Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT POSITION

August 2009 – Present: Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University

EDUCATION

2009 Ph.D, Criminology and Criminal Justice
University of Missouri – St. Louis
Dissertation: From Prison to Home: Women’s Pathways In and Out of Crime (Chair: Jody Miller)

2006 M.A., Criminology and Criminal Justice
University of Missouri – St. Louis

2004 B.A., Criminal Justice and Sociology
Indiana University – Bloomington

SCHOLARSHIP1

Articles in Referred Journals


1 * indicates student co-author


**Book Chapter**


**Book Reviews (non-peer reviewed)**


**Technical Report**

Morash, Merry, Deborah Kashy, Jennifer Cobbina, Sandi Smith. 2014. “Probation/Parole Officer Interactions with Women Offenders: Do Relationship Style and Communication Pattern Predict Outcomes?” Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Science Foundation.


WORKS UNDER REVIEW


WORKS IN PROGRESS


Cobbina, Jennifer E. “Community Members’ Perceptions of Policing in Ferguson”

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research

Funding Obtained

External

2014 Co-PI: Morash, Merry, Jennifer Cobbina, Sandi Smith, and Deborah Kashy. Narrative Identity Theory as a Complement to Needs/Risks, Community Context, and Supervision Experience Explanations of Women’s Desistance from Crime. Funded by National Science Foundation. $351,489
2012  
*Co-PI*: Morash, Merry, Sandi Smith, Jennifer Cobbina, and Deborah Kashy. Supplement for Undergrad Research Opportunity in Style and Communication Patterns as Influences on Outcomes for Women Offenders. Funded by National Science Foundation. $10,004.

2011-2014  

2009-2011  
*Program Staff*: “Evaluating the Impact of the PSN Comprehensive Gang Initiative.” Funded by the National Institute of Justice. Principal Investigators: Dr. Edmund McGarrell and Dr. Timothy Bynum. $327,152.

**Internal**

2014  

2014  
*Principal Supervisor: Jennifer Cobbina*. Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative. Funded by Michigan State University’s College of Social Science. $2,000.

2012  
*Principal Supervisor: Jennifer Cobbina*. Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative. Funded by Michigan State University’s College of Social Science. $2,000.

2011-2014  
*Co-PI*: Morash, Merry, Sandi Smith, Jennifer Cobbina, and Deborah Kashy. “High Impact Probation/Parole Communication to Reduce Crime.” Funded by MSU Foundation – Strategic Partnership Grant. $324,739.

**Funding Under Review**

**External**

2014  
*Co-PI*: Morash, Merry, Sandi Smith, Jennifer Cobbina, and Deborah Kashy. NRT Integration of Theories and Methods of Criminology/Criminal Justice and Communication to Reduce Costs and Threats of 21st Century Crime. Submitted to the National Science Foundation. $1,760,235

**Research Experience**

2005-2009  
*Graduate Research Assistant*, Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis


2006  Dr. Scott Decker. *Central West End Project.*


**Teaching Experience**

**Courses Taught**

**Undergraduate**

*Michigan State University*

Examining Social Issues through the Prism of Prison (Inside-Out) (Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014)

Corrections (Spring 2010; Fall 2010; Spring 2011; Summer 2011, Summer 2013, Summer 2014)

Probation and Parole (Spring 2010; Spring 2011)

Critical Issues in Corrections (Spring 2012)

*University of Missouri – St. Louis*

Corrections (Summer 2007, 2008)

**Graduate**

*Michigan State University*

Adult Corrections (Spring 2013)

**Student Mentoring**

*Dissertation Committees (Completed)*


Juyoung Song, (Member). “Pathways to Underage Prostitution among Female Youth in South Korea.” July 2012, Michigan State University.
Dissertation Committee (In Progress)
Kimberly Bender (Chair)
Ashlee Barnes (Member)
Gina Follock (Member)

Master’s Thesis Committees (Completed)


Ashlee Barnes, (Member). “Youth Level of Service/Case Manage Inventory: The Predictive Validity of Post-Court Involvement Assessment.” July 2013. Michigan State University.

Alison Colby, (Member). “Sorry, This Bus is Not in Service: Public Transportation Accessibility as a Source of Recidivism Risk in Rural Areas.” December 2013. Michigan State University.

Dondrea Jackson, (Member). “An examination of the effects that relationships with intimate partners have on women offenders.” July 2012, Michigan State University.


Master’s Thesis (In Progress)
Nordia Campbell
Michelle Malkins

Guidance Committees (In Progress)
Kimberly Bender, (Chair).

Guidance Committees (Completed)
Kimberly Bender (Chair)
Mike Rossler (Member)

Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative
Paige Lewis. “Probation/Parole Officer Interactions with Women Offenders: Do Relationship Style and Communication Pattern Predict Outcomes?” April 2012, University Undergraduate Research & Arts Forum, Michigan State University.

McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program
Independent Study for Graduate Students (Completed)
Sammie Kray
Simone Terfa
Kimberly Bender

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, HONORS, & RECOGNITION

2014 Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement Award, Michigan State University.
2014 College of Social Science Alumni Association Outstanding Teaching Award, Michigan State University.
2014 Featured as one of the Top 25 Criminal Justice Professors on Forensic Education blog.
2013 New Scholar Award. American Society of Criminology, Division on People of Color and Crime.
2009 Crime and Justice Summer Research Institute: Broadening Perspectives and Participation. The Ohio State University.
2008 Recipient, Graduate Research Fellowship, National Institute of Justice ($20,000).
2007 Recipient, Graduate Minority Fellowship, American Society of Criminology ($6,000).
2007 Recipient, Outstanding Graduate Student Award, University of Missouri-St. Louis, ($4,000).

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Colloquia


Conference Papers


SERVICE & OUTREACH

**Departmental/Unit Service Committee**

2013-Present Member, Awards Committee, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University

2011-Present Member, Faculty Advisory Committee, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University
2013-2014  Member, Search Committee, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University

2006-2007  Vice President, Graduate Student Association, Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Guest Speaker

2013  Guest Speaker, (“Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program”), National Association for Blacks in Criminal Justice (February).


2012  Guest Speaker (“How to be Successful on the Job Market and Beyond”). Seminar on Doctoral Study in Criminal Justice (September).

2010  Guest Speaker, (“Teaching Tips”). Seminar on Doctoral Study in Criminal Justice (November).

2010  Open discussion on the job market. Presented at the School of Criminal Justice Brownbag Seminar at Michigan State University (October).

2010  Guest Lecturer, (“Qualitative Research”). Doctoral course on Criminal Justice Data Analysis - Qualitative Data (September).

2010  Guest Speaker, (“Women’s Entrance into Prostitution”). Seminar on Doctoral Study in Criminal Justice (February).

2009  Guest Speaker, (“Women and Violence”). SCJ Graduate Student Association Brown Bag Series (October).

2009  Guest Speaker, (“Options after Undergraduate School”). National Association for Blacks in Criminal Justice (September).

University Service


2014  Invited Panelist (“Impact of Racial Stereotypes in America”). Presented during Black History Month at Spring Arbor University (February).

2011  Guest Speaker (“Career Path Tips”). Presented at Sisters of Strength Seminar at Jackson Community College (March).

Professional Service

Organizational

2014-2015 Executive Counselor, Division on People of Color and Crime

2013-2014 Board Member, National Coalition of Community-Based Correctional and Community Re-Entry Service Organizations

Presentation


Session Chair/Discussant


Grant Reviewer

2013 National Institute of Justice – Research on Violent Victimization


Media


MLive, April 17, 2014. “Study: Female parolees in poor urban areas have fewer support systems than in rural/suburban areas.”

http://www.futurity.org/done-women-parolees/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rs

_MSU Today_, April 15, 2014. “More should be done for parolees.”
http://msutoday.msu.edu/news/2014/more-should-be-done-for-female-parolees/

*Also, ran in Science Daily and Medical Express

_Metro Times (Cover Story)_ , January 12, 2011. “When innocence is pink: Wrongly convicted women fight for recognition, support, remedies.”
http://metrotimes.com/news/when-innocence-is-pink-1.1088906#

African American Policy Forum, May 1, 2011. “"Formerly Incarcerated Women, Reentry and Unemployment."”
http://intersectionalitylearningcircles.blogspot.com/.

**Academic Conference Participation**

2013-2014  American Society of Criminology Program Committee Sub-Area Chair (Prisoner Reentry)

2011-2012  American Society of Criminology Minority Affairs Committee

2010-2011  American Society of Criminology Student Affairs Committee

2009-2010  American Society of Criminology Membership Committee

2007-2008  _Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, 2008 Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology_. Drs. Robert J. Bursik, Jody Miller, and G. David Curry. Duties include working with 2008 ASC President and Program Chairs to organize the 2008 meetings and assist with local arrangements.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATIONS**

American Society of Criminology
Division on People of Color and Crime
Division of Women and Crime
Division of Corrections and Sentencing

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Corrections Section

Racial Consortium on Gender-based Violence
Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice – Network
Sphnus Center