



## UNH Professor Named Prestigious Fulbright Scholar

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DURHAM, N.H. - Laurence French, senior research associate at Justiceworks at the University of New Hampshire, has been selected as a Fulbright Scholar. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the Fulbright Program is the U.S. government's flagship international exchange program.

During the 2009-2010 academic year, French will teach criminology and psychology courses at the University of Sarajevo and conduct research that supports the development of a cultural-specific objective police assessment instrument designed to accommodate the rich ethnic and religious mix of Bosnia and Herzegovina. According to French, the establishment of an objective multi-ethnic community police force is a requirement for Bosnia and Herzegovina to join the European Union and end international oversight established by the Dayton Accord, which ended ethnic cleansing hostilities in the region.

"The college is thrilled that Dr. French has received such a prestigious award. Dr. French has contributed significantly to the fields of contemporary Native American social issues, psychology, and criminal justice. He will make a superb UNH and U.S. scholar-ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina. In a world where managing international affairs is a formidable task, UNH actively encourages its faculty to be engaged in forging relationships and pursuing research across national boundaries. Dr. French is one of many wonderful colleagues at UNH who accepts this challenge," said Ken Fuld, interim dean of the UNH College of Liberal Arts.

French holds a bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. in sociology from the University of New Hampshire and a Ph.D. in cultural psychology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a fellow of the American Psychological Association and a professor emeritus of psychology from Western New Mexico University. He has published widely in the fields of international and comparative social, human and criminal justice; Native American issues; and forensic psychology.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea and space-grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 11,800 undergraduate and 2,400 graduate students.

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