

**Leslie Pierce**  
Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

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<b>Ph.D., Criminology - Penn State University</b>	Expected 2029
<b>M.A., Criminology - Penn State University</b>	Expected 2026
<b>B.A., Criminal Justice - High Point University</b> Minor: Psychology Honors Program Participant GPA: 3.98 Summa Cum Laude	May 2024

**HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

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Psi Chi <i>Psychology Honor Society</i>	Spring 2024
Alpha Phi Sigma <i>Criminal Justice Honor Society</i>	Spring 2023 - Present

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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- Mass Homicide
- Intimate Partner Violence

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- Guest Lecture: CRIM 249, Criminological Theory
  - Psychological Theories

**RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

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Szalewski, A., **Pierce, L.**, & Brixius, C. (2025). An examination of mass family homicide

characteristics.

Ingram, S., Szalewski, A., & **Pierce, L.** (2025). Politics of Prosecution: The effect of political party on prosecutorial decision making.

## **CONFERENCES**

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## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND SKILLS**

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## **WORK AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

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Graduate Assistantship  
*Jeff Ulmer*

Fall 2024 - Spring  
2025