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# DIVISION OF POLICING NEWS

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## From the Chair

It seems like just yesterday that I was thanking the Division of Policing (DOP) for electing me as Chair. It has truly been an honor to serve for the past two years. During this time, our profession and field has changed rather dramatically, and it remains to be seen how permanent these changes will be or if they will just be known as 2020\*. For me, I look forward to a time when we no longer have to rely on Zoom or Microsoft Teams to meet with our colleagues, students, and research partners. I also look forward to when we can comfortably gather at an ASC reception. At the same time, for most of us, we should be thankful that we work in an occupation that allows us much of the flexibility that we have been fortunate enough to utilize over the past nine months. In short, the things that many of us used to complain about, seem downright trivial right now. Here's to a better 2021!!!

I would like to thank my fellow Executive Board members (Jacinta Gau, Julie Schnobrich-Davis, Jason Ingram, Melissa Morabito,



and Evan Sorg) for their outstanding service. I would also like to congratulate and announce our incoming Executive Board: Jason Ingram (Chair), Laura Huey (Vice Chair), Julie Schnobrich-Davis (Secretary/Treasurer), Barak Arial (Executive Counselor), Janne Gaub (Executive Counselor), and Rob Tillyer (Executive Counselor). Jason and Julie, thank you for continuing to serve on the Executive Board which will definitely help ensure a smooth transition. Please see page 5 for more information on each of the incoming Executive Board members. I would also like to acknowledge DOP members Seth Fallik and Erin Kearns for their phenomenal service as the elections committee.

While our annual ASC conference was canceled this

past November, we still recognized excellent achievements in our field. Please see pages 2-4 which announces each of this year's awardees for lifetime achievement, distinguished scholar, outstanding law enforcement practitioner, early career, outstanding book, and outstanding student paper. I want to thank DOP members for their nominations and the Awards Committee (Stephen Bishopp, Rod Brunson, Joselyn Chenane-Nkogo, Laura Huey, Jason Ingram, Charlie Lofaso, Carlena Orosco, Cody Telep) for their amazing efforts in selecting these well-deserving individuals.

Finally, I would like to (again) recognize our newly formed partnership with Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice. I encourage DOP members to submit their quality research to the journal to enhance its presence as the official outlet of the DOP. Again, on behalf of the entire Executive Board, it has been a pleasure to serve and we look forward to continued growth and excellence as a Division of the American Society of Criminology.

Best,

Gene Paoline  
University of Central Florida

# 2020 Division of Policing Award Winners

## Lifetime Achievement Award



**Gary Cordner** is Academic Director in the Police Academy/Education and Training Section of the Baltimore Police. Most recently he served as Chief Research Advisor for the National Institute of Justice LEADS Scholars Program and as Senior

Police Advisor in Ukraine for the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program. He was a CALEA Commissioner for nine years and has been associated with the Center for Problem-Oriented Policing since its

inception. He is Professor Emeritus at Kutztown University and Eastern Kentucky University. He served as a police officer and police chief in MD. He has his Ph.D. from Michigan State.

## Distinguished Scholar Award



**Michael D. White, Ph.D.** is a Professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Arizona State University, and is Associate Director of ASU's Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety. Dr. White is Co-Director of Training and Technical Assistance for the U.S. Department of Justice Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program. He received his Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from Temple University in 1999. Prior to entering academia, Dr. White worked as a

deputy sheriff in Pennsylvania. Dr. White's primary research interests involve the police, including use of force, technology, and misconduct. He has published more than 70 articles in peer-reviewed journals. Dr. White has commented extensively in the media on police issues, especially body-worn cameras. He also testified about body-worn cameras before the President's Task Force on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing. Dr. White has served as the PI or Co-PI on

grants exceeding \$9.1 million, including grants from the National Institute of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Laura and John Arnold Foundation, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He currently serves as the research partner for two projects with the Tempe Police Department: *The Tempe Strategies for Policing Innovation* and the *Tempe First Responder Opioid Recovery Project*. He is also the co-PI on two National Institute of Justice grants.

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FOR 2021!**

## Outstanding Law Enforcement Practitioner Award



**Ivonne Roman** was born in Puerto Rico and raised in Newark, NJ. She has 25 years of experience in policing, serving every rank from police officer to police chief, in the Newark Police Department. Roman earned a Master of Public Administration with Distinction in 2017, a Master of Science in Public Affairs and Public Policy in 2020, from Rutgers-Camden, where she is currently pursuing a PhD in

the Public Affairs/Policy Department. She holds certifications from the Police Executive Research Forum and the Harvard Kennedy School.

Her work experience includes police patrol operations, investigations, internal affairs, precinct commander, and chief of detectives for the major crimes division. She is a New Jersey Certified Public Manager and is certified in Labor Relations through

Rutgers University. She is an advocate of evidence-based policing, serving on the board of the American Society for Evidence-Based Policing and is an executive fellow at the National Police Foundation. She was awarded a National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Law Enforcement Advancing Data and Science (LEADS) scholarship in 2016, and a Women in Media scholarship in 2020.

## Early Career Award



**Justin Nix** is an Associate Professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Nebraska Omaha, where he teaches classes on policing and coordinates the Master of Arts degree program. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina in 2015. His research interests include police legitimacy and officer decision-making. To date, Justin has authored or co-authored more than thirty peer-reviewed journal

articles on these topics, as well as several book chapters, research briefs, and op-eds. He has served as a consultant to the National Police Foundation, the COPS Office, and the Department of Homeland Security. In 2019, Justin was one of four early career researchers selected by the National Institute of Justice for its LEADS (Law

Enforcement Advancing Data and Science) Academics pilot program. He is also a member of the Crime and Justice Research Alliance's expert panel, and frequently engages with local and national media on issues pertaining to policing and criminal justice.

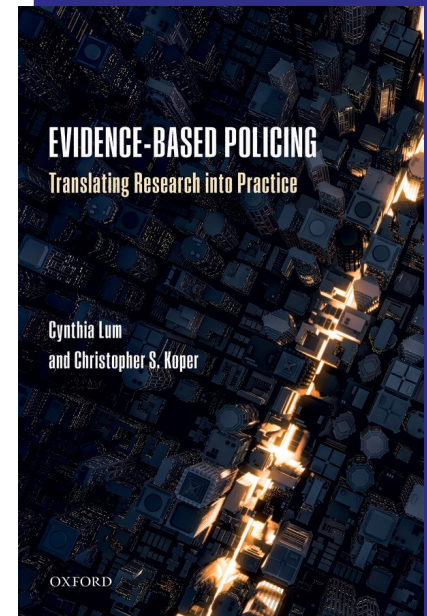


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## Outstanding Book Award

**Cynthia Lum and Christopher Koper** for their book, *Evidence-Based Policing: Translating Research Into Practice*. Today's police agencies are in a period of both crisis and reform as they try to improve their ability to deliver public safety to citizens in ways that are effective, legitimate, and sustainable. Evidence-based policing offers one such solution – an approach which emphasizes the value that research can bring to police officers and, by extension, the public they serve. This unique book examines the scientific evidence for the effectiveness of various police practices and uses practical examples

to explain evidence-based policing and how it can be effectively implemented. It provides tools and ideas for translating research for use in the most common policing systems (patrol, investigations, supervision, crime analysis, training, management, and leadership). Most importantly, it is written for police officers and their research partners who wish to engage in evidence-based policing and sustain its use over time.



## Outstanding Student Paper Award

**Brandon Turchan** is a Research Fellow in the Center on Crime and Community Resilience at Northeastern University's School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. He is also a Doctoral Candidate in the School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University. His research focuses on policing, fugitive apprehension, gun violence, and program evaluation. Brandon's award-winning paper, which is forthcoming in the *Journal of Experimental Criminology*, utilizes

survey data to examine police officers' attitudes toward the community and job performance before and after a high-profile police-involved shooting. The results of his work suggest that officers are not immune to occupational controversies even when they do not occur in the city that they police.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR AWARD WINNERS!

# Meet Our New Executive Board

## OUR NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD BEGINS A TWO YEAR TERM



Jason Ingram



Laura Huey



Julie Schnobrich-Davis



Barak Ariel



Janne Gaub



Rob Tillyer

**Chair: Jason Ingram** is an Associate Professor and the Undergraduate Program Director in the Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology at Sam Houston State University. He earned his Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University. His primary research interests are in police culture, administrative policy, and police supervision. His work has appeared in a variety of criminology and policing-related peer reviewed journals. Currently, serving as Co-PI on the Project Safe Neighborhoods grant in the Southern District of Texas and Co-PI examining school and university police chiefs' needs regarding school safety. He is on the editorial boards of *Police Quarterly* and *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. Previously, Dr. Ingram served as an Executive Counselor (2019-2020) and chaired the Awards Committee (2019-2020) for the division.

**Vice Chair: Laura Huey** is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Western Ontario, the incoming Editor of *Police Practice & Research*, Chair of the Working Group on Mental Health and Policing of the Royal Society of Canada, a member of the RSC's Covid 19 Task Force and the former Executive Director of the Canadian Society of Evidence Based Policing. She is also a member of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada and a Senior Research Fellow with the Police Foundation.

**Secretary-Treasurer: Julie Schnobrich-Davis** is an Associate Professor at Central Connecticut State University in the Criminology & Criminal Justice Department. She received her PhD from SUNY, Albany and her Master's from University of Cincinnati. She is currently serving as the Program Coordinator for the Detective Programs. She has worked on several federal and state funded grants with police agencies on various crime reduction and collaboration strategies and has published in several peer-reviewed journals. Currently she is co-PI on a CBCR grant with the City of Hartford.

### **Executive Counselors:**

**Barak Ariel** holds a PhD in Criminology from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel. He is involved in evaluation research projects with a large number of criminal justice agencies. He is an advisor to several governments and police departments, including a UK Cross-Whitehall Trial Advice Panel, several forces in England and Wales, United States, Latin America and Europe. Barak's interests lie mainly in policing, especially proactive policing, crime prevention, violence, crime and place, body worn cameras and technology and policing. With a background in impact evaluations, his methodological approach is both quantitative and qualitative, with a focus on experimental designs.

**Janne E. Gaub** is an assistant professor of criminal justice and criminology at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She received her PhD in Criminology and Criminal Justice from Arizona State University in 2015. Her research interests include body-worn cameras, specialized police units, police misconduct, and representation in policing. She has previously served on the Division of Policing Awards and Social Media Committees.

**Rob Tillyer** is a Professor in the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice at the University of Texas at San Antonio and the Associate Dean of Graduate Student Success in the College for Health, Community, & Policy. His research interests include decision-making within the criminal justice system, with a particular focus on the use of discretion by police officers to warn, cite, arrest, search, and use force. He is an applied researcher that engages in researcher-practitioner partnerships as a mechanism to promote scientific principles within policing and the broader criminal justice field.