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K-STATE DOCTORAL STUDENT RECEIVES FELLOWSHIP TO ATTEND INSTITUTE ON YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION

MANHATTAN — A Kansas State University graduate student has received a fellowship to attend the 2008 Summer Institute on Youth Violence Prevention, Aug. 3-8, at the University of California at San Diego.

Travis Linnemann, doctoral student in sociology, Manhattan, is among the 20 doctoral students selected to attend the institute.

"The institute brings several national experts on crime, culture and violence together with the intention of exposing young scholars to the latest research on these topics," Linnemann said. It is sponsored by the Southern California Academic Center of Excellence on Youth Violence Prevention, University of California at Riverside and the Center on Culture, Immigration and Youth Violence Prevention at the University of California at Berkeley.

Linnemann's substantive research areas include criminology and the sociology of gender. His research on extra-legal influences of criminal court processes and alternative treatments for court-involved youth has been published in peer-reviewed journals. His current research projects are examining international variation in criminal punishments and mediated depictions of rural drug markets.

Prior to coming to K-State, Linnemann, a former Marysville resident, worked in juvenile justice, including with a multiyear project to reduce minority overrepresentation in the Kansas juvenile justice system.

Linnemann earned his master's in sociology from K-State in 2006.

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