

Grants and Awards



William Alex Pridemore, Distinguished University Professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), was recently elected to the Executive Board of the Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol. The KBS is an international organization of scientists engaged in research on the social aspects of alcohol use and alcohol problems. The aim of the society is to promote social and epidemiological research on alcohol and foster a comparative understanding of alcohol use and alcohol problems in a spirit of international cooperation.

Publications



Bruce Kaufman (pictured left), professor (Economics), **Barry Hirsch**, professor (Economics) and W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, & alumna **Tetyana Zelenska** (pictured right) (Ph.D., Economics '11). (2015). Minimum Wage Channels of Adjustment. *Industrial Relations*. 54 (2), 199–239. <http://goo.gl/swCILp>



Bill Waugh, Professor Emeritus (Public Management and Policy), was named the book series editor for the Emerald Publishers (U.K.) series on “Community, Environment, and Disaster Management.” He is also on the editorial board for *Public Integrity*.

Presentations



David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), was one of six panelists for the “Housing, Homelessness, and Challenges for 21st Century Policymaking” symposium held at Georgia State University, March 24, 2015. About 120 people attended the symposium, which was sponsored by the Andrew Young School’s Department of Economics and Georgia State’s Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics,



Cyntoria Johnson, clinical instructor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), presented an open seminar, “Developing Study Abroad Programs: What to Know from Start to Finish,” at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Orlando, Fla., March 4, 2015.



Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, gave a talk on “Gender Pay Inequality” at a program co-sponsored by Georgia State’s Multicultural Center and the Institute for Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies, March 10, 2015.

Bill Waugh, Professor Emeritus (Public Management and Policy), moderated a panel on “Engaging the Community on Emergency and Crisis Management” as part of the Good Governance Worldwide Pre-Conference Forum and served as a panelist on “Katrina’s 10th Anniversary: Emergency Management Changes at the National, State, Parish, and Municipal Levels in New Orleans,” National Conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Chicago, Ill., March 5-10, 2015.

Criminal Justice Faculty and Students Have “Educational” Spring Break

Several undergraduate criminal justice and criminology students interested in learning about law and policy and the impact they have in the community joined clinical instructor **Cyntoria Johnson** during spring break to engage in two educational field trips.

On March 18, 2015, four students attended Georgia Perimeter College-Dunwoody Campus’ Reads Event to hear-author Jennifer Thompson-Cannino present on the eyewitness misidentification that led to the wrongful conviction of Ronald Cotton in North Carolina detailed in their New York Times bestseller, “Picking Cotton: Our Memoir of Injustice and Redemption.” She shared her compelling story of sexual violence, racial bias in the legal system, and the resulting miscarriage of justice. The co-authors advocate for judicial reform and best practices in the criminal justice system.

On March 19, five students joined Johnson at a Voting Rights Symposium hosted by the American Constitution Society for Law and Policy, a progressive legal organization that helps to shape law and policy in the U.S. The symposium was held in the wake of the 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and in the context of Shelby County, Alabama v. Holder, which challenged the constitutionality of the Act. Presentations discussed litigation and other efforts to protect and defend the right to vote through state courts and constitutions as well as through state legislative and administrative advocacy.



Pictured here at the Georgia Reads event with co-author Jennifer Thompson-Camino (center) and their professor, Cyntoria Johnson (far right) are (from the left) criminal justice and criminology undergraduates Tamara Austin, Jovany Joseph Rabianski.



Pictured (from the left) are CJ&C undergraduate students Joseph Rabianski, Jovany Mondragon, Johnson, Michelle Mendez, Tamara Austin, and Daryl Davis

Media



Robbie Friedmann, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology), was quoted in the WABE radio news story, "Marietta Police Train With New Use-Of-Force Simulator," March 19, 2015. <http://goo.gl/Yl88Vd>

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, provided expert commentary in the following media:

- “Right To Work: Why the States are Divided,” on *The Exchange*, a New Hampshire Public Radio program, March 23, 2015. <http://goo.gl/iefygo>
- “Happenings Q&A” on 1050 WLIP in Kenosha, Wisconsin, on the topic “Right-to-Work Laws and Worker Well-Being,” March 17, 2015. <http://goo.gl/cd6JjX>
- Wrote an invited “Room-for-Debate” piece, “Both Sides Exaggerate the Effects of Right-to-Work,” in the New York Times, March 12, 2015. <http://goo.gl/tXN76R>
- Was interviewed and quoted in Mark Trumball’s story, “Wisconsin going ‘right to work’: What’s the impact for jobs and incomes?” Christian Science Monitor, March 3, 2015. <http://goo.gl/ZO9AOP>
- Provided estimates of state unionization from 1964-2014 (joint with David Macpherson and Wayne Vroman) for the graphic exhibit, “50 Years of Shrinking Union Membership, In One Map,” Quoc Trung Bui, in NPR’s Planet Money, February 23, 2015. <http://goo.gl/NUSF2i>



Laura Wheeler, senior research associate (Center for State and Local Finance), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal Constitutions’ PolitiFact article, “Price’s Point About Rising Deficits on the Money,” March 27, 2015. <http://goo.gl/k3Wrf7>



Carolyn Bourdeaux, associate professor (Public Management and Policy) and director (Center for State and Local Finance), wrote an editorial, “Georgia’s Economy and Economic Development: What Went Wrong and What is to be Done,” for Georgia Cities, the monthly newspaper of the Georgia Municipal Association, March 2015. <http://goo.gl/LLPCJs>

News about the **Center for State and Local Finance**'s upcoming executive education course, Financial Management – Accounting, Risk, Procurement, Long-Term Liabilities, appeared in the March 2015 edition of CountyLine, an e-newsletter produced by Advancing Georgia's Counties (ACCG), an extension of Georgia County Government magazine. <http://goo.gl/G7IsbI>

Information on tax exceptions from the Fiscal Research Center's 2016 State Tax Expenditure Report was referenced in The (Macon) Telegraph article, "Lawmakers Acknowledge it's Hard to Mend Problems with Tax Breaks," February 21, 2015. <http://goo.gl/zdEMN4>

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