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"Innovating Criminology: A New Chapter in KOSCA's Journey"



Esteemed Members and Colleagues,

As I humbly take on the role of the 8th President of KOSCA, I am filled with profound gratitude and a deep sense of responsibility. Succeeding seven distinguished leaders since our inception in 2008, I am keenly aware of the legacy that I am entrusted to uphold and enrich.

Our collective journey over the past 15 years is a testament to our solid commitment to criminology, marked by significant contributions to education and research. As we move forward, our shared Korean heritage remains a cornerstone of our identity. This

unique identity is a source of pride and a foundation for our future endeavors.

Over the next two years, my primary aim is to amplify KOSCA's influence within the global field of criminology. I plan to showcase the exceptional achievements of Korean criminologists worldwide. This plan is supported by five strategic initiatives that embody our fundamental values of innovation and a deep sense of pride in our Korean heritage:

Global Communication: In an effort to expand our reach, we are transitioning our newsletter to English. This change signifies a new stage in our dedication to disseminating our research and insights worldwide.

Engagement and Dialogue: Leveraging social media and webinars, we are committed to stimulating indepth discussions and building a more cohesive community in criminology.

International Collaboration: Our International Liaison Department will actively promote study tours and exchanges with Korean criminology institutions. This initiative aims to foster meaningful academic exchanges and collaborative opportunities.

Student Empowerment: Recognizing students' crucial role in criminology, we are dedicated to increasing their engagement. Our approach includes innovative promotional activities, scholarship programs, and a comprehensive mentoring system to support their academic growth.

Networking and Development: The KOSCA annual summer conference will be a vibrant hub for networking, professional growth, and relaxation. This event is designed to strengthen the sense of community among our members, providing a valuable forum for exchange and development.

The dedication and expertise of our executive team, reminiscent of the unparalleled teamwork of the Avengers, are pivotal in bringing these initiatives to fruition. However, the heart of KOSCA lies in the active participation and support of you, our members. Your commitment to our mission is the driving force behind our success.

As we embark on this journey together, I am confident that our collaborative efforts will lead to groundbreaking advancements in criminology through education, research, and international cooperation. Your dedication and support are invaluable in this endeavor. I look forward to working closely with each of you, as we foster a dynamic and prosperous future for KOSCA together. Thank you for your continued commitment and trust. Together, we will forge a path of excellence and impact in criminology.

Sincerely,

Kyung-Shick Choi, Ph.D. The 8th President of KOSCA

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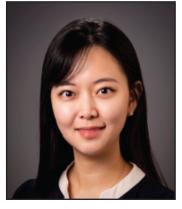
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2023 ASC Snapshot: KOSCA-sponsored panels

It was a particularly productive year for KOSCA at ASC. KOSCA sponsored the following five research panels.

"Exploring Emerging Trends and Developments in Cybercrime" panel highlighted the potential risks, motivations, and profiles of cybercrime offenders, including the use of artificial intelligence, hacking services in the Dark Web, and cyber victimization in the healthcare industry.

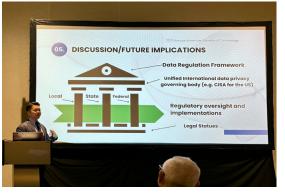
Another panel focused on "Preventing Cybercrime: Challenges and Opportunities in Education, Regulation, and Legal Framework." The panel provided preventive measures and offered solutions for addressing misleading information by online casino reviews, examined the regulatory frameworks in the EU and the US ("Comparative Justice on EU-US Data Privacy Laws on the Prevention of Internet Fraud and Identity Theft"), and emphasized the importance of K-12 education in promoting cybercrime awareness.

The next panel discussed the important and timely topic of **Anti-Asian Hate Crime.** Three papers were presented by the members to discuss 1) the willingness of Korean Americans to report hate crime to the police, 2) the factors influencing anti-immigrant sentiment









compared between South Koreans and US residents, and 3) hate crime victimization among Korean businesses.

The comparative perspective on policing structure was co-sponsored with the Korean Institute of Criminology and Justice (KICJ). Scholars from the KICJ presented papers on "Improving the legitimacy of informa-tion collection by the Korean Intelligence Police and its future direction" and "The Special Judicial Police system in the Republic of Korea." KOSCA scholars presented the papers on "Strengths and weakness of the American Police structure" and "Community policing and citizen participation."

KOSCA co-sponsored another panel on Police and Protest in collaboration with the Association of Chinese Criminology and Criminal Justice in the United States (ACCCJ). The panel addressed the important issues involving police and protest, such as policing strategies and their ramifications.

KOSCA Annual Meeting at ASC

Our Annual Meeting was held on Thursday, Nov. 16th at The Notary Hotel. The meeting started with formal greetings and a welcoming address from our 7th president, Dr. Hyeyoung Lim. Our meeting was honored with congratulatory remarks from Dr. Cynthia Lum. After having the general business reports from the com-mittees, divisions, and from the treasurer, Dr. Craig D. Uchida (president of Justice & Security Strategies, Inc.) shared his speech titled "Reflection of an Accidental Criminologies: The Effects of Applied Research on a Life Course." A follow-up with Dr. Uchida can be found here.

The meeting also featured an award ceremony and the transfer of presidentship from Dr. Hyeyoung Lim, after her 2-year service, to the 8th president, **Dr. Kyung-shick Choi.**







KOSCA Annual Student Division Meeting



Student Division president **Dr. Yeonjae Park** (University of Louisiana at Lafayette) organized a special lecture given by **Dr. Young-An Kim** (Florida State University) titled "Research Publication." The lecture lasted from 2 pm to 3:20 pm with questions. The topics included various advice on successfully navigating graduate school, specifically on adviser-peer relation

ships and turning manuscripts into publications. More than 20 attendees enjoyed the presentations.

Questions about the panel:
Dr. Young-An Kim (youngan.
kim@fsu.edu), Dr. Yeonjae Park
(yeonjae.park@louisiana.edu)
Questions about the Student
Division: New president Bora
Jung (Boston University; bzj2@bu.edu)

Section 2: ASC Snapshot

Dr. Young-An Kim's Insightful Presentation on Research Publication

Report by Sohee Jung, Newsletter Editorial Team

Dr. Kim's presentation covered the genesis of research ideas, academic writing in English, and time management as graduate students.

First, he highlighted that research ideas emerge from exploration and familiarity with prior literature, underscoring the importance of effective reading for a comprehensive understanding of the field. Documenting ideas and being open to advice are crucial for developing research ideas.



Second, Dr. Kim stressed the importance of clarity in academic writing in English, suggesting strategies such as using the key sentence for the study as a guiding compass and transcribing interesting articles. Lastly, the presentation touched on time management for graduate students. Dr. Kim emphasized the compatibility between coursework and research and the crucial aspect of maintaining well-being while working hard, encouraging the development of personal mechanisms to manage anxiety.

Research Ideas

The genesis of research ideas and insights lies in exploration and familiarity with prior work in the field. This emphasizes the importance of reading. A comprehensive understanding of the field and what has or has not been done can be achieved through extensive reading. Remember, more input yields more output.

English Academic Writing

Academic writing in English is difficult not only for international students but also for those whose native language is English, spanning across students and even established professors. Pause and consider whether the challenge lies in English itself. Reflect on whether you genuinely grasp the question and objective of your study. Moreover, beyond linguistic proficiency, the beauty of academic writing lies in clarity.

Time Management

When it comes to time management as graduate students, the dilemma of prioritizing coursework over research (or vice versa) is a common struggle. However, it is essential to introspect and ask yourself, "Am I really busy enough not to pursue both coursework and research?" Interestingly, both pursuits can be compatible. It is important to note that there is no shortcut for publishing a paper. It is not an easy process, but there is away to overcome it: be asymptotic and persistent.

2023 KOSCA Annual Award Recipients

Outstanding Contribution Award Dr. Moonsun Kim SUNY-Brockport

Excellence in Research Award Dr. Bitna Kim

Sam Houston State University

Excellence in Research Dr. Sinchul Back Junior Faculty Award University of Scranton

Dr. Young-Eun SungFar East University, South Korea

Dr. Heeuk Dennis Lee Weber State University

Dr. Sungil Han
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Dr. David Yong Kim Austin Peay State University

Appreciation Award Dr. Do Woo Kim

CRIME AN Kyungnam University, South Kore<mark>a</mark>

Korean Institute of Criminology & Justice (KICJ), South Korea

KOSCA Academic Divisions

Our academic divisions serve as the foundation of the association, bringing together individuals with shared interests to foster mutual growth and learning. Please explore the activities of each division and consider reaching out to them for membership!

Division of Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice

(Chair: Dr. Hyunin Baek - New Mexico State University; h0baek01@nmsu.edu)

Division of Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice seeks to enhance the understanding of the etiology of criminal and delinquent behaviors from diverse theoretical perspectives. The Division is committed to fostering and promoting open and constructive dialogue, rigorous scientific research, and collaboration among academic scholars, practitioners, and policy-makers to develop effective and comprehensive delinquent criminal behavior prevention programs and strategies. Please contact Dr. Baek for more information and membership!

Division of Cybercriminology

(Chair: Dr. Sinchul Back - University of Scranton; sinchul.back@scranton.edu)

Innovative Robot Patrol Program: We're facilitating a cutting-edge robot patrolling program in Boston. Funded by the robot company iDro in South Korea, this project focuses on Al-driven self-navigation, robust secure networking, and comprehensive security monitoring technologies.

Success in BJA's Student Computer Forensics Pro-

gram: Under the guidance of Dr. Kyungshick Choi, Dr. Kyungseok Choo, and Dr. Sinchul Back, our division has successfully concluded a project funded by the Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance. This initiative, part of the "Student Computer Forensics and Digital Evidence Educational Opportunities Program," has yielded excellent results. OJJDP Funded Project on Cybercrime Investi-gation: Leading an important project funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), Dr. Choi and the BU MET CIC team, in partnership with ATII, UTSA, and WestEd, have secured a \$437,500 grant. This project, titled 'Innovative ICAC Investigation Training on IoT, OSINT, Dark Web, and Crypto,' not only enhances ICAC Task Force investigations but also involves assistance from our Division members.

5th International White Hat Conference: Mark your calendars for June 2024! Our division members will be featured at this prestigious event in South Korea. Organized by prestigious academic and law enforcement institutions, including Boston University, Korean National Police University, and various Korean academic and governmental entities, the summit focuses on cutting-edge developments in artificial intelligence and robotics, particularly their applications in cybersecurity and cybercrime defense. The theme of the 2024 International White Hat Conference is "2024 Global Cybersecurity Summit: Cybercrime Defense in Preparation for the Al and Robotics Revolution."

Division of Policing and Public Safety

(Chair: Hyunjung Cheon - University of Texas at El Paso; hcheon@utep.edu)

Division of Policing and Public Safety seeks to contribute professional expertise to policing and public safety via research, collaboration, and social networking. More specifically, the division intends to help students of policing to become future policing scholars. To achieve the division goals, the division plans to organize and promote a session (or event) related to policing. The division can provide great opportunities to work along with members on research projects and to share their professional expertise through multiple channels (e.g. academic meetings, discussion boards, and social media). The division encourages All KOSCA members to share their knowledge and practice in policing with members.

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Section 4: KOSCA Division Intro

Division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice (Chair: Dr. Sinyong Choi - Kennesaw State University; schoi35@kennesaw.edu)

The Division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice has been actively involved in various research endeavors over the past months. Ongoing research titled "Investigation of the Impact of the Outbreak of COVID-19 Pandemic on a Surge in Anti-Asian Hate Crime in the United States." This project is currently underway and is funded by a hate crime research grant obtained in 2023. The division is also working on a new project titled "The Willingness of Korean Americans to Report Hate Crime to the Police: Hate Crime Victimization Experience and Perceived Police Legitimacy." This project was presented at the 2023 ASC annual meeting in November 2023.

Division members actively participated in the Georgia Advocates for Crime Prevention 5th Annual Award Gala & Lecture event in January 2024. During this event, Dr. Taemyung Choo and Dr. Sinyong Choi received appreciation awards. Moreover, Dr. Insun Park and Dr. Sinyong Choi led a panel discussion titled "Exploring Police Legitimacy and Other Factors in Predicting Cooperation with Police in the Atlanta Korean American Community," with Dr. Insun Park serving as a moderator and Dr. Sinyong Choi as presenter.

Are you passionate about criminal justice topics, especially those focused on the Korean community? We are actively seeking dedicated individuals to join our dynamic team. If you're interested in becoming part of the division, please reach out to the division chair, Dr. Sinyong Choi, at Schoi35@kennesaw.edu. We look forward to welcoming you on board!

Division of Women and Gender

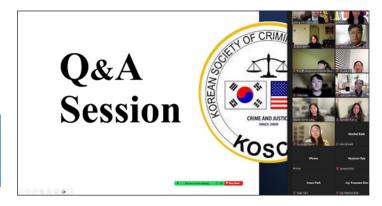
(Chair: Dr. Chunrye Kim - Saint Joseph's University; ckim@sju.edu)

Division of Women and Gender serves to bring together ALL members who are interested in addressing the concerns and issues of gender equality and women's empowerment in the study of crime, justice, and the crime-processing system. The primary goals of this section are to facilitate and promote research and exchange of information concerning women and gender issues in the field and to develop effective pedagogical strategies and curricula for women, gender, and crime courses. The Women and Crime Section also encourages networking and interaction among members by providing various professional and social interaction opportunities, in-

cluding: panels and presentations on gender, crime and justice; and mentoring for female faculty and student members in the discipline. KOSCA Academic Divisions Our academic divisions serve as the foundation of the association, bringing together individuals with shared interests to foster mutual growth and learning. Please explore the activities of each division and consider reaching out to them for membership!

Division of Artificial Intelligence and Criminal Justice
(Chair: Dr. Hyoungah Park - Saint Peter's University;
hpark1@saintpeters.edu)

The division of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Criminal Justice (CJ) is committed to understanding and utilizing Artificial Intelligence, such as Random Forests, Neural Networks, Support Vector Machine Learning, etc., in crime prediction, crime prevention, crime investigations, corrections, and so on. It seeks the collaboration of scholars, interdisciplinary research, and cooperation with practitioners, community members, and policymakers on topics that have recently gained more attention, such as Crime Forecasting, Recidivism Prediction, Smart Crime Maps, Smart CCTV, Facial Recognition, Fingerprint Identification, DNA Matching, Cyber Security, Abnormal Behavior Detection, Gun Shot Detection, Monitoring Social Networks, Plate Number Chasing, and any other utilization of AI and Machine Learning in CJ.



Our Divisions are currently accepting proposals for Student-led grant initiatives. On Feb 16, The Student division held a virtual informational session for KOSCA Student-led Grant Project initiatives. KOSCA President Dr. Choi, Executive Board members, and Division Chairs introduced the students to Divisions and their Student-led grant announcements. For more information about the session, please contact the Student Division chair Bora Jung at bzj2@bu.edu.

Interview with Experts



Sung Joon Jang, Ph.D. Baylor University

- Research Professor of Criminology and co-director of the Program on Prosocial Behavior of the Institute for Studies of Religion at the Baylor University
- Dr. Jang was the founding President of KOSCA from 2009 to 2011 and has been actively contributing to the association for years.
- His research focuses on the effects of religion and spirituality as well as family, school, and peers on crime and delinquency, and has been published in social scientific journals of sociology, criminology, psychology and social work.
- Click below to learn more about his approach to academic research, the person of significant influence on his work, inspiration for research projects, as well as his advice for junior faculty.



Craig Uchida, Ph.D.
Justice & Security Strategies, Inc.

- Criminologist, researcher, author, and community leader.
- President of Justice & Security Strategies, Inc.
- Research focused on identifying social control and cohesion factors to improve neighborhoods, evaluating policing programs to determine the most effective ways to reduce crime, and using predictive and smart policing to reduce and prevent crime from happening.
- The Bureau of Justice Assistance has partnered with JSS to administer the FY 2021 Small and Rural Agency Body-Worn Camera Solicitation.
- Click below to explore his research strategy, the evolution of his research over the years, and his future plans.





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Korean Society of Criminology in America Section 6: KOSCA Sponsored joint academic conference

"2023 Korea-U.S. Joint Academic Conference on Crime and Criminal Justice: New Trends in Crime and Our Society's Responses"

On October 26th, 2023, KOSCA hosted the 4th Korea-US Joint Academic Virtual Conference with the Korean Criminological Association, the Korean Association for Industrial Security, and the Korean Association of Public Safety and Criminal Justice.

With the help of our amazing mod erator, Dr. Jae-Seung Lee (Miami University, Chair of International Committee at KOSCA), This virtual conference started with the opening remarks from Dr. Hyevoung Lim (President of KOSCA; University of Alabama-Birmingham), Dr. Cheol Hyun Park (President of Korean Criminological Association; Dong- Eui University), Dr. Seong Jin Ahn (President of Korean Association for Industrial Security: Sungkyunkwan University), and from **Dr. Jaepoong Park** (President of Korean Association of Public Safety and Criminal Justice; Korean National Police University Police Science Institute).

The first session featured

Dr. Yong-sok Kim (Texas

A&M University-Kingsville)'s

presentation on "Exploring
the association between
environmental stewardship and
crime-resisting propensities/
behaviors," as well as Da-Bin

Kim (Chung-Ang University) and



Dr. Hyun-Goo Kang (Kyung Hee University)'s presentation on "Studying Trends in Domestic and International News Reports on Industrial Espionage through Big Data Analysis: Focusing on Comparison with the United States." Dr. Yeonsoo Kim (Dongguk University) and Dr. Sungil Han (University of North Carolina at Charlotte) participated in the discussion. The second session featured Dr. Bong Soo Kim (Gimcheon University)' s presentation on "The current"

trend and proposed solutions to juveniles announcing criminal acts on social media," and Dr. Yeondae Jung (Joongbu University) and Dr. Sungil Han (University of North Carolina at Charlotte) shared with us about their research on "Age-Period-Cohort estimates of delinquent behavior in Korea." Following the presentation, Dr. Yeoju Park (Busan University of Foreign Studies) and Dr. Jeyong Jung (Ulsan University) led the discussion.

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Section 7: Building Relationships with Community

Building Relationship with Community



The KOSCA President, Dr. Kyung-Schick Choi, and Executive Director, Dr. Jae-Seung Lee, attended the Georgia Advocates for Crime Prevention (GACP) Annual Gala event on January 20, 2024.

The GACP hosted its fifth gala to commemorate the collaborative relationship between the Korean community and law enforcement agencies in the Atlanta area. The event featured congratulatory messages from Bri-an Kemp, the Governor of Georgia, Jon Ossoff, the US Senator for Georgia, remarks from the Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Atlanta, and Chris Carr, Georgia's Attorney General, along with public officials from the greater Atlanta area, including Gwinett and Duluth.

During the gala, KOSCA signed an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with COYAD (Council of Youth Anti-Drug; President: Paul Lim) and GACP.

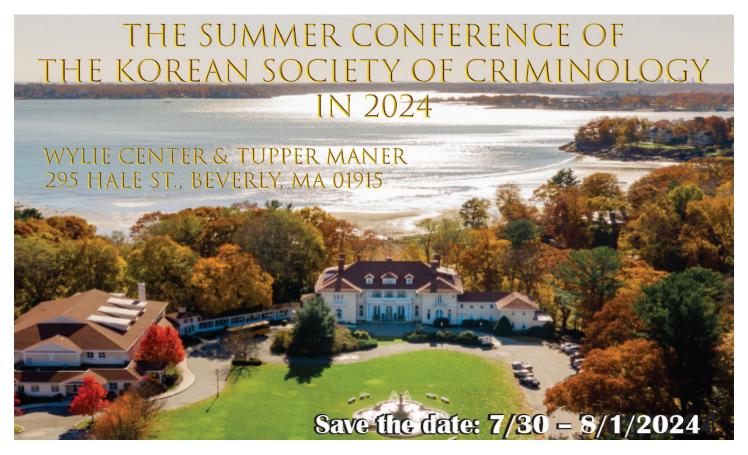
COYAD is a non-profit organization based in Duluth, GA, dedicated to preventing drug use among youths through leadership training and building a healthy network among youths. Additionally, members of the KOSCA division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice discussed the KOSCA-sponsored research on the Korean





community's perception of local law enforcement's legitimacy (Presenter: Dr. Sinyong Choi, Moderator: Dr. Insun Park).

KOSCA remains committed to engaging in community-based activities to strengthen the relationship between Korean communities and the criminal justice system, enhancing the resilience of the Korean American community, and ensuring the safety of its members.



The KOSCA Summer Conference is a dynamic convergence point for domestic experts and global scholars, as well as Korean criminologists but not limited to, aiming at fostering collaboration and advancing the field of criminology. This platform is designed to enhance professional networks and discuss emerging trends within a multicultural framework. Participants will benefit from a blend of academic sessions, practical workshops, and panel discussions, alongside opportunities for networking and faculty development. With a commitment to promoting scholarly excellence and cross-cultural collaboration, the conference is set to enrich the professional paths of its attendees, reinforcing its position as a pivotal event in the criminology and criminal justice community. For questions, contact the program committee chair Dr. Jiseun Sohn at jiseun.sohn@sus.edu.

Conference Day 1 (Tuesday, July 30, 2024)

When	Theme & Business		
9:30 - 10:25 am	Hotel check-in & Registration	Registration and getting a badge individually upon arriving at the conference hotel.	
10:30 – Noon	Executive Board Meeting	All executive board members	
	Lunch		
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Grants Workshop	Dr. Kyungseok Choo Endicott College	
3:10 – 4:00 pm	Grants Workshop continues	Q&A about grants follows	
4:10 – 5:00 pm	Professional exchanges	All participants	

Conference Day 2 (Wednesday, July 31, 2024)

When	Theme & Business		
Session Chair	ТВА		
9:00 – 9:25am	Division of Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice	TBA	
9:25 – 9:55am	Division of Cybercriminology	ТВА	
10:00 – 10:25am	Division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice	TBA	
	Break for Tea/Coffee		
Session Chair	Jiseun Sohn, Southern University and A&M College		
11:00 – 11:25 am	Division of Policing and Public Safety	ТВА	
11:30 – noon	Division of AI and CJ	ТВА	
Lunch			
Session Moderator	Dr. Hyesun Kim, Worcester State University		
1:30 – 2:20 pm	Guest Speaker	Dr. Stephen Morreale Worcester State University	
2:30 – 3:20 pm	Guest Speakers	Paul B. Lim, Lydia Lim (COYAD)	
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Poster Session: All poster titles TBA	TBA	
4:10 – 5:00 pm	Professional exchanges	All participants	

Conference Day 3 (Thursday, Auhust 1, 2024)

When	Theme & Business	
Session Moderator	Jae-Seung Lee, Miami University	
9:30 – 10:30 am	Panel Discussion Panel Topic TBA	Executive board members as panelists
10:30 – 10:50 am	Division of Cybercriminology	TBA
11:00 am	Checking-out	Participants will check-out individually

Student-Led Grant Project Initiatives: Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice

Overview:

The Korean Society of Criminology in America (KOS-CA) initiated a collaboration with Council of Anti-Youth Drug (COYAD) in the beginning of 2024. COYAD, founded and led by a Korean Pastor, provides the unique drug prevention program for youth in the United States. As the first step in this collaboration, KOSCA is excited to announce a unique opportunity for students to participate in a grant project initiative focusing on drug prevention and other critical aspects of criminology and juvenile justice. This initiative aligns with KOSCA's dedication to supporting our student members and enhancing their research prospects.

Objective:

Our goal is to initiate student-led research projects that contribute to the field of criminology, with a particular emphasis on substance use among adolescents. These projects should aim to provide new insights and solutions relevant to criminal and juvenile justice policy and practice in the United States.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Public, State-controlled, or Private institutions of higher education in the United States.
- Each applicant should be a member of each division at KOSCA. After completing the membership form and joining the Division of Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice, you will be eligible to apply.

Collaboration Requirement:

Each student project must involve at least one faculty member, serving either as a collaborator or an advisor, to ensure academic rigor and provide consistent, quality mentorship throughout the research journey. Additionally, the project team should consist of no more than four authors, combining both students and faculty. This stipulation aims to maintain a focused and effective team dynamic. Moreover, to

underscore the student's primary contribution to the research, the **student must be listed as the first author** in any publications or presentations stemming from the project.

Research Topic:

 Any topic related to criminology and drug use among adolescents.

Application Process:

Step 1: Applicants are required to submit their research abstract via email directly to the *division chair*.

Step 2: The division chair will undertake a detailed evaluation of all received abstracts. The premier project will be distinguished based on this in-depth review. The division chair will then relay information regarding the selected project, along with the research team's details, to the Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee by mid-March.

Step 3: The Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee will take responsibility for formally notifying the applicant(s) of the research abstract that has been selected as the top project, ensuring that this communication is carried out by the end of March.

Abstract Deadline:

February 29, 2024, at 11:59 pm EST.

Student-Led Grant Project Initiatives: Cybercriminology Division

Overview:

The Korean Society of Criminology in America (KOSCA) initiated a collaboration with the Council of Anti-Youth Drug (COYAD) in the beginning of 2024. COYAD, founded and led by a Korean Pastor, provides a unique drug prevention program for youth in the United States. As the first step in this collaboration, KOSCA is excited to announce a remarkable opportunity for students to participate in a grant project initiative focusing on drug prevention. As a division of KOSCA, the division of Cybercrimiology invites our student members to submit a student-led research project, focusing on drug prevention and the critical aspects of AI in criminal justice, for the grant offered by KOSCA and COYAD. This initiative aligns with KOSCA's dedication to supporting our student members and enhancing their research prospects.

Objective:

Our goal is to initiate student-led research projects that contribute to the field of cybercriminology, with a particular emphasis on drug prevention. These projects should aim to provide new insights and solutions relevant to criminal and juvenile justice policy and practice in the United States.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Public, State-controlled, or Private institutions of higher education in the United States.
- Each applicant should be a member of the Cybercriminology Division at KOSCA. After completing the membership form and joining the Cybercriminology Division, you will be eligible to apply.

Collaboration Requirement:

Each student project must involve at least one faculty member, serving either as a collaborator or an advisor, to ensure academic rigor and provide consistent, quality mentorship throughout the research journey. Additionally, the project team should consist of no more than four authors, combining both stu-

dents and faculty. This stipulation aims to maintain a focused and effective team dynamic. Moreover, to underscore the student's primary contribution to the research, the **student must be listed as the first author** in any publications or presentations stemming from the project.

Research Topic:

Examples of research topics for this grant may include but are not limited to:

- Development of a drug awareness program that leverages technological advancements.
- Digital forensics approaches to online drug trafficking investigations.
- Cyber law enforcement responses and drug prevention strategies for juvenile.
- Dark Web investigations of online drug trafficking.

Application Process:

Step 1: Applicants are required to submit their research abstract via email directly to the *Chair of the Cybercriminology Division at KOSCA (sinchul.back@scranton.edu)*.

Step 2: The division chair will undertake a detailed evaluation of all received abstracts. The premier project will be distinguished based on this in-depth review. The division chair will then relay information regarding the selected project, along with the research team's details, to the Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee by mid-March.

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Student-Led Grant Project Initiatives: Division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice

Overview:

As a division of KOSCA, the division of Korean Community and Criminal Justice invites our student members to submit a student-led research project, focusing on drug prevention and the critical aspects of Korean communities, for the grant offered by KOSCA and COYAD. This initiative aligns with KOSCA's dedication to supporting our student members and enhancing their research prospects.

Objective:

Our goal is to initiate student-led research projects that contribute to the field of Korean community and criminal justice, with a particular emphasis on drug prevention. These projects should aim to provide new insights and solutions relevant to criminal and Korean communities in the United States.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Public, State-controlled, or Private institutions of higher education in the United States.
- Each applicant should be a member of each division at KOSCA. After completing the membership form and joining the Division of Criminological Theory and Juvenile Justice, you will be eligible to apply.

Collaboration Requirement:

Each student project must involve at least one faculty member, serving either as a collaborator or an advisor, to ensure academic rigor and provide consistent, quality mentorship throughout the research journey. Additionally, the project team should consist of no more than four authors, combining both students and faculty. This stipulation aims to maintain a focused and effective team dynamic. Moreover, to underscore the student's primary contribution to the research, the student must be listed as the first author in any publications or presentations stemming from the project.

Research Topic:

- Evaluate existing drug prevention programs targeted specifically at the Korean-American community to assess their effectiveness and identify areas for improvement.
- Investigate the barriers that Korean-Americans face in accessing drug prevention services, including cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic factors.
- Examine the perceptions of Korean-American youth regarding the risks associated with drug use and their awareness and utilization of drug prevention strategies.
- Explore the role of parents in educating their children about the risks of drug use and the effectiveness of parental involvement in drug prevention initiatives within the Korean-American community.
- Investigate how cultural values, traditions, and norms within the Korean-American community influence attitudes toward drug use and shape the effectiveness of prevention efforts.
- Assess the accessibility and effectiveness of online drug prevention resources tailored to the Korean-American population, considering language preferences and digital literacy.
- Examine how the process of acculturation influences substance abuse patterns among Korean-Americans and identify culturally sensitive prevention strategies.
- Explore the role of community organizations, religious institutions, and other community-based entities in implementing and sustaining drug prevention initiatives.
- Investigate the collaboration between law enforcement agencies and the Korean-American community in implementing drug prevention measures and improving community safety.

Application Process:

Applicants are required to submit their research abstract via email directly to the *Chair of the KCCJ at KOSCA (schoi35@kennesaw.edu)* BY Feb. 29, 2024.

Student-Led Grant Project Initiatives: Division of Artificial Intelligence and Criminal Justice

Overview:

The Korean Society of Criminology in America (KOSCA) initiated a collaboration with the Council of Anti-Youth Drug (COYAD) in the beginning of 2024. COYAD, founded and led by a Korean Pastor, provides a unique drug prevention program for youth in the United States. As the first step in this collaboration, KOSCA is excited to announce a remarkable opportunity for students to participate in a grant project initiative focusing on drug prevention. As a division of KOSCA, the division of Artificial Intelligence and Criminal Justice (AI and CJ hereafter) invites our student members to submit a student-led research project, focusing on drug prevention and the critical aspects of AI in criminal justice, for the grant offered by KOSCA and COYAD. This initiative aligns with KOSCA's dedication to supporting our student members and enhancing their research prospects.

Objective:

Our goal is to initiate student-led research projects that contribute to the field of Korean community and criminal justice, with a particular emphasis on drug prevention. These projects should aim to provide new insights and solutions relevant to criminal and juvenile justice policy and practice in the United States.

Collaboration Requirement:

Each student project must involve at least one faculty member, serving either as a collaborator or an advisor, to ensure academic rigor and provide consistent, quality mentorship throughout the research journey. Additionally, the project team should consist of no more than four authors, combining both students and faculty. This stipulation aims to maintain a focused and effective team dynamic. Moreover, to underscore the student's primary contribution to the research, the student must be listed as the first author in any publications or presentations stemming from the project.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Public, State-controlled, or Private institutions of higher education in the United States.
- Each applicant should be a member of the AI and CJ Division at KOSCA. After completing the membership form and joining the AI and CJ Division, you will be eligible to apply.

Research Topic:

- Examples of research topics for this grant may include but are not limited to:
- Finding Risk Factors of Drug Use utilizing Al.
- Finding Protective Factors of Drug Use utilizing Al.
- Drug use prevention using Al.
- The AI-driven Interventions.
- Ethical Issues and Challenges of the AI-driven Interventions to Drug Use.

Application Process:

Step 1: Applicants are required to submit their research abstract via email directly to the *Chair of the AI and CJ Division at KOSCA (hpark1@saintpeters.edu).*

Step 2: The division chair will undertake a detailed evaluation of all received abstracts. The premier project will be distinguished based on this in-depth review. The division chair will then relay information regarding the selected project, along with the research team's details, to the Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee by mid-March.

Step 3: The Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee will formally notify the applicant(s) of the research abstract that has been selected as the top project, ensuring that this communication is carried out by the end of March.

Abstract Deadline:

February 29, 2024, at 11:59 pm EST.

Student-Led Grant Project Initiatives: Division of Policing and Public Safety

Overview:

The Korean Society of Criminology in America (KOS-CA) initiated a collaboration with the Council of Anti-Youth Drug (COYAD) in the beginning of 2024. COYAD, founded and led by a Korean Pastor, provides a unique drug prevention program for youth in the United States. As the first step in this collaboration, KOSCA is excited to announce a remarkable opportunity for students to participate in a grant project initiative focusing on drug prevention. As a division of KOSCA, the Division of Policing and Public Safety invites our student members to submit a student-led research project focusing on drug prevention and the critical aspects of policing in the United States for the grant offered by KOSCA and COYAD. This initiative aligns with KOSCA's dedication to supporting our student members and enhancing their research prospects.

Objective:

Our goal is to initiate student-led research projects that contribute to the field of Policing and Public Safety, with a particular emphasis on drug prevention. These projects should aim to provide new insights and solutions relevant to criminal and juvenile justice policy and practice in the United States.

Collaboration Requirement:

Each student project must involve at least one faculty member, serving either as a collaborator or an advisor, to ensure academic rigor and provide consistent, quality mentorship throughout the research journey. Additionally, the project team should consist of no more than four authors, combining both students and faculty. This stipulation aims to maintain a focused and effective team dynamic. Moreover, to underscore the student's primary contribution to the research, the student must be listed as the first author in any publications or presentations stemming from the project.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Public, State-controlled, or Private institutions of higher education in the United States.
- Each applicant should be a member of the Policing and Public Safety Division at KOSCA. After completing the membership form and joining the Division, you will be eligible to apply.

Research Topic:

Examples of research topics for this grant may include but are not limited to:

- Evaluation of police involved drug prevention programs
- An evaluation a policing strategy intended to reduce an illicit drug market.
- Policing drug hot spots.
- Drug problems among police officers.

Application Process:

Step 1: Applicants are required to submit their research abstract via email directly to the *Chair of the Policing and Public Safety Division at KOSCA (hcheon@utep.edu)*.

Step 2: The division chair will undertake a detailed evaluation of all received abstracts. The premier project will be distinguished based on this in-depth review. The division chair will then relay information regarding the selected project to the Chair of KOSCA's Award Committee by mid-March.

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Abstract Deadline:

February 29, 2024, at 11:59 pm EST.

Nominations are now officially open!

KOSCA Award Announcement

The KOSCA Junior Faculty Research Award

Purpose and Overview

- Promoting excellence in early career development for the junior faculty members of KOSCA
- Advancing the research activities of the junior faculty recipients through boosting their research productivity and accelerating their ability.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must be a full-time assistant professor with a minimum of one year.
- Applicants must be active members of KOSCA.

The KOSCA Special Contribution Award

Purpose and Overview

• Recognizing a KOSCA member who has significantly contributed to the association's advancement through their service and activities.

Eligibility Criteria

 Active KOSCA members who have made notable contributions to the association's development during and after its establishment.

The KOSCA Research Award

Purpose and Overview

- Fostering academic enthusiasm among KOSCA faculty members who have made significant research contributions in Criminology or Criminal Justice.
- The awardee will hold the title "KOSCA Research Fellow" for life, according to KOSCA Bylaws.

Eligibility Criteria

- Active KOSCA members who have significantly contributed to the stature of Korean-American criminologists through research achievements, including publications, funded research, and conference presentations.
- Consideration of research activities is up to August 31, 2024.

KOSCA Award Announcement

Submission Requirements

- Applicant's CV
- Nomination by KOSCA or other faculty member(s): Letter(s) of Support that describes the candidate's research achievement and contribution to the fields of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **Self-nomination**: Personal Statement of Achievement that describes the achievement and contribution to the fields of Criminology and Criminal Justice

Application Deadline

August 31st, 2024

Selection Process

- Applications will be reviewed by confidential peer-reviewed panel, which is comprised by KOSCA Division Charis, and senior faculty members.
- The panel's confidential comments and recommendations will be reviewed by the Award Committee Chair.
- Based on all feedback, the KOSCA President will make the final approval.

Nominations are now officially open!

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Section 11: Announcements

Opportunity to Join a Study Abroad Program in South Korea

Dr. Sinchul Back at the University of Scranton is leading a Study Abroad Course this summer as a part of Special Topics in Criminal Justice course. His course will combine on-campus and study abroad experiences to provide students the opportunity to explore the meaning and character of justice, law, and crime in South Korea.

Contact Dr. Back at sinchul.back@scranton.edu if you are interested in joining the program in South Korea or have questions about organizing and planning a study abroad course at your University.



Program Overview

- June 21st: Meet at JFK International Airport
- June 22nd: Visit Sangmyung University
- June 23rd: Visit Blue House (Former Presidential Office)
- June 24th: Visit Korean Presidential Security Service Korean National Police Agency
- June 25th: Republic of Korea Marine Camp Visit Korean Immigration Service Office
- June 26th: Visit the Supreme Court Korean National Police University
- June 27th: White Hat Conference
- June 28th: White Hat Conference/World Taekwondo Headquaters
- June 29th: Travel back to JFK International Airport

Publication Opportunities

Journal of Aggression, Conflict and Peace Research
Special Issue on Cyberviolence: A Plague of Victimization and Exploitation Online

Guest editors:

Catherine Marcum, Ph.D., Appalachian State University Kyung-Shick Choi, Ph.D., Boston University

Cybervictimization is constantly evolving and to date, there is not a collection of empirical pieces that focus on this issue. Further, the majority of cyber literature's special issues focus on cybersecurity, cyber intelligence and crimes involving destruction and financial gain. <u>This special issue</u> is unique by filling the gap in the current literature.

The detriment of cyberviolence in regard to mental and physical health has been shown to be just as significant as physical forms of abuse. Further, due to the ability of sharing online materials to a large amount of people in mere seconds, this form of victimization can be repeated and, therefore, significantly detrimental. As suicidal ideation and attempt rates continue to increase, it is imperative attention be drawn to this phenomenon in order to develop preventative programming.

This special issue will envelope two of the UN sustainable development goals: (3) good health and well-being and (16) peace, justice, and strong institutions. The infiltration of the Internet and technology into the daily lives of adults and minors has caused a significant decrease for many in overall quality of life, such as depression, anxiety, and relationship skills. **Deadline:** Apr 1, 2024

List of Topic Areas

- Cybervictimization and exploitation
- Cyberstalking
- Nonconsensual pornography

- Revenge pornography
- Doxxing
- Deep fakes

The International Journal of Cybersecurity Intelligence & Cybercrime

<u>The Journal</u> welcomes research submissions from criminologists, social scientists, computer scientists, cybersecurity practitioners, members of police agencies, policy-makers, and academic researchers. International and global perspectives on cybercrime and cybersecurity topics are also welcome for submission. The International Journal of Cybersecurity Intelligence and Cybercrime (IJCIC) is affiliated with the Center for Cybercrime Investigation & Cybersecurity (CIC).

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Journal of Applied Security Research

Editor-in-Chief: Hyeyoung Lim, Ph.D., University of Alabama at Birmingham

<u>Journal of Applied Security Research</u> is the official journal of the Security & Crime Prevention Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. It is an international premier, peer-reviewed journal for scholars, educators, practitioners and students in the fields of security, criminology and criminal justice, and crime prevention.

The JASR particularly welcomes evidence-based empirical research with an emphasis on the latest methods, techniques and technology applied to crime prevention and security management.

The journal also publishes case studies, interviews (see Practitioner's Corner) and state-of-the-art systematic reviews.

Coverage includes, but is not limited to:

- Applied security systems and technologies in crime prevention
- Career development
- Computer and information security
- Crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED)
- Cybercrime
- Cyberpolicing
- Cybersecurity
- Evaluations of security regulations, policies and laws
- Fraud
- Health and safety
- Personal security
- Physical security
- Private security/policing
- Risk assessment
- Security management
- Security trends and analyses
- Victims' and offenders' perspectives
- Workplace violence
- Homeland security
- Terrorism

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Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice Special Issue on Contemporary Issues in Youth Justice

Guest editors:

Christopher Sullivan, Ph.D., University of Missouri-St.Louis Nicole McKenna, Ph.D., John Jay College of Criminal Justice - CUNY Insun Park, Ph.D., University of Akron

The Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice invites submissions for a special issue on Contemporary Issues in Youth Justice. Empirical, theoretical, and policy-oriented papers are welcome. We particularly welcome papers that exemplify how empirical research in criminology—and related fields—can improve the understanding of issues currently facing youth justice systems. This can include, but is not limited to, submissions on race and gender inequalities within the juvenile legal system, trauma-informed strategies, the linkage between schools and justice agencies, the enduring impacts of Covid-19 related practices, and recent reductions in youth incarceration levels.

All submitted manuscripts will be peer reviewed. An abstract of approximately 100 words must accompany the manuscript. Manuscripts must be 35 pages or less, double-spaced, including the abstract, references, and all figures and tables. Papers should be submitted by **September 30, 2024**, for best consideration. Please send two electronic copies of the manuscript: one complete version (with a cover page containing the author name(s), title, institutional affiliation with complete address, email and phone contact information; acknowledgments; research grant numbers; and the date, location, and conference at which the manuscript may have been presented, if any), and one copy with all identifying information removed to facilitate anonymous peer review to **Chris Sullivan (cjsullivan@umsl.edu)**. Manuscripts should be in MS Word format and conform to the formatting style of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (5th ed.).

Publication Announcements

Cybercriminology (in Korean)



Published on 2023. 9. 30. Publisher: Park Yeongsa

<u>Link</u>

The book "Cybercriminology," authored by **Dr. Kyung-Shick Choi** from Boston University, **Dr. Wook Kang** from the Korean National Police University, **Dr. Sinchul Back** from the University of Scranton, and **Insun Park** from Akron University, carves a novel niche within South Korean scholarly circles by delving into cybercrime. This seminal work is noteworthy for its integration of theoretical concepts with practical applications, offering an in-depth and structured analysis of the cybercrime landscape. It scrutinizes contemporary cybercrime tactics and trends within the context of current legal and policy frameworks, aiming to provide a comprehensive guide for cybercrime intervention, prevention, and the indispensable role of national and international collaboration specifically tailored to the Korean setting.

Expanding its scope, "Cybercriminology" incorporates significant emphasis on digital forensic science and cybercrime investigation techniques. The book also explores the scientific processes and methodologies involved in collecting, analyzing, and preserving digital evidence, a critical component in the investigation of cybercrimes. By providing insights into the latest advancements in digital forensic practices, the authors aim to enhance the capabilities of practitioners in identifying, understanding, and prosecuting cybercriminal activities.

We welcome Book Publication & Grant news from our members
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by **August 18th**

ASC's 79th Annual Meeting Call for Papers

Please contact the Program Committee Chair Dr. Jiseun Sohn for KOSCA-sponsored panels. All Members are Divisions are encouraged to make <u>submissions</u>!



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Annual Meeting 2024 San Francisco, California November 13 – 16, 2024 San Francisco Marriott Marquis

Criminological Research and Education Matters: People, Policy, and Practice in Tumultuous Times

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SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Thematic panels, individual paper abstracts, and author meets critics panels due: Friday, March 22, 2024

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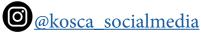
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