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UNH Sociology Professor Recognized for Excellence

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DURHAM, N.H. -- James Tucker, associate professor of sociology at the University of New Hampshire, has been awarded the first Lamberton Professorship for work in the area of social and criminal justice.

The Lamberton Professorship is funded by the recently established Alfred '33 and Sallie Lamberton Quasi-Endowment Fund. Establishing this term professorship to retain outstanding faculty members was a goal of the university's capital campaign.

The prestigious appointment will provide Tucker with resources to continue his research on the various formal and informal ways people seek justice. He is particularly interested in "therapeutic" responses to crime and conflict. His recent book, "The Therapeutic Corporation" (Oxford University Press, 1999), critically examines the expansion of therapy in the workplace, and his current research explores "therapeutic religion" in modern America. Tucker is also in the early stages of a cross-cultural project on therapeutic justice.

"This professorship gives me the support I need to conduct research in these areas," Tucker says. "It is a great honor."

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