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**Welcome to the November 2024
American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Newsletter**

Our monthly Newsletter provides information about activities, upcoming events, and resources to connect the psychology-law community.

AP-LS aspires to excel as a valuable, effective, and influential organization advancing the science of psychology-law and the translation of psychology-law knowledge into practice and policy.



***Psychology, Public Policy, and Law (PPPL):
Call for Editorial Board***

Psychology, Public Policy, and Law (PPPL) seeks applications for the 2025 editorial board. A portion of the board will be rotated off each year so new people can become part of the board. As detailed in her inaugural editorial (Neal, in press), "early each fall, we will open a renewed call for editorial board members, where anyone can indicate their interest in being part of the editorial team" at any of the levels that will be open in each of the years of her editorship. Board members who served in 2024 can indicate their interest in remaining on the board, and new

applicants can apply. The position descriptions and qualifications required for each role are detailed in this [open call for editorial board members](#) (Associate Editor(s), Consulting Board Members, Principal Reviewers, and Ad Hoc Reviewers). Application Deadline: December 1, 2024

Lynn Stuart Weiss Lecture - Dr. Craig Haney



Dr. Craig Haney (University of California, Santa Cruz) was recognized for his outstanding contributions with the Lynn Stuart Weiss Lecture (APA Convention, 2024). The Lynn Stuart Weiss Lecture is based on “Psychology as a Means of Attaining Peace through World Law” and the awardee is nominated by one of four APA divisions (9, 41, 48, and 52). Past AP-LS nominees for this award have included Valerie Hans, Michael Perlin, and Gary Melton. This year, the AP-LS Nominations and Awards Committee recommended Professor Haney based on his long-standing dedication to prison reform and human rights, both domestically and internationally. Dr. Haney presented an outstanding talk entitled, “Using the International Norms of Dignity and Humanity to Radically Reform Solitary Confinement in the United States.” This lecture was based on his extensive research into the effects of long-term solitary

confinement and other forms of inhumane treatment of American prisoners. Dr. Haney's work has led to important reform efforts that include evidence-based approaches to imprisonment grounded in international concepts of human rights.

Announcing the 2024 *Law and Human Behavior* Reviewer Mentoring Program

Have you always wondered how people get to be reviewers for prestigious journals? Are you interested in becoming a reviewer for *Law and Human Behavior*, the official journal of AP-LS, but don't know what that means or how to get experience with providing strong reviews? Do you have limited or no access to a mentor who can help provide this type of experience? If so, now is your chance to develop your reviewer skills!

LHB Editor, Dave DeMatteo, and the LHB editorial team are continuing the Reviewer Mentoring Program in 2025. The program will kick off at the AP-LS Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico with in-person training and will continue throughout the rest of the year.

The program is designed to provide advanced graduate students (in 3rd, 4th or 5th years of study) and ECPs (within 10 years of last terminal degree) with training and mentoring specifically in conducting strong peer reviews. We will match a small group of Reviewer Mentees with LHB Editorial Board Mentors. Mentees will be assigned 1-2 manuscripts to review throughout 2025, under the guidance of their Mentor.

If you would like to be considered for this program, please complete the application [via this link](#) by **December 31, 2024**.

If you have questions about the program, please contact our Associate Editor, Jenni Cox (jennifer.m.cox@ua.edu) or Editor in Chief, Dave DeMatteo (dsd25@drexel.edu).

AP-LS Awards: Call for Nominations

These include two longstanding AP-LS awards (Distinguished Contributions and the Saleem Shah Early Career), but also two *new* AP-LS awards (Distinguished Service and mid-career).

AP-LS Distinguished Service Award

The AP-LS Distinguished Service Award recognizes members that have contributed exceptional meritorious professional service to the Society and/or the field of legal/forensic psychology. Examples might include (but are not limited to): extensive committee service and leadership for the Society, community outreach/advocacy, services provided to state, local, or federal governments, or uncompensated consultation in legal or clinical services. Nominees must be members of AP-LS, have been in the field for at least 10 years since their doctoral degree, and have demonstrated a sustained track record of leadership and service. Up to two individuals may be recognized each year.

Recipients will be formally recognized at AP-LS Annual Conference. Awardees will receive a plaque, complimentary registration to that year's Conference, and up to \$1,000 in travel reimbursement upon request.

All nominations should be sent in a single pdf document to AP-LS Past President Daniel Murrie (daniel.murrie@uvahealth.org) by **November 15, 2024**. The nomination packet should include:

- A copy of the nominee's CV
 - A letter detailing the nominee's distinguished contributions to psychology and law; and
 - Any additional letters of support that address the nominee's service to the field
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AP-LS Mid-Career Award

The AP-LS Mid-Career Award recognizes members whose work has already substantially contributed to the fields of forensic and legal psychology. Up to three awards may be given each year to recognize scholars who have contributed through research, theory, and/or practice within these fields (e.g., experimental, forensic, corrections, etc.).

Nominees will have completed their terminal degree 10 - 25 years before the nomination deadline. The nominee should be a member of AP-LS.

Recipients will be formally recognized at AP-LS Annual Conference. Awardees will receive a plaque, complimentary registration to that year's Conference, and up to \$1,000 in travel reimbursement upon request.

All nominations should be sent in a single pdf document to AP-LS Past President Daniel Murrie (daniel.murrie@uvahealth.org) by **November 15, 2024**. Self-nominations are not considered. The nomination packet should include:

- A copy of the nominee's CV
 - A letter detailing the nominee's distinguished contributions to psychology and law; and
 - Any additional letters of support that address the nominee's contributions to the field
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AP-LS Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology and Law

The AP-LS Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology and Law honors one who has made distinguished theoretical, empirical, and/or applied contributions to the field of psychology and law. This award will not be presented on a regular basis. Rather, it will be reserved for those individuals whose contributions are so unusual as to merit special commendation. This award is not exclusively for AP-LS members, and anyone who meets these criteria may be nominated (but self-nominations are not considered).

- A copy of the nominee's CV

- A letter detailing the nominee's distinguished contributions to psychology and law; and
- Names and addresses of four individuals who are familiar with the nominee's work and who would be able to address the nominee's contributions to the field of psychology and law (or additional letters from these four individuals).

All nominations should be sent in a single file Word or pdf format to AP-LS Past President Daniel Murrie (daniel.murrie@uvahealth.org) by **November 15, 2024**. More information about the award can be found here: [https://ap-
ls.org/awards/awards/distinguished](https://ap-ls.org/awards/awards/distinguished)

AAFP/AP-LS 2025 Saleem Shah Award

The Saleem Shah Award is an annual award co-sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology and the American Psychology-Law Society recognizing early career excellence and contributions to the field of psychology and law. Please see <https://aafpforensic.org/awards/saleem-shah-award-for-early-career-excellence-in-psychology-and-law/> for more information.

AAFP and AP-LS leadership elected to expand their recognition of emerging talent in our field by potentially honoring up to two (2) early career forensic psychologists annually for this prestigious award. This modification aims to provide greater opportunities for acknowledging outstanding contributions from professionals in the early stages of their forensic psychology careers.

The focus of a nominee's contributions may be in any area of forensic psychology practice, research, or public policy. The selection committee will prioritize one winner from more applied clinical domains and one winner from field or experimental research that can include less clinical domains. Of course, we recognize that excellent work (like Saleem Shah's) may span these broad categories or be difficult to categorize.

The recipient(s) must have received a doctoral degree (or law degree, whichever comes later, if both have been earned) within the last 10 years^[1] (Year 2014 or later, inclusive of 2014). The award includes \$2,000, as well as the opportunity to give the Saleem Shah Address at the next meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society.

Nominations must include 1) a letter detailing the nominee's contributions to psychology and law and 2) a copy of the nominee's vita. Self-nominations will not be considered. Nominations are due by midnight CST on **November 29, 2024**.

Nominations should be sent electronically, in PDF or Word format, to James Mikesell, Ph.D., President-Elect of AAFP: jwmikesellphd@gmail.com Please copy AP-LS Past President Daniel Murrie (daniel.murrie@uvahealth.org)

***[1]** "Early career" is currently defined by APA as ten (10) years and is the recommended organizational standard.*

Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring in the Field of Psychology and Law: Call for Nominations

Each year the AP-LS Teaching, Training, and Careers (TTC) Committee confers two awards for outstanding teaching and mentoring. These awards recognize teaching excellence in the field of psychology and law in a variety of contexts, specifically through the Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring Award and the Early Career Teaching and Mentoring Award.

For more information about the awards, eligibility, and how to nominate yourself or others, please click: [Teaching and Mentoring Awards](#)

This year the TTC Committee is specifically soliciting nominations for individuals who have taught or mentored graduate and/or postdoctoral students (i.e., Category 2).

Winners will be announced at the 2025 AP-LS Conference. Award recipients receive \$500, a plaque at the AP-LS conference, and the option to serve as a guest columnist for the AP-LS Newsletter.

Nominations are due by **December 15, 2024**. Nominations should be emailed to: ttc@apls.org

Call for Student Presentation Awards!

The Student Committee is proud to offer the 11 awards below for student presentation submissions. We invite students to self-nominate their work and be awarded during the 2025 Annual Conference of AP-LS. Full eligibility and requirement details can be found here: <http://www.apls-students.org/student-presentation-awards.html>

- Two (2) Outstanding Student Paper awards (\$200 each)
- Two (2) Outstanding Student Abbreviated Paper (“Data Blitz”) awards (\$150 each)
- Two (2) Outstanding Student Poster awards (\$100 each)
- Five (5) Specialty Awards, including:
 - One (1) Outstanding Student Presentation in Legal Research (\$175), for research directly related to the law or legal practice
 - One (1) Outstanding Student Presentation in Novel-Topic Research (\$175), for research on a topic not traditionally studied in law and psychology
 - One (1) Outstanding Student Presentation in Corrections Research (\$175), for research directly related to correctional settings
 - One (1) Outstanding Student Presentation in Diversity-Related Research (\$175), for research directly related to underrepresented or marginalized populations
 - One (1) Outstanding Student Presentation Using Open Science Practices (\$175), for outstanding research conducted using open science guidelines and practices

Students are encouraged to self-nominate and must submit this Google form to describe their project, here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSffeC_K4xnB0m4PWENv9RgXfnqhTV9knt13xNHA9WI4b94P5w/viewform?usp=sf_link

Additionally, please follow the instructions on the Student Presentation Awards page, and email PDFs and/or videos of your presentation to presentationawards.apls@gmail.com

We can't wait to see everyone's outstanding work!

Submit Your Dissertation for the AP-LS Dissertation Award!

The American Psychology-Law Society invites students to apply for the Dissertation Awards, recognizing outstanding research at the intersection of psychology and law. Winners will present their work at the AP-LS Annual Conference. Submissions should demonstrate originality, quality, contribution to the field, clarity, and contributions to equity, diversity, and inclusion. Submit your dissertation and supporting documents via the AP-LS Dissertation Award Google Form by **December 31**. For more information, visit [AP-LS Dissertation Awards](#) or contact dissertation@ap-ls.org.

Apply to become a Fellow or Distinguished Member of AP-LS

According to our bylaws, "Full Members nominated for Fellow in the Society must provide evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions in the area of psychology and law. All candidates for Fellow must be endorsed by at least two Fellows of the Society. In addition, all candidates for Fellow must meet the requirements of the bylaws of the Association. Full Affiliates nominated for Distinguished Member in the Society must provide evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions in the area of psychology and law. All candidates for Distinguished Member must be endorsed by at least two Fellows or Distinguished Members of the Society."

Members nominated for Fellow or Distinguished member status through AP-LS must provide evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions in the area of psychology and law. The deadline for receipt of all application materials (nominee's materials and endorsers' materials) is **December 1st**. For Fellow status (unless you are already a Fellow in another division), apply through the APA Fellow portal (<https://www.apa.org/members/your-membership/fellows/apply>). For Distinguished Member status and if you are already a Fellow in another APA division, email materials to ebrank2@unl.edu.

For more information about criteria for becoming a Fellow, see this page:

<https://www.apa.org/members/your-membership/fellows/division-41.pdf>

International Journal of Environmental and Public Health: Call for submission

Call for paper for a Special Issue entitled "Understanding Risks and Protective Factors to Promote Health in Justice-Involved Youth" in the open access *International Journal of Environmental and Public Health* (ISSN 1660-4601, Scopus and PubMed indexed, <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/ijerph>). Deadline for submissions is **March 1, 2025**.

More information can be found on the Special Issue website:
https://www.mdpi.com/journal/ijerph/special_issues/1K93SNY95Q

Please do not hesitate to contact the Editorial Office (harley.chen@mdpi.com) if you require any further information.

Dr. Adam Schmidt and Dr. April G. Thomas

Call for Book Proposals

The American Psychology-Law Society invites proposals for new titles in its book series, which is now published by [APA Books](#). We publish authored and edited volumes on current issues at the intersection of psychology and law. Books are typically a state of the science synthesis of a body of existing research with implications for practice and/or policy. Authors and editors should have a substantial and recent track record of publication and/or practice in psychology or law, and at least one should hold a doctorate in psychology or closely related behavioral science. If you have a proposal for a new book in the series or you would simply like more information, reach out to a member of the editorial team. We would be happy to tell you more.

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Executive Committee On The Job or Postdoc Market? AP-LS Job Postings

For more information or if you wish to contact a member of the AP-LS Executive Committee, details can be found [HERE](#).



Check out [AP-LS's Job Postings Page](#) for up-to-date information on available psychology-law positions.

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