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**EDUCATION**

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- 2011 – Present      Ph.D. Student, School of Criminal Justice  
University at Albany, SUNY (Expected: 2017)  
Ph.D. Comprehensive Project: *Rationales Underlying Gender-Based Plea Decision-Making*  
Committee Chair: Dr. Allison Dr. Redlich  
Dissertation Project: *Rationales Underlying and Shaping Plea Decision-Making: Interviews with Defendants, Defense Attorneys, and Prosecutors*  
Committee Co-Chairs: Dr. Alissa P. Worden; and  
Dr. Allison D. Redlich (George Mason University)
- 2012                      M.A., Criminal Justice, School of Criminal Justice  
University at Albany, SUNY  
M.A. Comprehensive Project: *An Examination of the Discretionary and Potentially Coercive Plea Decision-Making Processes and Perspectives of Plea Bargaining*  
Faculty Adviser: Dr. Allison D. Redlich
- 2010                      B.A., *cum laude*, Criminology, Law and Society  
Minor in Political Science  
University of California, Irvine  
Thesis Project: *Gender Roles in Perception of Female Criminals Based on Crimes Committed*  
Faculty Advisers: Dr. Mona Lynch and Dr. Donna Schuele
- 2008                      A.A., Associate of Arts  
Los Angeles Pierce College

**AREAS OF INTEREST:**

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Plea Bargaining; Indigent Defense; Juror Decision-Making; Criminal Courts Research; Legal Decision-Making Theory, Policy, and Practice; Psychology and the Law; False Confessions; Juvenile Justice; Gender, Race, and the Criminal Justice System; Research Methodologies

**PUBLICATIONS**

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**Shteynberg, R.** and Redlich, A.D. (2015). Policing juvenile delinquency. In M.D. Krohn & J. Lane (Eds.), *Wiley Handbook of Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Justice*; Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishers.

## **SELECT MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS AND UNDER REVIEW**

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Redlich, A.D. & **Shteynberg, R.V.** To plead or not to plead: A comparison of juvenile and adult true and false plea decisions.

**Shteynberg, R.V.** & Redlich, A.D. A qualitative examination of the decision to plead guilty: The role of gender in juvenile and young adult plea decision-making.

Worden, A.P., Davies, A.L.B, **Shteynberg, R.V.**, Morgan, K.A. The CAFA project: Preliminary findings from the evaluation of counsel at first appearance.

## **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

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*Rationales Underlying and Shaping Plea Decision-Making: Interviews with Defendants, Defense Attorneys, and Prosecutors* (Doctoral Dissertation Research Project)

*‘Yes Means Yes’: The Practicality of University-Based Affirmative Consent Legislation Project*  
Funded by the Initiatives for Women (IFW) Karen R. Hitchcock New Frontiers Fund  
Research Award: \$500; Co-Investigators: Reveka Shteynberg (PI) and Haemi Won (Co-PI)

*Role of Gender in Juror Perceptions of Gang Members (RG-JPGM) Project*  
Co-Investigators: Reveka Shteynberg (PI) and Kelsey Henderson (Co-PI; U. of Florida)

*Early Intervention by Counsel: A Multi-Site Evaluation of the Presence of Counsel at a Defendants First Appearance in Court.*  
Funded by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ); Co-Investigators: Dr. Alissa Worden (PI; University at Albany); Dr. Andrew Davies (Co-PI; NYS ILS)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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2014 – 2015                    **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, University at Albany, SUNY  
RCRJ 201: Introduction to the Criminal Justice Process  
Instructor: Dr. Dennis McCarty

2010                            **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, University of California, Irvine  
C122: Constitutional Law  
Instructor: Dr. Donna Schuele

## **RESEACH EXPERIENCE**

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2015 – Present                **Graduate Research Assistant**, Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Project  
*Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center, University at Albany, SUNY*  
Title: “*Early Intervention by Counsel: A Multi-Site Evaluation of the Presence of Counsel at a Defendants First Appearance in Court*”  
Funding Agency: National Institute of Justice (NIJ); \$381,402.  
Co-Investigators: Dr. Alissa Worden (PI); Dr. Andrew Davies (NYS ILS)  
Conduct field research, including historical and qualitative field studies, examining initiatives expanding access to counsel in six upstate New York

counties. Project duties include travel, data collection, participation in instrument development, and program reports and publications (including process evaluations, outcome evaluations, and cost-benefit analyses).

- 2015 – Present      **Research Assistant Supervisor**, Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Project  
*Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center, University at Albany, SUNY*  
Supervise and manage CAFA project research assistants through an independent study and/or an internship with project Co-PI (Dr. Alissa Worden).
- 2014                      **Research Consultant**, Schenectady, NY  
Project Title: Stereotypes and Deadly Force Decision-Making by Law Enforcement  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Mark Chaires (Former Schenectady County Chief of Police)  
Assisted Dr. Chaires with research design, participant recruitment of both police officers and lay citizens (comparison group), demonstrations of proper firearm equipment use to lay citizen participants, and setting up and running a research study utilizing Firearm Training Simulation (FATS) equipment.
- 2014                      **Graduate Research Assistant**, University at Albany  
“*Research Coordination Network (RCN): [Understanding Plea Bargains](#)”  
Funding Agency: The National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Shawn D. Bushway  
Co-PIs: Dr. Allison D. Redlich, Dr. Brian D. Johnson, & Dr. Anne M. Piehl.  
Assisted PI, Co-PIs, and Steering Committee with research for three white papers examining the defendant core, prosecutorial core, and courtroom workgroup core of plea decision-making; Designed, coded, and created materials for the Understanding Guilty Pleas website using Open Text/Reddot.*
- 2011 – 2015              **Research Lab Project Director**, University at Albany  
*Modeling Decision-Making in the Legal System ([MoDiLS](#)) Lab*  
Principal Supervisor: Dr. Allison Redlich.  
Managed the MoDiLS Lab and its ongoing research projects and all undergraduate- and Master’s-level research assistants. Assisted with the creation and troubleshooting of the MoDiLS Lab website using Open Text/Reddot.
- 2011 – 2014              **Graduate Research Assistant**, University at Albany  
Research Title: Creating and Transferring Knowledge on Guilty Pleas  
Funding Agency: The National Science Foundation; \$175,000.  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Allison Redlich.  
Managed a grant-funded and IRB-approved primary data collection project about juvenile and young adult plea decision-making; Used the MacArthur Competence Assessment Tool-Criminal Adjudication (MacCAT-CA) to assess juvenile and young adult plea understanding and reasoning; Created a coding scheme with inter-coder reliability for coding qualitative responses for defendants’ rationales for pleading guilty.
- 2011                      **Research Analyst**, Control Risks Group, Los Angeles, CA  
*Security and Investigation Firm*

Conducted detailed extensive criminal, civil, and media background checks for reality television and employment integrity screening's for domestic and international corporations.

- 2010                    **Research Intern**, Hennington & Associates, Beverly Hills, CA  
*Trial and Jury Consultation Division*  
 Conducted research for trial and jury case bids and drafted RFP Grant proposals; Conducted research for Dr. Hennington's in-progress book about the art of winning jury trials; Assisted with editing the revised version of Hennington and Associates Professional Trial and Jury Consultation Corporation Handbook and Brochure(s); Assisted with trial theme development and witness preparation consultations (general and case-specific tips, techniques, and styles) for clients.
- Diversity and Leadership Consultation Division*  
 Conducted social and diversity research for consultation; Conducted research for Hennington and Associates' online training courses for the workplace (current courses include workplace sexual harassment, workplace discrimination, workplace conflict management, workplace culture sensitivity, and cyber bullying); Managed client database and client service mail server.
- 2010                    **Undergraduate Intern**, University of California, Irvine  
*UCI Civic Engagement Initiative*  
 Promoted community engagement on campus; Assisted with the organization of a day-long Service Day for campus and community partners; Briefly conducted research for the Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement application.
- 2009                    **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, *University of California, Irvine*  
 Research Title: Meta-Analysis of Jury Felon-Exclusion Laws in the U.S.  
 Phd Student: James Binnall; Faculty Supervisor: Mona Lynch  
 Assisted a graduate student by researching and compiling a list of cases that set and upheld the precedent for jury felon-exclusion laws in the United States.
- 2008                    **Intern**, Assemblywoman Julia Brownley, Woodland Hills, CA  
 Conducted research for speeches; managed database and data entry; responded to constituents' communications.

## PRESENTATIONS

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\* Indicates a peer-reviewed conference submission.

^ Indicates a poster presentation.

` Indicates invited presentation.

**Shteynberg, Reveka** and Haemi Won. 'Yes Means Yes': Perceptions of University-Based Affirmative Consent Policies. In *Crime and Justice on Campus: Perceptions and Attitudes. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November, 2015.*

**Shteynberg, Reveka.** Discussant. Legal Services for the Indigent: Client Communication and Participatory Defense. In 2015 Panels on Research and Data in Legal Services for the Indigent. *Paper presented*

*at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November, 2015. [Part of an 11 Panel Series].*

Worden, Alissa, **Reveka Shteynberg**, Andrew D. Davies, & Kirstin Morgan. "The CAFA Project: Preliminary Findings from the Evaluation of Counsel at First Appearance." In *Legal Services for the Indigent: Early Intervention by Counsel*. In 2015 Panels on Research and Data in Legal Services for the Indigent. *Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November, 2015. [Part of an 11 Panel Series].*

\***Shteynberg, Reveka**. "A Qualitative Examination of Plea Decision Rationales." Presented as part of the Understanding Guilty Pleas Research Coordination Network panel: "Unpacking the Plea-Bargaining Decision-Making Process for Defendants and their Attorneys." *Paper presented at the Mid-Atlantic Law & Society Association Conference, October, 2015.*

\***Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "Role of Gender in Plea Decision-Making." *Posted presented at the Research Coordination Network: Understanding Guilty Pleas Conference/Workshop, Albany, N.Y., June 2015.*

\***Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "Role of Gender in Plea Decision Rationales." *Poster presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, C.A., March 2015.*

Redlich, Allison D., **Shteynberg, Reveka**, and Nirider, Laura. (2014, June). "Did you say I could go home? The influence of implied statements of leniency on juveniles and adults." *Paper presented at the International Investigative Interviewing Research Group, Lausanne, Switzerland.*

\***Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "True and False Guilty Plea Decision-Making." *Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, L.A., March, 2014.*

**Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "Factors Influencing True and False Guilty Pleas." *Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, G.A., November, 2013.*

\***Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "The Role of Gender in Young Adult Plea Bargain Decision-Making, Competence, and Understanding." *Paper presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Boston, M.A., June, 2013.*

**Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "Juvenile and Young Adult Plea Decision-Making." *Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Portland, O.R., March, 2013.*

**Shteynberg, Reveka** and Allison D. Redlich. "The Role of Gender in Juvenile and Young Adult Plea Bargain Decision-Making." In S. Maxwell (Chair), *Charging and plea bargaining decisions*. *Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, I.L., November, 2012.*

**Shteynberg, Reveka**. "Gender Roles in Perceptions of Female Criminals Based on Crimes Committed." *Paper presented at the University of California, Irvine Undergraduate Research Symposium, May, 2010.*

## **SELECT HONORS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

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- 2015                    **Karen R. Hitchcock New Frontiers Fund Award**  
 Initiatives for Women (IFW), University at Albany, SUNY: \$500  
 Research Title: *'Yes Means Yes': The Practicality of University-Based Affirmative Consent Legislation*
- 2015                    **Frank Remington Award for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies**  
 School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany, SUNY: \$150
- 2015                    **School of Criminal Justice Conference Travel Award**  
 University at Albany, SUNY  
 Travel Award: \$500 for American Psychology-Law Society Conference
- 2014                    **School of Criminal Justice Conference Travel Award**  
 University at Albany, SUNY  
 Travel Award: \$250 for American Psychology-Law Society Conference
- 2013                    **School of Criminal Justice Conference Travel Award**  
 University at Albany, SUNY  
 Travel Award: \$250 for American Society of Criminology Conference
- 2009 – 2010           **Social Ecology Honors Program**  
 University of California, Irvine
- 2010                    **Social Ecology Exceptional Achievement in Field Study**  
 University of California, Irvine
- 2009                    **Gil Geis Undergraduate Excellence in Research Award**  
 University of California, Irvine; Research Stipend: \$1,000  
 Research Title: *Gender Roles in Perceptions of Female Criminals Based on Crimes Committed*
- 2008                    **Teradyne Peter Hashem Memorial Scholarship**  
 Scholarship Stipend: \$1,000
- 2008 – 2010           **Regent's Scholar**  
 University of California, Irvine

## **SELECT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE TO THE FIELD**

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### **Journal Reviewer**

*Law and Human Behavior* (Student Editorial Board Member, 2013 – Present)  
*Legal and Criminological Psychology*

### **Professional Affiliations**

American Psychology – Law Society (AP-LS)  
 American Society of Criminology (ASC)  
     Division on Experimental Criminology (DEC)  
     Division on People of Color & Crime (DPCC)

Division on Women & Crime (DWC)  
Law and Society Association (LSA)

National Association for Public Defense (NAPD)  
New York State Defenders Association (NYSDA)  
Indigent Defense Research Association (IDRA)  
Association of Prosecuting Attorneys (APA)  
Research Coordination Network (RCN) on Understanding Guilty Pleas

Phi Beta Kappa (University of California, Irvine)  
Golden Key International Honors Society (University of California, Irvine)  
National Society of Leadership and Success: Sigma Alpha Pi (University of California, Irvine)  
Phi Theta Kappa (Los Angeles Pierce College)

**Professional Development**

*Defender Research Consortium (DRC) workshop*, National Legal Aid & Defender Association (NLADA),  
December 2015 in Baltimore, MD.

*Writing Circle: A graduate student-run weekly writing workshop*, University at Albany, 2014-Present

*Graduate Teaching Assistant Symposium on College Teaching*, Institute for Teaching, Learning, and  
Academic Leadership (ITLAL), University at Albany, September 2014

*Regression Models & Multilevel Analysis seminar*, University at Albany, Spring 2015

*ArcGIS workshop*, University at Albany, Center for Social & Demographic Analysis (CSDA), Spring 2014

*Structural Equation (LISREL) Models seminar*, University at Albany, Spring 2014

*Teaching at the College and University Level seminar*, University at Albany, Spring 2014

Courses designed: (1) Research Methods I-II; (2) American Criminal Courts;

(3) Introduction to the Criminal Justice Process; (4) Specialty Topic: Plea Bargaining and Jury  
Decision-Making

*Grant Writing seminar*, University at Albany, Fall 2013

*Design and Analysis of Longitudinal and Time Series Research seminar*, University at Albany, Spring 2013

*Homeland Security: Academia Meets Practice workshop*, NYS Preparedness Training Center, NYS  
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Fall 2012

*Fader's Fundamentals: A Writing and Research Seminar*, University at Albany, Spring 2012

**Community Engagement and University Service**

**Intern Supervisor**, UNI 390 University-wide Internships Program (Spring 2015)

Supervisor for Internship with Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Project

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Alissa Worden

Intern/Research Assistant: Katherine Rhee

**Mentor**, Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Project, Fall 2015 – Present

*Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center, University at Albany, SUNY*

Mentoring BA/MA students in research and academic pursuits: Alyssa Clark (Fall 2015 – Present);

Victoria Farrell (Fall 2015 – Present); Katherine Rhee (Spring 2016)

**At-Large Representative – Graduate Student Association**, 2015-2016

School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

**Group Organizer**, Academic Pursuit: Women in Academia Group, Fall 2014 – Present

Albany, NY

**MoDiLS Lab Mentor**, Fall 2011 – Summer 2015

*Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center, University at Albany, SUNY*

Mentored 15 BA and BA/MA students in research and academic pursuits; of which, 6 of the students worked in the MoDiLS Lab for multiple semesters. In addition to joining the workforce, more than two-thirds of the students have gone on to pursue law school or MA / PhD graduate programs.

*Students mentored* (ordered alphabetically): Alex Nassrelrgawi, Fall 2012; Alexandra (Allie) Briggs, Fall 2013; Alyssa Clark, Fall 2013 – Summer 2015; Ama Otchere, Spring 2013; Chelsea Dubner, Fall 2012; Cylus Martell-Crawford, Fall 2013; Danielle Jean Baptiste, Spring 2013; Evgenia (Jane) Sorrentini, Spring 2013; Jennifer (Rounds) Weintraub, Fall 2011 – Summer 2015; Khadeya Penson, Fall 2013; Krista Wallace, J.D., Fall 2011 – Fall 2012; Maria Randazzo, Fall 2014; Rebecca Tancredi, Spring 2013; Sarah Sardella, Spring 2013 – Summer 2013; Victoria Farrell, Fall 2014 – Summer 2015

**Graduate Student Speaker**, Undergraduate Research Information Session, November 2014, University at Albany

**Secretary & Advanced Representative – Graduate Student Association**, 2013-2014  
School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

**Mentor**, The Injustice & Multiculturalism Project with Albany High School, Spring 2013  
*The Justice & Multiculturalism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project, University at Albany, SUNY*  
(Culminating in students from the Citizenship Academy at Albany High School conducting research projects related to issues of justice and diversity and creating posters they presented during the Explorations in Justice Symposium in April 2013).

**Second-year Representative – Graduate Student Association**, 2012-2013  
School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

**Graduate Student Representative – Undergraduate Committee**, 2011-2012  
School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany

**First-year Representative – Graduate Student Association**, 2011-2012  
School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany