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EDUCATION

- Fall 2014 – Present **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE**
University at Albany, State University of New York Albany, NY
- Fall 2013 – Fall 2014 **MASTER OF ARTS, CRIMINAL JUSTICE**
University at Albany, State University of New York Albany, NY
- Fall 2009 – Spring 2013 **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE (MAGNA CUM LAUDE)**
Buffalo State College, State University of New York, Buffalo, NY
MINOR: African American Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

NEIGHBORHOOD SUBCULTURE; PRISONER REENTRY; INCARCERATION AND FAMILY DYNAMICS; RACE AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2015 – Present **PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR** with Dr. Heather Washington, University at Albany, SUNY
“Parental Involvement of Incarcerated Fathers and Recidivism Outcomes”
- Fall 2014 **RESEARCH ASSISTANT** for Dr. Washington, University at Albany, SUNY
- Provided student editing services for an upcoming book chapter.
 - Conducted literature reviews and other background research, *Grandparents Raising Children from Incarcerated Parents*.
 - Participated in sit-in observations for a developing Youth-Police Interaction (YPI) Program.
 - Assisted in written drafts for working papers, *Improving Juvenile-Police Interactions: Lessons from the YPI Program*.
- Fall 2012 – Spring 2013 **UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOLAR**, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Buffalo State College, SUNY
College Students’ Attitudes towards University Police
Faculty Advisor: Dr. James Sobol

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2015 - Present **TEACHING ASSISTANT** for Dr. James Acker, University at Albany, SUNY RCRJ 202 – Law and Criminal Justice (Undergraduate Discussion Course)
- Spring 2015 **TEACHING ASSISTANT** for Dr. Justin Pickett, University at Albany, SUNY RCRJ 203 – Criminology (Undergraduate Discussion Course)

PRESENTATIONS

- Fall 2015 **NOEL, MELISSA** (November, 2015). *Parental Involvement of Incarcerated Fathers and Recidivism Outcomes*.
Roundtable Discussion: American Society of Criminology 71st Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
Using longitudinal data from the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study, the proposed study sought to expand on theoretical perspectives by examining if parental involvement influenced the subsequent criminal behavior of previously incarcerated fathers.
- Summer 2015 **NOEL, MELISSA WITH MIR, HIRAH** (August, 2015). *Helping Students Ask Good Questions*.
Roundtable Discussion: University at Albany College Teaching Symposium 2015 Albany, NY
- Spring 2013 **NOEL, MELISSA** (March, 2013). *College Students' Attitudes towards University Police*. Investigated Buffalo State College students' perceptions of University Police as legitimate officers and satisfaction with their police services.
Poster Presentation: University at Maryland 14th Annual McNair Research Conference, College Park, M.D.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2013 – Spring 2014 **GRADUATE ASSISTANT** for Dr. Betty Shadrick (Assistant Dean of Graduate Education) Office of Graduate Education, University at Albany, SUNY Albany, NY
- Prepared diversity reports for Graduate Tuition Opportunity Program.
 - Assisted in recruitment of Bridge to Doctorate Program candidates.
 - Developed and coordinated graduate student workshop events.
 - Responded to correspondence from students and faculty.
 - Served as member of the Carson Carr Diversity Fellowship Committee.
- Summer 2013 **PROGRAM INTERN** for NEW YORK CITY FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER, Brooklyn NY
- Provided administrative support to FJC partners and administrative staff.
 - Researched available community resources, programs, and data tracking.
 - Assisted in the Children's Room: Read books and engaged in age appropriate game playing and craft activities with children age 3 and up.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Spring 2013	David Matyjasik Scholarship 2013 Criminal Justice Faculty Certificate of Merit, Buffalo State College, SUNY
Fall 2012 – Spring 2013	Ronald McNair Post-baccalaureate Scholars Program Sheriff Thomas F. Higgins Scholarship Award
Fall 2010 – Spring 2013	Buffalo State College Honor Student
Fall 2009 – Spring 2013	Dean’s List, Buffalo State College

CERTIFICATES

2015	JOURNAL MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER TRAINING WORKSHOP sponsored by The Division on Women and Crime November 19, 2015 at the American Society of Criminology Conference
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SERVICE AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Spring 2016 – Present	STUDENT EDITOR, <i>Feminist Criminology</i>
Fall 2015	CHAIR, Roundtable Discussion: <i>Families and Criminal Justice Research</i> American Society of Criminology 71 st Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
Fall 2015 – Present	COMMITTEE MEMBER, Graduate Student Association – Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion, University at Albany
Fall 2015 – Present	COUNCIL MEMBER, Future Faculty Leadership Council, University At Albany
Spring 2015	INVITED STUDENT EDITOR, <i>Albany Law Review Miscarriages of Justice Issue (2015)</i>
Fall 2013 – Present	SECOND YEAR REPRESENTATIVE, Graduate Student Association, School of Criminal Justice, University At Albany
Fall 2013 – Spring 2014	COMMITTEE MEMBER, Ad Hoc Teaching Committee, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany COMMITTEE MEMBER, Carson Carr Diversity Fellowship Committee, University at Albany

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Alpha Phi Sigma, Criminal Justice Honor Society
American Society of Criminology
Division on People of Color – American Society of Criminology