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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Washington, 1999.
M.A., Political Science, University of Washington, 1994.
B.A., Political and Social Thought, University of Virginia, 1987.

Academic Positions

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University, 2008-present

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University, 2004-2008

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Crime, Law and Justice, Pennsylvania State University, 2000-2004
Adjunct Faculty, Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University, 2000-2004

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Politics and Government, University of Puget Sound, 1999- 2000.

Grants and Awards

April 2008. Board of Trustees Research Fellowship for Scholarly Excellence. Rutgers University. \$2,000.

May–December 2003. \$3,000. Miller, Lisa L., Principal Investigator. “Federalism, Crime Politics and the Political Representation of Urban Neighborhoods.” Research and Graduate Studies Office, The Pennsylvania State University.

August 2001-August 2003, \$240,000. Eisenstein, Jim, John Kramer, Jeff Ulmer and Lisa L. Miller, co-principal investigators. “Uncharted Territory: A Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis of Inter-District Variation in the Federal Court System.” *National Science Foundation*.

Books

2008. Miller, Lisa L. *The Perils of Federalism: Race, Poverty and the Politics of Crime Control*. New York: Oxford University Press.

2001. Miller, Lisa L. *The Politics of Community Crime Prevention: Implementing Weed and Seed in Seattle*. Burlington, VT: Dartmouth/Ashgate Press. Law, Justice and Power Series.

Journal Articles [Peer-reviewed]

2007. Miller, Lisa L. “The Representational Biases of Federalism: scope and bias in the political process, revisited.” *Perspectives on Politics* 5:2: 305-321.

2005. Miller, Lisa L. and Jim Eisenstein. "The Federal/state criminal prosecution nexus: a case study in cooperation and discretion." *Law and Social Inquiry* 30 (2): 239-268.

2004. Miller, Lisa L. "Re-thinking bureaucrats in the policy process: criminal justice agents and the national crime agenda." *Policy Studies Journal* 32 (4): 569-588.

2004. Silver, Eric and Lisa L. Miller. "Sources of informal social control in Chicago neighborhoods." *Criminology* 42: 551-583.

2002. Silver, Eric and Lisa L. Miller. "A cautionary note on the use of actuarial risk assessment tools for social control." *Crime and Delinquency* 48: 138-161.

2001. Miller, Lisa L. "Looking for postmodernism in all the wrong places: Implementing a new penology." *British Journal of Criminology* 41: 168-184.

2000. Miller, Lisa L. "Taking it to the streets: reframing crime prevention through race and community." *Studies in Law, Politics and Society* 20, 207-238.

Other publications

"Can We Trust the Courts in Times of Crisis?" Policy Brief. Foundation for Law, Justice and Society. Oxford University. 2008.

"Too Little Too Late: The Supreme Court as a Check on Executive Power." *Commentary: Foreign Policy in Focus*. February 17, 2006. <http://www.fpif.org/fpiftxt/3117>

Forum. "What are the opportunities and difficulties in using qualitative data to study the Federal criminal justice system?" 2003. *Law and Courts*, Newsletter of the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association. With James Eisenstein, Matthew Holden, Jr., Donald K. Stern, Todd Lochner, Daniel Krislov, Richard T. Boylan, Andrew B. Whitford, and Daniel Richman.

Papers under review and works in progress

"The Politics of (In)Justice and the Pitfalls of Federalism: Moving Beyond a National Civil Rights Strategy through Local Crime Control Politics."

"Legislative Activism, Penal Populism, and Racial Politics: What Explains Variation in State Crime Policy?" With Naomi Murakawa.

"The Face of the Innocence Frame: Media Coverage of Death Penalty Exonerations." With Regina Lawrence.

Book Reviews

The Contours of the Federal Criminal Justice System, with Jim Eisenstein, John Kramer and Jeff Ulmer. *Root Shock: How Tearing Up City Neighborhoods Hurts America and What We Can Do About It*. Mindy Thompson Fullilove. New York: Ballantine Books, 2004.

Reviewed in the *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* 30 (5), 985-989. October 2005.

Imprisoning America: The Social Effects of Mass Incarceration. Edited by Mary Pattillo, David Weiman and Bruce Western. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2004.

Reviewed in the *Journal of Politics* 67 (3), 943-44. August 2005.

Deviant Knowledge: Criminology, Politics and Public Policy by Reese Walters. 2003. Portland, OR: Willan Publishing.

Reviewed in the *Law and Politics Electronic Book Review*, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association, Vol. 14, No. 11, November 2004.

Invisible Punishment: The Collateral Consequences of Mass Incarceration by Marc Mauer and Meda Chesney-Lind (Editors). 2002. New York: The New Press.

Reviewed in *Punishment and Society* 6 (4), 458-161. October 2004.

Crime Control and Community: The New Politics of Public Safety by Gordon Hughes and Adam Edwards (Editors). 2002.

Reviewed in the *Law and Politics Electronic Book Review*, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association, Vol. 12, No. 11, November 2002.

Selected Conference Papers and Participation

Session Co-chair. "Crime, Policy and Politics in Comparative Perspective." Annual Meetings of the European Society of Criminology Meetings. Edinburgh, Scotland. September 2-September 5, 2008.

"The Politics of Punishment: An Institutional Approach." Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings of the European Society of Criminology Meetings. Edinburgh, Scotland. September 2-September 5, 2008.

"The Face of the Innocence Frame: Media, Race and Death Penalty Exonerations." With Regina Lawrence. Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA. August 27-August 30, 2008.

Panel Chair, "Spillover Effects and Policy Linkages across Issues and Levels of the Federal System." Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA. August 27-August 30, 2008.

"The Politics of (In)Justice and the Pitfalls of Federalism: Moving Beyond a National Civil Rights Strategy Through Local Politics." The Paradoxes of Race, Law and Inequality in the United States, University of California, Irvine. May 2-3rd, 2008.

"Going Local: Measuring Political Participation and Mobilization in Urban Settings." Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. August 30-September 2, 2007.

"Legislative Activism, Populism and Racial Politics: What Explains Variation in State Crime Policies?" Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. August 30-September 2, 2007.

“De-mobilizing Citizens: Interest Groups in State and Local Crime Politics.” Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings on the Midwest Political Science Association Meetings, April 12-14th, 2007.

Discussant, “Dark Prisons, Racial Orders and the Justice System,” Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, August 31st – September 3rd, 2006, Philadelphia, PA.

“The Politics of Federal Prosecution: U.S. Attorneys Offices in the Federal Criminal Justice System,” Paper prepared for the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, August 31st – September 3rd, 2006, Philadelphia, PA. With Jim Eisenstein.

“Interest Groups and the Pennsylvania Criminal Law,” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Law and Society Association, July 6-9, 2006, Baltimore, MD.

Chair and discussant, “Legislation and Legislators in Court,” Annual Meetings of the Law and Society Association, July 6-9, 2006, Baltimore, MD.

“Interest Groups and the Federalization of U.S. Criminal Justice Policy,” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology. November 16-29th, 2005. Toronto, Canada.

Chair and discussant, “Do Concepts Travel,” Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4th, 2005. Washington, D.C.

Discussant, “Politics in Lower Courts,” Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4th, 2005. Washington, D.C.

“The Contours of Federal Criminal Justice: A Preliminary Look.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, August 29th –September 1st, 2003. Philadelphia, PA. With Jim Eisenstein (lead author) and John Kramer.

“Towards a Theory of the Representational Bias in a Federal Political System.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6th, 2003. Chicago, IL.

“Satisfaction With Police and Neighborhood Collective Efficacy: Formal Contributions to Informal Social Control,” with Eric Silver (lead author). Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology. November 13-17, 2002. Chicago, IL

“Punishment and Mass Incarceration: A Roundtable Discussion on Crime, Policy and Politics.” Co-convener and participant. Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology. November 13-17, 2002. Chicago, IL.

“Research Opportunities in the Federal Criminal Justice System.” Participant. Convened by Jim Eisenstein and Matthew Holden. Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, August 30-September 2, 2002. Boston, MA.

“Who Gets What, Where and How? Federal and State Cooperation in Prosecution and Law Enforcement.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, November 7-10, 2001. Atlanta, GA.

“The Federal/State Prosecution Nexus: Preliminary Empirical Findings.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, August 30-September 2, 2001. San Francisco, California. With Jim Eisenstein (lead author) and John Kramer.

“Can Community Policing Strengthen Community: A critical assessment of some core assumptions.” Annual Meetings of the Law and Society Association, July 4-7, 2001. Budapest, Hungary. With Eric Silver. [unable to attend – paper delivered by panel chair]

“The Lesser of Two Evils: Community Crime Prevention and the Policing of the Inner-City.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 31-September 3, 2000. Washington, D.C.

“Who’s in Charge Here? Race, Community and the Politics of Crime Prevention.” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association. May 27-30, 1999. Chicago, IL.

"Community-friendly policing." Roundtable discussant. Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association. November 18-21, 1998. Seattle, Washington.

"Police, Community and Control: Operation Weed and Seed in Seattle." Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Meetings, September 3-6, 1998. Boston, MA.

"Community, Control and the Politics of Policing: Operation Weed and Seed and Community Policing in Seattle." Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association. June 3-6, 1998, Aspen, Colorado. Co-authored with Bill Lyons.

"Race, Crime and Punitive Drug Policy: The Case of Seattle's Drug Traffic Loitering Ordinance." Western Political Science Association Meetings, March 1995.

Invited Presentations and Colloquia

“Can We Trust the Courts in Times of Crisis?” Aspen Institute, Justice and Society Program. Aspen Institute, Aspen, Colorado. July 7-9, 2008.

“Criminal Differences: the Role of Race & Ethnicity in Detention, Juvenile Court, and American Justice.” Roundtable discussion sponsored by the Center for Race and Ethnicity, Rutgers University, October 26, 2007.

“Race, the U.S. Death Penalty, and Global Human Rights.” Livingston College, Building Community, Lecture Series on Human Rights, November 20th, 2006.

“The Politics of (In)Justice: Lessons from a Nation’s Racialized Past.” Livingston College, Building Community, Lecture Series on Human Rights, October 12th, 2005.

“The Mobilization of Bias in the Criminal Justice Policy Process,” January 12th, 2005, Master Session at the Institute for Qualitative Research Methods, Arizona State University, January 3-14th, 2005.

“Death Penalty Symposium,” Amnesty International Penn State Chapter, Eisenhower Chapel, Penn State University, March 23, 2004. University Park, PA.

“College Students and Political/Civic Engagement,” Social Change Week, University Student Government. Penn State University, January 22nd, 2004. University Park, PA.

“Urban Minorities, Civic Engagement and the Politics of Public Safety.” Color Lines Conference, Harvard University Civil Rights Project. August 31st – September 2st, 2003. Cambridge, MA.

“The High-Cost of Symbolic Politics,” paper presented in annual colloquia sponsored by the Center for Research on Crime and Justice, January 15, 2001. Penn State University

“The Politics of Law and Order: Towards a Cultural Analysis of Law and Politics, The Scheingold Legacy.” Panel discussant. Conference event honoring Stuart A. Scheingold. Co-sponsored by the Department of Political Science and the Comparative Law and Society Studies Center at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington. December 2, 2000.

Teaching Activities

Fellowships and Awards

SAS Award for Distinguished Contribution to Undergraduate Education, Assistant Professor Category, Rutgers University, 2006-7.

Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (CASTL) Presidential Fellow, Rutgers University, Fall '06-Spring '08.

Current Courses

Byrne First-year seminar, How Democratic is the U.S. Constitution?
U.S. Constitutional Law
Law and Politics
Race, Crime and Justice
Crime and Public Policy
Seminar in Security, Violence and Fear in American Politics
Graduate seminar in Legal Mobilization and Social Control

Teaching Colloquia

“Preparing to Teach a Course,” November 2007, Graduate School, Teaching Assistant Program, Rutgers University.
“Teaching Your First Course,” February 2007. Graduate School, Rutgers University
“Getting your dissertation published,” April, 2006. New Faculty Workshop, Rutgers University.
“Teaching Your First Course,” February 2006. Graduate School, Rutgers University
“Turning your dissertation into a book,” March 2005. Graduate School, Rutgers University.

“Teaching and Grading,” February 2005, Department of Political Science Graduate Student Workshop. Rutgers University
"On-Line Writing Workshops: Experiments in Web-Technology." Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Meetings, September 3-6, 1998. Boston, MA.

University, Department and Professional Service

Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science
Rutgers University, 2008-2009
Personnel Committee, Department of Political Science
Rutgers University, 2008-2009
Nominating Committee, School of Arts and Sciences
Rutgers University, 2006-2008
Search Committee, Department of Political Science, Political Theory
Rutgers University, Fall 2007
Curriculum Committee, Fall 2007-Spring 2008
Criminal Justice Program, Rutgers University
Program Committee, Criminal Justice Program
Rutgers University, permanent member
Summer Institute Selection Committee
Law and Society Association, 2006-8
Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science
Rutgers University, 2004-6
Methods Committee, Department of Political Science
Rutgers University, 2005-6
Search Committee, Department of Political Science, Race/Ethnicity in U.S. Politics
Rutgers University, 2005-6
Penn State Mock Trial Club, Faculty Advisor
Penn State University, 2003-4
Membership Committee
Law and Society Association. 2001-2003.
Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society, Penn State Chapter, Faculty Advisor
Penn State University, 2001-2003
Faculty Marshall, Graduation Ceremonies, College of Liberal Arts
Penn State University, May 2002
Crime, Law and Justice Recruitment Committee, Dept. of Sociology and Crime, Law and Justice
Penn State University, 2002-2004.
Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology and Crime, Law and Justice
Penn State University
Minority Affairs Committee, Department of Sociology and Crime, Law and Justice
Penn State University
Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology and Crime, Law and Justice
Penn State University

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association
Law and Society Association
American Society of Criminology

Midwest Political Science Association
European Society of Criminology

Student Supervision

Graduate students:

2008: Wendy Wright, Independent Study in Politics and Punishment, Spring 2008.

2004-08: Doctoral Committee, Eric Williams, Ph.D. Dissertation defense, Spring 2008.

2005-07: Doctoral Committee: Botello-Sampson, Darren.

2006-07: Master's Committee: Ackerman, Mike.

2005: Mike Ackerman, Independent Study in Jurisprudence. Fall 2005.

Undergraduate students:

2008-9: Crystal Coache, Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis.

2007-8: Robert Barocas, Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis.

2007-8: Denise Letendre and Jason Sullivan, Aresty Undergraduate Research Assistants.

2007-8: Naju Lathia. Undergraduate Research Assistant.

2008: Todd Zubatkin, Second reader, Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis.

2008: Samuel Zeidman, Second reader, Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis.

2008: Eun Jin Lee, Second reader, Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis.

2006-7: Nicholas Liedtke. Undergraduate Research Assistant.

2006-7: Anthony Velli. Livingston College Honors Thesis. "The New Jersey Judiciary's Treatment of the Camden and Amboy Railroad Monopoly."

2005: Spring. Independent Study. Race and the Law. Janay Cody.

2005: Fall. Independent Study. Federal Courts and Criminal Punishment. Janay Cody.

2005-6: Victoria Niezwrol, Henry Rutgers Honors thesis supervision. "The Redress of Regress: The Politics of Legal Mobilization on Gay Marriage in America."

2004-5: Jason Sullivan. Henry Rutgers Honors Thesis. "Does Law Matter? Uncovering Underlying Legal Principles that Guide U.S. Supreme Court Decisions in Right to Privacy Cases"

2004-5: Mark Wasef. Undergraduate research assistant. Read and analyzed transcripts of interviews for project on federal courts.