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APA DIVISION 41

Welcome to the November 2026 American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Newsletter



Law and Human Behavior Editorial Fellowship

The Editorial Team of *Law and Human Behavior* is seeking nominations for one editorial fellowship position for an early-career psychologist (ECP) from a group historically underrepresented in the academy and/or professional practice. The fellow will serve a 12-month term beginning January 1, 2027, and the position includes an honoraria stipend of $2,500 USD.

Law and Human Behavior's Editorial Fellowship Program seeks to elevate leadership opportunities for ECPs from communities that have been historically underrepresented in research and publishing leadership roles. Such individuals include, but are not limited to, psychologists who are Black, Indigenous, or other people of color and ethnicities as well as those psychologists who study, advocate on behalf of, or practice primarily with communities of color. Members of other underrepresented communities (e.g., LGBTQIA+ individuals, individuals with disabilities) or who work with or advocate on behalf of individuals from these communities will be considered.

Qualifications
The fellowship is open to qualified candidates who meet the above description and are no more than 10 years postdoctoral. Preference will be given to applicants who have experience conducting peer reviews and who are interested in pursuing a leadership role with a peer-reviewed journal.

Responsibilities
The fellow will work closely with the *Law and Human Behavior* Editorial Team (Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors) to develop their editorial leadership skills. The fellow will be mentored to perform the tasks typically required of an Associate Editor, including screening manuscripts for appropriateness, inviting reviewers to review manuscripts, and writing decision letters. The fellow will also participate in periodic meetings (via Zoom) with the *Law and Human Behavior* Editorial Team. Fellows will be credited on the journal masthead

and, upon successful completion of the fellowship, will become members of *Law and Human Behavior*'s Editorial Board.

How to Apply
Interested candidates should send their application to the Editor-in-Chief of *Law and Human Behavior*, David DeMatteo (**david.dematteo@drexel.edu**), by **November 1, 2026**. Applicants should provide a CV and a letter of interest that (a) describes their expertise and experience, (b) provides context for their interest in the editorial fellowship program, and (c) indicates how their participation in the editorial fellowship program will contribute to the journal's advancement.

American Psychology-Law Society Book Award

The American Psychology-Law Society Book Award Committee invites nominations for the 2027 Lawrence S. Wrightsman Book Award, which recognizes outstanding scholarship in psychology and law. The award alternates annually between edited and authored books. This year we are accepting nominations for authored books published in 2024 and 2025. The deadline for nominations is **November 1, 2026**. We kindly request an electronic copy and a physical copy of the book to be submitted. Nominations (including self-nominations) and e-versions of the book should be sent to the Chair of the Committee:
Catherine Burke, Psy.D **catherine.burke@yale.edu**.

AP-LS 2027 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 the AP-LS Annual Conference. Awardees will receive a plaque and up to $1,000 in travel reimbursement upon request.

All nominations should be submitted to: **https://tinyurl.com/APLS-Awards-2026** by **November 15, 2026**. Self-nominations will not be considered. The nomination packet should be a single PDF document that includes:

- 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.

More information about the award can be found at: **https://ap-ls.org/awards/awards/distinguishedservice**.

AP-LS 2027 Distinguished Contributions to Psychology and Law Award

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).

Recipients will be formally recognized at the AP-LS Annual Conference. Awardees will receive a plaque and up to $1,000 in travel reimbursement upon request.

All nominations should be submitted to: **https://tinyurl.com/APLS-Awards-2026** by **November 15, 2026**. Self-nominations will not be considered. The nomination packet should be a single PDF document that includes:

- 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).

More information about the award can be found at: **https://ap-ls.org/awards/awards/distinguished**.

AP-LS 2027 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 the AP-LS Annual Conference. Awardees will receive a plaque and up to $1,000 in travel reimbursement upon request.

All nominations should be submitted to: **https://tinyurl.com/APLS-Awards-2026** by **November 15, 2026**. Self-nominations will not be considered. The nomination packet should be a single PDF document that includes:

- 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.

More information about the award can be found at: **https://ap-ls.org/awards/awards/midcareer**.

AAFP/AP-LS 2027 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 have expanded the recognition of emerging talent in our field by honoring up to two (2) early career forensic or legal 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 careers.

The focus of a nominee's contributions may be in any area of forensic/legal 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 (as defined by APA, year 2015 or later, inclusive of 2015). 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.

All nominations should be submitted to: **https://tinyurl.com/APLS-Awards-2026** by **November 15, 2026.** Self-nominations will not be considered. The nomination packet should be a single PDF document that includes:

- a letter detailing the nominee's contributions to psychology and law, and
- a copy of the nominee's vita.

More information about the award can be found at: **https://ap-ls.org/awards/awards/saleemshah**.

🏆 Apply for the AP-LS Dissertation Award 🏆

Apply for the AP-LS Dissertation Award and be recognized for outstanding scholarship. You are eligible if you defended or will defend your dissertation in 2026. Winners will receive a cash prize and be invited to share their work at the 2027 AP-LS Annual Conference. Submit your dissertation and supporting documents via the **AP-LS Dissertation Award Google Form** (**https://forms.gle/tmnZNPLNhbECuh9t6**) by **December 31**. For more information, visit the AP-LS Dissertation Awards webpage (**Dissertation Awards – The American Psychology-Law Society**) or contact the selection committee at **dissertation@ap-ls.org**.

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

Are you interested in becoming 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 three 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 three 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 or if you are already a Fellow in another APA division, email materials to fellows@ap-ls.org.

For more information about criteria for becoming a Fellow, see this page: **https://www.apa.org/members/your-membership/fellows/division-41.pdf**.

Caregiving Grants for AP-LS 2027 Annual Conference

The AP-LS Professional Development of Women Committee is thrilled to once again offer Caregiving Grants of $250-$700 for 20-30 attendees of AP-LS 2027 in Louisville, Kentucky. We will give priority to first authors, presenters, students, and early career professionals. This grant is open to any AP-LS member (student and non-student) who serves as a caregiver in any capacity (e.g., child, parent). Funds can be used for any caregiving needs that arise during the conference, including needs at the conference or at home. **The application link is coming soon (once conference proposal decisions are made)!**

Call for Applications: Embracing Leadership: Developing Skills for Your Career Evolution

Embracing Leadership is designed to provide American Psychology-Law Society (APA Division 41) members with practical training in leadership and with leadership opportunities. Embracing Leadership will have four activities that will take place over one year, beginning in March of 2027. Applicants are welcome from all career levels, including applicants who are students, ECPs, mid-career, and beyond. **Click here** for more information and the application link—**due December 15, 2026**.

Call for Book Proposals

The American Psychology-Law Society invites proposals for new titles in its book series, which is now published by Oxford University Press. 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, please reach out to a member of the editorial team. We would be happy to discuss possible topics and fit for the series. Inquiries are accepted on a continuous basis—submit anytime!

The editorial board members are:

- Monica Miller, Division 41 Book Series Editor (**mkmiller@unr.edu**)
- Dan Murrie, Division 41 Book Series Associate Editor (**dcm3w@uvahealth.org**)
- Lora Levett, Division 41 Book Series Associate Editor (**llevett@ufl.edu**)

Request for Proposals for Chapters and Essays

Monica K. Miller, David DeMatteo, and Daniel Krauss are editors of the book series “Advances in Psychology and Law,” which seeks to enhance understanding of the connections between these disciplines, present “state of the science” summaries for current researchers and provide a starting point for scholars wanting to delve into a new topic of study by reading an up-to-date review chapter or brief essay on that topic. All areas of psychology (e.g., developmental, social, cognitive, clinical, neuroscience) and law (e.g., criminal, civil, contracts, property, family) are appropriate for inclusion. Student authors are welcome under the supervision of a PhD co-author.

Chapters and essays will be primarily reviews or meta-analyses. Although they might provide some data to illustrate a new phenomenon, they are not meant to be data-driven like a journal article. Review chapters and essays will be on particular topics relevant to psychology and law and will be of current interest to the field. Chapters (and especially essays) will typically summarize research on one particular topic, rather than focusing on the entire body of research in an area (e.g., focusing on the Weapon Focus effect rather than the entire body of eyewitness memory). Chapters will be relatively long (30-40 pages d.s.), which will allow authors to provide in depth analysis and take calculated risks (e.g., engaging in informed speculation about future research or the consequences of particular legal policies). Essays will be shorter (approximately 10-14 pages d.s.) because they discuss a topic that is new and/or has less previous research to synthesize.

The book series has an editorial board of distinguished scholars who are experts in various areas in psychology and law. The editors strive to produce one volume in the series approximately every 12-18 months.

Overviews of the previous volumes can be viewed here to ensure topics have not been recently included in the series and to see examples of chapters: **http://www.springer.com/series/11918?detailsPage=titles**.

Submit an approximately 300 word description and title and indicate if you want to write an essay or chapter. Specify both the legal component and the psychological component of your topic. Please include a sampling of key references and a CV of authors. Inquiries are accepted on a continuous basis—submit anytime! Email submissions to Monica Miller at **mkmiller@unr.edu**.

Submit Your Abstract Now for N6, Taking Place June 3–5, 2027, in Victoria, Canada!



N6 will be a particularly special event as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the North American Correctional and Criminal Justice Psychology Conference (NACCJPC). Join us for this milestone, featuring a celebratory wine and cheese poster session, a conference reception, and the presentation of a new award recognising lifetime contributions and impact on correctional psychology research and practice.

Held alongside the Canadian Psychological Association's 88th Annual National Convention, N6 will bring together researchers, practitioners, and students working across correctional and criminal justice psychology.

The N6 program will consist of presentations and symposia selected or invited by the Conference Steering Committee. Abstract submissions are open now. We welcome submissions that are empirical, theoretical or related to practice in correctional and criminal justice psychology, broadly defined. For more information, click **here** and sign up for the NACCJPC mailing list **here**. We look forward to seeing you in Victoria for this special 20th-anniversary conference!

Submission deadline: Thursday, December 3, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. EST.

Attend the Safer Communities Conference in Prato, Italy!



In the twenty years since our inaugural conference in Prato, the landscape of justice, mental health and support services has changed significantly. New ideas, paradigms, and perspectives have reshaped how we understand individuals, families and communities, and the ways in which we respond to their needs. This 'Safer Communities' conference brings together practitioners, legal decision makers, advocates, researchers and policymakers to reflect on the changing paradigms that shape our work, the impact of these changes on practice and policy, and the pathways ahead for individuals, families and communities. As we return to Prato to mark this significant milestone, we invite you to join us in looking back, looking forward, and imagining the next twenty years. For more information, **click here**.

Executive Committee

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

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