Student/Faculty Accomplishments


**Katie Kroeper (Psychology)** co-published a study about Girls and women face persistent negative stereotyping within STEM³ (science, technology, engineering, mathematics). This field intervention was designed to improve boys' perceptions of girls' STEM ability.


**Todd Matthews (Sociology, Criminology, and Criminal Justice)** was interviewed by Public Health America (aired on Bronxnet.tv and also available on YouTube) on his research on food insecurity and food deserts, and also his student experience with undergraduate and graduate education. The episode⁴ was first aired on 9/26/23 and is available online.

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³[https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.14007](https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.14007)
⁴[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KdsHOUkwa2E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KdsHOUkwa2E)
Rick Magee (English) September column is now available on the Danbury News-Times website.5

Zhen Han (Political Science & Global Affairs) new article "As BRICS cooperation accelerates, is it time for the US to develop a BRICS policy?"6 (co-authored with Mihaela Papa and Frank O'Donnell) has been featured in the Minerva Initiative of the US DoD website.

Also published an article "Leadership and performance in informal institutions: the internal dynamics of BRICS"7, coauthored with Mihaela Papa, on Contemporary Politics.

Brent Little (Catholic Studies) published a new book ("Acts of Faith and Imagination: Theological Patterns in Catholic Fiction")8 which examines the novels and shorts stories of several Catholic authors.

Sharlene Kerelejza (Social Work) Op-Ed9 to local newspaper.

Steve Michels (Political Science & Global Affairs) published "Teaching (with) Artificial Intelligence"10 in the Journal of Political Science Education for its twenty-year anniversary issue.

Catholic Studies: Sacred Heart Hosts 2023 Catholic Studies Symposium11

History: SHU Student Completes Internship at West Point Museum 12

Social Work PhD student, Rachel Forbes, will be the keynote speaker on day 1 at the NASW Virtual Forum. Rachel Forbes will be sharing a bit about the Ecosocial Work Practice book that some of our SHU faculty and students have contributed to. NASW Virtual Forum 2023 - Environmental Justice: Through the Social Work Lens13 Wednesday, November 1st and Thursday, November 2nd

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7https://doi.org/10.1080/13569775.2023.2264065
13https://naswvirtual.socialworkers.org/2023-virtual-forum
In the News

**SHU School of Social Work Promotes Prof. Duy Nguyen to Associate Dean**¹⁴

**John Rehm (Brewing Science)** quoted in **CT Insider**¹⁵ article about CT Breweries and how they are facing challenges with dipping sales.

**Professor Jame McQueeny** published an opinion piece "**Menendez: A Question of Judgement, His and Ours**" on NJ based website **TapintoDenville.net**¹⁶

**Gary Rose (Political Science & Global Affairs)** Comments on Bridgeport primary election controversy

*Quoted in the Hartford Courant*¹⁷

*Featured on CT Today*¹⁸ with Paul Pacelli

¹⁶https://www.tapinto.net/towns/denville/articles/menendez-a-question-of-judgment-his-and-ours
SHU Hosted the first annual Hackathon to celebrate Constitution Day (featured on WNPR19)

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SCMA Alumni Awards & Roundtable: October 27th 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Loris Forum

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