



MEET OUR AUTHORS

Laura Finley

Laura Finley earned her Ph.D. from Western Michigan University in 2002. She is currently Associate Professor of Sociology & Criminology at Barry University in Miami Shores, Florida. In addition, Dr. Finley is the author, co-author or editor of 18 books and numerous book chapters and journal articles. She is also a syndicated columnist with *PeaceVoice*, and an active member of several local, national, and international human rights and social justice organizations.

Laureen Snider

Laureen Snider is a Professor of Sociology (Emerita) at Queen's University. She was Chair of Graduate Studies for nearly a decade, advised many graduate students and supervised numerous theses. Recent publications include: *Corporate Crime* (Fernwood Press, 2015), *The Surveillance-Industrial Complex: Towards a Political Economy of Surveillance* (edited with Kirsty Ball) (London: Routledge, 2014), "Interrogating the Algorithm: Debt, Derivatives and the Social Reconstruction of Stock Market Trading" *Critical Sociology* 2014, "Law, Regulation and Safety Crime" (with Steve Bittle), *Canadian Journal of Law and Society* (June 2015), a book chapter and an article forthcoming (or so she hopes....).

Asia McLean

Asia McLean is currently completing her undergraduate degree in Criminology at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, British Columbia. Through her front-line experience working with individuals facing barriers including mental health diagnoses, substance misuse and involvement in the criminal justice system, Asia has developed a passion for social justice and community inclusion that has extended into her research interests. Asia is particularly interested in restorative justice and other approaches to addressing crime and conflict that provide opportunities for healing and personal growth among offenders, victims and community members. Asia aspires to integrate her passions for social justice and the law in her future academic endeavors, potentially through a dual-degree program in Law and Social Work.



Bryce Jenkins

Bryce graduated from Carleton University in 2017 with a Bachelor of Arts Combined Honours in Psychology and Law. Both legal studies and forensic psychology have long been a passion of his. His research interests are quite broad, ranging from state mechanisms of control to policing. Bryce's interests in legal studies includes biopolitics, its resistance, and the ideological state apparatus. His interests in psychology include police training, specifically in the context of use of force encounters. Bryce's Honours Thesis in psychology was founded in juror decision making and considered the efficacy of expert testimony in mitigating criminal culpability in an alleged use of force encounter. After much consideration, he decided to pursue a Master of Arts in psychology at Carleton where he will continue his research in police psychology in September 2017. Bryce is an advocate for evidence-based policing and hopes to use research to inform policing-related issues, including training, equipment, and realistic expectations of officers during use of force encounters.

John Hayes

John Hayes is a Master's student in the Department of Political Science at York University. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Honours from the University of British Columbia in Latin American Studies with a specialization in Mexican Social Movements. His research interests include migration & forced displacement, civil society, the extractive industry, political economy, and democratization. Recently, he was part of a research team at the University of Saskatchewan examining the environment-migration nexus within economic and demographic change in rural Oaxaca, Mexico. He has published on the Colombian Peace Process, the mining industry in Latin America, and energy reform in Mexico. John is the 2017 recipient of the Packer MA award in social justice.

Nadia Ali

Nadia Ali recently graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Honours in Criminology from York University. Her research interests include structural and state violence, neoliberal governance, the criminalization of race/ racialization of crime, intersectionality, knowledge mobilization and a newly found interest in postcolonial studies. Nadia is currently a research assistant at the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness and hopes to pursue a graduate degree in Law or Social Anthropology.



Rebecca Peters

Rebecca Peters has just completed her Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Criminal Justice with a concentration in Psychology at Carleton University. In her third year, she participated in an international exchange and had the opportunity to study at the University of Maynooth in Ireland. It was there that she came to recognize the importance of being exposed to different perspectives of any given topic which kindled her desire to learn about the lived human experience of crime and punishment. She believes that increased global interconnectivity has provided the opportunity for criminal-legal systems to learn from one another in order to facilitate positive changes in the responses to criminal behaviour. Her hope is to pursue future studies that will apply the teachings from various criminal justice systems to the Canadian system in order to improve the current state of the penal institution.