



## Letter from the Editor-in-Chief

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Dear readers,

It is with great joy that I present to you the second volume of the York University Criminological Review (YUCR). The YUCR is an academic journal published annually by a student-run organization at York called the Criminological Studies Review Initiative (CSRI). The journal accepts submissions from undergraduate and graduate students across Canada and publishes in the Fall.

This year's volume encompasses a variety of analytical projects concerning issues involving social control, regulation and/or governance. We have also embraced a variety of disciplines to further complicate and enrich the discussion. Our authors' works seek to question, expose and challenge the taken-for-grantedness of powerful regimes of discourse, order and governance. These discussions vary in topic and scope from exposing the ways in which popular media can work to reaffirm or dismantle the continuation of policy-veiled racial domination, to scrutinizing the eurocentrism that dominates global security discourses. Although these topics, like much of the criminological discipline, feel heavy due to the intensity of the issues they analyze and the breadth of human lives that are impacted, this is not where the discussion should end. Revealing and critiquing social issues through various platforms, such as academia, is a starting point for individual and collective action. Whether it be through your everyday routines and thoughts, through political mobilization or anything in between, we hope that these works inspire you not only criticize, but also to strive for positive change in whatever appropriate capacity.

That being said, I would like to thank our authors for their contributions to this year's volume, and for demonstrating academic leadership within their communities and the academic community at large. I would also like to thank our guest authors Laura Finley and Laureen Snider for writing two incredibly encouraging editorials for our readers. And finally, I would like to recognize the continuous and unwavering dedication of our growing editorial team. Our editors collectively devote this journal with vision, reflexivity, creative insight and direction. Their contributions have been integral not only to this publication, but also to the journal's remarkable and continuous growth.

Thank you for continuing to engage with our journal, and to everyone who continues to strive for positive change.

Stay motivated, my colleagues.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Tawka McLeod'.

Founder & Editor-in-Chief

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