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Biography

Johnny Nhan is Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at Texas Christian University. Nhan's research has focused primarily on technology and policing, ranging from issues of cyber security to police culture and collaborative security networks. His first book, published in 2010, Policing Cyberspace: A Structural and Cultural Analysis, examined cyber policing task forces in California. His latest book, published in 2019, Issues and Controversies in Policing Today, looks at 21st century policing issues ranging from academy and field training to surveillance and LGBTQ officers. Nhan has worked collaboratively and published research projects in the past several years, focusing primarily on cyber and high-tech crimes, applying theoretical models towards empirical data collected from sources ranging from policing organizations and security corporations to Internet vigilante groups. In 2015, Nhan with Laura Huey, Ph.D. at the University of Western Ontario and Ryan Broll, Ph.D. from the University of Geulph, were among the first researchers to publish on crowdsourcing criminology in their article, ?Digilantism: An Analysis of Crowdsourcing and the Boston Marathon Bombings,? which examined the actions by online Internet communities and members of the general public during a critical incident. Another article published with Huey, ??Uppity civilians? and ?cyber vigilantes?: The role of the general public in policing cyber crime,? analyzed Internet message board data to examine citizen efforts against sexual predators. Future research will further examine the intersectionality of police and technology, including the impact of social media on policing. Nhan also is currently working with police and private security agencies in the Dallas-Fort Worth area to develop applicable leadership and policies for the future of policing.

Areas of Expertise

Police Culture, Policing, Race and Crime, Cybercrime, White Collar Crime , Police Training

Education

University of California, Irvine
Ph.D. Criminology, Law & Society

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BA Criminology, Law & Society

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