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2009 Crime and Place Working Group Special Session on the Empirical Evidence on the Relevance of Place in Criminology

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1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Fairfax Campus in Research I, Room 163

The session will feature papers that have been commissioned for a special edition of the *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*. Authors from each of the papers will give a short synopsis of their work. Featured discussants will then provide comments on the pieces.

Presentations:

- ***Is it Important to Examine Crime Trends at a Local "Micro" Level?: A Longitudinal Analysis of Block to Block Variability in Crime Trajectories*** by Elizabeth Groff, Temple University, David Weisburd, Hebrew University and George Mason University, and Sue-Ming Yang, Georgia State University
- ***Modeling the Spatial Distribution of Crime through Contiguity, Social Influence, and Status*** by George Tita, University of California Irvine, Steven Radil, University of Illinois, Champaign, and Colin Flint, University of California Irvine
- ***Micro Places as Origins and Destinations of Crime*** by Wim Bernasco, Henk Elffers, and Gerben Bruinsma, NSCR, Leiden, The Netherlands
- ***Human Activity Fields and the Dynamics of Crime*** by Per-Olof H Wikström and Vania Ceccato, University of Cambridge
- ***Opportunity, Connectivity and the Spatial Distribution of Cash in Transit Robbery*** by Shane D. Johnson, Sam Hapenstal, and Kate J. Bowers, Jill Dando Institute of Crime Science, University College London
- ***The Trajectory of Gun Violence at Micro Places in Boston, 1980 – 2000*** by Anthony A. Braga, Harvard University and University of California, Berkeley, and David Hureau, Harvard University
- ***Causal or Merely Co-existing: A Longitudinal Study of Violence and Disorder at Places*** by Sue-Ming Yang, Georgia State University