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#### **EDUCATION**

**Master of Arts**; December 2012

University at Albany

Criminal Justice

Cumulative GPA: 4.0

Master's Thesis: "Exploring the Crime Decline of the 1990s: Theories as to its Occurrence and Generalizability"

**Bachelor of Arts**; May 2011

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Major: Psychology      Minors: Criminal Justice, Spanish

Cumulative/Major GPA: 4.0/4.0

Senior Thesis: "Examining Attitudes on Organ Donation for Transplant: Amenability to Financial Incentives and Donor Benefits" (defended March 2011)

#### **ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS**

*Michael J. Hindelang Fellowship*, 2011 – 2014

*UNL Chancellor's Scholar*, Spring 2011

*UNL Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program*, 2009 – 2011

*UNL Dean's List*, 2007 – 2011

*National Merit Hispanic Scholar*, 2007 – 2011

#### **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Ingram, M.C. & **Curtis, K.M.** (2014). Violence in Central America: A spatial view of homicide in the region, northern triangle, and El Salvador. In E. L. Olson (Ed.), *Crime and Violence: How U.S. Policy Responses are Helping, Hurting, and can be improved* (pp. 245-284). Washington, D.C.: Woodrow Wilson Center, Latin American Program. Available online: [www.wilsoncenter.org/publication/Crime-and-Violence-in-Central-Americas-Northern-Triangle\\_CARSI\\_Dec-2014](http://www.wilsoncenter.org/publication/Crime-and-Violence-in-Central-Americas-Northern-Triangle_CARSI_Dec-2014).

Ingram, M.C. & **Curtis, K.M.** (2014). Homicide in El Salvador's municipalities: Spatial clusters and the causal roles of neighborhood effects, population pressures, poverty, and education. *Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars: Latin American Program*. Available online: [http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Homicides\\_El\\_Salvador.pdf](http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Homicides_El_Salvador.pdf). (Working Paper).

Loftin, C., McDowall, D., **Curtis, K.M.**, & Fetzer, M.D. (2014). The accuracy of supplementary homicide report rates for large U.S. cities. *Homicide Studies*. Advanced online publication. doi: 10.1177/1088767914551984.

McDowall, D. & **Curtis, K.M.** (2014). Seasonal Variation in Homicide and Assault among Large U.S. Cities. *Homicide Studies*. Advanced online publication. doi: 10.1177/1088767914536985.

**Carrillo, K.** (2010). "Examining Attitudes on Organ Donation: Amenability to Financial Incentives and Donor Benefits." *The McNair Scholars Research Journal*. (Invited)

#### **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS/POSTERS**

McDowall, D., Loftin, C., & **Curtis, K.M.** (2014). The accuracy of supplementary homicide report

rates for large U.S. cities. *Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Meeting, San Francisco, CA on November 19, 2014.*

**Curtis, K. & McDowall, D. (2013).** The international homicide decline. *Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Meeting, Atlanta, GA on November 21, 2013.*

**Carrillo, K. & McDowall, D. (2012).** Seasonal of homicide and assault rates. *Paper presented at the American Criminal Justice Society Meeting, Dallas, TX on March 22, 2013.*

**Carrillo, K. & McDowall, D. (2012).** Seasonal variation in homicides. *Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Meeting, Chicago, IL on November 14, 2012.*

**Carrillo, K. (2011).** Examining attitudes on organ donation for transplant: Group discussions on alternative incentives. *Poster presented at the Undergraduate Research Fair, Lincoln, NE on April 14, 2011 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.*

**Carrillo, K. (2010).** Examining attitudes on organ donation for transplant: Amenability to financial incentives and donor benefits. *Poster presented at the Nebraska Summer Research Program Symposium, Lincoln, NE on August 11, 2010 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.*

**Carrillo, K. (2010).** Examining attitudes on organ donation for transplant: Amenability to financial incentives and donor benefits. *Paper presented at the Ronald E. McNair California Scholars Symposium, Berkeley, CA on August 5 - 8, 2010 at the University of California-Berkeley.*

#### **LIST OF GRADUATE COURSEWORK IN STATISTICS AND METHODS**

Total of 20 graduate credit hours by Spring 2014 (Most recent listed first)

- Statistical Techniques in Criminal Justice 3: Structural Equation Modeling; Spring 2014
- Statistical Techniques in Criminal Justice 3: Time Series, Spring 2013
- Research Design in Criminal Justice 2; Fall 2012
- Research Design in Criminal Justice 1; Spring 2012
- Statistical Techniques in Criminal Justice Research 2, Spring 2012
- Statistical Techniques in Criminal Justice Research 1, Fall 2011

#### **STATISTICAL AND TECHNICAL SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS**

- Proficient in SPSS and Stata
- Proficient in SurveyGizmo and SurveyMonkey survey software
- Proficient in ITracks online focus group software
- Proficient in ExpressScribe software and transcription hardware
- Proficient in EpiData data entry software
- Proficient in web-based CATI interview software
- Proficient in Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Publisher
- Beginner in GeoDA and ArcGIS spatial analyses software

#### **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY: SPANISH (Length of Study: 6 Years)**

- Reading: Advanced
- Writing: Advanced
- Speaking: Intermediate

#### **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Research Intern** (June 2014 – October 2014)

Supervisor: Andrew Davies, PhD

New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services

Responsibilities: Managed survey of 2,000+ magistrates at the town and village court level; orchestrated distribution of online and mailed surveys; entered survey data; created large dataset containing received surveys using Stata and SurveyMonkey; analyzed data using Stata, ArcGIS, and Microsoft Excel; wrote technical report for dissemination to the office and other NYS agencies.

**Research Assistant** (May 2014 – July 2014)

Supervisor: Matthew Ingram, PhD

Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University at Albany

Responsibilities: Collected aggregate level data from Guatemalan, El Salvadoran, and Honduran governmental websites related to homicide and its correlates; collated the data into Excel and Stata files; wrote portions of working papers and book chapters related to the data collection.

**Data Worker** (May 2013 – August 2013)

Supervisor: Richard Hill

Bureau of Sociological Research at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Responsibilities: Prepared technical reports for the Bureau's clients; conducted qualitative and quantitative analyses on survey and interview data using Excel and SPSS; conducted live and phone interviews of youths using web-based CATI software; transcribed interviews and focus groups using ExpressScribe; entered survey data into EpiData.

**Graduate Assistant** (May 2011 – August 2011)

Supervisor: Laurie Bellows, PhD

Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Responsibilities: Assisted the undergraduate McNair scholars in their research projects; copy-edited articles, presentations, and projects; taught Graduate Record Examination preparatory material and administered practice examinations.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** (January 2015 – May 2015)

Course: Special Topics Seminar on Violent Crime

School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany

Responsibilities: Taught and prepared stand-alone course on violent crime; wrote and gave lectures twice a week; wrote, administered, and grade exams and papers related to the course topic.

**Teaching Assistant** (August 2013 – December 2014)

Supervisor: Dr. James Acker; Dr. JoAnne Malatesta

Course: Introduction to Law and Criminal Justice

School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany

Responsibilities: Taught two discussion sections per semester; graded student papers and exams.

**Guest Lecturer** (March 6, 2014)

Course: Cross-National Crime with Rose Bellandi, M.A.

School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany

Title: Violent Crime: Cross-National Perspectives

**Teaching Assistant** (August 2012 – May 2013)

Supervisor: Dr. Christopher Kelly

Course: Introduction to Criminal Justice

School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany

Responsibilities: Taught two discussion sections per semester; graded student papers and exams; guest-lectured capital punishment (4/10/13).

**Guest Lecturer** (November 6, 2012)

Course: Introduction to Criminology with Dr. Jamie Fader

School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany  
Title: The Decline in Violent Crime: A Modern Day Whodunit

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant** (January 2011 – May 2011)

Supervisor: Dr. Eve Brank

Course: Advanced Social Psychology

Psychology Department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Responsibilities: Assisted in assessing discussion performance; guest-lectured on Lie Detection and Deception (03/08/11); graded exams and response papers.

### **SERVICE EXPERIENCE**

School of Criminal Justice Dean Candidate Search **Committee Member** (2014-2015)

Committee Chair: Dr. Steven Messner

**Advanced Representative** (2014-2015), **President** (2013-2014), **Vice President** (2012-2013), and **1st Year Representative** (2011-2012) of the School of Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association

Ad Hoc Graduate Assistantship **Committee Member** (Fall 2013)

Committee Chair: Dr. James Acker

Post-Doctoral Candidate Search **Committee Member** (Fall 2012)

Committee Chair: Dr. Megan Kurlychek

### **FUNDING RECEIVED**

Conference Funding from the School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany (**\$500** for Fall 2014; **\$250** for Fall 2013)

Michael J. Hindelang Fellowship from the Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center (**\$15,000** for 2011-2013)

Simon Orta Scholarship (**\$250** for Spring 2008)

### **REFERENCES**

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