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AREAS OF INTEREST

Institutional and community corrections, life-course theory, desistance, criminal justice policy, research design and quantitative methods

EDUCATION

- Expected* Ph.D., Criminal Justice
May 2019 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

EMPLOYMENT

- 2016-Present *Managing Editor for Review*, Criminology, supervised by David McDowall, Lead Co-Editor (Co-Editors: Janet Lauritsen, Jody Miller, Brian Johnson)
- 2015-2016 *Graduate Teaching Assistant*, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany, State University of New York
- 2014-2015 *Graduate Research Assistant*, for Dr. Shawn Bushway, 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

- Hickert, A. O., Palmen, J. M. H., Dirkzwager, A., & Nieuwbeerta, P. (Conditional acceptance).
Receiving social support after short-term confinement: How pre- and during-confinement
support contribute. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*.
- Hickert, A. O., 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.
- Hickert, A. O., 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. O., & Taylor, M. J. (2011). Supportive housing for addicted, incarcerated homeless.
Journal of Social Service Research, 37(2), 136-151.
- Hickert, A. O., 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

- Cumulative disadvantage: How legal factors contribute to sanctions beyond sentencing guideline
recommendations (with Shawn Bushway, David Harding, and Jeffrey Morenoff)
- Confinement as a turning point in offending rates: Examining early "changers" through a life-
course lens (with Shawn Bushway, Paul Nieuwbeerta, and Anja Dirkzwager)
- Social support and prison experiences over the life-course: Social ties across multiple prison
spells as evidenced by prison visitors (with Shawn Bushway and Paul Nieuwbeerta)
- The causal impact of incarceration on recidivism: Using exogenous variation from an abrupt
change in court processing

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Selected Technical Reports (2002-2014)

- Hickert, A. O., 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. O., 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. O., 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. O., 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. O., 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. O., 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. O., 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. O., & Kirchner, R. A. (2010). *An outcome evaluation of Social Responsibility Training in the Jefferson Parish School District*. Annapolis, MD: Glacier Consulting, Inc.
- Hickert, A. O., 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. O., Becker, E., & Próspero, M. (2010). *Evaluation of Pretrial Services*. Salt Lake City, UT: University of Utah, Utah Criminal Justice Center.
- Hickert, A. O., 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. O., 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. O., & 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. O., & 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. O., & 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. O., & 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. O., (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.

GRANTS, AWARDS, HONORS

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| 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 nd Place Poster Winner, Saturday, November 5 th Session of Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference for <i>Prisoner social networks: Patterns observed in longitudinal visitation data</i> . |
| 2015, 2017 | Professional Development Grant (for conference travel) and Research Grant (for research travel) (Graduate Student Association, University at Albany) |

2014-2017 Michael J. Hindelang Fellowship (School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Manuscript Reviewer

2017-Present

Criminology

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency

Journal of Quantitative Criminology

Justice Quarterly

2010-2014

Evaluation and Program Planning Journal

Journal of Forensic Social Work

Journal of Juvenile Justice

Other Reviewing

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

Committee Work

Membership Committee, The American Society of Criminology, 2018

School Service

Graduate Student Association, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

President (2016-2017)

Vice President (2015-2016)

Graduate Representative (2017-2018; 2014-2015)

Tenure Review Committee, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

PhD Student Member (2017-2018)

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

Undergraduate Courses, University at Albany

RCRJ282 – Introduction to Research Design in Criminal Justice (Su18) (Instructor of record)

RCRJ203 – Criminology (S16) (Teaching assistant for Dr. Meghan Rogers)

RCRJ203 – Criminology (F15) (Teaching assistant for Dr. Justin Pickett)

Guest Lectures, University at Albany

“Methods for Measuring Crime and Delinquency”

September 2015 RCRJ 203 – Criminology

“Families as a Potential Protective Factor in Desistance”

October 2017 RCRJ 399 – Families in Delinquency and Crime

April 2018 RCRJ 399 – Families in Delinquency and Crime

Guest Lectures, Leiden University

“Social Context of Imprisonment” (with Hanneke Palmen and Maria Berghuis)
June 2017 Summer Honours Course on Detention

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

Hickert, A. O., Bushway, S., & Nieuwebeerta, 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 74th Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

Hickert, A. O., Palmen, H., Dirkzwager, A., & Nieuwebeerta, P. (2017, November). *Social support after detention: How pre- and during-detention support contribute*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 73rd Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

Hickert, A. O. (2016, November). *Prisoner social networks: Patterns observed in visitation data*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 72nd Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.

Hickert, A. O. (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. O., Tahamont, S., & Bushway, S. (2015, November). *Exploring longitudinal patterns of prison visits in New York State*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology 71st Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.

Hickert, A. O., 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. O., 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 52nd Annual Conference. Reno, NV.

Hickert, A. O., 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. O., 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. O., & 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

Hickert, A. O. (2013, September). *Principles of effective interventions: Targeting offenders' dynamic needs*. Utah Fall Substance Abuse Conference. St. George, UT.

Shdaimah, C., Martinez, S., Hickert, A. O. (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. O., Felt, D., & Chesnut, D. (2009, June). *Lessons learned from the Drug Offender Reform Act pilot*. The University of Utah 58th Annual School on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies. Salt Lake City, UT.

Steadman, K., Kimball, J., McMillan, S., & Hickert, A. O. (2008, Oct). *The Homeless Assistance Rental Program*. Utah Fall Conference on Substance Abuse. Layton, UT.

Hickert, A. O., & 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. O., & 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.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology (ASC), 2015-Present
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), 2015-Present
American Sociological Association (ASA), 2018-Present
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), 2008-2009

OTHER TRAINING

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

REFERENCES

Available upon request