Faculty Research Grant Closing Report
“Disentangling Perceptions of Sex Offender Laws: Public Views on Social Control Mechanisms for a Heterogeneous Population”

1. Description of Grant-Supported Activity
   a. The grant supported:
      • An intensive literature review of public opinion research on sex offenders and sex offender laws
      • An intensive search to locate and gain access to prior survey instruments on sex offenders and sex offender laws for comparative purposes in survey instrument design; this activity also provided the basis for comparison of this research projects results to prior survey research results
      • Collaboration with IUB and John Kennedy in order to discuss the details of the project and locate possible survey centers
      • Contacted and worked with three survey centers to obtain estimates for the research
      • Finalization in selection of the survey center
         o Collaboration with survey center on construction of survey questionnaire, methodology of the survey (example, sampling strategies), and timeline for completion of the project.
         o Collaboration with survey center to produce grant components to apply for external funding
      • Continued drafting of the external grant proposal

2. Were you able to complete the project? Describe any difficulty you had.
   a. At this time, this project is still ongoing. The first attempt at external funding was not successful. There will be a continued effort in order to obtain external funding in order to complete the research.

3. Did, or will, the project result in a specific product – a manuscript, composition, syllabus, etc.? If so, please describe and indicate the state of development.
   a. In the future, this project will result in peer-reviewed manuscripts and presentations at national meetings. There may also be the possibility of a book publication.