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Education

- 2009 (Expected) Ph.D. in Crime, Law, and Justice - The Pennsylvania State University (University Park)

Committee: R. Barry Ruback, Michael Johnson, Jeremy Staff, and Stephanie Shields
Dissertation Title: Causes, Correlates and Consequences of Offending and Victimization: An Analysis of Intimate Partner Abuse among Adolescents.
- 2006 M.A. in Crime, Law, and Justice
The Pennsylvania State University (University Park)
- 2003 B.A. IN Sociology (*magna cum laude*)
University of Saint Thomas (St. Paul, MN)

Areas of Interest

- Primary Research Interests:* Stratification and Crime, Victimization, Sentencing (Intermediate Sanctions and Deterrence)
- Additional Research Interests:* Crime and the Life Course, Communities and Crime
- Quantitative Methods:* Structural Equation Modeling, Multilevel Modeling, Event History Analysis (Statistical Packages: AMOS, HLM, SAS, SPSS, STATA)

Teaching Experience

The Pennsylvania State University:

- 2008 Sociology and Crime, Law, and Justice 012: Introduction to Criminology (*Instructor*)
- 2007 Sociology 001: Introduction to Sociology (*Instructor*)
Sociology and Crime, Law, and Justice 012: Introduction to Criminology (*Instructor*)
- 2006 Sociology and Crime, Law, and Justice 406: The Sociology of Deviance (*Instructor*)
Sociology and Crime, Law, and Justice 406: The Sociology of Deviance (*Teaching Assistant*)
- 2005 Crime, Law, and Justice 240W: Research Methods (*Lab Section Instructor*)

Research Experience

2005-Present	Research Assistant to R. Barry Ruback	Pennsylvania State University
2006	Research Assistant to Michael Massoglia	Pennsylvania State University
2002-2003	Research Assistant to Lisa K. Waldner	University of Saint Thomas

Professional Conference Presentations

Clark, Valerie A. and R. Barry Ruback. 2008. "The Imposition of Economic Sanctions in Pennsylvania: Contextual and Individual Effects." To be Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO.

Clark, Valerie A. 2007. "Does the Effect of Romantic Partnerships on Juvenile Delinquency Vary by the Type of Delinquent Behavior?" Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Clark, Valerie A. and Darrell Steffensmeier. 2006. "The use of Discretion Among District Judges: Male and Female Differences." Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Waldner, Lisa K. and **Valerie A. Clark.** 2003. "AIDS Knowledge and Biphobia using a Multi-Racial Sample" Presented at the Midwest Sociology Society, Chicago, IL.

Professional Services and Activities

2007-2008	Faculty Recruitment Committee	Graduate Program in Crime, Law, and Justice—The Pennsylvania State University
2005-2007	Graduate Student Recruitment Committee	Graduate Program in Crime, Law, and Justice—The Pennsylvania State University
2002-2003	Assistant Editor, <i>Research in Political Sociology, Vol 13</i>	University of Saint Thomas

Honors and Distinctions

2007	Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Sociology and Crime, Law, and Justice, The Pennsylvania State University
2003	American Sociological Association Honors Program, sponsored by the Department of Sociology, University of Saint Thomas
2003	Collaborative Inquiry Grant (\$1,000), the Bush Foundation, University of Saint Thomas
2003	James G. Ahler Excellence in Research Methods Award, Department of Sociology, University of Saint Thomas

Professional Memberships and Honors Societies

American Society of Criminology	American Sociological Association	Alpha Kappa Delta
Delta Epsilon Sigma		