clean and sober, or changed the way they live. I submit that all the above begins with a fundamental change in the way that a person thinks. "Correctional" facilities can only live up to their name if they aid people in correcting their thinking. You cannot tell a person what to think. However, it is entirely possible to teach someone that they can learn to control their own mind.



## A Note from the Editors of CPPR

By Drs. Tina Freiburger and Ryan Labrecque



Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research (CPPR) is the official journal of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) Corrections Section. CPPR is a peer-reviewed journal that publishes five issues per year. At CPPR, we promote methodologically rigorous scholarship on criminal sentencing, institutional confinement, community corrections, treatment interventions, alternative sanctions, and reentry. We also prioritize empirical studies that use quantitative, qualitative, or mixed-method research designs to advance correctional policy, practice, and research.

If you have research that aligns with the aims and scope of the journal, please consider submitting your work to CPPR. All manuscripts must be submitted through the journal's <u>online submission portal</u> in accordance with the specified <u>formatting guidelines</u>. At CPPR, we accept two types of article submissions, including full articles (up to 25 double-space pages) and research briefs (up to 15 double-space pages).

Additionally, we are looking to expand our pool of peer-reviewers. If you would like to volunteer to serve as a peer-reviewer for CPPR, please e-mail Dr. Labrecque at <u>rlabrecqueerti.org</u>.



## Eastern Michigan University appoints new director for bachelor program benefiting incarcerated people this fall, 2023

The program is the first of its kind for a

women's prison in Michigan Sourced by Dr. Peter B. Wood



To help incarcerated people obtain a solid footing when reintroduced to their communities, Eastern Michigan University has appointed a new director to oversee its College in Prison program, which is set to launch its first bachelor's program at Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility in Fall 2023. The program aligns with Eastern's mission to be an institution of opportunity and is the first for a women's prison in Michigan.

Eastern has a long history of engagement with the Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility, offering uncredited courses to incarcerated people since 2008. Before the federal government recently restored Pell eligibility for people who are incarcerated. EMU was granted Second Chance Pell Grant access in 2022. In July 2023, the Michigan legislature approved \$250K in funding for Eastern to launch the bachelor program at the facility. The funds will support on-site staffing, credits, and supplies such as books and paper for the students.



The EMU College in Prison (CiP) Program at Women's Huron Valley (WHV) correctional facility provides students with an opportunity to pursue a bachelor's degree through Eastern Michigan University. We offer a general studies degree with courses from across the College of Arts & Sciences as well as other Colleges. During the 2023-24 academic year, our offerings include Counseling, Creative Writing, Economics, History, Management, Philosophy, and Social Work courses. In future years, we plan to offer courses in Africology and African American Studies, Art, Biology, Chemistry, Communication, Criminology, Literature, Media, Political Science, Sociology, Urban Planning, and Women's and Gender Studies. We also provide wrap around support including financial aid assistance, academic advising, curricular and program oversight, mentoring, technology, and supplies.

Bachelor's degrees enable greater job opportunities and higher earnings. Additionally, successfully completing a degree boosts self-esteem for incarcerated students and provides them with fulfilling activities during incarceration. As a Carnegie Engaged Institution (Community Classifications 2008 and 2015) and a public university dedicated to local and global impact, EMU has a long history of expanding opportunities for students to earn bachelor's degrees.

"According to The Bureau of Justice Statistics, there is a 43% reduction in recidivism rates for individuals who participate in prison education programs", said Decky Alexander, director of Engage@EMU and professor in Communications, Media and Theatre Arts. Additionally, "Completing a degree boosts self-esteem for incarcerated students and provides them with fulfilling activities during incarceration," said Meghan Lechner, director of the College in Prison Program.

The academic program is expected to help people who are incarcerated achieve greater job opportunities and higher earnings when released back into society. Through the program, students can obtain a bachelor's in general studies with financial aid support, tutoring, and technology, among others. Soon, two additional programs will be offered, including a bachelor's degree in business and a bachelor's degree designed for students at the correctional facility.









Katherine Wright, a Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility student, believes that education in prison is a stepping stone for individuals preparing to reenter society. "We are more than just inmates, more than our mistakes," said Wright. "Education is invaluable and pursuing a college degree while incarcerated helps us reinvent ourselves and validate our worth, which is the most valuable lesson to carry forward. Nothing worthwhile is easy and the fact that incarcerated students are held to the same standards as on-campus students sets us up to take risks, set goals, and continue our hunger for knowledge. Discipline, persistence, and support make for future leaders and respectful members of society."

The program's education process is also supported with the help of student navigators. Katie Lane-Waters, a second-year master's student in EMU's social work program, is thrilled to help incarcerated people have the opportunity to obtain a college education. "Working as a navigator is fulfilling in all avenues," said Lane-Waters. "I expect professors, navigators, administrators, and students to collaborate and advocate together to make this new program successful and impactful for the incarcerated students who are joining EMU with the hopes of changing their lives through education."

Beth Currans, an administrator of the College in Prison program and department head and professor of Women's and Gender Studies at Eastern, has been with the program for multiple years and has witnessed the positive impact of college education on people who are incarcerated "Our program provides students with opportunities for learning and engagement that transform them and support them in changing their worlds, both inside the walls of Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility and in their communities beyond the prison walls," said Currans. For more information, visit <u>the</u> program website.



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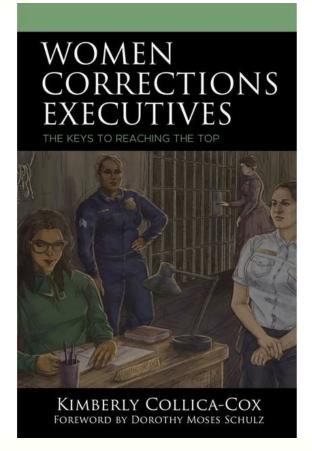
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### Book



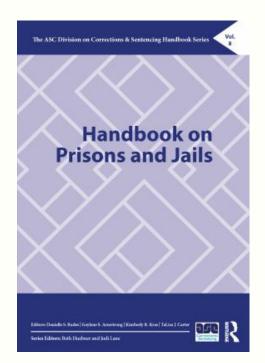


Within corrections, women have made notable impacts in policy, cultural changes, and leadership, yet they have received little attention and study. Based on quantitative and qualitative data, this book fills that gap, examining women in corrections executive positions—their motivations, successes, and challenges. From initial entry into corrections work through their careers, interviews with members of the Association of Women Executives in Corrections (AWEC) reveal their motives for promoting, their career trajectories, and the challenges they faced in a male dominated environment, such as gender bias, perceptions of leadership effectiveness, and difficulty maintaining work-life balance.





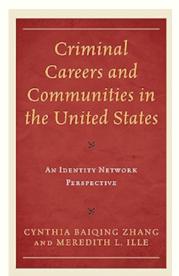
### Book



The Handbook on Prisons and Jails brings together some of the brightest scholars and thinkers in the field to offer a wide range of perspectives for understanding the experiences of persons incarcerated or working/volunteering within carceral institutions. The assembled chapters consider what is known in the area while identifying emerging areas for theoretical, empirical, and policy work. The volume includes contributions on numerous topics and areas related to penal control, containment, living, and/or working in carceral institutions and addresses methodological considerations for doing research with individuals incarcerated in jail or prison. This collection is essential reading for scholars and students seeking an up-to-date guide to contemporary issues facing corrections and sentencing. It also provides practitioners with valuable resources for developing socially informed policies and practices.



### Book





With two waves of data (interview, focus group discussion, and survey) on identities and social networks of relation possessed by around 600 formerly and currently incarcerated people in the United States, we show that family identities and networks are crucial to the start and end of a criminal career. Community is also important to a criminal career in urban and rural America for sociocultural reasons. Specifically, urban and rural areas, due to their various population sizes, poverty levels, cultural leanings, and other social dimensions, demonstrate different social interaction patterns that impact criminal identity and thus behavior. Gender by race groups (i.e. white male, white female, minority male, and minority female) often resort to crime related with the characteristics of their personal/family networks, which are influenced by communities at different levels, for similar and different reasons. Family is also vital to the desistance of criminal behavior and converting of people with criminal records to contributing community members. In other words, gender, race, and community, and space all provide important filters for a person's contact with the criminal justice system. This research provides needed theoretical and empirical support and innovation to the study of criminal behavior proposed by social learning theory. Watch this introduction video by the authors.



Honors, awards and presentation highlights



A private grantor has awarded \$50,000 to Dr. Callica-Cox and her team for the project, "<u>Parenting, Prison, and Pups</u>". Dr. Callica-Cox presented findings from this project at the ACJS annual meeting in 2023 in National Harbor, MD. Congratulations!





Congratulations to <u>Dr. Cassandra Atkin-Plunk</u> for winning the Florida Atlantic Faculty Service Award 2023 for her efforts co-chairing the Palm Beach County Reentry Summit!



Presentation highlights



**December 2022:** Gayle Rhineberger, "Addressing the Staffing Crisis in Juvenile Justice." Invited Talk. Juvenile Justice Leadership Network. Center for Juvenile Justice Reform; McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University. Washington, D.C.

#### March 2023:

- Gayle Rhineberger, "The Influence of Rehabilitation and Punishment Orientations on the Workplace Experiences of Juvenile Justice Staff." Paper Presentation. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. National Harbor, MD.
- Dragana Derlic and Shantol Mcintosh, "Supporting Law Enforcement Officers through Trauma Informed Approaches" Research and Pictorial Showcase, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, National Harbor, MD.

**April 2023:** Danielle Rousseau, Dragana Derlic, Ziwei Qi and Nicole McKenna, "Strength-based Approaches to Resilience in Justice Settings" Hot Topics Panel, ResilienceCon, Nashville, TN

June 2023: Gayle Rhineberger. "Impact of Exclusion: LGBTQ+ (PRIDE)." Global Webinar presented to Terex Corporation.

**September 2023:** Gayle Rhineberger and Kristin Mack. "Employee Turnover in Juvenile Justice Systems." Invited Talk. Council on Juvenile Justice Administrators, Data and Analysis Committee Meeting. Virtual Meeting.



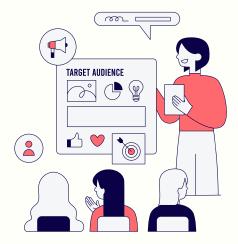
Presentation highlights





#### From Dr. Walter DeKeseredy:

The 2023 Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology was held this year at the University of Florence in Florence, Italy. This exciting event had a record high attendance and attracted an energetic cadre of scholars and practitioners from around the world. The topics covered ranged from various types of interpersonal violence to the administration of justice, to crimes of the powerful. I strongly encourage our Corrections Section members to attend next year's event in Bucharest, Romania, from 11 to 14 September 2024. As noted on the European Society of Criminology's website, the Society's conferences offer opportunities for scholars to present papers and learn about research conducted in Europe and other continents.











### **GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY**

TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CRIMINOLOGY)

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TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CRIMINOLOGY

### **UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE**

TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF JUSTICE

### **UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI**

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DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, HUMAN SERVICES, AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (CECH).

### **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY**

NON-TENURE TRACK ASSISTANT TEACHING PROFESSOR (DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY)



## **Corrections Section Awards**

Awards will be announced in early 2024!

**Kelly Cheeseman Outstanding Student Travel Award** – In 2011, the section began awarding the Outstanding Student Travel Award. Students presenting papers at the ACJS annual conference are encouraged to submit their presentations (in PowerPoint format) to the Awards committee for consideration for receipt of the \$500 travel scholarship. This award is offered in loving memory of Dr. Kelly Cheeseman. Dr. Cheeseman was a strong criminal justice advocate, former correctional officer, well respected academic colleague and friend. To read more about Dr. Cheeseman's life and legacy, click on the article included in the association's newsletter, <u>ACJS Today</u>, pp. 14-16.

**Outstanding Member Award** – Criteria for nomination for the Outstanding Member award are: 1) membership in and preferably contribution to the ACJS Corrections Section; and 2) significant research and/or scholarship in the field of corrections. Winners will receive a \$100 cash award, a plaque of recognition, and will be honored at the annual Corrections Section Award meeting. Self-nominations are allowed and encouraged.

John Howard Award – The John Howard Award is given intermittently, upon significant demand, to recognize an individual who has made significant and sustained contributions to the practice of corrections. The nominee MUST have made significant contributions to practice, but also can have made significant contributions in scholarship, teaching, policy, or service. Nominators can make the argument that a nominee's scholarship or work in teaching, policy, or service DID make a significant contribution to practice. Nominations are accepted every year and the committee will seriously consider all nominees. However, the awarding of this honor is solely at the Committee's discretion and may not be awarded each year. Nominees should send a description of the nominee's contributions, explaining how the nominee meets or exceeds the criteria, along with a copy of the nominee's CV to the Section Chair.



# **Upcoming Conferences**

### See you there!



The Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology

Venue: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Philadelphia, PA

Dates: November 15 - 18, 2023

Theme: Seeking Justice: Reconciling with our Past, Reimagining the

Future

Program Co-Chairs: Chairs: Jamie Fader (Temple University) & Jill McCorkel (Villanova University)



Join for an eye-opening event exploring the relationship between disaster, crime, and EM emphasizing prevention, response, and recovery.



# **Upcoming Conferences**

See you there!



Registration for the ACJS 61st Annual Meeting is OPEN! Visit: <u>https://www.acjs.org/page/ACJSAnnualReg2024</u> for detailed information and pricing details. Program co-chairs are Henrika McCoy (University of Texas at Austin), Janice Iwama (American University), and Patricia Campie (American Institutes for Research). <u>Click here</u> to register!

#### **The Annual Meeting registration deadline is Friday, February 9, 2024.** After February 9, all registrations payments will be received on-site only. If you choose the "Invoice" option at checkout, payment must be received by the deadline of February 9, 2024, to be considered registered for the meeting.

Join us at the Annual Corrections Section Business Meeting in Chicago!



Corrections Section

### **Executive Board**



Chair: Dr. Peter B. Wood, Eastern Michigan University



Vice Chair: Dr. Lisa Carter, Florida Southern College



<u>Secretary/Treasurer: Dr. Stacy Haynes, Mississippi</u> <u>State University</u>



<u>Immediate Past Chair: Dr. Adam Matz, University of</u> <u>North Dakota</u>

#### **Executive Counselors**



<u>Dr. Robert Hanser,</u> <u>University of</u> Louisiana Monroe



<u>Dr. Renee Lamphere,</u> <u>University of North</u> <u>Carolina at Pembroke</u>



<u>Dr. Christina Mancini,</u> <u>Virginia Commonwealth</u> <u>University</u>

