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# CRIMINOLOGY: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

# CRIMINOLOGÍA. UNA PERSPECTIVA GLOBAL

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## INTRODUCTION

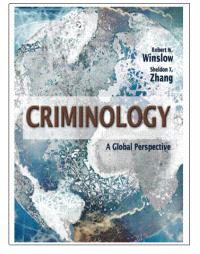
Because of recent changes in communication, transportation, and commerce, crime has become a global phenomenon. Given that assumption, criminology itself must become global in its scope. This means that *comparative criminology*, the international study of crime, no longer should be treated as a separate subject. Instead, criminology at all levels should be comparative in nature. Based upon this assumption, we have designed a text for introductory criminology that is inherently comparative.

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#### HALLMARK FEATURES

#### True global perspective not found in competing books.

- Goes beyond traditional criminology textbooks to cover more countries and identify criminological theories that are true universally, not just in the United States.
- Uses both national and international databases throughout, assessing crime and crime trends in countries around the world.
- Provides country profiles, country comparisons, and cross-national analyses that reflect the international nature of crime.

# Comparative Criminology Website offers a virtual tour of crime throughout the world.

- Includes country by country comparisons and a link to over 110 crime-related sources just by visiting: <u>www.rohan.sdsu.edu/faculty/rwinslow/index.html</u>
- Contains qualitative and quantitative information from international and domestic databases from the FBI, the NCVS, INTERPOL, the United Nations, and the World Health Organization.
- Shows what and where crime is occurring throughout the world, facilitating further research and study.

## Manageable approach to theory

- Includes three introductory chapters (Ch. 3-5), followed by chapters in which additional theories are introduced and applied to specific crimes such as murder, forcible rape, robbery, assault, and theft (Ch. 6-15).
- Offers a fresh, comprehensive, user-friendly approach to theory.
- Introductory theory chapters (Ch. 3-5) show how and when general theories were developed, focusing upon the major theorists, their lives and times, the social context in which the theories emerged, and the policy outcomes of the theories.
- Covers a total of 118 theories in a unique and innovative way.

#### Emphasis on science and global statistics appears throughout the book.

- Includes an introduction to the use of the scientific method in criminology, including a discussion of the use of surveys to approximate controlled experiments through multivariate analysis.
- Promotes criminology as a scientific and collaborative enterprise and tests theories through correlation analysis using national and international data.
- Provides, through its companion Website, a forum for the publication of student and instructor scientific papers.

## Exotic crime textboxes

- Expand the discussion to strange-but-true examples from countries outside the United States.
- Show the many faces of crime as it takes place around the world and details unusual crimes in foreign countries.
- Includes topics that stimulate curiosity, such as dowry murders in India, honor killings in Islamic countries, genocidal rape in the Baltic countries, and ethnic cleansing and death squad murders in Honduras.

## **REVIEWER COMMENTS**

"The global perspective in a basic criminology text is a very exciting new approach. American students are as a group very provincial. They have little knowledge, and sometimes interest, in how other nations are dealing with similar problems. This text very successfully communicates the basic theories and research in criminology while enriching the understanding of this body of work by referencing the approaches, statistics, and criminal justice philosophies past and present of other nations. The use of cross national material enhances and enriches rather than distracting the student. It is very skillfully presented in the body of the text and in selected boxes." [In regard to the three theory chapters, the reviewer adds] "The historical, comparative and biographical/anecdotal information gives the student a more personal introduction to the 'greats' as well as providing a broad developmental and conceptual approach. Students will know who these people were that made criminology what it is today and how we got to the various theoretical and practice positions currently being studied and implemented."

#### Julia Glover-Hall, Drexel University, Philadelphia PA

"Personally, I think it is an excellent book, very reader-friendly. The writing style is extremely nice. The students would not have any difficulty in comprehending the topics. The comparisons between the U.S. and other countries presented in each chapter are simply great. In this age of globalization, the students need to be knowledgeable about varied crimes in countries outside the U.S. The sources used and the *statistics/information* presented arevery recent. The Website (www.rohan.sdsu.edu/faculty/rwinslow /index.html) is just excellent. The author has done an excellent job in putting things together on this Website; it is very informative. Another great thing about this book is the way the author has incorporated theories to explain varied types of crimes. Also, the information/ discussion presented in "boxes" in each chapter are really good! ... Overall, the organization of the chapters is just perfect! The author has done a great job in selecting the topics. The organization of sections as well as the discussions presented in each chapter are really good! All topics are adequately covered in the text....At this time, there is no competition for this text. It is an excellent book, topics are nicely chosen, well-organized, and discussed in a student-friendly fashion."

#### Roy Sudipto, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN

"The primary advantage that clearly separates this text from those currently on the market is the coverage of criminology from an international perspective. Many schools, including the one where I teach, are attempting to become more global in perspective. A book such as this fits nicely into that mission."

#### Susan Brinkley, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL

"I find the organization and presentation of this text outstanding and not previously offered in such an interesting and easy-to-follow format...The premise that crime may be best explained globally by offense specific theories is both well presented and supported ...This is the most up-to-date and accurate material I have seen in a text book presentation. The topics are well organized and presented in an easy to follow format. I particularly like that the authors continued their "no-single-grand-theory" approach through their discussion of individual criminal offenses. Providing particularly relevant theories to particular crimes not only reviews and emphasizes theories, but provides an application component as well....I also appreciate the text stating it's preference for scientific criminology on an international level....You may have a winner here. International criminology, I believe, will be the coming discipline for study, research and application."

#### Ronald Thrasher, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK

#### **OVERVIEW**

To create a comparative text in criminology, it was our goal to compile crime and criminal justice information about all of the countries of the world. Such information we found to be scattered in textbooks, anthologies, journal articles, government reports, and in reports by non-government organizations (NGOs). We have gathered this information and placed it on a Website that will be referred to as the Comparative Criminology Website (CCW). This Website can be viewed at the following URL: <u>http://www.rohan.sdsu.edu/faculty/rwinslow/index.html</u>



The Website, in development over the past eight years, contains qualitative and quantitative information on over 230 countries, including international and domestic databases from the FBI, the NCVS, INTERPOL, and the United Nations. The CCW is a compilation drawn from government publications, which are public domain. The Website is not copyrighted, and will not be, because the purpose of it is to create a research tool that can be drawn upon freely to facilitate the development of research papers, texts and other media. Permissions are not required for materials quoted from the CCW. We welcome the submission of research papers, which we will publish on the Website, if desired.

Many of the country comparisons we make in *Criminology: a Global Perspective* are drawn from this Website. Others are drawn from textbooks, journal articles, anthologies, and news stories. Some comparisons appear in text boxes accompanying topics that are covered in the text. In addition, country profiles on countries high or low in a given crime and international data analyses are done in chapters pertaining to particular crimes. These are drawn from the CCW and data sets contained within the CCW. We term these data sets collectively the Comparative Criminology Database (CCDB).

Thus, our goal has been to develop an introductory criminology text that is not only thorough in its coverage of the usual topics, but, in addition, includes international comparisons throughout the text. By "usual topics," we are referring to definitions, extent and trend statistics, typologies, etiological studies, theories and policy recommendations.

In addition to the international comparisons, what is noteworthy about this text is our approach to theory. We provide three introductory chapters (Chapters 3-5). These chapters are comparative and historical in showing how various theories of crime developed. We include a discussion of the social context or "climate of the times" in which a given theory was developed. We also provide biographical information on the major theorists. The biographies are interesting and helpful in understanding the personal and social circumstances that helped shaped the theorists' perspectives.

Our theoretical analysis, however, does not end with these three chapters. Instead, we continue with the theoretical analysis in each of the subsequent chapters dealing with particular crimes. In many cases, theories have been developed to explain a particular type of crime, such as the "subculture of violence theory" for criminal homicide. In many ways, most of the chapters in this book are devoted to criminological theory. However, once students are exposed to general criminological theories in Chapters 3-5, the remainder of the text is devoted to applying theories to various crimes or forms of crime. We have found that applying theories as explanations for crimes or sets of crime is what makes the theories interesting to students. We have also found that when searching for theories to explain individual crimes, we have located theories that are not included in many criminological texts. For example, we found a theory that seems to provide an empirically valid explanation of "stealthy theft" crime, such as burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft. That theory is called the "Easterlin Hypothesis," named for an economist, Richard Easterlin, who linked economic crime with the "baby boom" and its "aftershocks." We found Easterlin's theory to be very useful in explaining the property crimes of young people in "affluent societies," when viewed internationally.

The introductory theory chapters are followed by five chapters on the FBI's "seven major crimes," the Index Crimes of the FBI's *Uniform Crime Reports*. These crimes were selected for analysis for two reasons. The first is that all seven of these crimes are judged to be "serious crimes" or "real crimes," not only by the police, but also in public opinion surveys. The second reason is that data are available for all seven of these crimes in international databases published by the United Nations and INTERPOL. In these "crime chapters," the various theories are "tested" using both international crime data and through an examination of qualitative information on the countries that exhibit high rates of the crime. Through this process, we have been challenged by anomalous findings to seek out explanatory theories not usually covered in criminology textbooks. In addition to Easterlin's hypothesis, Thio's "power-control theory" is also introduced as a useful explanation for "simple assault." This theory seems to fit the country profiles of several countries that registered high rates of assault.

The following is a brief overview and synopsis of the chapters that will show, where applicable, how the comparative method is used to enhance the subject matter of each chapter.

"According to one estimate, one fourth of British immigrants to colonial America during the 18th century were criminal exiles. Had it not been for piracy, the English might not have successfully colonized the New World." Chapter 1 (Criminology in a Fast-Changing World) contains an analysis of how crime is defined in the United States. Some historical analysis

is done to show how a "common law legal system" developed in the United States. The major legal systems of the world (common law, civil law, indigenous/ customary, Islamic, and socialist) are identified and described. The impact of America's common law system upon the definition of crime is explained. We discuss how America's history and its legal system led to the emphasis upon the seriousness of certain crimes, such as drug offenses and crimes against morality. The United States is compared with countries that have "civil law" legal systems. Civil law countries, such as France, Italyand Spain, tend to be more responsive to "white-collar crimes" than the U.S., and they tend to downplay drug and sex offenses. The emphasis upon contemporary white-collar crimes in these countries is related to the fact that civil law legal systems adapt more quickly to conditions of the modern world because they are based upon codified law rather than legal precedent. A brief introduction to the comparative approach used in this text is also given in this chapter.

"Comparative criminology is not new. In fact it dates back to the gathering of the first crime statistics in France in 1827 by pioneers of criminology such as Quetelet, Tarde, Verkko, and Durkheim who used government statistics to do comparative studies of crime." Chapter 2 (Extent and Trends in Crime) begins with a discussion of the scientific method. This section contains a primer on how surveys are conducted and the meaning of correlation coefficients (which are used throughout the text). The

chapter provides estimates of the extent and trends in crime in the United States, comparing FBI and NCVS data. Also included are incidence and trend data from self-report surveys of high school seniors conducted nationally, since 1975, by the Michigan Institute for Social Research. These national data are compared with incidence and trend data compiled by the United Nations, INTERPOL, and the UN victim survey called the International Crime Victim Surveys (ICVS). Definitions of crime from these sources and criticisms of each of these sources are given in the chapter.

"Harsh punishments have been revived as a remedy for crime in a growing number of Islamic developing nations today. In the U.S., Protestant evangelicals today have carried forth the Puritan legacy of physical punishment in their support for the death penalty." Chapter 3 (Historical Theories of Crime) covers theories of crime that predate sociological

theories. Discussion

includes the Classical School and Utilitarianism in France, Italy, and England. Next, attention is turned to the rise of positivism in the form of the "born criminal theory" of biological determinism. Special emphasis is given to religious beliefs about crime—including Christian, Islamic, and Buddhist beliefs. The rise of fundamentalism worldwide has brought these beliefs into the public consciousness. Christian and Islamic beliefs are being used today as a basis for explanations of crime and/or its prevention.

**Chapter** 4 (Sociological Theories of Crime) focuses upon the theories of crime that dominated criminology during most of the 20th Century. A product of

"A major product of urbanization and industrialization was social problems linked with those trends. A major social movement called **Progressivism** began in the 1890s in response to these social problems. It was in this social context that sociology emerged as a discipline in America."

Progressivism, the sociological approach was pioneered by Robert Park and his followers at the University of Chicago. While the Chicago School focused upon local community organization, direction was shifted to the macrosociological (societal) emphasis in the writings of Robert K. Merton and his associates, whose opportunity theory was well received by the Kennedy/Johnson administrations during the 1960s. During the 1970s and 1980s Nixon and Reagan administrations, politics shifted away from "big government" and "entitlement" programs, and the labeling theory of Howard S. Becker that called for "diversion" of criminals and the mentally ill from government programs fit the conservative social context of the times. As the 20th century ended, it became evident that the diversion approach had "widened the net." While more and more people were being sentenced to "do time in community based organizations," the prison population also grew, exponentially. This led to an attack by sociologists of the "conflict school" upon the criminal justice system itself as a source of crime. This school, also called "critical criminology," was prominent during the 1990s, at a time when non-sociological approaches started to emerge in criminological literature.

"Possibly as a result of the disconnect between academic criminology, with its interest in conflict theory, and public opinion, there has been a tendency for alternative theories to traditional sociological theories to develop in criminology, which have challenged the hegemony of traditional sociological theory as the dominant mode of orientation in regard to crime."

Chapter

5 (Contemporary Theories of Crime) calls attention to alternative theories

to sociological theories of crime. These theories became popular based upon a variety of reasons—the public fear of crime, the development of the "nothing works" doctrine, and a trend toward conservatism. Many of these new theories are actually revisions of historical theories, such as the Classical School and biological theories. Another new approach is "self-control theory" which stems from theChicago School. This chapter also covers sociological theories that have withstood the test of time. An example is Akers' "social learning theory," an expanded version of Sutherland's differential association theory. Social learning theory continues to be respected because of its relationship to the therapeutic community programs that appear to have been successful in treating drug addiction. The chapter contains a description of attempts to reformulate sociological theories to overcome flaws thought to have characterized earlier efforts. "New and improved" sociological theories include the "restorative justice approach," which arises from the "labeling theory" of the 20th century. In addition, "peacemaking criminology" is a surviving nonviolent version of "conflict theory."

We propose another approach to theory which entails the use of the comparative method. Briefly, the comparative method leads to the discovery of different theories for different crimes. Thus, deterrence theory might be appropriate for crimes (such as auto theft and larceny) that are leniently treated by the criminal justice system. Conflict theory seems to provide a viable explanation for criminal homicide, when this crime is viewed cross-nationally.

"The deinstitutionalization movement has led to homelessness for the mentally ill, a decline in psychiatric care for them, a displacement of the mentally ill to jails and prisons, and a rise in crimes committed by the mentally ill, including murder." Chapter6 (CriminalHomicide) beginsthe sequenceofchaptersexaminingindividualcrimes.Eachchapterbeginswith a casestudy,i.e.biographies

various criminals. Many of these were derived from actual interviews done in the classroom. Following the case study, each chapter contains a discussion of definitions, extent and trends, typologies, etiological factors, and theories pertaining to the subject. In Chapter 6, it is found that income inequality seems to be a key factor in murder, as manifested in the black/white income gap within the U.S. The racial difference in murder in the U.S. may simply be a manifestation of income inequality.

"There is evidence that lack of 'equality before the law' is a factor in rape, since, internationally, rates of conviction are inversely correlated with rape--the lower the rates of conviction, the higher the rates of rape."

Chapter 7 (Forcible Rape) provides a discussion of how rape is defined in the United States and why some countries

(e.g., Canada and Australia) don't report data on this crime, but instead prefer the term "sexual assault." In this chapter, "deterrence theory" seems to emerge as a relevant approach. The deterrence of Islamic law, and the enforcement of American laws pertaining to domestic violence, both seem to have produced lower rates of rape during the 1990s.

"One study based upon law enforcement sources portrayed the Asian gangs as 'home invaders,' who travel across the U.S. robbing, terrorizing and intimidating Asian families." Chapter8 (Robbery)emphasizes the changing natureof robbery, from a crime that wasoncedonebyprofessional

criminals, to a crime today typically committed by drug addicts with little in the way of criminal skills. Robbery today is a crime shown to be linked with the drug trade (especially, heroin), as well as with the black/white income gap.

"Assault seems to be mostly a family'concern, or at least an outgrowth of a relationship between 'intimate partners' forming an informal family or common law marriage." Chapter 9 (Assault) describes assault as the "common cold" of crime. It is noted that

in other criminology texts, there is no accepted "theory of assault," apart from homicide theories. Since assault is far more prevalent than homicide, it is argued that a separate theory of assault is needed. In the absence of theories of assault, this chapter draws even more extensively upon country profiles in order to isolate variables which might lead to a rudimentary "theory of assault." Based upon this analysis, the "power-control theory," suggested by Thio, seems to provide a promising approach to the crime of assault.

**Chapter 10** (Sneak Thieves: Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle theft) identifies "stealthy theft"--burglary, larceny, and vehicle theft) as a crime that is different in

many ways from robbery. Robbery is often a desperate act of violence and confrontation. while stealthy theft is done secretly, quietly, and (often) successfully. Cross-nationally, the acts of stealthy theft are the opposite of robbery in that they correlate negatively with inequality. They are most prevalent in the most equalitarian countries. In common with robbery, however, stealthy theft seems to correlate well with alcohol consumption. It is done most in wealthy countries and is inversely related to poverty and unemployment. Australia is shown by various indices to be high in its rate of burglary. In Australia, burglary seems to be associated with participation in a "surfer subculture" of youth who have adapted to unemployment with a "life as party" orientation in which burglary is a major source of financial support Sweden has the highest larceny rate in the world, a fact thought to be accounted for by the role of youth and immigrants. Analysis indicates that two groups, youth and immigrants, share similar financial stress, as well as the highest rates of unemployment in Sweden. Their high aspirations (travel, home ownership, family), can be attained either through the slow process of assimilation or aging or, as an alternative, through crime. Great Britain is profiled as a country that, by a variety

"Arizona has a vehicle theft rate of 983.6 per 100,000 inhabitants, highest of any state in the Union. Smuggling experts believe that a major portion of theft of vehicles is done by "coyotes," individuals who transport illegal aliens into to the United States from Mexico for a fee." ofmeasures, seems to be a "hot spot" for auto theft. One factor in the British profile is that the crime seems to be "trivialized" in the criminal justice system. Sanctions for auto theft typically include a "caution" by the police or a "summary judgment" (fine) by the magistrate's court. Thus, there is little or no deterrence of motor vehicle theft through law in Britain. At the same time, there are plenty of "motivated offenders" in that country--not just young British citizens, but migrants coming from other parts

of Europeas result of its "open borders" policy as a member of the European Union. In addition, there are growing numbers of migrants from the Commonwealth countries, who enjoy free trade and freedom of movement within the Commonwealth. Many of these Commonwealth countries are former British Empire colonies that are now sovereign developing nations with high crime rates.

#### Chapter

**11** (Organized Crime) seems a likely sequel to the previous chapter on motor vehicle

theft. In England,

"One form of OC has a uniquely American derivation—the outlaw motorcycle club. After WWII, San Diego, which was a major navy base, became the location for the development of the methamphetamine trade by biker gangs who had been pilots during WWII. The term Hell's Angels, now used by a major biker group, was used during WWII by members of the U.S. Army's 11th Airborne Division."

auto theft has become a form of transnational organized crime (**OC**). Auto thieves may "barter trade" their vehicles for drugs or other contraband in other European countries. They may then return to England with undocumented aliens, drugs, or other contraband. In this chapter, trafficking in heroin is proposed as an imperfect "marker" for organized crime, imperfect because OC is actually a cluster of crimes. We cannot perform comparative statistical analysis on OC, because the FBI keeps no offense reports on such crimes. Countries that seem to have a large number of OC groups typically also have a history of military rule. Several countries, including theUnited States, are profiled in terms of this observation, and OC groups that are prevalent in the United States are discussed in terms of their country of origin.

As head of the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Drug Convention, Harry Anslinger obtained the United Nations Single Convention Treaty on Narcotics which classified marijuana as a criminal narcotic. Thus, America's drug policy became that of the United Nations through the efforts of Anslinger. **Chapter 12** (The Drug Trade) covers the social definition of drugs that are defined as "dangerous" in the U.S. The War on Drugs is traced to the earlier Prohibition movement, as well as to intergroup conflict with various ethnic groups—black, Asian,

and Latino. Trafficking in drugs as a form of OC has a strong link with past wars, when soldiers made connections with international drug markets. Based upon its ranking (in Chapter 11), Pakistan is second only to China in Kg of heroin seized in a country. "History of military rule" clearly characterized both before and after Pakistan's independence from Great Britain, due to partitioning more or less imposed by the British Parliament.

The Mall of America in Minnesota, the largest shopping complex in the United States, was described by social service providers as one of the largest pimping grounds in the state, where recruiters prey on young, suburban and rural teens who hang out there. **Chapter 13** (The Sex Trade) includes a discussion of prostitution and pornography Both, when involving consenting adults, are considered "victimless crimes" that are subject to "moral panics" from time to time in America. Cross-nationally, these two offenses are defined as problems in the U.S. However, many other countries, includingJapan, Denmark, Sweden, and Netherlands, do not criminalize these offenses. The sex trade has a military connection

because soldiers often are clients for prostitutes in foreign countries. They also sometimes marry these prostitutes and require them to engage in prostitution when they return to the U.S. The sex trade is also linked to transnational organized crime, and major corporations are participating in the profits from the pornography industry. The sex trade is difficult to quantify for international study, since neither INTERPOL nor the UN publish statistics on prostitution or pornography. However, trafficking in women may prove to be a good indicator, since it is almost always for purposes of sexual exploitation. With limited data available, Germany was profiled as a country in Europe noted for its recent increase in the sex trade, including trafficking in women, prostitution, and pornography. Factors such as former military rule, the country's affluent economy, the consequences of reunification, and the dissolution of the Soviet Union are discussed as relevant to the growing sex trade in Germany.

"Factors in recent large-scale instances of embezzlement are the 1980s deregulation of the S&Ls combined with protective insurance and guaranty funds; a "casino" economy where profits are made from speculative investment (not production); extensive networks among insiders and affiliated outsiders; and a government response of containing the financial crisis rather than punishing wrongdoers." Chapter 14 (White-Collar Crime) covers a number of "paper crimes" that are not severely punished in theUnited States. These include crimes that range from

check forgery to electronic crimes, such as "identity theft," to "big business crime," such as false advertising, fraud, and money laundering. The officers of corporations that commit such crimes, when caught, are given fines rather than jail time. Incorporation provides not only protection from liability lawsuits, but it can also shield criminal acts, since it is difficult to prove who in a corporation was responsible for corporate misdeeds. Thus, the unprecedented growth of corporations in the U.S. provides a fertile ground for white-collar crime. White-collar crime can cause not only financial loss to victims, but also disease and even death from toxic dumping and similar crimes against the environment. Corporate crime, such as the Enron scandal, can also cause increasing economic inequality—the rich getricher..the poor get poorer.

**Chapter 15** (Terrorism) is the concluding chapter. There is evidence that large corporations have engaged in white-collar crimes not only in the U.S., but also in foreign

"It is interesting to note that, just as Pakistan is number one in the world for heroin seized, it is also number one in the world in the number of terrorist organizations that exist in a single country."

countries. The expansion of U.S. corporations to other countries has been, indirectly, supported by the U.S. government. It has been alleged that the CIA has deliberately installed repressive regimes abroad to provide a "business-friendly" climate for American corporations. When activities such as these occur, white-collar crime becomes a basis for "political crime" in the form of terrorism that can result in retaliatory terrorist acts against U.S. citizens abroad and, more recently, in the homeland, with the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

It seems clear that much of the terrorism that has taken place over the last 30 years targets U.S. business interests abroad. A major finding in this chapter is that terrorists differ from common criminals demographically. Data produced for the chapter show that the usual variables that correlate with common crime (unemployment, poverty, inequality, etc.) do not correlate with the index of terrorism developed for the chapter (the estimated number of terrorist organizations per country). Instead, this index seems to correlate best with adherence to Islamic faith and, even more strongly, with the heroin drug trade (as a possible funding source). Turkey is discussed as an example of this linkage, since Turkey is an active transit country for South Asian heroin, as well as being a country with a legacy of Kurdish terrorism. Discussion in the chapter also includes the Patriot Act and the dungeon torture scenario which developed at the Abu Graib Correctional Facility in Iraq.

In sum, *Criminology: A Global Perspective* is intended as an introductory text in criminology which addresses the problem of "provincialism" that seems inherent in many, if not most, U.S. criminology studies and texts. Global comparisons are necessary in order to develop improved theories about crime based upon the fact that the theories hold true anywhere--i.e., they are "universal generalizations." These are also theories that take into consideration the fact that "crime comes from everywhere, and goes everywhere."

We hope that the foregoing text will be helpful in expanding the horizons of criminology. We believe that criminology must keep pace with the international world of commerce, the World Wide Web of information available on the Internet, and, most of all, the global nature of crime.