



ACCCJ Annual Report of 2021-2022

Dr. Bin Liang
ACCCJ President

Dear members of ACCCJ,

On behalf of the 2021-2022 Board of Directors, it is my honor and pleasure to highlight activities of our association in the past year.

1. 2021-2022 Board of Director and Meetings: following the election in 2021, the new Board consists of the following members: Bin Liang (President), Hong Lu (President-elect), Luye Li (Treasurer), and Shing (Vincent) Cheng, Bo Jiang, Kai Lin, and Xiaoshuang (Iris) Luo (board directors). I'd like to express my gratitude to all board directors for their diligent work in the past year!

Several formal and informal meetings were held via Zoom as follows:

- December 14, 2021: (1) division of labor; (2) the Board agreed *not* to hold another multiple-day online conference; instead, ACCCJ will hold mini-academic conferences during summer 2022; (3) fundraising will continue in 2021-22 (see below); (4) Workshop on Social Science Research Method (with Zhejiang University Law School) continued in 2021-22 (see below); (5) ACCCJ 10-year anniversary celebration: will continue in 2021-22 (see below);
- February 15, 2022: (1) 2022 Summer Delegation canceled; planned summer mini academic conferences (see below); (2) 2022 ASC panels organized and collaborated with KOSCA (thanks to Dr. Lu); (3) ACJS celebration planned (see below); (4) all regular items continued: financial account and tax returns by Dr. Li, web maintenance by Dr. Lin, etc.;
- A few informal meetings conducted (on 6/2, 8/26, 9/23/22): (1) created the new Student Travel Award (see below); (2) decided to revise ACCCJ Election Rules; (3) preparation of ACCCJ AGM in Atlanta and celebration;
- November 4, 2022: (1) Election rules revision tabled to the next Board; (2) AGM to be held in Atlanta both onsite and via Zoom; celebration/dinner to follow AGM and ACCCJ will cover the costs;

2. Workshop at Zhejiang University, Law School: Social Science Research Methods and Conducting Empirical Studies in Criminology and Criminal Justice, Fall 2021 (10/26/21-1/16/22)

- Thanks to Dr. Ming Hu's invitation
- Contributing members: Xiaojin Chen, Mengyan Dai, Bo Jiang, Bin Liang, Fei Luo, Xinting Wang, Yuning Wu, Jianhua Xu, Hua (Sara) Zhong, Yue Zhuo (thank you all!)
- A total of 10 sessions (2 hours per session): scores of Zhejiang University graduate students attended our workshop;
- Financial contribution to ACCCJ: ¥30,000 (\$4,741.66)

3. ACCCJ's 2022 Summer Academic Exchange and Communication

- Two roundtable discussions:
 - (1) 6/17/22: guest speakers: Drs. Wu Hongyao & Mao Lixin on *China's Innocence Project* (peak attendance, 21);
 - (2) 6/25/22: guest speakers: Drs. Wang Wanqiong & Xu Xin on *Wrongful Conviction and Error Detection in China: The Case of Chen Man* (peak attendance, 24);
 - Special thanks to: Jiang Su (Peking University), Moulin Xiong (Southwestern University of Finance and Economics), Shui Wei, Di (Kathy) Mao
- Three mini conferences collaborated with CLSE (the Chinese Law, Society and Economy) at Northumbria University:
 - (1) 7/11/22 on *Policing amid Challenges of the Pandemic* (peak attendance, 26);
 - (2) 7/18/22 on *Human Trafficking and Judicial Procedure* (peak attendance, 18);
 - (3) 7/25/22 on *Prison, Punishment and Prisoners* (peak attendance, 10);
 - Special thanks to: (1) Dr. Anqi Shen and her colleagues at Northumbria University; (2) Drs. Bill Heberton & Yue (Angela) Zhuo for chairing our panels; (3) Tzu-Ying Lo, Ivan Sun, Yuning Wu, Yunan Chen, Cynthia Zhang, Yao Ding, Shun-Yung (Kevin) Wang, Shanhe Jiang for their presentations;

4. Student Travel Award: a new award to support ACCCJ student members to present and attend ASC conference and ACCCJ AGM!

- Special thanks to the Workshop Group (see above) for their general donation of \$4,500 to make this award possible! (& Drs Lu and Zhong also made contributions, \$300)
- Ad hoc Committee: Drs. Fei Luo and Yuning Wu (co-Chairs), Drs. Hua (Sara) Zhong & Shuai Wei (members)
- ACCCJ Student Travel Award Policy, drafted by the Ad hoc Committee, circulated to all members for input, and officially adopted on 7/14/22
- 2022 Winners: **Yunan Chen**, China University of Political Science and Law; **Yao Ding**, University of Delaware; **Xinyi Situ**, University of Maryland, College Park; **Sishi Wu**, University at Albany, SUNY (Congrats!)

5. Jiang Outstanding Student Paper Award

- Again, our gratitude to generous donation(s) by Dr. Jiang
- Ad hoc Committee: Drs. Vincent Cheng (Chair), Enshen Li, Yuning Wu, Yiwei Xia, Jianhua Xu (committee members)

- Winner: **Chen Shi**, Department of Sociology, University of Macau (Paper Award), paper titled “*The Prisonization of School? Understanding Surveillance Creep in a Chinese School*”; Congrats!

6. ACCCJ Election Rules

- Goals: to revise the current version of ACCCJ Election Rules;
- Tabled: to be tasked by the new 2022-2023 Board;

7. ACCCJ Newsletters

- Two issues: No. 20 (June 2022) & No. 21 (forthcoming, 2022) (thanks to Iris Luo!)
- Also thanks to all contributors of our newsletters!

8. Web Maintenance

- Thanks to hard work by Dr. Kai Lin in the past year!
- Any suggestions to improve our web design, please bring to our attention

9. 2022 Election

- Ad hoc committee: Bo Jiang (Chair), Xinyi Situ, Sisi Wu, and Yiwei Song (committee members)
- Four current board directors rotating off: great service by Drs. Bo Jiang, Luye Li, Bin Liang, & Kai Lin in the past two years! We will miss you (including myself 😊)
- The election results: to be announced by Dr. Jiang on behalf of the ad hoc committee

10. Summary activities of the fundraising ad hoc committee: Many thanks to Committee members, including Drs. Mengyan Dai (Old Dominion University), Tobias Smith (University of California, Berkley), Min Xie (University of Maryland), Sara (Hua) Zhong (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)

- Preparation stage: 1) a list of target fundraising items; 2) draft solicitation letter; 3) identify potential donors; 2019
- Solicitation stage: 1) top philanthropists (e.g., Gates, Buffer, Bloomberg) in 2020, **a total of 23**; 2) potential judges in January 2022, **a total of 10**; 3) potential research institutes & center, **a total of 10**;
- More to hope from the future boards

11. ACCCJ 10-year Anniversary Celebration (A summary)

- **Things accomplished:** (1) Special issue on Chinese Criminology, *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, Volume 65 Issue 4, March 2021 (many thanks to Drs. Bill Heberton, Jonathan Lee, Hong Lu and Liqun Cao, and all contributors of this special issue); (2) ACCCJ official flag;
- Chicago celebration (November 2021): 1) Acknowledgment of ACCCJ Achievements; 2) Acknowledgment of ACCCJ Outstanding Services;
- Las Vegas celebration (March 2022): great gathering thanks to Dr. Lu's open house!
- Atlanta celebration (November 2022): to wrap up our celebration in Atlanta

In conclusion, ACCCJ continues to grow, and we have had many great news and made good progress. Please keep it up and see you all next year!