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Criminal Justice

Bridget Kelly*

"Assessment and Clarification of Offenders Using Risk Management Systems: A Validation Study"

Steven Pace*, Dr. William Sousa, Dan McGrath

"Assessing the Impact of Police-Order-Maintenance Teams on Crime: An Application of the 'Broken Windows' Hypothesis"

Courtney LaHaie*

"Blameworthiness and Dangerousness: An Analysis of Violent Female Capital Offenders in the United States and China"

Mari Sakiyama*, Amanda Hurst, Omar Melchor, Danielle Shields, Dr. Joel Lieberman

"Following the Lead of Barack Obama, CNN, and Ashton Kutcher: Police Departments' Use of Twitter"

Brian Brehman*, Dr. Terrance D. Miethe, Dr. Timothy C. Hart

"Deaths in Custody in Nevada"

Theresa Wilk*, Crystal Ruggieri, Dr. Terance D. Miethe, and Dr. Timothy C. Hart

"Burglary in Nevada, 1990-2007"

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- Department of Communication Studies
- Department of Criminal Justice
- School of Environmental and Public Affairs
- Hank Greenspun School of Journalism and Media Studies
- Department of Marriage and Family Therapy
- School of Social Work

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The Greenspun College of Urban Affairs (GCUA) is dedicated to the personal and academic development of its students.

The GCUA faculty seeks to advance the theoretical and applied body of knowledge of its disciplines, and the improvement of public policy and professional practices.

Communication Studies

William Saas*

"Ghost Hunting: A Rhetorical Analysis of the American Media on the Waterboard"

Shannon Stevens*

"The Rhetorical Significance of Gojira: A Monster in a Post-War Narrative"

School of Environmental and Public Affairs

Amy Northrup*

"Trends in Climate Change in Nevada's System of Higher Education"

Chris Roberts*, Dr. Scott R. Abella, James S. Holland

"Three Decades of Vegetation Change Across Environmental Gradients in a Mojave Desert Mountain Range"

Richard Clark*

"Evaluating the Comprehensiveness of Tobacco Control Laws Using Time Series Analysis"

Josie Gatti*

"The Best of Times, the Worst of Times: Corruption in Metropolis"

Aurali Dade*

"The Impact of Academic Faculty on Campus Sustainability Initiatives"

Shruti Tandon*

"Measuring Spillover Effects of Residential Amenity Improvement Using Spatial Hedonic Approach"

Sara McPherson*, Donovan Craig, Dr. Scott R. Abella

"Assessing Invasive Species as Threats in Mojave Desert Parks"

Journalism and Media Studies

Michele Ferm*, Dr. Paul Traudt *"Cultural Identity and Ethnic Newspapers in Las Vegas"*

Lindsey Jo Hand*

"The Portrayal of Schizophrenia in Television: An Experiment Assessing How Viewer Attitudes are Affected"

Rachel Toyer*, Dr. Larry Mullen

"How Science Images are Portrayed in the Press: Analyzing the 'Science Times'"

Jessica Wheeler*

"Is the New Media Changing the Message? An Analysis of Frames and Perceptions in New Media News"

Marriage and Family Therapy

Blendine Hawkins*, Dr. Katherine Hertlein
"Defining Intimacy in Asian Couples"

Armeda Stevenson*, Dr. Colleen Peterson, Dr. Katherine Hertlein, Dr. Stephen Fife
"Do Therapeutic Alliance and Satisfaction Affect Client Retention and Termination Status?"