

## Awards and Grants



**Ann-Margaret Esnard**, professor (Public Management and Policy), has been invited by principal investigators from Lehigh University and Florida Atlantic University to serve as a co-investigator and subcontractor on a three-year \$1.9 million National Science Foundation-funded project: *Collaborative Research- CRISP Type 2: Probabilistic Resilience Assessment of Interdependent Systems (PRAISys)*. As co-investigator/subcontractor to Lehigh University, Esnard and Georgia State University will receive \$88,307 over the three-year period.

<http://www.praisys.org/>

## Publications



**David L. Sjoquist** (pictured), professor (Economics), & **John V. Winters** (Ph.D., Economics '09 and now at Oklahoma State University). (2015). State Merit Aid Programs and College Major: A Focus on STEM. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 33(4): 973-1006.

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**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics). (2015). The Endless Frontier: Reaping what Bush Sowed? In A. Jaffe and B. Jones (Eds). *The Changing Frontier: Rethinking Science and Innovation Policy*. 321-269. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press. <http://goo.gl/qrLZVS>

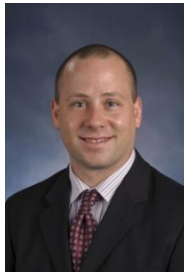


**Leah Daigle**, associate professor (Criminal Justice & Criminology), & Lisa Muftic (Sam Houston State University). (2015). *Victimology*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications. <http://goo.gl/oJvMjl>

**Ann-Margaret Esnard**, professor (Public Management and Policy), & Alka Sapat (Florida Atlantic University). (2015). Vulnerabilities Magnified: A Closer Look at Disasters and Displacement. In D. C. Downey (Ed.). *Cities and Disasters*. 207-222. New York, NY: Taylor & Francis Group. <http://goo.gl/pFZaKh>



**Robin Hartinger-Saunders**, assistant professor (Social Work), & Alex Trouteaud (Georgia State University). (2015). Underserved Adoptive Families: Disparities in Postadoption Access to Information, Resources, and Services. *Journal of Family Strengths*: 15(1). <http://goo.gl/SQCxgI>

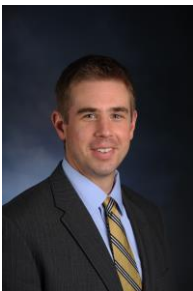


**Carolyn Bourdeaux** (pictured left), associate professor (Public Management and Policy) and director (Center for State and Local Finance), & **Nicholas Warner**, research associate I (Center for State and Local Finance). (2015). School Districts' Expenditure Responses to Federal Stimulus Funds. *Journal of Education Finance* 41(1): 30-47, forthcoming.



**Joannie Tremblay-Boire**, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), & Elizabeth Bloodgood (Concordia University). (2015). Does Government Funding Depoliticize NGOs? Examining Evidence from Europe. *European Political Science Review*, forthcoming.

## Presentations



**Charles Courtemanche**, associate professor (Economics), presented "Revisiting the Effect of Smoking on Obesity: Evidence from a Randomized Trial" at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis on September 11, 2015.



**Robbie Friedmann**, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology) and director of the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) made the following presentations:

- Presented “Crime Numbers and Statistics: Watch for Pitfalls,” to the National Alliance of State Drug Enforcement Agencies’ annual meeting in Charleston, S.C., September 28, 2015.
- Co-chaired a workshop on law enforcement and police at the International Institute for Counter Terrorism’s 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference, World Summit on Counter Terrorism, Interdisciplinary Center, in Herzilya, Israel, September 7-10, 2015. During the workshop he presented “The Bark and the Bite: From Incitement to Terrorism.”



**James C. Cox**, professor and Noah Langdale Jr. Chair (Economics), and director (Experimental Economics Center), presented a paper, “Moral Costs and Rational Choice: Theory and Experimental Evidence,” at the following places:

- Science of Philanthropy Initiative Annual Conference at the University of Chicago, September 12, 2015.
- Department of Economics at University of Alaska, September 17, 2015.
- Department of Economics at Colgate University, September 25, 2015.

Cox also presented a seminar on “How Can Doctors Make More Informed Patient Discharge Decisions?” at the Institute of Social and Economic Research at the University of Alaska, September 14, 2015. An archive of the live cast of the seminar is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QyKxK3SdZ0>



**John O’Kane**, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), facilitated a board retreat for the Whitefoord, Inc., in Atlanta, August 29, 2015. Whitefoord, Inc., is a unique community resource that connects quality healthcare and education services for children and families in and around southeast Atlanta.

## Community Outreach and Events

**Ann-Margaret Esnard**, professor (Public Management and Policy), spent a week in South Africa (September 14-18, 2015) in her role as a Mellon Visiting Professor, and as a participant of Georgia State University’s comparative urban research partnership initiative with the University of Pretoria.



**Marolyn “Lucy” Gentles**, associate to the director (Experimental Economics Center), met and chatted with NBC News political director Chuck Todd, at the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the National Council of University Research Administrator held in Washington D.C., August 2-5, 2015. Todd was the keynote speaker.



**Sharon Hill**, clinical associate professor (Public Management and Policy), hosted Rep. LaDawn Jones in her PMAP 3031 (Policy Leadership) class, September 25, 2015.

## MEDIA



**Mary Beth Walker**, dean, had the following media hits per her published article in *Education Finance and Policy*, “[Does Shortening the School Week Impact Student Performance? Evidence from the Four-Day School Week.](#)” The article was co-authored with D. Mark Anderson (Montana State University). Recent media hits included:

- The Herald-Times Online, “[4-Day School Week Improves Math Scores, Study Reveals,](#)” September 19, 2015.
- The Guardian, “[What a Difference a Day Makes: The Argument for a Four-Day School Week,](#)” September 13, 2015.

**Robbie Friedmann**, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology) and director of the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE), had the following media hits:

- Atlanta Journal-Constitution article, "[DeKalb Police, Critics Debate Police Shootings](#)," September 8, 2015.
- IDC International Radio interview, "[15th World Summit on Counter Terrorism - Interview with Prof. Robert Friedmann](#)," September 16, 2015.



**Dean Dabney**, associate professor (Criminal Justice & Criminology), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal Constitution article, "[Gwinnett Sheriff: Police Lives Matter](#)," September 16, 2015.



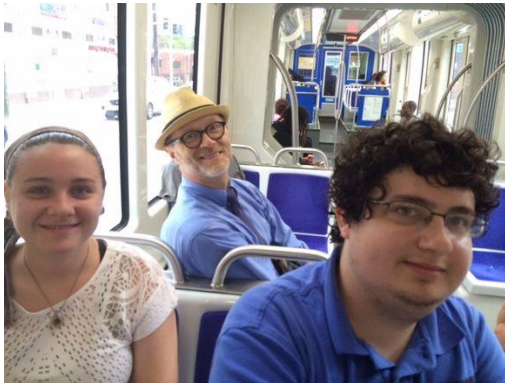
**Bruce Seaman**, associate professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article, "[Game Deal Keeps Money Flowing into Atlanta](#)," September 11, 2015.



**Deborah Whitley**, associate professor (Social Work), had several media hits per her published article in *Current Gerontology and Geriatrics Research*, "[Health Characteristics of Solo Grandparent Caregivers and Single Parents: A Comparative Profile Using the Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance Survey](#)." The article was co-authored with Esme Fuller-Thomson & Sarah Brennenstuhl (both from the University of Toronto). Recent media coverage includes:

- Pyschcentral.com: [Solo Grandparents Raising Grandchildren at Greater Risk than Parents for Serious Health Problems](#), September 17, 2015.
- Science Daily: [Solo Grandparents Raising Grandchildren at Greater Risk than Parents for Serious Health Problems](#), September 14, 2015.
- Medical News Today: [Solo Grandparents Raising Grandchildren at Greater Risk than Parents for Serious Health Problems](#), September 15, 2015.
- Medical Xpress: [Solo Grandparents Raising Grandchildren at Greater Risk than Parents for Serious Health Problems](#), September 15, 2015.





**Joseph Hacker**, clinical assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), and his class were featured in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution opinion piece, "[Impressions from the Streetcar's Student Lab](#)," September 14, 2015. Photo courtesy of Tom Sabulis, AJC photographer.

## APPOINTMENTS

**Ann-Margaret Esnard**, professor (Public Management and Policy), has accepted an invitation to serve a two-year term as a member of the External Assessment Panel for a National Institute for Sciences and Technology [Center of Excellence for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning](#) led by Colorado State University.

**John O'Kane**, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was invited by Sarah Batts, incoming president of the Junior League of Atlanta, to serve on the League's Community Advisory Board for 2015-2016. This invitation marks 10 consecutive years of invitations to O'Kane by Atlanta Junior League presidents to serve, making him the longest serving non-League member on the Community Advisory Board.

## ALUMNI NEWS

**Joe Vignati**, MPA '92, was recently appointed by Georgia Governor Nathan Deal to the Juvenile Justice State Advisory Group. Vignati is the deputy commissioner of the Division of Community Services for the Department of Juvenile Justice. He serves as the co-chair of the Juvenile Inventive Grant Funding Committee. Vignati is a recipient of the Georgia Juvenile Services Association's Harold K. Ables Award.

**Janice Sherman**, MPA '04, was recently named the new CEO of the Mississippi Primary Health Care Association (MPHCA) in Jackson, Miss. Sherman, who officially assumes her new duties on Nov. 2, comes to MPHCA from Atlanta, where she served as the CEO of Baselines, LLC. Under her direction, this Atlanta-based consulting practice has provided services to a national base of Community Health Center (CHC) clients to assist in strengthening their infrastructure through conducting operational audits, compliance testing, leadership development and the development of New-Start Community Health Centers.

**CORRECTION**

In the September 15, 2015 Dean's ENews issue, page 6, a last name was misspelled in a photo caption. The correct spelling of Shereen's last name is "Bhan," not "Bahn."

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