

ACCCJ Annual Report of 2016-2017

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Hope you're enjoying the new semester and the pretty fall foliage or the first snow. I am delighted to report that we collectively have successfully accomplished our major tasks over the past few months, including conducting our summer delegation to China, selecting Jiang-Land-Wang student paper award winners, organizing ASC panels and a roundtable, publishing ACCCJ newsletters, renewing 2017-2018 memberships, and maintaining our website.

Our summer trip to China was highly productive and memorable. A Total of 15 members participated in our visits to one or multiple sites, including University of Macau, People's Public Security University of China in Beijing, Central China Normal University in Wuhan, Zhejiang Police College in Hangzhou, Huaqiao University in Xiamen and Quanzhou, and Southwest University of Finance and Economic in Chengdu. Our delegates presented papers at conferences, delivered talks on selected topics, and engaged in formal and informal dialogue with Chinese faculty and students. It's fair to state that our core mission of promoting Chinese criminology and criminal justice and strengthening academic collaborations and exchanges among scholars has been well-received. We will continue our trip to Chinese societies in the summer of 2018 and have started preliminary preparation. If you know Chinese institutions that are interested in hosting us, please send their contact information to me and I will follow up with them.

Congratulations to winners of this year's Jiang-Land-Wang student paper award. Over the past few years, we have noticed a gradual improvement in both quality and quantity of papers submitted to our award committee. Kudos to committee members (Liqun Cao, Shanghe Jiang and Angela Zhuo), who worked diligently at evaluating all submissions, providing constructive comments, and identifying the winning papers. Student members represent the future of our organization. Our determination to mentor and support our student members is unquestionable. We would love to hear from young scholars about your needs and what we can do to better serve you.

Since the launch of our new website (accj.org) earlier this year, we have seen a steady increase in the number of active members from 65 in the spring to 84 (as of 11/12/2017). Our goal is to reach 100 by next November. We need your help to spread the word about ACCCJ whenever it is appropriate. We should not only recruit U.S.-based scholars, but also expand our membership sources from Chinese societies of mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau as well as other countries. A special thanks goes to Siyu Liu who has done an excellent job of serving as our webmaster.

On behalf of the 2016-2017 Board including Bill Henbeton (President-elect), Siyu Liu (treasurer), Bin Liang, Shi Yan, Sara Zhong, and Angela Zhuo, I would like to extend our appreciation for your continuous support. Thanks Bin Liang and Angela Zhuo for their two-year service to the Board. Our organization is flourishing with solid financial status, growing

international influence, and concrete development directions. I'm highly confident that we will have a very fruitful year. As usual, your comments and suggestions are always welcome. The 2017-2018 Board looks forward to working with you in advancing the development of ACCCJ.

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