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EDUCATION

- PhD** PhD Candidate 2022 (expected)
Dissertation: "Adolescent Peer Relationships, Gender, and Delinquency in a Cross-National Context"
Committee: Darrell Steffensmeier, (chair), Jeremy Staff, Pamela Wilcox, Jennifer Maggs
- MA** The Pennsylvania State University, Criminology May 2020
Thesis: "Gender, Friendship Groups, and Violent Delinquency in a Western, Cross-National Context"
Committee: Darrell Steffensmeier (chair), Jeremy Staff, Derek Kreager
- BA** Cleveland State University, Criminology and Sociology May 2017
Graduated Summa Cum Laude

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cross-national comparisons of crime and justice, Criminological theory, Quantitative Research Methods, Juvenile Delinquency, Gender and Crime

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Instructor** June 2021 to August 2021
Pennsylvania State University,
Department of Sociology and Criminology
- Course: Introduction to Criminology
 - Taught undergraduate students the foundational theories in criminology, the strengths, and weaknesses of crime data sources, and reviewed empirical research that tests various criminological theories
 - Administered writing assignments, weekly quizzes, and exams to ensure comprehensive knowledge of course material to 14 undergraduate students

Section Instructor

August 2017 to May 2018

Pennsylvania State University,
Department of Sociology and Criminology

- Course: Criminology Research Methods
- Taught students the key elements of an empirical research paper including abstract, introduction, literature review, results/findings, and discussion/conclusion. Students then used what they learned to write a final research paper.

Teaching Assistant

August 2016 to May 2017

Cleveland State University
Department of Criminology, Anthropology, & Sociology

- Assisted with two courses: Deviance in the United States and Introduction to Sociology of the Third World
- Aided instructor with developing strategies to increase student participation in class and increase retention of course material

Online Teaching Certification Program

Fall 2021

- OL 2050: Essentials of Online Teaching for Graduate Students

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

August 2017 to Present

Pennsylvania State University
Adviser: Darrell Steffensmeier

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Progress

Uhl, Jonathan “Gender, Friendship Groups, and Violence in a Western Cross-national Context”

Steffensmeier, Darrell and Uhl, Jonathan “Age/Crime Relationship in Croatia”

Steffensmeier, Darrell and Uhl, Jonathan “Age/Crime Relationship in Botswana”

Steffensmeier, Darrell and Uhl, Jonathan “Evaluating the relationship between gender and serious crime with FBI Top Ten Press Releases”

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Oral Presentation “Peer Relationships and Delinquency in a Cross-National Context: Do Friendship Differences Make a Difference?”, American Society of Criminology, Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois), November 2021

Oral Presentation Accepted, “Measuring Gender Differences in Deviant Behavior CrossNationally: The Importance of the Dependent Variable”, American Society of Criminology, Annual Meeting (Washington D.C.) (Meeting cancelled due to COVID-19 issues) November 2020

Oral Presentation, “Examining the Relationship between Gender Composition of Adolescent Friendship Groups and Violent Delinquency”, American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Atlanta), November 2018.

Oral Presentation, “The Use of Solitary Confinement: Evaluation and Suggestions for Change”, Northeast Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium, April 2017.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Distinguished Student Award	2017
Awarded to one student per year	

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology, 2018-Present

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Community Service Committee	2021-2022
• Collaborated with other graduate students to raise money for non-profit organizations in the area near Penn State	
Graduate Recruitment Committee	2021-2022
• Assisted in recruiting students to the criminology graduate program at Penn State	
Social Events Committee	2018-2020
• Assisted in planning and holding department related social events	
Student Paper Competition Committee	2018-2020
• Assisted in holding annual paper competition where graduate students submitted unpublished and published work	
• Helped distribute submitted papers to reviewers and tally scores based on reviews	
• Have also judged papers submitted for competition	