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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2010 (expected) Doctoral Candidate, Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University
Dissertation: Three Essays on Social Trust
Committee: Jeffery Ulmer (chair), Duane Alwin, Alan Sica, Derek Kreager, and Constance Flanagan (Ag. and Extension Education)
- M.A. 2007 Crime, Law and Justice, The Pennsylvania State University
Thesis: Talking the Talk and Walking the Walk: The Impact of Religious Beliefs on Inmates' Behavior in Prison
Committee: Jeffrey Ulmer (chair), Roger Finke, Michael Massoglia
- B.A. 2004 Political Science, University of Southern Maine, *Magna cum Laude*

HONORS AND AWARDS

2005 – 2007 Graduate Scholar Award, The Pennsylvania State University

AREAS OF INTEREST

Criminology and Deviance, Social Theory, Penology, Consumption and Materialism, Environmental Sociology

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- Wiernik, Craig. 2010. The Association between Religiosity and an Inmate's Behavioral Intentions (under review at *Criminal Justice and Behavior*)

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

- 2010 Felson, Richard, Wayne Osgood, Julie Horney, and Craig Wiernik. Having a Bad Day: The Link between Stress and Crime
- 2010/11 Stealin' and Dealin': The Reciprocal Effects of Crime and the Party Lifestyle with Richard Felson, Wayne Osgood and Julie Horney
- 2010/11 Sentencing in Pennsylvania: Updating the Data with Jeffrey Ulmer

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2009 "The Internet and Social Life", Accepted for presentation at the ASA Annual Meetings in San Francisco.
"Beliefs, Values, and Crime", ASC Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 2009.
- 2008 "The Phenomenology of Doing Life Without Parole in Pennsylvania: A Proposal", ASC Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, November, 2008
- 2007 "Attitudes, Beliefs, Behaviors, and Criminology", Couch-Stone Symposium, University

- of Illinois, May, 2007
 “The Impact of Religious Beliefs on Inmates’ Behavior in Prison”, ASC Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November, 2007
 2006 “Integrating Criminological Theories to Study Environmental Crime”, American Sociological Society, Montreal, Canada, August 2006

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2009 – Present Research Assistant, Dr. Doris MacKenzie
 2006 - 2007 Research Assistant, Jeffery Ulmer
 2006 - 2009 Research Assistant, Richard Felson and Wayne Osgood

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Except where noted, I had full responsibility for the classes listed.

- 2009 – Summer II Intro to Criminology (SOC/CLJ012) (2 sections)
 2009 – Spring Sociological Theory (SOC405)
 2008 – Fall Teaching Assistant to Dr. Thomas Bernard (CRIM 430 – American Corrections and CRIM 441 – Juvenile Justice)
 2008 – Summer I American Corrections (CRIM 430)
 2008 – Spring Intro to the American Criminal Justice System (CRIM 100)
 2007 – Summer II Intro to Criminology (SOC/CLJ012)
 2007 – Spring Co-Teacher with Dr. Thomas Bernard, Seminar in Criminal Behavior (CLJ 429). This class was a semester of Criminology Theory conducted as a version of the **“Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program”** at the **State Correctional Institution at Rockview**, a medium-security level prison.
 2005-2006 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Undergraduate Research Methods in Criminal Justice

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, MEMBERSHIPS & SERVICE

- 2007 – Present Reviewer, *Symbolic Interaction*
 2005 – Present CLJ Graduate Travel Committee (Chair 2009 – 10)
 2009 – 2010 Crime, Law and Justice Graduate Student Recruitment Committee
 2008 – 2009 Crime, Law and Justice Faculty Recruitment Committee
 2007 – 2008 Department Social Committee
 2005 – 2006 Department Colloquium Committee
 2005 – Present Member, American Sociological Association (ASA)
 2005 – Present Member, American Criminology Society
 2007 – 2008, 2009 – Present Member, Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction

REFERENCES

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