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### **EDUCATION**

- 2019      Ph.D., Criminal Justice  
University at Albany (SUNY), Albany, NY  
*Dissertation: "What's past is prologue": Exploring confinement as a setting for change in social support and offending*  
Committee: Shawn Bushway (Chair), Dana Peterson, Justin Pickett, and Paul Nieuwbeerta
- 2003      M.A., Human Development  
University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS  
*Thesis: An examination of youth factors relating to adult offending of former group home residents*
- 2002      B.A., *Summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, (double major) Human Development and Sociology  
University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS  
*Honors Thesis in Human Development: Recidivism among group home participants: Juvenile indicators of adult criminal behaviors*

### **AREAS OF INTEREST**

Institutional and community corrections, life-course theory, desistance, reentry, criminal justice policy, public opinion on prisoner stigma and policy, research design and quantitative methods

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2023-Present    *Assistant Professor*, School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- 2019-2023      *Assistant Professor*, Criminology and Criminal Justice, School of Justice and Public Safety, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL
- 2016-2019      *Managing Editor for Review*, Criminology, supervised by David McDowall, Lead Co-Editor (Co-Editors: Janet Lauritsen, Jody Miller, Brian Johnson)

- 2014-2016 *Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant*, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany, State University of New York
- 2011-2014 *Research Assistant Professor*, Utah Criminal Justice Center and College of Social Work, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2004-2013 *Research Assistant*, Glacier Consulting, Inc., Annapolis, MD
- 2003-2011 *Research Analyst*, Utah Criminal Justice Center and College of Social Work, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2002-2003 *Graduate Research Assistant*, KU Workgroup on Community Health and Development, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

\*Student coauthor

Shi, L., & Hickert, A., (2026). From prison sport to sport entrepreneurship: Consumer preferences and market opportunities for personal trainers with criminal records. Under review at *Criminology & Public Policy*.

Hickert, A., Shi, L., \*Shaw, O., & Yan, S. (2025). Behind bars and beyond: A vignette experiment to explore public willingness to assist families impacted by incarceration. *Crime & Delinquency*. Online first August 2025. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1177/00111287251363969>

Hickert, A., Shi, L., \*Shaw, O., & Yan, S. (2025). Do direct and courtesy prison stigma hinder support for a startup business? A vignette experiment. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*. Online first February 2025. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11292-025-09664-x>

Silver, J., Shi, L., & Hickert, A. (2025). Stigmatizing “evildoers”: How beliefs about evil and public stigma explain criminal justice policy preferences. *Psychology, Crime and Law*, 31(10), 1366-1389. Online first June 2024. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/1068316X.2024.2364286>

Hickert, A., Pleggenkuhle, B., & Huebner, B. (2024). Changing places: The role of household and community context in long-term patterns of recidivism. *Justice Quarterly*, 41(6), 790-814. Online first March 2024. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2024.2330692>

Hickert, A., Shi, L., & Silver, J. (2024) Is compassion the flip side of punitiveness? Incorporating COVID-19 crisis in experimental vignettes to examine support for visitation & vaccination in prison. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*, 20(1), 1-22. Online first June 2022. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11292-022-09523-z>

- Shi, L., Silver, J., & Hickert, A. (2022). Conceptualizing and measuring public stigma towards people with prison records. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 49(11), 1676-1698. *Online first July 2022*. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1177/00938548221108932>
- Hickert, A., Bushway, S. D., Harding, D. J., & Morenoff, J. D. (2022). Prior punishments and cumulative disadvantage: How supervision status impacts prison sentences. *Criminology*, 60(1), 27-59. *Online first October 2021*. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9125.12290>
- Hickert, A. (2022). Maintaining external connections during incarceration: Latent class analysis of visitors for women and men in prison. *Crime & Delinquency*, 68(6-7), 1093-1121. *Online first August 2021*. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1177/00111287211039999>
- Hickert, A., Bushway, S. B., Nieuwebeerta, P., & Dirkzwager, A. (2021). Confinement as a two-stage turning point: Do changes in identity or social structure predict subsequent changes in criminal activity? *Criminology*, 59(1), 73-108. *Online first November 2020*. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9125.12262>
- Hickert, A., Palmen, J. M. H., Dirkzwager, A., & Nieuwebeerta, P. (2019). Receiving social support after short-term confinement: How support pre- and during-confinement contribute. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, 56(4), 563-604. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022427819826302>
- Hickert, A., Tahamont, S., & Bushway, S. (2018). A tale of two margins: Exploring the probabilistic processes that generate prison visits in the first two years of incarceration. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*, 34(3), 691-716. Permanent link: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10940-017-9351-z>
- Hickert, A., Becker, E., Próspero, M., & \*Moleni, K. (2011). Impact of juvenile drug courts on drug use and criminal behavior. *Journal of Juvenile Justice*, 1(1), 60-77.
- Hickert, A., & Taylor, M. J. (2011). Supportive housing for addicted, incarcerated homeless. *Journal of Social Service Research*, 37(2), 136-151.
- Hickert, A., Boyle, S. W., & Tollefson, D. R. (2009). Factors that predict drug court completion and drop out: Findings from an evaluation of Salt Lake County's Adult Felony Drug Court. *Journal of Social Service Research*, 35(2), 149-162.

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

\*Student coauthor

Novick, R., Hickert, A., \*Robles, M. & \*Van Etten, R. (2024). Rap sheets and resume gaps: How race and gender shape the employment-desistance nexus.

Public knowledge about Black Americans' criminal justice contact (with Leah Butler, J.Z. Bennett, \*Jordan Crawley). Papers in progress:

- Hickert, A., Butler, L. C., Bennett, J. Z., & \*Crawley, J. *Public knowledge about trends in Black Americans' criminal justice contact.*
- Butler, L. C., Hickert, A., Bennett, J. Z., & \*Crawley, J. *Public opinion on what factors influence trends in Black imprisonment in the United States.*

Gang disengagement and desistance from crime (with John Leverso, \*Kristonn Stubbs, David Pyrooz)

Criminal justice attitudes, punitiveness, and stigma: How values differ across the general public, college students, and criminal justice students (with Luzi Shi, Shi Yan, \*Olivia Shaw, \*Manyun Zhu)

Examining attitudes toward social media influencers with criminal records via experimental online survey (with Luzi Shi)

Edovo tablet educational programming in correctional settings: relationship with in-facility experiences and post-release outcomes (with Shawn Bushway, Megan Denver, Lou Mariano)

Prison as a turning point: identity and social factors associated with changes in crime in the ROADS I cohort (with Rachel Novick, Ronet Bachman)

Using ROADS I longitudinal data to understand patterns of mental health, risk-taking, desistance, and age-crime relationships (multiple projects) (with Rachel Novick, \*Rachel Van Etten, \*Mariah Robles)

Criminal record stigma and dating relationships: an online experimental survey study (with Luzi Shi, Jason Silver)

The proliferation of mobile sports gambling and its impact on the lives of college students (with Leah Butler, Josh Cochran)

The impact of Truth in Sentencing legislation on crime (with John Leverso)

## **BOOKS**

Lee, H., Bennett, J.Z., & Hickert, A. (Eds.). *Understanding desistance: Contemporary theoretical perspectives*. Advances in Criminological Theory. Routledge. Delivery date December 1, 2025.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

Lee, H., Hickert, A., & Petrich, D. M. (forthcoming). Narrative identity and the desistance process. In H. Lee, J. Z. Bennett, & A. Hickert (Eds.), *Understanding desistance: Contemporary theoretical perspectives*. Advances in Criminological Theory. Routledge.

## TECHNICAL REPORTS

Pleggenkuhle, B., Hickert, A., Kroner, D., \*Christensen, S., \*Cyrus, A., \*Gerry, T., \*Lockett, L., \*Peralta, Y., \*Saldana, B., & \*Wade, K. (2023). *R3 Outcome Evaluation Report for Southern Illinois*. Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University.

Kroner, D., Pleggenkuhle, B., Hickert, A., \*Lockett, L., \*Meyer, M., Phillips, C., \*Saldana, B., \*Wade, K., & West, N. (2022). *R3 Process Evaluation Report for Southern Illinois*. Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University.

### Selected Research Reports (2002-2014)

Hickert, A., Worwood, E. B., Bradley, D. Prince, K.C., & Butters, R. P. (2014). *Evaluation of Early Case Resolution (ECR): Year 2 report*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Prince, K. C., Sarver, C. M., & Butters, R. P. (2013). *Drug Offender Reform Act: DORA statewide report final report*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Worwood, E. B., & Prince, K. C. (2013). *Pretrial release risk study, validation, & scoring: Final report*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Worwood, E. B., & Butters, R. P. (2012). *Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC): Arrest/referral assessment*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Worwood, E. B., & Butters, R. P. (2012). *Evaluation of Oxbow and Re-Entry*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Worwood, E. B., & Butters, R. P. (2011). *Evaluation of Utah Juvenile Court's implementation of the Carey Guides*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Butters, R. P. (2011). *Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) diversion assessment*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Byrnes, E. C., Hickert, A., & Kirchner, R. A. (2010). *An outcome evaluation of Social Responsibility Training in the Jefferson Parish School District*. Annapolis, MD: Glacier Consulting, Inc.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2010). *Evaluation of the Homeless Assistance Rental Program*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2010). *Evaluation of Pretrial Services*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2010). *Evaluation of Utah Juvenile Drug Courts*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Van Vleet, R. K., Hickert, A., Becker, E. E., & Kunz, C. (2008). *Evaluation of the Salt Lake County Mental Health Court*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Hickert, A., & Próspero, M. (2008). *Norming the proxy risk assessment for Salt Lake County*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.

Byrnes, E. C., Hickert, A., & Kirchner, R. A. (2007). *Process and outcome evaluation of the Grand County, Utah Adult Drug Court Program*. Annapolis, MD: Glacier Consulting, Inc.

Lawson, H. A., Anderson-Butcher, D., Byrnes, E. C., Hickert, A., & Claiborne, N. (2006). *A utilization-focused evaluation of Birth and Beyond*. Albany, NY: State University of New York, Center for Human Services Research.

Van Vleet, R. K., Hickert, A., & Becker, E. E. (2005). *Evaluation of the Salt Lake County Adult Felony Drug Court: Final report*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Consortium.

Fowles, R., Byrnes, E. C., & Hickert, A. O. (2005). *The cost of crime: A cost/benefit tool for analyzing Utah criminal justice program effectiveness*. Salt Lake City, UT: Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice & University of Utah, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Consortium.

Byrnes, E. C., & Hickert, A., (2004). *Process and outcome evaluation of the Third District Juvenile Drug Court in Dona Ana County, New Mexico*. Annapolis, MD: Glacier Consulting, Inc.

Francisco, V.T., Curie, C.J., Grassmeyer, K.V., & Hickert, A.O. (2002). *Evaluation report on the State of Kansas State Incentive Cooperative Agreement (SICA) 1998 – 2001*. Lawrence, Kansas: University of Kansas, Work Group on Health Promotion and Community Development.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Professional and Conference Presentations**

Stubbs, K., Liverso, J., Hickert, A., & Pyrooz, D. (2026, March). Unpacking the relationship between gang disengagement and criminal desistance: Evidence from the Northwestern Juvenile Project. Paper presented at the 63<sup>rd</sup> ACJS Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

- Hickert, A. (2025, November). *Prison as a turning point: Looking for the impact of change on change*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.
- Novick, R., Van Etten, R., Robles, M. & Hickert, A. (2025, November). *Same criminal record, different outcomes: Identity and the uneven path to desistance and employment*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.
- Hickert, A. (2025, September). *Thriving in academia: An early career faculty panel*. [conference panel participant and moderator]. Annual meeting of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association. Chicago, IL.
- Butler, L., Hickert, A., & Bennett, J. Z. (2025, March). *Public knowledge about trends in Black American's criminal justice contact*. Paper presented at the 62<sup>nd</sup> ACJS Annual Meeting. Denver, CO.
- Hickert, A., Butler, L., & Bennett, J. Z. (2024, November). *Public knowledge about Black American's criminal justice contact: A national survey experiment*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- Novick, R., Hickert, A., & Bachman, R. (2024, November). *ROADS research update: Thoughts on wave 6 results and wave 7 data collection*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- Pleggenkuhle, B., Gatens, A., Hickert, A., & Weisner, L., (2024, November). *Roundtable: R3-Restore. Reinvest. Renew: Developing, navigating, and sustaining community based research partnerships*. Roundtable session at the American Society of Criminology 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- Hickert, A., Pleggenkuhle, B., & Huebner, B. (2024, March). *Changing places: Household and community context as local-life circumstances during parole*. Paper presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> ACJS Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- Hickert, A., Shi, L., & Yan, S. (2023, November). *Courtesy stigma and carceral citizenship: An experimental survey approach*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- Hickert, A. (2023, September). *Publishing in high-impact journals in criminology and criminal justice: Strategies and approaches for success*. [conference panel participant]. Annual meeting of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association. Chicago, IL.
- Hickert, A., Shi, L., & Silver, J. (2022, November). *Incorporating COVID-19 crisis in experiments to examine Americans' support for visitation & vaccination in prison*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

- Pleggenkuhle, B., Hickert, A., Huebner, B., & \*Saldana, B.L. (2022, November). *Examining employment dynamics: Post-conviction experiences and changes*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Shi, L., Silver, J., & Hickert, A. (2022, November). *Conceptualizing and measuring public stigma towards people with prison records*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Silver, J., Shi, L., & Hickert, A. (2022, November). *Punishing “evil offenders”: How belief in pure evil impacts criminal justice policy support through stigma and preferences for maintaining social order*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Hickert, A. (2022, September). *Navigating a new faculty position* [conference panel participant]. Annual meeting of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association. Chicago, IL.
- Hickert, A., Pleggenkuhle, B., & Huebner, B. (2021, November). *Beyond the city: The role of community context and movement in long-term patterns of recidivism*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- Hickert, A., Bushway, S., Harding, D., & Morenoff, J. (2019, November). *Prior punishment and cumulative disadvantage: Extra-guidelines impacts of current supervision status on new prison commitments*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- Hickert, A., Bushway, S., & Nieuwbeerta, P. (2018, November). *Detention as a turning point in offending rates: Examining early “changers” through a life-course lens*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Hickert, A., Palmen, H., Dirkzwager, A., & Nieuwbeerta, P. (2017, November). *Social support after detention: How pre- and during-detention support contribute*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- Hickert, A. (2016, November). *Prisoner social networks: Patterns observed in visitation data*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- Hickert, A. (2016, November). *Prisoner social networks: Patterns observed in longitudinal visitation data*. Poster presented at Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference. Washington, DC.
- Hickert, A., Tahamont, S., & Bushway, S. (2015, November). *Exploring longitudinal patterns of prison visits in New York State*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.

Hickert, A., Tahamont, S., & Bushway, S. (2015, November). *Exploring longitudinal patterns of prison visits in New York State*. Paper presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference. Miami, FL.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2010, April). *Mentally ill offender challenges and factors associated with success: A mental health court evaluation*. Paper presented at the Western Social Science Association 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference. Reno, NV.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2009, Nov). *Evaluation of an alternative supervision model with coerced treatment for drug offenders*. Paper presented at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. San Antonio, TX.

Hickert, A., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2008, Oct). *Evaluation of supportive housing for individuals in criminal justice and treatment systems*. Paper presented at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

Hickert, A., & Próspero, M. (2007, July). *Hostile, controlling, & aggressive attitudes: A recipe for a violent partner*. Paper presented at the International Family Violence & Child Victimization Research Conference. Portsmouth, NH.

#### **Invited Presentations, Roundtables, and Workshops**

Hickert, A. (2025, December). *Building from RNR: Using desistance-oriented approaches and narratives for rehabilitation and reintegration*. Visiting expert lecture presented at ASEAN-Japan Criminal Justice Seminar: Promoting the Rule of Law and Building an Inclusive Society: Offender Treatment and Rehabilitation (OTR) Session (202411495J001). United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFEI). Tokyo, Japan.

Research Participant. (2025, March) “Compassionate Release” Arnold Ventures, Building Research IDEas and Generating Evidence (BRIDGE) event on geriatric and medical parole. Houston, TX.

Hickert, A., (2024, September). *Introduction to mixture modeling: Using latent class analysis (LCA) with administrative criminal justice data*. Workshop presented at the Annual meeting of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association. Chicago, IL.

Hickert, A. (2024, May). *Prisons as a turning point: Looking for the impact of change on change*. Scientific Lecture Series, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law. Freiburg, Germany.

Hickert, A. (2024, May). *Mixture modeling: A practical approach to analyzing administrative data*. Methods Workshop, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law. Freiburg, Germany.

- Hickert, A. (2019, September). *Prison Visits and Reentry Social Support: Exploring Dimensions and Outcomes in New York and the Netherlands*. 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Utah Criminal Justice Conference. West Valley City, UT.
- Hickert, A. (2013, September). *Principles of effective interventions: Targeting offenders' dynamic needs*. Utah Fall Substance Abuse Conference. St. George, UT.
- Shdaimah, C., Martinez, S., Hickert, A. (2012, October). *Story-ing the social justice profession: Tales from the field*. Panel member on the University of Utah, College of Social Work's Social Justice Lecture Series: Allies for Equity. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Hickert, A., Felt, D., & Chesnut, D. (2009, June). *Lessons learned from the Drug Offender Reform Act pilot*. The University of Utah 58<sup>th</sup> Annual School on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Steadman, K., Kimball, J., McMillan, S., & Hickert, A. (2008, Oct). *The Homeless Assistance Rental Program*. Utah Fall Conference on Substance Abuse. Layton, UT.
- Hickert, A., & Becker, E. (2008, May). *Does it make any difference? Outcomes of providing housing to homeless*. 2008 National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials - Utah Annual Spring Conference. St. George, UT.
- Hickert, A., & Becker, E. (2005, June). *Process and outcome evaluation: The Salt Lake County Adult Felony Drug Court experience*. First Annual Utah Drug Court Conference. Park City, UT.

### **Other Presentations**

- Butler, L., Bennett, J. Z., & Hickert, A. (2024, December). *Public knowledge about trends in Black American's criminal justice contact*. University of Cincinnati CECH Event: Black Thriving in America: A Continued Conversation, Cincinnati, OH.
- Hickert, A. (2022). *Is compassion the flip side of punitiveness? Public support for COVID-19 mitigation in prisons*. Southern Illinois University CHHS Event: 2022 Flash Talks, Carbondale, IL.

### **MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH**

- Garner, V. (Host). (2022, June 7). Understanding desistance as a process with Dr. Audrey Hickert [Audio podcast episode]. In Interview on More Life: The Reentry Podcast. <https://rss.com/podcasts/morelifethereentrypodcast/512624/>
- Charles, H. (2019, Spring). Global research in criminal justice: A strategy for Internationalizing Graduate Education. *GlobalSynergies: A Magazine Focused on Global Engagement at University at Albany*. [https://www.albany.edu/international/Global\\_Synergies.php](https://www.albany.edu/international/Global_Synergies.php)

## GRANTS & CONTRACTS

### Under Review

#### Funded Research

- 2025 Planning Grant: Examining the Impact of Tablet-Based Educational Programming on Improved Outcomes and Desistance Signals for Incarcerated Individuals (Arnold Ventures) (Project Leads: Megan Denver, Brian Hill; Additional Research Team (unfunded): Shawn Bushway, Audrey Hickert, Lou Mariano) (\$99,785)
- 2024 Public Knowledge About Black Americans' Criminal Justice Contact (Center for Criminal Justice Research (CCJR) Faculty Research Support) (Co-PIs: Leah Butler, J. Z. Bennett, Audrey Hickert) (\$2,000)
- 2023 Public Knowledge About Black Americans' Criminal Justice Contact (University of Cincinnati Office of the Provost) (Co-PIs: Leah Butler, J. Z. Bennett, Audrey Hickert) (\$20,000)
- 2022 Outcome Evaluation of Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Grants from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) (PI: Daryl Kroner; Co-PIs: Breanne Pleggenkuhle & Audrey Hickert) (\$392,855)
- 2021 Process Evaluation of Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Grants from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) (PI: Daryl Kroner; Co-PIs: Breanne Pleggenkuhle & Audrey Hickert) (\$209,146)
- 2015, 2017 Professional Development Grant (for conference travel) and Research Grant (for research travel) (Graduate Student Association, University at Albany)

#### Funded Teaching

- 2020 Online Course Development Grant for CCJ 317 Introduction to Criminal Justice Statistics (Extended Campus, Southern Illinois University) (\$5,000)
- 2019 Online Course Development Grant for CCJ 316 Introduction to Criminal Justice Research (Extended Campus, Southern Illinois University) (\$5,000)

#### Unfunded Research

- 2026 Hickert, A., & Denver, M. (LOI Submitted July 2025). *The causal impact of tablet-based programming on in-prison outcomes*. Russell Sage Foundation, funding for \$196,866 requested.
- 2025 Hickert, A., & Denver, M. (Mentor). (Submitted April 2025). *The causal impact of tablet-based programming on in-prison outcomes*. Russell Sage Foundation, funding for \$97,974 requested.

- 2024 Hickert, A., & Novick, R. (Co-Principal Investigator) (Submitted May 2024). *Assessing intersectional differences in the impact of desistance-based programs using a mixed-methods approach*. National Institute of Justice FY24 Evaluation on Desistance O-NIJ-2024-171971, funding for \$1,126,746 requested.
- 2023 Hickert, A., Butler, L. C. (Co-Principal Investigator), Pickett, J., & Bushway, S. (Submitted March 2023). *Declining criminal justice involvement for Black Americans*. Arnold Ventures, funding for \$111,677 requested.

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

- 2022 College of Health and Human Sciences Teacher of the Year Award (Tenured/Tenure Track) (Southern Illinois University)
- 2022 School of Justice and Public Safety 2022 T/TT Distinguished Teacher Award (Southern Illinois University)
- 2018 Eliot H. Lumbard Award for Academic Excellence (School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany)
- 2017 Frank Remington Award for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies (School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany)
- 2017 Elizabeth Cass, Ph.D. '85/Michael Lynch, Ph.D. '83 Doctoral Student Travel Award (for research) (School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany)
- 2016 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Poster Winner, Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> Session of Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference for *Prisoner social networks: Patterns observed in longitudinal visitation data*.
- 2014-2017 Michael J. Hindelang Fellowship (School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany)

## **TEACHING**

(F=Fall, S=Spring, Su=Summer)

### **University of Cincinnati**

#### **Graduate Courses**

- CJ7040 – Applied Statistics in Criminal Justice (F24)
- CJ7090/8090 – Directed Studies (MS)/Advanced Individual Work (PhD)
  - S25: J. Morgan (PhD), S. Park (PhD)
- CJ8022 – Life-Course Criminology (F23, F25)

#### **Undergraduate Courses**

- CJ1002 – Introduction to Criminology (S26, S25, F24)

CJ 3002 – Research Experience in Criminal Justice  
S26: C. Filipkowski, S. Lester  
Su24: O. Messina, R. Komer  
CJ 4023 – Criminal Justice Statistics (S26, S25)  
CJ4049 – Special Topics: Lived Experiences in American Prisons and Jails (S24, F25)  
CJ 4096 – Research Field Placement  
F25: I. Nyhan  
S25: C. Bass, R. Blakely

## **Southern Illinois University**

### ***Graduate Courses***

CCJ510B – Data Analysis & Interpretation (S23, S22)

### ***Undergraduate Courses***

CCJ290 – Introduction to Criminological Theory (F22, S22, F21, F20, S20, F19)  
CCJ316 – Introduction to Criminal Justice Research (F20, Su20, S20)  
CCJ317 – Introduction to Criminal Justice Statistics (F22, Su22, F21, Su21, S21, F19)  
CCJ384 – Introduction to Corrections (S21)

## **University at Albany**

### ***Undergraduate Courses***

RCRJ282 – Introduction to Research Design in Criminal Justice (Su18 online)  
RCRJ203 – Criminology (S16, F15) (Teaching Assistant)

**Leiden University, the Netherlands, *Guest Lecture*.** (June 2017). “Social Context of Imprisonment” (with Hanneke Palmen and Maria Berghuis) Summer Honours Course on Detention

## **COMMITTEES AND STUDENT MENTORING**

### **University of Cincinnati**

#### ***Dissertation***

Light, S. (In Progress) *The role of context on the relationship between service utilization and reentry outcomes.* (member)

Pate, S. (In Progress) *State comparisons of juvenile waiver statutes with in-depth investigation into Ohio and the challenges faced by juveniles waived to adult courts.* (member)

DiRienzo, F. (In Progress) *Reconsidering the effects of peers on delinquency: A marginal structural model approach.* (member)

Mahon, J. (In Progress) *Life course of sex trafficking victims (title TBD).* (member)

Saldana, B. (Fall 2025) *The influence of sexual education and pornography on rape myth acceptance.* (external member, Southern Illinois University)

#### ***Master’s Demonstration Project***

Solorzano, M. (Spring 2024) *“The Chads are mad.”: A study on the relationship of masculinity and violence throughout the male life course.* (faculty advisor)

#### ***Graduate Research Mentoring/Tutelage***

Morgan, J. (2025-) *Research Practicum Co-Mentor (with Josh Cochran)* (\$1,000 student award)

Crawley, J. (2025-) *Research Practicum Mentor* (\$1,000 student award)  
Artman, N. (2024-) *Research Practicum Mentor* (\$1,000 student award)  
Nolterieke, L. (2023-) *Research Practicum Mentor* (\$1,000 student award)  
Lurie, K. (2023-2024) *Research Practicum Mentor* (\$1,000 student award)

***Undergraduate Research Mentoring/Tutelage***

Rigg, H. (Summer 2026) *UHP Discover Program Mentor* (\$4,500 student award)  
Castillo, M. (Summer 2025) *UHP Discover Program Mentor* (\$6,000 student award)  
Komer, R. (Summer 2024) *UHP Discover Program Mentor* (\$4,500 student award)

**Southern Illinois University**

***Dissertation***

Sam, L. (Fall 2022) *Probation supervision: Does social support matter?* (member)  
Nouri, S. (Summer 2022) *The impact of community and street characteristics on the frequency and severity of police use of force: Examining force within Census tracts and at street segments.* (member)  
Jerstad, S. (Spring 2022) *Care for the aging: long-term care facilities' willingness to accept persons convicted of sexual offending.* (member)  
Lacey, B. (Spring 2021) *Legalization effects on illegal multi-state cannabis trafficking networks.* (member)

***Master's Thesis***

Lockett, L. (Fall 2023) *Evaluating the impact of registry status on employment and housing outcomes.* (member)  
Wade, K. (Summer 2023) *Explaining youth gun violence with theory integration.* (member)  
Ibrahim, R. (Summer 2022) *The police and residents at hot spots: Implications of hot spots policing and officer anonymity on residents' trust in, and fear of, the police.* (member)  
Rearden, R. (Summer 2022) *Media portrayal of filicide offenders.* (member)  
Okado, H. (Fall 2021) *Exploring factors affecting prison misconduct in Japan.* (member)  
Tajudeen, S. (Summer 2021). *Treatment gains in antisocial attitudes and mental health in relation not client satisfaction.* (member)  
Heflin-Brand, M. (Summer 2020) *The effect of police culture on officer coping strategies.* (member)

***Master's Non-Thesis Project***

Miller, J. (Spring 2022) *Is cognitive behavioral therapy effective for reducing recidivism in offenders?* (member)

***Undergraduate Honor's Thesis***

LaPradd, D. (Spring 2022) *Gender disparity and sentencing severity: The role of gender in criminal sentencing.* (faculty advisory)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Editorial board member**

*Justice Quarterly* (July 2025-2028)  
*Journal of Crime & Justice* (August 2023-Present)

## **Ad hoc manuscript reviewer**

### **2017-Present**

<i>Criminology</i>	<i>Race &amp; Justice</i>
<i>Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency</i>	<i>PLoS ONE</i>
<i>Journal of Quantitative Criminology</i>	<i>Scientific Reports</i>
<i>Criminology &amp; Public Policy</i>	<i>Frontiers in Sociology</i>
<i>Crime &amp; Delinquency</i>	<i>Psychology, Crime &amp; Law</i>
<i>Criminal Justice and Behavior</i>	<i>Psychiatry, Psychology and Law</i>
<i>American Journal of Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Basic and Applied Social Psychology</i>
<i>Journal of Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Psychiatric Services</i>
<i>Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Legal and Criminological Psychology</i>
<i>Journal of Criminal Justice Education</i>	<i>Justice Evaluation Journal</i>
<i>Victims &amp; Offenders</i>	<i>Child &amp; Youth Care Forum</i>
<i>Punishment &amp; Society</i>	<i>Health &amp; Justice</i>
<i>Women &amp; Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Attachment &amp; Human Development</i>

### **2010-2014**

*Evaluation and Program Planning Journal*  
*Journal of Forensic Social Work*  
*Journal of Juvenile Justice*

## **Other reviewing**

Invited Reviewer, Vidi – Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) 2024 Grant, The Dutch Research Council (NWO) Talent Programme

Invited Student Editor, *Albany Law Review* Annual Miscarriages of Justice Issue, 2015

Reviewer for Oral Paper Submissions for 55th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, 2009

## **Program/School Service**

*School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati*

Current

Undergraduate Advisory Board (2024-Present)

Criminology Comprehensive Exam Committee (2023-Present; Reader: S25)

Corrections Comprehensive Exam Committee (2023-Present; Reader: S24, F24)

2024-2025

Second Year Preliminary Hearings (May 2025)

2023-2024

Workload Policy Committee (Spring-Summer 2024)

2023-Present

SCJ Brown Bag Presenter

- CCJR Graduate Student Retreat on Research Collaborations and Authorship (September 2025)
- CCJR Feed Your Mind Series: New Faculty Panel (September 2023)

*Criminology and Criminal Justice, Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

2022-2023

Executive Committee  
Graduate Committee  
Preliminary Exam Committee

2021-2022

Graduate Committee  
Preliminary Exam Committee  
SJPS Non-Tenure Track Distinguished Teaching Award Committee (S22)

2020-2021

Tenure Track Faculty Search Committee (F20)  
Executive Committee (F20 only)  
Graduate Committee  
Preliminary Exam Committee

2019-2020

Preliminary Exam Committee  
Undergraduate Committee

2019-Present

CCJ Brown Bag Presenter

- Academic Conferences: Attending, Presenting, & Networking (October 2022)
- Preliminary Exam and Qualifying Paper (April 2022)
- Academic Job Market and Navigating the Tenure Track (February 2022)
- Academic Job Market Debrief on Research Presentations and Interviews (December 2020)
- Acclimating to Graduate School (October 2019)

*School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany*

2017-2018

Tenure Review Committee, PhD Student Member  
Graduate Student Association, Graduate Representative

2016-2017

Graduate Student Association, President

2015-2016

Graduate Student Association, Vice President

2014-2015

Graduate Student Association, Graduate Representative

### **College Service**

*College of Education, Criminal Justice, and Human Services, University of Cincinnati*

2026

Reviewer for 2026 Graduate Student and Faculty Research Mentoring Grant (Impact Accelerator)

2025-2026

Research and Development Board

2025

Reviewer for 2025 Graduate Student and Faculty Research Mentoring Grant (Impact Accelerator)

2024

Moderator at *10th Annual Diversity Research Day*

Co-Organizer of CECH Event: *Black Thriving in America: A Continued Conversation*

*College of Health and Human Sciences, Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

2022-2023

Research Committee

Presenter at *Teaching Statistics Workshop* (March 2023)

2021-2022

Research Committee (Spring 2022 only)

2020-Present

CCJ faculty liaison and CCJ student volunteer supervisor for research collaboration with Jackson County State's Attorney's Office, Department of Psychology (Dr. Tamara Kang, Psych faculty lead), and Applied Research Consultants (Dr. Randall Davis, Director)

2020-2021

Teaching Excellence Award Committee (Spring 2021 only)

### **University Service**

*Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

Outstanding Leadership and Service Award Committee (Spring 2023)

Speaker for Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) New Graduate Assistant Video Tutorial Series (with PhD student Laretta Sam) (March 2022)

Panel Discussant "TA/Instructor Partnerships: Making it Work" for Center for Teaching Excellence (with PhD student Laretta Sam) New Graduate Assistant Workshop (September 2021)

Region 8 Science Fair Judge (March 2021)

CCJ Faculty Representative at SIU Open House/Academic Showcase (Spring 2022, Spring 2020, Fall 2019)

### **Service to the Field**

*Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences*

2027 ACJS Program Committee, Innovations in Criminology and Criminal Justice Research Topic Chair

2025 ACJS Program Committee, Developmental and Life Course Theories Topic Chair

*The American Society of Criminology*

2022 Annual Program Committee, Developmental and Life Course Perspectives Sub-Area Chair

Membership Committee (2018-2021)

*The American Society of Criminology, Division of Corrections and Sentencing (DCS)*

Program Committee (2024)

Special Events Committee (2022-2023)

*The American Society of Criminology, Division of Developmental and Life Course Criminology (DLC)*

Awards Committee Chair (2025)

*The American Society of Criminology, Division of Public Opinion and Policy (DPOP)*  
Executive Counselor (2024-2027)

*Midwest Criminal Justice Association (MCJA)*  
Secretary (2023-2027)  
Student Travel Award Committee (Summer 2024)  
Student Paper Award Committee (Summer 2024)

*Other*

Cross-panel reporter, Are the Kids Alright? COVID-19 and Youth Virtual Forum, New York State Youth Justice Institute, June 2020.

**Community Service**

Elizabeth Miller Watkins Memorial Scholarship Committee, Kitchen 8 Alumnae Association for Watkins and Miller Scholarship Halls, University of Kansas (2025-present)  
Cincinnati Jayhawks Co-Leader, The University of Kansas Alumni Association (2023-present)  
Domestic Violence Shelter Committee, Survivor Empowerment Center, Carbondale, IL (2022-2023)  
Discussion Moderator, “Indie Lens Pop-Up Film Screening & Discussion of *Apart*” with WSIU Public Broadcasting and Carbondale Public Library (February 2022)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Society of Criminology (ASC), 2015-Present  
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), 2024-Present  
Midwest Criminal Justice Association (MCJA), 2021-Present  
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), 2015-2024  
American Sociological Association (ASA), 2018-2019  
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), 2008-2009

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**University of Cincinnati**

Mental Health First Aid Training, School of Criminal Justice, Fall 2025  
Question. Persuade. Refer. (QPR) Training, School of Criminal Justice, August 2025  
Inclusive Excellence Collective, Office of Inclusive Excellence, CECH, 2023-2025  
Knowledge Nexus: Empowering Research, CECH, 2024-2025  
New Faculty Connections Academy (NFCA), Faculty Enrichment Center, 2023-2024

**OTHER TRAINING**

2016, 2015 Workshop on Research Design for Causal Inference (Pritzker School of Law,  
Northwestern University, Chicago, IL)

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request