The Division of Convict Criminology (DCC) of ASC invites nominations for this year's awards (2020).

The John Keith Irwin Distinguished Scholar Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)

This award recognizes sustained outstanding professional contributions by an individual to the study of Convict Criminology. Scholarly contributions may be empirical or theoretical. Professional contributions also include advocating for Convict Criminology as an area of scholarship within criminology and related disciplines and mentoring graduate students. Persons who have made substantial practical contributions to insider perspectives of criminal and deviant behavior also are eligible to receive this award. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

- In 1967, John Keith Irwin founded Project Rebound, a program which helps those coming out of prison go to college. Irwin co-founded the Prisoners Union in 1971, which organized inmates to push for their civil rights and worked closely with the California legislature on the Uniform Sentencing Act passed in 1976. In 1985, he received the August Vollmer award from the American Society of Criminology. At a panel presentation at the American Society of Criminology's annual conference in 1997, Irwin helped officially establish the Convict Criminology movement, in which formerly-incarcerated individuals who became professors critically examine the carceral system.

The Frank Tannenbaum Outstanding Book Award (Nomination Deadline: August 1, 2020)

This award recognizes outstanding scholarship in a monograph or textbook within Convict Criminology. Books published within three years of the award are eligible for consideration. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

- Frank Tannenbaum is unofficially considered by many scholars to be the first "convict criminologist" in the United States. His book, *Wall Shadows: A Study in American Prisons*, was one of the earliest narrative accounts of incarceration experiences in criminology. In 1931, he reported to the Wickersham Commission study on Penal Institutions, Probation and Parole. He taught criminology at Cornell University. His conception of the "Dramatization of Evil" led to the further development of labeling theory.

The Young Career Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)

This award recognizes outstanding contributions to Convict Criminology scholarship by persons early in their professional careers. To be eligible for this award, an individual must have received his or her terminal degree no more than eight years before the year of the award and have developed a strong research agenda in Convict Criminology since the time of the terminal degree as indicated by regular publications. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

The Outstanding Article or Book Chapter Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)
This award recognizes outstanding scholarship in the form of an article or book chapter in Convict Criminology. Articles or chapters published within three years of the award are eligible for consideration. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

The Student Paper Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)
The Student Paper Award recognizes scholarly work of students in Convict Criminology. Students working by themselves or as part of a team of co-authors who are currently enrolled in an academic program or a recent graduate of such a program (no more than one year removed from the year of the award) at either the undergraduate or graduate level are eligible for the competition. Paper submissions may be conceptual, theoretical, and/or empirical (quantitative or qualitative) and must be a completed project directly related to Convict Criminology. Papers must be the work of one or more students but should not be co-authored with a faculty member, though a review and endorsement by a faculty member of the student's choice is required for submission. Papers must also be a maximum of 30 pages (including tables and references) and formatted in APA style. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

The Outstanding Teacher Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)
The Outstanding Teacher Award recognizes contributions that have made a significant impact on the teaching of convict criminology at the local, state, regional, national, or international level. These contributions may include a) exemplary classroom teaching and/or student engagement activities, b) leadership and innovation in teaching developments such as the preparation of teaching and curriculum-related materials and publications, c) contributions to the scholarship on teaching and learning, and/or d) contributions to the enhancement of teaching within state, regional or national associations. To be clear, this award is available to any teacher, and not just faculty teaching at institutions of higher education. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

The Outstanding Mentor Award (Nomination Deadline: September 1, 2020)
The Outstanding Mentor Award is designed to recognize excellence in mentorship. Nominations of individuals at all stages of their academic careers are encouraged. Nonstudent members may be nominated by colleagues, peers, or students but self-nominations are not allowed. A detailed letter of nomination should contain concrete examples and evidence of how the nominee has sustained a record of enriching the professional lives of others. The letter of nomination should specify the ways the nominee has gone beyond his/her role as a professor, researcher, or collaborator to ensure successful enculturation into the discipline of Criminology and Criminal Justice, providing intellectual professional development outside of the classroom, and otherwise exemplary support for undergraduates, graduates, post-graduates, and/or currently incarcerated students. If relevant, then be sure the letter specifically highlights mentorship involving justice-impacted undergraduates, graduates, post-graduates, and/or currently incarcerated students. Award decisions will be based on the strength of the nominee's qualifications and not on the number of endorsements for any particular candidate. The committee may elect not to give this award in any given year.

<u>Requirements/Deadlines/Procedures</u>:
● All nominees must be DCC members in good standing with their ASC and DCC dues paid by April 1st of each year. (Exception for 2020; see below) ***
● Nominations may be submitted by DCC and non-DCC members.
● No nominee will be considered unless these materials are provided and arrive by the deadline of September 1, 2020. +++
● Winners will be notified by October 15, 2020 and are expected to be present at the DCC Social & Awards Ceremony during the annual meeting of the ASC.
● The committee reserves the right to give no award in a particular year if it deems this appropriate.

Inclusivity and Language:

The executive board of the Division of Convict Criminology wishes to remind anyone intending to submit a nomination that:

- A nominee's lived-justice-experience (or lack thereof) is **not** a prerequisite for any of these awards.

- No one should be described as a "*convict criminologist*" unless they have expressly identified as such in prior publications or public communications.

- Person-centered language should be used in nomination materials.

Selection Criteria:
The nominees are evaluated by the awards committee based on their scholarly work, their commitment to Convict Criminology as a research discipline, and their commitment to Convict Criminology as advocates, particularly in terms of dedication to the Division of Convict Criminology.

Nomination Materials:
In submitting your nomination, please provide the following supporting materials in PDF format:

(1) A letter evaluating the nominee's contribution and its relevance to the award

(2) The nominee's C.V. (short version preferred)

(3) To nominate a book, please also submit the title of the book, its author(s), the publisher, the year of the publication, and a brief statement of support describing its contributions to Convict Criminology.

Please submit nominations and all supporting materials in a single PDF document by September 1, 2020 to:

https://forms.gle/RBt5VYarGa4d3fVZ7

+++ Please note that the deadline for the Frank Tannenbaum Outstanding Book Award is earlier than the rest of DCC's awards **(August 1st, 2020).**

Questions:
If you have any questions, please contact the chair of the DCC Internal Awards Committee:

- Alison Cox (alison.cox@uni.edu)

Please Note:
*** Due to the circumstances of the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic, nominees will have until October 1st to become DCC members in good standing with their ASC and DCC dues paid. Nominations can be submitted by DCC and non-DCC members.