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Education

B.A. 1988 Sociology, Legal Studies minor, Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA.
M.A. 1990 Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
Ph.D. 1993 Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Positions

2022 - Director, Penn State Criminal Justice Research Center
2016 - Program Chair/Co-Chair, Criminal Justice Policy and Administration Masters in Professional Studies, Penn State World Campus.
2013 - 2019 Associate Head, Department of Sociology and Criminology, Penn State University
2007 - 2013 Honors Program Director, Sociology Program, Penn State University.
2005 - 2013 Honors Program Director, Criminology Program, Penn State University.
2000 - Associate Professor to Professor of Sociology and Criminology, Penn State University
1994 - 2000 Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Sociology, Purdue University
1993 - 1994 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, Penn State University
1992 - 1994 Instructor, Department of Sociology, Penn State University
1988 - 1992 Graduate Assistant, Penn State University Department of Sociology

Awards

- 2021 American Society of Criminology Fellow award.
- 2012 Distinguished Scholar Award, American Society of Criminology's Division on Corrections and Sentencing.
- Outstanding Article Award from the American Society of Criminology for: Steffensmeier, Darrell, Jeffery T. Ulmer, Ben Feldmeyer, and Casey Harris. 2010. "Scope and Conceptual Issues in Testing the Race-Crime Invariance Thesis: Black, White, and Hispanic Comparisons." *Criminology* 48(4):1133-1169
- 2006 (with Darrell Steffensmeier) Michael Hindelang Award (for Outstanding Book) from the American Society of Criminology, for *Confessions of a Dying Thief: Understanding Criminal Careers and Illegal Enterprise*.
- 2001 Distinguished New Scholar Award, American Society of Criminology's Division on Corrections and Sentencing
- 1993 Francis Sim Award for Graduate Research, Penn State University.
- 1988 Lindback Scholar's Day Award for Undergraduate Research, Susquehanna University
- 1988 Outstanding Sociology Major Award, Susquehanna University

Research Funding

- 2024-2025 Rowan, Zachary, Holly Nguyen, Evan McCuish, Jeffery Ulmer, and Brian Johnson, (Co-PIs). "The Role of Attributions in Racial/Ethnic Sentencing Disparities and Cumulative Disadvantage." Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, (Award # 430-2024-00808, \$72,300).
- 2023-2028 Strange, Clare (P.I.), Jeffery Ulmer, Jordan Hyatt, Jordan Zvonkovich (Co-P.I.s), "A Statewide Mixed-methods Evaluation of Pennsylvania's 8th Edition Sentencing Guidelines and their Impacts on Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Sentencing Outcomes." National Institute of Justice W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship for Research on Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Justice System (Award # 15PNIJ-23-GG-01365-NIJB, \$730,000).
- 2020-2021 Ulmer, J.T. (P.I.) "Changes in the Age Structure of Rural Offending in Pennsylvania and Their Impact on the Age-Sentencing Relationship." *Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing* (\$7,500, plus funding for one graduate assistant).
- 2019-2023 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.) and Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.). REU Supplement to "Examining Murder Convictions and Punishment." *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-1754076-001, \$44,000)

Derek Kreager (P.I.), Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.), and Jeffery Ulmer, (Co-P.I.)
“Corrections Officer Health Network Study.” Seed Grant, *Penn State Criminal Justice Research Center* (\$7,500).

2018-2023 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.) and Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.). “Examining Murder Convictions and Punishment.” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-1754076, \$300,000)

2014-2017 Jeffery Ulmer and Christopher Scheitle (Co-P.I.s). “Collaborative Research: Ethnic Conflict, Religious Persecution, and Street Crime: Explaining Victimization of Religious Congregations.” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-1349728, \$300,000)

2015-2016 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.) and Julia Laskorunsky (supported student investigator) “A Different Method of Predicting Risk: Unpacking the Potential of a Statewide Sentencing Risk Assessment.” *National Institute of Justice*, Graduate Research Fellowship (\$32,000).

2013-2014 Jeffery Ulmer, John Kramer, and Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.s). “The Administration of the Death Penalty in Pennsylvania” (\$62,500) *The Falk Foundation*.

2012-2013 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.) and Michael Light (supported student investigator). “Punishing the ‘Others’: Understanding Citizenship through Punishment in the United States and Germany.” *National Science Foundation* Dissertation Improvement Grant (Award # SES-1226453, \$18,074).

2011 John Kramer, Jeffery Ulmer, and Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.s). “Administration of the Death Penalty in Pennsylvania” (\$60,000) *The Falk Foundation*.

John Kramer, Jeffery Ulmer, and Gary Zajac (Co-P.I.s). “Discrimination in the Administration of the Death Penalty in Pennsylvania” (\$101,000) *Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission for Gender, Racial, and Ethnic Fairness*.

2009 Darrell Steffensmeier (P.I.) and Jeffery Ulmer (Co-P.I.), “*Supplement: Race, Ethnicity, and Violent Crime: An Analysis of Census Places in California, New York, and Pennsylvania.*” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-0719648, \$42,000).

2007 Darrell Steffensmeier (P.I.) and Jeffery Ulmer (Co-P.I.), “Race, Ethnicity, and Violent Crime: An Analysis of Census Places in California, New York, and Pennsylvania.” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-0719648, \$220,000).

Research Consultant, “The Role of Religion in Youth Prosocial Behavior.” *Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention* (Award # 2006-JF-FX-0072), Byron

- Johnson, Christopher Bader, Scott Desmond, and Sung Joon Jang, Co-P.I.s.
- 2006 Research Contract, “A Survey of Pennsylvania Commonwealth Agencies on Language and Sign Interpreter Services Needs.” *Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission for Gender, Racial, and Ethnic Fairness* (\$4,000)
- 2003-07 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.), James Eisenstein, and John Kramer (Co-P.I.s), “A National Survey of Federal District Criminal Court Community Actors.” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-0350542, \$112,651).
- Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.), James Eisenstein, and John Kramer (Co-P.I.s), REU Supplement to “A National Survey of Federal District Criminal Court Community Actors.” *National Science Foundation* (\$12,000).
- 2003 Jeffery Ulmer, (P.I.), “A Survey of Federal Criminal Justice Actors.” Research and Graduate Studies Office Faculty Award, College of Liberal Arts, Penn State University (\$2,000).
- 2001-2003 James Eisenstein (P.I.), John H. Kramer, Jeffery Ulmer, and Lisa L. Miller (Co-P.I.s), “Uncharted Territory: A Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis of Inter-district Variation in the Federal Criminal Justice System.” *National Science Foundation* (Award # SES-0111774, \$255,000).
- 2001-2002 Kramer, John, and Jeffery Ulmer (Co-P.I.s). “Racial, Ethnic, and Gender Disparities in Pennsylvania Sentencing.” *The Pennsylvania Supreme Court Committee on Racial and Gender Bias* (\$45,000).
- 2001-2002 Kramer, John, and Jeffery Ulmer (Co-P.I.s). “The Impact of Restrictive Intermediate Punishment Programs on Recidivism.” *The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency* and *Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing* (\$109,802).
- 2000-2003 Research Contract, “Long-term Research on Sentencing” *Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing* (paid 20% salary buy-out and funded one graduate research assistant)
- 2000 Summer Faculty Grant, “Crime and Criminal Justice in Southern Brazil.” *Purdue Research Foundation* (\$5,000).
- 1997-2000 Consultant, “Violence and Crime in Rio Grande do Sul (Brazil).” Juan Mario Fandino Marino, Principal Investigator; funded by FAPERGS (Brazilian state research agency) and the state government of Rio Grande do Sul.
- 1997-1998 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I.), “Fear of Crime: Testing a Generic Model Among Koreans in

- Chicago Metropolitan Communities.” *Purdue Research Foundation*, (\$23,332)
- 1996-97 Jeffery Ulmer (P.I), “A Comparative Assessment of Community Corrections in Tippecanoe County.” *Indiana Department of Corrections*. (\$27,459)
- 1996 Summer Faculty Grant, “The Interaction of Race, Gender, and Age in Sentencing Decisions.” (\$5,000) *Purdue Research Foundation*.

Publications

Books

- Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Mindy Bradley (editors). 2018. *Punishment Decisions: Locations of Disparity; Corrections and Sentencing Handbook Series*, Vol. 2. New York: Routledge.
- Kramer, John H. and Jeffery T. Ulmer (equal authorship). 2009. *Sentencing Guidelines: Lessons from Pennsylvania*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers.
- Steffensmeier, Darrell and Jeffery T. Ulmer. 2005. *Confessions of a Dying Thief: Understanding Criminal Careers and Illegal Enterprise*. New Brunswick, NJ: Aldine-Transaction.
Winner of the 2006 Michael Hindelang Book Award from the American Society of Criminology.
- Athens, Lonnie H. and Jeffery T. Ulmer (editors). 2003. *Violent Acts and Violentization: Assessing, Applying, and Developing Lonnie Athens’ Theory and Research (Sociology of Crime, Law, and Deviance, Vol. 4)*. Cambridge, UK: Elsevier Sciences.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. (editor). 2000. *Sociology of Crime, Law, and Deviance, Vol. 2*, Oxford, UK: Elsevier Sciences.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. (editor). 1998. *Sociology of Crime, Law, and Deviance, Vol. 1*, Greenwich, CT: JAI Press.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. 1997. *Social Worlds of Sentencing: Court Communities Under Sentencing Guidelines*. Albany, NY: State University of New York Press.

Articles and Chapters

Accepted or In Press:

- Ulmer, Jeffery, Gary Zajac, and Ashley Rodriguez. “Geographic Arbitrariness in Capital Punishment: Death as an Inhabited Institution.” *American Sociological Review*.
- Ulmer, Jeffery, and Miranda Galvin. “The “Dark Figure” of Discretion – The Imposition of Consecutive Incarceration Sentences as a Window of Discretion.” *Journal of Research*

- in *Crime and Delinquency*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00224278231194709>
- Zvonkovich, Jordan, and Jeffery Ulmer. "Segregation and Group Threat: Specifying Hispanic-White Punishment Disparity." *Social Problems*.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spad032>
- Ulmer, Jeffery. "Statistical Methods and Symbolic Interactionist Theorizing." *Studies in Symbolic Interaction* 60.
- Ulmer, Jeffery. "Inequalities in the Death Penalty: Race, Victims, and Geographic Arbitrariness." In *The Oxford Handbook of Sentencing*, edited by R. King and M. Light. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2024 Silver, Jason, and Jeffery Ulmer. "Moral Intuitions, Punishment Ideology, and Judicial Sentencing." *Journal of Crime and Justice* 47(2):219-240.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2023.2248085>
- 2023 Silver, Eric, Jeffery Ulmer, and Jason Silver. "Do Judges' Moral Intuitions Influence Their Sentencing Decisions? A Multilevel Study of Criminal Court Sentencing in Pennsylvania." *Social Science Research* 115:102927.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2023.102927>
- Ulmer, Jeffery, Lily Hanrath, and Eric Silver. "Back to Basics: A Critical Examination of the Focal Concerns Framework from The Perspective of Judges." *Justice Quarterly* 40(6):813-836. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2022.2132274>
- Ulmer, Jeffery. "David R. Maines: Embedding Symbolic Interactionism at the Heart of Sociology." *Symbolic Interaction* 46(1):3-25. <https://doi.org/10.1002/symb.625>
- Ulmer, Jeffery. "David Maines and his Collaborative Circles: A Remembrance." *Studies in Symbolic Interaction* 57:3-8. <https://doi.org/10.1108/S0163-239620230000057001>
- 2022 Ulmer, Jeffery, Lily Hanrath, and Gary Zajac. "Racialized Victim Gender Differences in Capital Decision Making in Pennsylvania." *Justice Quarterly* 39(5):1104-1127.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2021.1965187>
- Galvin, Miranda and Jeffery T. Ulmer. "Expanding Our Understanding of Focal Concerns: Alternative Sentences, Race, and 'Salvageability.'" *Justice Quarterly* 39(6):1332-1353. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2021.1954234>
- 2020 Ulmer, Jeffery, Gary Zajac, and John Kramer. "Geographic Arbitrariness? County Court Variation in Capital Prosecution and Sentencing in Pennsylvania." *Criminology and Public Policy* 19(4):1073-1112. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12517>

- Ulmer, Jeffery, John Kramer, and Gary Zajac. "The Race of Defendants and Victims in Death Penalty Decisions in Pennsylvania: 2000-2010." *Justice Quarterly* 37(5):955-983. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2019.1679865>
- Ulmer, Jeffery and Brandy Parker. "Federal Sentencing of Hispanic Defendants in Changing Immigrant Destinations." *Justice Quarterly* 37(3):541-570. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2019.1621362>
- Painter-Davis, Noah and Jeffery Ulmer. "Discretion and Disparity Under Sentencing Guidelines Revisited: The Interrelationship Between Structured Sentencing Alternatives and Guideline Decision Making." *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency* 57(3):263-293. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F0022427819874862>
- Ulmer, Jeffery, Christopher Scheitle, and Ezekiel Kaufman. "Religious Congregations and Crime Incidents: Opportunity and Bias." *Journal of Crime and Justice* 43(2):193-211. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2019.1628801>
- 2019 Ulmer, Jeffery and Mindy Bradley. "Criminal Justice in Indian Country: A Theoretical and Empirical Agenda." *Annual Review of Criminology* 2:337-357. <https://www.annualreviews.org/doi/10.1146/annurev-criminol-011518-024805>
- Ulmer, Jeffery and Kaitlyn Konefal. "Sentencing the 'Other:' Punishment of Latinx Defendants." *UCLA Law Review* 66(6):1716-1761. <https://www.uclalawreview.org/wp-content/uploads/securepdfs/2020/06/Ulmer-Konefal-66-6.pdf>
- Ulmer, Jeffery. "Courts as Inhabited Institutions: Making Sense of Difference and Similarity in Sentencing." *Crime and Justice: A Review of Research* 48:483-522. <https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/full/10.1086/701504>
- Ulmer, Jeffery and Lily Hanrath. "Disparities in Death Penalty Prosecution and Punishment: A Review of Recent Research and an Expanded Agenda." Pp. 254-280 in *Sentencing Policies and Practices in the 21st Century; Handbook on Corrections and Sentencing*, Vol. 4. New York: Routledge.
- 2018 Ulmer, Jeffery and Mindy Bradley. "Punishment in 'Indian Country:' Ironies of Federal Sentencing Jurisdiction over Native American Crime." *Justice Quarterly* 35(5):751-781. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2017.1341540>
- Scheitle, Christopher and Jeffery T. Ulmer. "Profane Concerns in Sacred Spaces: The Challenges and Consequences of Implementing Security Measures in Religious Congregations." *Journal of Applied Security Research* 13(1):29-44. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/19361610.2018.1387736>
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. "The Contributions of Symbolic Interactionism to Criminological

- Theory and Research.” Pp. 105-122 in *The Handbook of the History and Philosophy of Criminology* edited by R. Triplett. New York: Wiley-Blackwell.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. “Race, Ethnicity, and Sentencing.” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. 27 pp. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2017 Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Brian D. Johnson. “Organizational Conformity and Punishment: Federal Court Communities and Judge Initiated Guideline Departures.” *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* 107(2):253-292.
<http://scholarlycommons.law.northwestern.edu/jclc>
- Harris, Casey and Jeffery T. Ulmer. “‘Mighty Like a River:’ The Black Protestant Church and Violence In Black Communities.” *The Sociological Quarterly* 58(2):295-314.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00380253.2017.1296336>
- Steffensmeier, Darrell, Noah Painter-Davis, and Jeffery T. Ulmer. “The Intersectionality of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Age in Criminal Punishment.” *Sociological Perspectives* 60(4):810-833. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0731121416679371>
- 2016 Light, Michael T. and Jeffery T. Ulmer. “Explaining the Gaps in White, Black and Hispanic Violence since 1990: Accounting for Immigration, Incarceration, and Inequality.” *American Sociological Review* 81(2):290-315.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0003122416635667>
- Ulmer, Jeffery T., Noah Painter-Davis, and Leigh Tinik. “Disproportional Imprisonment of Black and Hispanic Males: Sentencing Discretion, Processing Outcomes, and Policy Structures.” *Justice Quarterly* 33(4):642-681.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2014.958186>
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Julia Laskorunsky. “The Role of Juvenile Adjudications in the Disproportional Incarceration of African American and Hispanic Defendants.” *Journal of Crime and Justice* 39(1):9-27. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2015.1133494>
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- 2015 Darrell Steffensmeier and Jeffery T. Ulmer. “Taking Criminal Opportunity Seriously: An Actor-Centered Approach.” Pp. 361-397 in *Challenging Criminological Theory: The Legacy of Ruth Rosner Kornhauser—Advances in Criminological Theory, Volume*

- 19, edited by F. Cullen, P. Wilcox, R. Sampson, and B. Dooley. New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Julia Laskorunsky. "Sentencing Policy and Practices in Pennsylvania." *Oxford Handbooks Online in Criminology and Criminal Justice*, edited by M. Tonry. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. "Criminology and Criminal Justice as a Social Science." In *Sociology for the Curious: Why Study Sociology?* edited by K. Vaidya. Canberra, Australia: Curious Academic Publishing.
- Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Darrell Steffensmeier. "The Age and Crime Relationship: Social Variation, Social Explanations." Pp. 377-396 in *The Nurture versus Biosocial Debate in Criminology*, edited by K. Beaver, B. Boutwell, and J.C. Barnes. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- 2014 Ulmer, Jeffery T. "The Mismatch of Guidelines and Offender Danger and Blameworthiness: Departures as Policy Signals from the Courts." *Criminology and Public Policy* 13(2):271-280. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12083>
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- Ulmer, Jeffery T. and Michael Light. "The USSC's 2012 *Booker* Report's Characterization of the Penn State Studies: Setting the Record Straight." *Federal Sentencing Reporter* 25(5):1-3.
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- Structural Disadvantage and Crime: White, Black, and Hispanic Comparisons.” *Social Science Quarterly* 93(3):799-819. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1540-6237.2012.00868.x>
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- Silver, Eric, and Jeffery T. Ulmer. “Future Selves and Self-Control Motivation: Toward a Conceptualization of the “Self” in Self-Control Theory.” *Deviant Behavior* 33(9):699-714. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01639625.2011.647589>
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(Winner of the 2012 Outstanding Article award from the American Society of Criminology)
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Reviews/Review Essays

2022 "McClesky v. Kemp: How the U.S. Supreme Court Shut Down the Ability to Challenge Systemic Racism in the Death Penalty." Review essay on *Killing with Prejudice: Institutionalized Racism in American Capital Punishment*, by R.J. Maratea (2019, New York University Press). *Symbolic Interaction* 45(1):153-157.

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Invited Presentations (past 10 years)

- 2023 “Victim Race, Gender, and Geographic Arbitrariness: Death Penalty Prosecution and Sentencing in Pennsylvania.” 2nd Annual Conference on the Death Penalty, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX.
- 2022 “Defendants, Victims, and Court Communities: What We've Learned from Studying Murder Cases for Ten Years.” Presented at Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John’s, NL.
- 2019 “Sentencing the “Other:” Punishment of Latinx Defendants in Jurisdictions with Small Latinx Populations” (with Kaitlyn Konefal). Presented at the *UCLA Law Review* Symposium, “Latinx Communities, Race, and the Criminal Justice System.”
- 2016 “Punishment in Indian Country: Ironies of Federal Punishment of Native Americans.” Presented at University at Albany, SUNY School of Criminal Justice Colloquium Series, Albany, NY.
- 2015 “Punishment in Indian Country: Sentencing Native Americans in Federal Courts.” Presented at Purdue University Department of Sociology Colloquium Series, West Lafayette, IN.

Ph.D. Dissertations Chaired:

Purdue University

Min Sik Lee, 1999

Penn State University

Mindy S. Bradley-Engen, 2004
Matthew Atherton, 2005
Craig S. Wiernik, 2011
Michael T. Light, 2013
Julia Laskorunsky, 2017
Lily Hanrath, 2021
Alexander Vanhee, 2023
Jordan Zvonkovich, expected 2024.
Robert Hutchinson, expected 2024

Editorial Work

- 2020 - Editorial Board, *The Sociological Quarterly*
- 2016 - 2019 Special Issues Editor, *Justice Quarterly*
Special Issues: *Policing and Minority Communities*, 2017 Vol. 34(7);
Prosecutorial Discretion, 2018 Vol. 35(7).
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- 2005 - 2011 Editorial Board, *Criminology*.
- 2011 - 2014 Editorial Board, *Criminal Justice Review*.
- 2002 -2006, 2008 – 2011 Editorial Board, *Contemporary Sociology*.
- 2004 – 2006 Associate Editor, *Justice Quarterly*
- 1996-2002 Advisory Editor, *The Sociological Quarterly*
2016 - 2020
- 1989-92 Editorial Assistant for *Symbolic Interaction*, under the editorship of David Maines
- 1989-90 Editorial Assistant for *Industrialization as an Agent of Social Change: A Critical Analysis*, by Herbert Blumer, edited by D. Maines and T. Morrione (1990, Aldine)

Service to Professional and Funding Organizations (past five years)

- 2024- Member, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Ethics Committee.
- 2021-2023 Panel Member, National Science Foundation Law and Science Program
- 2021 Member, ASA Crime Law and Deviance Reiss Award Committee

2019 Chair, ASA Crime Law and Deviance Reiss Award Committee

2016-2017 Member, Michael Hindelang Book Award Committee, American Society of
Criminology

2012-2016 Panel Member, National Science Foundation Sociology Program