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The YUCR

The York University Criminological Review (YUCR) is an open access journal published by the Criminological Studies Review Initiative, based out of York University, Toronto, Ontario. We are committed to creating a knowledge sharing community where topics of crime & criminal justice - & all of its intersections - can be reflected upon, critically analyzed & problem solved.

Our origins, as an initiative, centred around creating a space for young academics to craft & publish their work. We traditionally accepted submissions by post-secondary students from across Canada, and guided those selected through a double-blind peer-review editorial process. This volume is a continuation of that work, featuring a collection of articles on the topic of Indigenous experiences with criminal justice, primarily in the settler colonial context.

Moving forward, we will continue to publish academic literature of this calibre, but we are also looking forward to centring more community-accessible digital content that involves dynamic multi-media content & that expands the reach of our authors, creators & collaborators.

The Undergraduate Criminology Program at York University

Crime, criminality, and criminal justice are central concerns in Canadian society. In politics, law, policy, and popular culture, discussions of the problem of crime and what to do about it continue to dominate. Yet significant misunderstandings persist around the nature of crime, such as whether crime is on the rise or on the decline. There are also constant questions around the characteristics and motivations of offenders, as well as what counts as an effective crime control policy. The Criminology Program at York examines these issues, tensions, and questions, providing students with the tools they need to understand the complex realities of crime and criminal justice and how they are shaped by larger social, political, economic, cultural, and historical contexts. By combining faculty research and expertise, a balanced and dynamic curriculum, and a uniquely interdisciplinary approach, the Criminology Program provides students with a strong foundation in the field of criminology while at the same time producing more active and engaged citizens. For more information, visit the program website here.