

# Call for Papers

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on Crime and Population Dynamics

We are happy to announce that the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop will be held on June 1 and 2, 2009 near Baltimore, Maryland. Since 2005, the *Program on the Economics of Crime and Justice Policy at the Maryland Population Research Center* has held a summer workshop bringing together criminologists, economists, sociologists, demographers, and other social scientists working on crime-related topics. These intensive workshops have proved successful vehicles for cross disciplinary discussion of crime-related topics. Tangible evidence of the success of these workshops includes a number of inter-disciplinary collaborations, most notably a special issue of the *Journal of Quantitative Criminology* on incapacitation. The final programs for previous workshops and lists of attendees are available on the following web site:

<http://www.popcenter.umd.edu/criminologyandeconomics/home.shtml>.

This year, we are pleased to announce that this workshop will be co-sponsored by the *Population Studies Center at the University of Pennsylvania*.

We are seeking proposals for papers and sessions. Papers can be on any crime topic that is likely to be of interest to a broad spectrum of social scientists. As in the past, we have also identified priority topics which will receive a higher rating in our review and selection process. This year, the topics will be:

1. The relationship between criminal activity, criminal justice involvement, and health outcomes. For example, papers could look at the role of incarceration in the disparate spread of AIDS among racial groups or the impact of early criminal involvement on a variety of health outcomes. Analyses of the effects of health care services provided in correctional facilities would also be of interest.
2. The application of traditional population methods to the study of crime. In the past, we have had numerous papers on population-related topics, but the use of population methods has been limited. This is also true more generally of studies of crime and the criminal justice system, where demographers have been involved only at the margin. This year, we would like explicitly to examine opportunities for more focused application of demographic methods to the study of crime.
3. The impact of incarceration on a wide range of outcomes, including, but not limited to, crime, social inequality, fertility, and mortality.

A session will consist of two or three papers. The format will consist of short presentations (20 minutes), followed by at least one formal discussant. Papers will

be posted to the conference web-site (password protected) in advance. A **KEY FEATURE OF THIS WORKSHOP IS THAT RESEARCHERS ARE EXPECTED TO PRESENT COMPLETE AND PUBLISHABLE PAPERS.**

Proposals for papers should be no more than two pages. A session proposal can be as long as five pages. We have a preference for multidisciplinary sessions, and are open to multiple discussants.

Proposals should be posted at:

<http://editorialexpress.com/conference/cne2009>.

We are happy to discuss potential proposals by phone or email; contact Shawn Bushway at [sbushway@albany.edu](mailto:sbushway@albany.edu) or Peter Reuter at [preuter@umd.edu](mailto:preuter@umd.edu). **PROPOSALS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY DECEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>.** Acceptance decisions will be sent by January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Accepted papers are due by May 15<sup>th</sup> in order to allow the discussants time to prepare their comments.

### **Details**

The workshop will have 50-60 participants, with substantial representation from criminology, sociology, economics, public policy, and demography. As in prior workshops, we aim to include both experienced and new researchers and to give the latter opportunities to present.

The conference will begin at 10 a.m. on Monday and conclude by 4 p.m. on Tuesday. It will be held at the Conference Center at the Maritime Institute of Training, which is on the edge of the BWI Airport.

Attendees are expected to pay for their hotel room, about \$140 per night, dinner and breakfast included. There are no other fees. Junior scholars and graduate students who are unable to obtain funding from other sources can apply for funding to cover travel and accommodations.