

## **TRANSLATIONAL CRIMINOLOGY MAGAZINE**

### **Author Guidelines**

[Translational Criminology Magazine](#) is the official publication of the [Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy](#) (established in 2008). The CEBCP has been publishing issues of *TC Magazine* since 2011. The magazine seeks to advance the overall goal of evidence-based crime policy by illustrating examples of how research is converted into criminal justice practice. Ideal magazine articles and features are written collaboratively between researchers and practitioners, showcasing examples of translation, implementation, institutionalization, or building receptivity of scientific knowledge and evidence into practice.

**AUDIENCE:** *TC Magazine* is written for an audience with a general understanding of crime and justice, reflecting a healthy mix of researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and community members. The magazine enjoys a wide readership of thousands. The magazine is freely available for download from the CEBCP website. It is currently included in *Criminal Justice Abstracts (EBSCO)*.

**STYLE:** Features are written in a casual, magazine style that discourages esoteric references, jargon, and overly technical, statistical, or methodological aspects (equations, excessive descriptions of method, etc.). In-text citation use should be limited, targeted, and purposeful. Features use APA 7 style, with a combination of footnotes (for things like websites or other notes) and references (APA 7) for in-text citations listed at the end (again, please use both footnotes and citations sparingly). Please do not use variations of font style or size. Please do not add headers or footers (except for page numbers).

**ARTICLE LENGTH:** Articles should be between 1600-2000 words long to fill 2-3 magazine pages. Articles should be written in regular, 12-point font, using MS WORD or Text document with one-inch margins.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** A short one-line description of each author should follow the title (e.g., “Sally Sun is associate professor of Criminology, Law and Society at George Mason University; Bill Smith is a lieutenant in the Sunnyvale Police Department”). Minimal but meaningful headings in-text are encouraged; sub-headings are discouraged. All submissions must have a short (less than 100 words) abstract that will be used for *Criminal Justice Abstracts/EBSCO*, where the magazine is indexed.

**PHOTO NEEDS:** Every article requires a professional photograph of each author to be submitted. If there are more than three authors, group pictures are preferred. Other high-resolution pictures pertaining to the article are encouraged but may not be used depending on space. All pictures should be in high-resolution JPG or PNG format and at least 250KB or greater.

**PROCESS AND DUE DATES:** All features of *TC Magazine* are curated. Thus, authors will work with their respective special area editors to finalize their draft for submission (including consulting with that editor on topic, content, and the finalization of the draft). The final draft shall be submitted to the EIC (Cynthia Lum) for review no later than February 1 or August 1 (for the Spring and Fall issues, respectively). Once the EIC approves, the draft will go to copy and layout editing. Authors should expect to receive a proof with corrections before final publication.

**FAQ:** Can you write about something that is already published? The answer is yes – we can cite the full article or report that the feature comes from. This is an opportunity to write about the process or challenges of the research, aspects of implementation, or other elements of an evaluation that might not get the attention it deserves in a peer-reviewed publication. Please reach out and ask if you have any questions.