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## EDUCATION

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- Current*      **University at Albany-SUNY**  
Ph.D. Student in Criminal Justice
- December 2016*      **M.A., University at Albany-SUNY**  
Major Area: Criminal Justice  
Comprehensive Exam: *Prosecutorial Nullification*
- May 2015*      **B.S., The College of New Jersey (TCNJ)**  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Major Areas: Criminology & Psychology  
Senior Honors Thesis: *The Effect of Phenotypic Prototypicality across Racial Groups on Judgments of Guilt, Culpability, and Sentencing in the Criminal Justice System*

## EMPLOYMENT

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- Fall 2017-  
Current*      **University at Albany-SUNY**  
*Teaching Assistant/Discussion Leader*  
Introduction to Law and Criminal Justice
- Summer 2016-  
Summer 2017*      **Division of Criminal Justice Services**  
**Office of Justice Research and Performance**  
*Graduate Research Assistant*
- Fall 2015-  
Spring 2016*      **PULSE Lab, University at Albany-SUNY**  
*Research Assistant under Dr. Cynthia Najdowski*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Psychology and Law
  - Racial/Gender disparities in the criminal justice system
  - Criminal Law
  - Constitutional Law
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## **ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS**

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<i>Fall 2015</i>	Robert A. Martin, Jr. Fellowship in Criminal Justice
<i>Spring 2015</i>	College Honors: Magna Cum Laude
<i>Fall 2015</i>	College Honors: Academic Excellence in Criminology
<i>Fall 2014 – Spring 2015</i>	Honors Thesis: <i>Phenotypic Prototypicality</i>
<i>May 2010</i>	TCNJ Merit Scholar

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- Bernstein, K. M., & Najdowski, C. J. (November, 2017). *Medical professionals' stereotypes about race, socioeconomic status, and child abuse*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- Bernstein, K.M., Weintraub, J., & Worden, A.P., (2017, March). *How Personality Affects Victim and Defendant Favorability in Pretrial Policy Across the Fifty States*. Accepted at the annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Seattle, Washington.
- Bernstein, K.M., Najdowski, C. J., & Breault, P. (2016, March). *Stereotype Threat and Social Dominance Behaviors in Police Encounters*. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Atlanta, Georgia.

## **EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES**

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*2016-Current*     **Law and Human Behavior Student Editorial Board**

## **SERVICE**

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*Fall 2017-  
Spring 2018*     **School of Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association**  
Vice President

## **ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS**

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*Spring 2017*     **American Society of Criminology**  
*Fall 2016*     **Association for Psychological Science**  
*Spring 2016*     **American Psychological Association**  
*Fall 2015*     **American Psychology-Law Society**  
*Spring 2015*     **Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society**  
*Spring 2013*     **Psi Chi: International Honors Society in Psychology**  
*Spring 2013*     **Alpha Phi Sigma: National Criminal Justice Honors Society**  
*Spring 2014*     **Phi Kappa Phi**  
*Spring 2014*     **International Golden Key Honour Society**  
*Fall 2012*     **Alpha Psi Omega: National Theatre Honor Society**