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Professional Experience

- 2016 – **Present** University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Associate Professor (2022 – Present)
Graduate Coordinator (2021 – Present)
Assistant Professor (2016 – 2022)
- 2015 – 2016 East Carolina University, Department of Criminal Justice
Assistant Professor
- 2014 – 2015 Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (Lincoln, NE)
PhD Intern/Research Analyst, Division of Planning, Research, & Accreditation (PRA)

Education

- 2010-2015 *University of Nebraska at Omaha (Omaha, NE)*
Doctorate of Philosophy in Criminology and Criminal Justice
Dissertation: American Criminal Justice Policy Change: An Example Using Sex Offender Registration and Notification Laws
Brief report available upon request
- 2008-2010 *Radford University (Radford, VA)*
Master of Arts in Psychology (Concentration: Experimental Psychology)
- 2003-2007 *James Madison University (Harrisonburg, VA)*
Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Minor: Criminal Justice

Research Interests

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| Criminal Justice Policy Process | Policy and Program Evaluation |
| Desistance from Crime | Punishment and Society |
| Institutional & Community Corrections | Public Opinion about Crime and Justice |

Publications (Most Recent First) [* Represents Student Coauthors]**Refereed Journal Articles**

- Mancini, C., Cassino, D., & Lytle, R. D. (2023). Politics, knowledge, and sexual assault: Public perceptions of Trump-era Title IX proceedings. *Journal of Crime and Justice*, 46(1), 85-101. doi: 10.1080/0735648X.2022.2052933
Accepted: February 2022
- Lytle, R. D., Radatz, D. L., Sample, L. L., & Latiolais*, R. (2021). Do I report this? Understanding variation in the content of state mandatory reporting laws. *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology*, 10(2). doi: 10.21428/88de014a1.a323769a
Accepted: January 2021
- Bratton*, T. M., Lytle, R. D., & Hudson, H. K. (2020). #FollowMe: An investigation into the relationship between social media behaviors and online harassment among adolescents. *International Journal of Arts and Humanities*, 1(1), 16-27.
Accepted: August 2020
- Augustyn, R., ten Bensel, T., Lytle, R., Gibbs, B., & Sample, L. L. (2020). "Older" Inmates in Prison: Considering the Tipping Point of Age and Misconduct. *Journal of Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law and Society*, 21(2), 37-57.
Accepted: May 2020
- Williams, M., Comartin, E., & Lytle, R. (2020). The Politics of Symbolic Laws: State Resistance to the Allure of Sex Offender Residence Restrictions. *Law and Policy*, 42(3), 209-235.
Accepted: February 2020
- Gibbs, B., & Lytle, R. D. (2020). Drug Court Participation and Time to Failure: An Examination of Recidivism across Program Outcome. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 45, 215-235.
Accepted: September 2019
- Bratton*, T. M., Lytle, R., & ten Bensel, T. (2020). Attitudes of Muslim Americans toward homosexuality and marriage equality: Moving beyond simply understanding Christian public opinions. *Sociological Inquiry*, 90(4), 765-793.
Accepted: September 2019
- Lytle, R. (2019). Beyond panic: Variation in the legislative activity for sex offender registration and notification laws across states over time. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 30(3), 451-476.
Accepted: October 2016

Gibbs, B., **Lytle, R.**, & Wakefield, W. (2019). Outcome effects on recidivism among drug court participants. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 46(1), 115-135.

Accepted: August 2018

Steely*, M., ten Bensel, T., Bratton*, T., & **Lytle, R.** (2018). All part of the process?: A qualitative examination of change in online child pornography behaviors.

Criminal Justice Studies, 31(3), 279-296.

Accepted: June 2018

Anderson, A. L., **Lytle, R.**, & Schwadel, P. (2017). Age, period, and cohort effects of death penalty attitudes in the United States, 1975-2010. *Criminology*, 55(4), 833-868.

Accepted: May 2017

Savolainen, J., Applin, S., Messner, S., Hughes, L., **Lytle, R.**, & Kivivuori, J. (2017). Does the Gender Gap in Delinquency Vary by Level of Patriarchy? A Cross-National Comparative Analysis. *Criminology*, 55(4), 726-753.

Accepted: March 2017

Lytle, R., Bailey, D. J. S., & ten Bensel, T. (2017). We fought tooth and toenail: Exploring the dynamics of romantic relationships among sex offenders who have desisted. *Criminal Justice Studies*, 30(2), 117-135.

Accepted: February 2017

Lytle, R., & ten Bensel, T. (2016). Are self-identified Christian fundamentalists really more supportive of capital punishment?: Exploring the relationship between fundamentalism and death penalty attitudes. *Criminal Justice Studies*, 29(4), 309-324.

Accepted: September 2016

ten Bensel, T., Gibbs, B., & **Lytle, R.** (2015). A propensity score approach towards assessing neighborhood risk of parole revocation. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 40(2), 377-398.

Accepted: December 2014

Lytle, R. (2015). Variation in criminal justice policy-making: An exploratory study of sex offender registration and community notification laws. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 26(3), 211-233.

Accepted: September 2013

Burchfield, K. B., Sample, L. L., & **Lytle, R.** (2014). Public interest in sex offenders: A perpetual panic?. *Journal of Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law and Society*, 14(3), 96-117.

Accepted: December 2014

Book Chapters

Lytle, R. D., Bratton*, T. M., & Hudson, H. (2021). Bystander apathy and intervention in the era of social media. In J. Bailey, A. Flynn, and N. Henry (Eds.), *The emerald international handbook of technology-facilitated violence and abuse* (Chapter 41). Emerald Publishing Limited.

Evans, M. K., **Lytle, R.**, & Sample, L. L. (2015). Sex offender registration and community notification. In R. G. Wright (Ed.), *Sex offender laws: Failed policies, new directions* (2nd Ed., Pp. 142-164). Springer Publishing.

Bailey, D. J., **Lytle, R.**, & Sample, L. L. (2014). Policy implications of sociological theories of crime: Why are they so seldom considered or discussed? In J. C. Barnes, K. Beaver, and B. Boutwell (Eds.), *The nurture versus biosocial debate in criminology* (Pp. 415-430). Sage.

Encyclopedia Chapters and Other Publications

Steely*, M., Bratton*, T. M., & **Lytle, R.** (2019). History of prostitution. In F. P. Bernat, K. Frailing, L. Gelsthorpe, S. Kethineni, & L. Pasko (Eds.), *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Women and Crime*. Wiley-Blackwell Publishing. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781118929803.ewac0267>

Selected Manuscripts in Progress

Lytle, R. D., & Bratton, T. M. (in progress). Compliance with Federal Law or Conformity Amongst States? State Registration and Notification Laws and the Adam Walsh Act. Anticipated submission to *Criminal Justice Policy Review*.

Lytle, R. D., Doyle*, M. K., Meyer, E., & Sample, L. L. (in progress). Sex offense policy evaluations in context: An introduction to state-level sex offense policy movements.

Lytle, R. D. (in progress). No place like home: The impact of inmate movement on institutional behaviors in prison.

Butler, H. D., & **Lytle, R. D.** (in progress). Restrictive housing and inmate mental health.

Gibbs, B. G., **Lytle, R. D.**, & Waldspurger*, E. (in progress). A suppression effect? Community supervision and a delay in reoffending.

Technical Reports (* Represents Student Coauthors)

Parker, M., **Lytle, R. D.**, Smith, M. E., & Mitchell*, C. M. (December, 2022). Arkansas Department of Corrections Organizational and Social Climate Study: Preliminary

Phase I Staff Findngs. Report written and presented for the Arkansas Department of Corrections.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R. D.**, Price*, T. M., & Adegor*, D. (November, 2022). *Focus on Change Under Supervision (FOCUS) Court Process Evaluation: 2020-2021 Annual Report*. Report written for US Probation and the Western District of Arkansas.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R. D.**, Lewis, R., & Newsom*, K. (2021). *Disproportionate Minority Contact in Arkansas: 2019 Report*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

Lytle, R. D., Price*, T., ten Bensel, T., Lewis, R., & Snow*, N. (2020). *Review of State Juvenile Justice Legislation*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R. D.**, Rhodes, T., & Snow*, N. (April, 2020). *Disproportionate Minority Contact in Arkansas: DMC Identification 2018 Report*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R. D.**, Rhodes, T., & Snow*, N. (April, 2020). *Disproportionate Minority Contact in Arkansas: DMC Identification 2017 Report*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R. D.**, Rhodes, T., & Snow*, N. (2019). *The Current State of DMC Project Data*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

ten Bensel, T., **Lytle, R.**, & Rhodes, T. (April, 2019). *Disproportionate Minority Contact in Arkansas: DMC Identification 2016 Report*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

Lytle, R., Parker, M., Hurst, J., Glidden, M., & Smith, M. E. (December, 2018). *Report for the Associate of Science in Law Enforcement and Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice*. Report written for the Institutional Effectiveness Committee at University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Ten Bensel, T., Rhodes, T., **Lytle, R.**, Golden, J., Spears*, J. (February, 2018). *Disproportionate Minority Contact in Arkansas: A Three Year Trend Analysis (2013-2015) & Data Quality Analysis*. Report written for the Arkansas Division of Youth Services.

Lytle, R., & Sample, L. L. (July, 2016). *Washington County Risk/Needs Assessment*. Report written for the LiveWise Coalition.

Davidson, M., & **Lytle, R.** (August, 2016). *Crisis Interovention Training at Central Prison (Raleigh, NC)*. Report written for the North Carolina Division of Prisons.

Lytle, R., & Sample, L. L. (November, 2015). *Web-Based Survey Methods Report: Strategies and Considerations for Web-Based Survey Development*. Report written for the LiveWise Coalition.

Chenane*, J., **Lytle, R., & Sample, L. L.** (July, 2014). *Year-end report for the LiveWise Coalition Drug Free Communities program grant (and Quarterly Reports)*. Report written for the LiveWise Coalition.

ten Bensel, T., Gibbs, B., & **Lytle, R.** (December, 2013). *Severely disadvantaged neighborhoods and parole revocation*. Research report provided to the Nebraska State Legislature Judiciary Committee.

Sample, L. L., Bailey, D. J., **Lytle, R., Augustyn*, R., & ten Bensel, T.** (November, 2013). *Desistance from sex offending and the consequences of sex offender laws: Preliminary results*. Research report provided to the Nebraska State Legislature Judiciary Committee and Nebraskans Unafraid.

Lytle, R., & Sample, L. L. (June, 2013). *LiveWise Coalition Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant year-end report*. Report written for the LiveWise Coalition.

Lytle, R., & Sample, L. L. (June, 2013). *Year-end report for the LiveWise Coalition Drug Free Communities program grant (and Quarterly Reports with D. R. Radatz)*. Report written for the LiveWise Coalition.

Academic Presentations (* Represents Student Coauthors)

Invited Presentations

- 2021 **Lytle, R.** "EdD in Higher Education Research Methodology and Data Analysis Workshop Series." March – May 2021. (Professional Workshop)
 Presenter, *Secondary Data Management and Analysis* (March 4th)
 Presenter, *A Very Brief Overview of Regression* (March 18th)
 Presenter, *Evaluation Research* (April 29th)
- 2018 **Lytle, R.** Question and answer with the public about criminal justice sciences. Presented to the public through the Science Café program in Little Rock, AR. May 2018. (Public Forum)
- 2015 **Lytle, R.** "Understanding Sex Offender Registration and Notification Policy Change." Presented to Nebraskans Unafraid Fearless group meeting in Omaha, NE. March 16th.
- 2014 **Lytle, R.** "Variation in major policy change to offender registration statutes over time." Presented at the 2014 Research and Creative Activity Fair at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. March 7th.

- 2010 **Lytle, R.** "I'll show you!: Negative stereotypes improve performance." Presented to Virginia Council of Graduate Schools Research Forum in Richmond, VA. March 4th.

Recent Conference Presentations (Past 5 Years)

- 2022 Gibbs, B. R., **Lytle, R.**, & Waldspurger*, E. "A suppression effect? Community supervision and a delay in reoffending" Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- 2022 **Lytle, R. D.**, ten Bensel, T., Dridi*, M., & Strickland*, R. (2022). "Promoting Research for Undergraduate Students: Opportunities for Funded Programs." Roundtable presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Austin, TX.
- 2021 **Lytle, R. D.**, Doyle*, M. K., Meyer, E., & Sample, L. L. "Sex offense policy evaluations in context: An introduction of state-level sex offense policy movements." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
- 2019 Khan*, A., & **Lytle, R.** "Closeness makes the heart grow lenient? Closeness to others and support for punitiveness." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA, November 16.
- 2019 **Lytle, R.**, & Bratton, T.* "Compliance with federal law or conformity amongst states? State registration and notification laws and the Adam Walsh Act." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA, November 14.
- 2019 **Lytle, R.**, Radatz, D., Latiolais*, R., & Sample, L. L. "Do I report this? Understanding variation in the content of state mandatory reporting laws." Poster Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA, November 14.
- 2019 Gibbs, B. R., ten Bensel, T., & **Lytle, R.** "Neighborhood context and drug court success: Disadvantage effects on individual program outcomes." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA, November 13.
- 2019 **Lytle, R.**, Sample, L., & Meyer, E. "The Accumulation of Sex Offender Registration and Notification Laws in Two Midwestern States: Lessons for Policy Analysis." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Houston, TX, October 16-18.
- 2019 **Lytle, R.** "What to do with all that policy? The problem of policy accumulation in criminal justice policy analysis." Presented at the Annual

UA Little Rock's College of Social Science and Communications Research Showcase, April 17-18. [Internal Conference]

- 2019 **Lytle, R.** "Revamping Program Assessment to Conform to a University's Assessment Overhaul." Presented in the Assessment Workshop at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Baltimore, MD, March 25-29.
- 2018 Bratton*, T., & **Lytle, R.** "#FollowMe: An Investigation into the Relationship between Social Media Presence and Online Harassment." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA, November.
- 2018 Latiolais*, R., Saldana*, B., King*, A., Gaither*, E., **Lytle, R.**, & ten Bensel, T. "Spicing Up Graduate School: Engaging Undergraduate Students in Criminal Justice Research." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, San Antonio, TX, October 17-19.
- 2018 **Lytle, R.** "Partial Standardization of Sex Offender Registration and Notification Across States: The Impact of the Adam Walsh Act on State Policy Change." Presented at the Annual UA Little Rock's College of Social Science and Communications Research Showcase, February 26-27. [Internal Conference]
- 2018 Hughes*, M. H., Spears*, J., & **Lytle, R.** "Is my health why I'm scared? Examining the effects of perceived health conditions in fear of crime." Presented presentation at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, LA, February 15.

Teaching Interests

Institutional & Community Corrections
Criminological Theory
Policy & Program Evaluation

Punishment & Crime Control Policy
Teaching at the College Level
Statistical Analysis

Teaching Experience

Assistant/Associate Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (2016-Present)

CRJU 8316. Advanced Statistics †**

CRJU 8315. Multivariate Statistics †**

CRJU 8310. Doctoral Proseminar †**

CRJU 7393. Special Topics: Criminal Justice Policy Analysis †**

CRJU 7393. Special Topics: Mass Incarceration in America *
 CRJU 7391. Social Statistics †
 CRJU 7341. Teaching Practicum
 CRJU 7301. Masters Proseminar
 CRJU 4300. Crime & Behavior †**
 CRJU 3396. Psychology and Criminal Justice Processes †
 CRJU 3337. Juvenile Delinquency †*
 CRJU 3314. Statistics in Criminal Justice *
 CRJU 3305. Seminar in Criminal Justice: Probation and Parole †*
 CRJU 3305. Seminar in Criminal Justice: Issues in American Capital Punishment
 CRJU 3304. Police and Society †**
 CRJU 3303. Corrections †**
 CRJU 2300. Introduction to Criminal Justice

Assistant Professor, East Carolina University (2015-2016)

JUST 6002. Seminar in Criminal Justice Education *
 JUST 6001. Seminar in Research Methods and Statistical Interpretation *
 JUST 2009. Correctional Systems †
 JUST 1000. Introduction to Criminal Justice

Course Instructor, University of Nebraska – Omaha (2012-2015)

CRCJ 4800. Special Topics: Issues in American Capital Punishment †
 CRCJ 4060. Criminal Justice Ethics
 CRCJ 3370. Juvenile Delinquency & Justice †
 CRCJ 3350. Criminology

Teaching Assistant, University of Nebraska – Omaha (2010-2011, 2013)

CRCJ 9030. Minorities and Criminal Justice Systems *
 CRCJ 3370. Juvenile Delinquency & Justice †

Graduate Teaching Fellow, Radford University (2009-2010)

PSYC 121. Introductory Psychology †

Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology, Radford University (2008-2010)

PSYC 212. Research Methods II †
 PSYC 211. Research Methods I †

† Courses taught multiple times

* Courses delivered online

** Courses delivered face-to-face and online

Student Mentorship and Committees

Graduate Student Assistants

Darlynton Adegor (2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)

Brian Weeks (2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)

Kimbla Newsom (2020-2022, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)

Amy King (2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, MA)
Angel Scroggins (2020-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, MA)
Natalie Snow (2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)
Tionna Miller (2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)
Randi Latiolais (2018-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, MA)
Sydney McEwen (2019, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, MA)
Arsala Khan (2017-2019, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, MA)
Tabrina Bratton (2017-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)
Hyounggon Kwak (2016-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)
Bobbie Bournes (2016-2017, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, PhD)
Samra Afzal (2015-2016, East Carolina University, MSCJ)

Undergraduate Thesis Committees

Sadie Goss (**Primary Advisor** 2020-2022, UA Little Rock, Donaghey Scholar Project)
Josiah Johnson (Reader 2020-2021, UA Little Rock, Donaghey Scholar Project)

Masters Thesis Committees

Christa Page (Reader 2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Winter Bedford (Reader 2019-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Eric Gaither (Reader 2020-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Randi Latiolais (**Chair** 2019-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Haley Thornton (Reader 2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Jesse Horton (Reader 2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Madison Doyle (**Chair** 2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Trye Price (Reader 2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Arsala Khan (**Chair** 2018-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Tabrina Bratton (**Chair** 2017-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Mollee Steely (Reader 2017-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Doctoral Dissertation Committees

Cassidy Mitchell (Reader 2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Lacey Roughton (Reader 2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Trye Price (Reader 2022-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Kimbla Newsom (**Chair** 2021-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Haley Trantham (**Chair** 2021-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Tionna Miller (**Chair** 2021-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Steven McCain (Reader 2021-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Arsala Khan (Reader 2021-**Present**, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Steve Wayland (Reader 2021-2022, EdD in Higher Education, UA Little Rock)
Natalie Snow (**Chair** 2020-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Whitney Gass (Reader 2018-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Mollee Steely (Reader 2020-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Tabrina Bratton (**Chair** 2020-2021, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Brooke Cooley (Reader 2019-2020, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Hyounggon Kwak (Reader 2018-2019, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Marc Glidden (Reader 2018-2019, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Brenda Prochaska (**Co-Chair** 2017-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Jacob Laan (Reader 2017-2018, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Rocio Roles Paez (Reader 2016-2017, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)
Kristen Sobba (Reader 2016-2017, University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Internal Funding

- 2019 **2019-2020 Signature Experience Grant**
Role: Faculty Supervisor for Sadie Goss
Project Title: Paying for Past Crimes: Employment and Prisoner Reentry amongst Former Serious and Violent Offenders
Funding Institution: UA Little Rock
Awarded Amount: \$500 (for student travel)
- 2019 **2019 Criminal Justice Summer Research Program**
Role: Facilitator, Instructor
Funding Institution: UA Little Rock College of Graduate Studies, UA Little Rock College of Social Sciences and Communications
Awarded Amount: \$1,000
- 2019 **2019 Research and Creative Activities Grant**
Role: Principal Investigator
Funding Institution: UA Little Rock College of Social Sciences and Communications
Awarded Amount: \$2,000
- 2018 **2018 Criminal Justice Summer Research Group**
Role: Facilitator, Instructor
Funding Institution: UA Little Rock College of Graduate Studies, UA Little Rock College of Social Sciences and Communications
Awarded Amount: \$1,000
- 2018 **2018 UA Little Rock Middle Eastern Studies Program Research Grant**
Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Institution: UA Little Rock Middle Eastern Studies Program
Awarded Amount: \$3,000
- 2018 **2018-2019 UA Little Rock Research Cluster Seed Grant Competition**
Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Funding Institution: Office of Research and Sponsored Programs,
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Requested Amount: \$12,000 (over 1 year; *not funded*)

2017 **ICPSR Travel Funding, Group-Based Trajectory Modeling for the Medical and Social Sciences**

Role: Recipient

Funding Institutions: College of Social Sciences and Communications (CSSC), Department of Criminal Justice, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Awarded Amount: \$3,500 (*funded*)

2016 **2016-2017 UA Little Rock Research Cluster Seed Grant Competition**

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Funding Institution: Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Requested Amount: \$50,000 (over 2 years; *not funded*)

2015 – 2016 **New Faculty Start-Up Research Grant**

Role: Principal Investigator

Funding Institutions: Division of Research and Graduate Studies, Harriot College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Criminal Justice; East Carolina University

Awarded Amount: \$20,000 (over 1 year; *funded*)

2013 **Graduate Research and Creative Activity Grant**

Role: Recipient (Faculty mentor: Lisa L. Sample)

Funding Institution: School of Graduate Studies, University of Nebraska – Omaha

Awarded Amount: \$5,000 (*funded*)

2012 **ICPSR Travel Funding, Longitudinal Analysis Using Multilevel Models**

Role: Recipient (Faculty mentor: Lisa L. Sample)

Funding Institution: School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Nebraska – Omaha

Awarded Amount: \$5,000 (*funded*)

External Funding

2017 – Present **Disparate Minority Contact Grant**

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (Data Management & Analysis)

Fiscal Agent: Arkansas Division of Youth Services, Department of Human Services

Funding Institution: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

Awarded Amount: \$87,729 per year for 2017-2018 [\$175,458], then \$91,308 per year for 2019-2022 [\$273,923] (*Funded*)
Funding Period: 2016-Present

2020 – Present The Scope and Consequences of Hate Crime Victimization in the South (Award #2050161)

Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Agency: National Science Foundation (Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program)
Total Awarded Amount: \$324,987 over 3 years (*Funded*)
Funding Period: 2021-Present

2021 – Present Assessment of Correctional Unit Culture and Climate Study

Role: Support Investigator
Funding Agency: Arkansas Department of Corrections
Total Awarded Amount: \$453,805 over 4 years (*Funded*)
Funding Period: 2021-Present

2021 – Present FOCUS Reentry Court Program Evaluation

Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Agency: Western District of Arkansas, US Probation
Total Awarded Amount: \$50,000 (*Funded*)
Funding Period: 2021-Present

2019 Criminal Justice Degree Programs in the United States

Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Agency: Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)
Requested Amount: \$42,618.68 (*Not Funded*)

2019 Targeting Religion: Muslim Experiences with Hate Crimes in the South

Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Agency: National Science Foundation (Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program)
Requested Amount: \$266,029 over 3 years (*Not Funded*)

**2017 – 2019 Invest Health Community Survey
 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Victims Fund
 (STOP) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)**

Role: Research/Evaluation Partner
Fiscal Agent: City of Little Rock
Funding Institutions: Office of Justice Programs
Awarded Amount: \$7,000 (*funded*)

2015 Assessment of Risk/Needs in Washington County

Role: Principal Investigator
Fiscal Agent: LiveWise Coalition
Funding Agency: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
Awarded Amount: \$1,000 (*funded*)

2014 **Assessing the costs, benefits, and utility of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA): How is information sharing used to track sex offenders and influence community awareness?**

Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Funding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Requested Amount: \$224,841 over three years (*not funded*)

2012 – 2014

LiveWise Drug Free Community Grant

Role: Principal Investigator (Faculty mentor: Lisa L. Sample)
Fiscal Agent: LiveWise Coalition
Funding Agency: Subst. Abuse & MH Services Admin. (SAMHSA)
Awarded Amount: \$3,892 per semester for four semesters (*funded*)

2013

LiveWise Block Grant Evaluation

Role: Principal Investigator (Faculty mentor: Lisa L. Sample)
Fiscal Agent: LiveWise Coalition
Funding Agency: Subst. Abuse & MH Services Admin. (SAMHSA)
Awarded Amount: \$2,500 (*funded*)

2013

Desistance from sex offending: Psychological, social, therapeutic, and legal factors associated with ending sexual recidivism

Role: Contributed to Research Design section (Principal Investigators: Lisa L. Sample and Tusty ten Bensel)
Funding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Requested Amount: \$551,413 over two years (*not funded*)

Original Data Collection

2021 – Ongoing

FOCUS Reentry Court Program Evaluation

Contributions: Research Design, Quantitative Data Analysis,
Data: Meeting observations, surveys, interviews, and continuing cohort administrative data for recidivism analysis
Sample: Participants and staff in FOCUS Reentry Court Program (US Probation, Western District of Arkansas); Administrative data from larger US Probation cohort
Graduate Students (funded): Trye Price, Darlynton Adegor

2021 – Ongoing

Assessment of Correctional Unit Culture and Climate Study

Contributions: Research Design, Data Collection, Data Management, Data Analysis, Report Writing

Data: Focus group interviews (inmates and staff), 10-year admission cohort data across various institutional indicators, surveys of inmates/staff/visitors

Sample: Inmates, staff, and visitors of ADC and ACC facilities

Graduate Students (funded): Cassidy Mitchell, Katelin Weldin

2019 – Ongoing

Inmate Movement and Institutional Adjustment in Arkansas

Contributions: Coordinate Data Requests, Data Preparation and Management, Data Analysis, Report Writing

Data: (Institutional Data) 10-year admission cohorts across various institutional indicators

Sample: Data being retrieved by agency

Graduate Students (unfunded): None

2018 – Ongoing

The Scope and Consequences of Hate Crime Victimization

Contributions: Data Collection, Grant Proposals, Data Analysis, Research Team Supervision, Survey Design, Recruitment, Report Writing

Data: Interviews and surveys with the Muslim community in AR; Interviews of policy actors and law enforcement in AR

Sample: Muslims, law enforcement, and policy actors in Arkansas

Graduate Students (unfunded): Amy King, Arsala Khan, Haley Trantham, Brian Weaks

2017 – Ongoing

Disparate Minority Contact in Justice-System Involved Youth in Arkansas

Contributions: Data Collection, Data Management, Data Analysis

Data: Arkansas Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) Juvenile and Adult data, US Census Bureau – American Community Survey, Youth Detention Data (DYS), Youth Diversion Programming (DYS), Arrest and Police Contact Data (ACIC)

Data Coverage: Ten years of data (2010-2020)

Sample: Data collection ongoing

Graduate Students (funded, DYS/OJJDP DMC Grant): Brenda Prochaska, Hyounggon Kwak, Tabrina Bratton, Mollee Steely, Natalie Snow, Kimbla Newsom, Brian Weaks

2012 – Ongoing

American Criminal Justice Policy Change: An Example Using Sex Offender Registration and Notification Laws

Contributions: Research Design, Data Collection, Data Analysis

Data: All Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statutes in each state (1957-2012)

Sample: 1,069 State Statutes

Graduate Students (unfunded): Tabrina Bratton, Sydney McEwen, Angel Scroggins

- 2018 – 2020 **Graduate Education in Criminology and Criminal Justice**
Contributions: Internet Data Collection and Survey Preparation
Data: Publicly available data from program websites; Surveys in preparation
Sample: Doctoral, Masters, and Undergraduate Programs in Criminology, Criminal Justice, or related fields
Graduate Students (unfunded): Randi Latiolais
- 2016 – 2019 **UA Little Rock Police Department Incident Database**
Contributions: Data Collection, Data Management, Data Analysis
Data: All incident reports written by the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Police Department
Sample: 10 years of incident report files (2007-2016)
Graduate Students (unfunded): Erin Pavioni, Arsalan Khan
- 2015 – 2016 **Media Coverage of Sex Crimes and Legislation**
Contributions: Research Design, Data Collection, Data Analysis
Data: All Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statutes in each state, State-level contextual data
Sample: 22 years of print news articles (frequency) in 18 of the most circulated state newspapers (1990-2012)
Graduate Students (funded, ECU Start-Up): Samra Afzal
- 2014 – 2016 **State-Level Context and Change to Criminal Justice Policy**
Contributions: Research Design, Data Collection, Data Analysis
Data: State-level data by year for political organization, political ideology, economic status, demographics, cultural context
Sample: 22 years of state-level contextual data (1990-2012)
Graduate Students (funded, ECU Start-Up): Samra Afzal
- 2011 – 2015 **Desistance from sex offending: Psychological, social, therapeutic, and legal factors associated with ending sexual recidivism**
Contributions: Research Design, Recruitment, Interviewing, Grant-Writing and Report-Writing
Data: Semi-Structured, Life-History Interviews
Sample: 200+ Registrants and their families

Professional Service

Service to the School, College, and University

- 2016 – 2022 + *Assessment Coordinator, University of Arkansas at Little Rock,*
 2023 – Present *School of Criminal Justice and Criminology*

- 2022 – **Present** *HLC Mid-Point Review Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock*
- 2022 – **Present** *Strategic Research Plan Subcommittee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock*
- 2021 – **Present** *Online Campus Advisory Board, University of Arkansas at Little Rock*
- 2021 – **Present** *University Graduate Council, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Policy and Personnel Subcommittee (2021 – 2022)
Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee (2022 – Present)*
- 2021 – **Present** *College Graduate Curriculum Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, College of Business, Health, and Human Sciences*
- 2017 – **Present** *Website Manager, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Criminal Justice and Criminology*
- 2016 – **Present** *Comprehensive Exam Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Criminal Justice and Criminology
Committee Chair (2021 – Present)*
- 2016 – **Present** *Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Criminal Justice and Criminology
Committee Chair (2021 – Present)*
- 2016 – **Present** *Job Search Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Criminal Justice and Criminology
Chair, Full-Time Instructor (Spring 2022)
Chair, Assistant Professor (F22/S23)*
- 2021 – 2022 *Committee Member, Higher Education Teach-Out Ad-Hoc Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock*
- 2018 – 2020 *Research and Creative Activities Committee, College of Social Science and Communication, Department of Criminal Justice
Department Representative*
- 2017 – 2020 *CSSC Research Showcase Planning Committee, College of Social Science and Communication*
- 2017 – 2020 *Skills in the Major Development Program, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Department of Criminal Justice
Department Representative*

- 2017 – 2019 *Statistics Refresher Summer Workshop, Department of Criminal Justice
Planning and Presenter*
- 2016 – 2020 *College Assessment Committee, College of Social Science and Communication, Department of Criminal Justice
Department Representative*
- 2016 – 2017 *Assessment Mentoring Program, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Department Representative*
- 2015 – 2016 *Curriculum Planning Committee, East Carolina University, Department of Criminal Justice
SACS Accreditation Assessment Outcomes (Research Methods, Statistics, Juvenile Justice)*
- 2015 – 2016 *Funded Research Committee, East Carolina University, Department of Criminal Justice*
- 2015 – 2016 *Co-Advisor, Alpha Phi Sigma, East Carolina University, Department of Criminal Justice*
- 2011 – 2015 *Student Mentor, University of Nebraska – Omaha
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Organization; Mentor/Mentee Program
Assigned Mentees: H. Daniel Butler, Karyn Sporer, Hillary McNeel*
- 2012 – 2013 *Chair, University of Nebraska – Omaha
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Organization*
- 2011 – 2012 *Secretary, University of Nebraska – Omaha
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Organization*

Service to the Discipline

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)

- 2018 – 2022 *Assessment Committee, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Video Production Subcommittee Chair, 2021-2022
Director, 2020-2021
Deputy Director, 2019-2020
Assistant Deputy Director, 2018-2019*
- 2020 – 2021 *Member, Awards Committee, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences*

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ)

- 2022 – **Present** *Committee Member, Awards Committee, Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice*
- 2021 – 2022 *Committee Chair, Professional Development Ad-Hoc Committee, Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice*
- 2019 – 2020 *Topic Area Chair, Assessment Topic, ACJS 2020 Annual Meeting*
- 2018 – 2020 *Committee Member, Audit Committee, Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice*

ASC Division of Corrections and Sentencing (DCS)

- 2015 – **Present** *Committee Member, Student Affairs Committee, Division of Corrections and Sentencing, American Society of Criminology*
Years Served: 2015, 2022
- 2017 – 2018 *Committee Member, Program Committee, Division of Corrections and Sentencing, American Society of Criminology*

ASC Division of Public Opinion and Policy (DPOP)

- 2022 – **Present** *Committee Member, Awards Committee, Division of Public Opinion and Policy, American Society of Criminology*

Additional Service to the Discipline

- 2014 – **Present** *Treasurer, Sex Offender Policy Research (SOPR) Workgroup Steering Committee (2014 – 2016)*
Founding Member (2014)
- 2016 *Grant Reviewer, Ball State University, ASPiRE Junior Faculty Internal Grants Program*
Title of Application: Sentencing Sex Offenders - Identifying Focal Concerns across Crime and Offender
- 2015 *Grant Reviewer, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Research Cluster Seed Grant Competition*
Title of Application: The Effects of Neighborhood Characteristics on Recidivism and Parole Revocation in Arkansas.

Service to the Community

- 2022 *Ex-con says more prison beds aren't the answer to increased incarceration. Shelby Rose (KATV). February 24th 2022. (Media Interview)*
Link: <https://katv.com/news/local/ex-con-says-more-prison-beds-arent-the-answer-to-increased-prison-populations-in-arkansas>

- 2021 *Interview about Hate Crime Grant with KUAR*. Michael Hibblin (KUAR | NPR Affiliate). May 7th 2021 (Recorded). (Media Interview)
Link: <https://www.ualrpublicradio.org/post/program-study-hates-crimes-targeting-muslims-arkansas>
- 2021 *Interview about Hate Crime Grant for Arkansas Week*. Steve Barnes (Arkansas Week | PBS). May 7th 2021 (Recorded). (Media Interview)
Link: <https://youtu.be/kNmTGcPbIf8>
- 2021 *Two UA Little Rock Professors Awarded Grant to Study Anti-Muslim Hate Crimes*. Shelby Rose (KATV 7). May 6 2021. (Media Interview)
Link to TV Segment: <https://katv.com/news/local/two-ua-little-rock-professors-awarded-grant-to-study-anti-muslim-hate-crimes>
Link to Related Article: <https://katv.com/news/local/ua-little-rock-professors-receive-grant-to-examine-muslim-hate-crimes-in-arkansas>
- 2021 *UA Little Rock Receives Nearly \$325,000 NSF Grant to Shine Light on Muslim Hate Crimes in Arkansas*. Angelita Faller (UA Little Rock Office of Communications). May 5th 2021. (Media Interview)
Link: <https://ualr.edu/news/2021/05/05/nsf-grant-muslim-hate-crimes/>
- 2020 Scholarship Collection for the Sex Offender Litigation and Policy Resource Center (SOLPRC) Newsletter. Monthly Contributions.
- 2020 *Experts' Amicus Brief in In Re Gadlin*. Supported and informed brief before the CA State Supreme Court. January 2020. (Court Brief)
- 2019 *Interview with Arkansas Democrat-Gazette about Research on Sex Offense Laws*. November 26th, 2019.
Link: <https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2019/dec/29/sex-offender-housing-laws-raise-hitch-2/>
- 2019 *Experts' Amicus Brief in US v. Haymond*. Supported and informed brief before US Supreme Court to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari*. January 2019. (Court Brief)
- 2017 – 2018 *Support for the Board (Data Analysis)*. Juvenile Crime Prevention Coalition (JCPC).

- 2018 *Experts' Amicus Brief in Vasquez v. Foxx*. Supported and informed brief before US Supreme Court to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari*. November 2018. (Court Brief)
- 2018 *Experts' Amicus Brief in Millard et al. v. Rankin*. Supported and informed brief before the Tenth Circuit US Court of Appeals to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari*. July 2018. (Court Brief)
- 2018 *Experts' Amicus Brief in Pennsylvania v. Torsilieri*. Supported and informed brief before Pennsylvania State Supreme Court to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari*. July 2018. (Court Brief)
- 2017 *Experts' Amicus Brief in Kirk & Nelson v. State of Missouri*. Supported and informed brief before US Supreme Court to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari*. December 2017. (Court Brief)
- 2017 *Interview with Arkansas Democrat-Gazette about literature on private prison*. December 7th, 2017. (Media Interview; Information used in interview).
Link:<https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2017/dec/10/guards-policy-slips-cited-for-state-pri/>
- 2017 *Interview with Austin Statesman about sex offense laws and residence restrictions*. October 24th, 2017. (Media Interview; Information used in interview)
Link: <http://www.mystatesman.com/news/woman-may-first-sex-offender-evicted-towns-adopt-exclusionzones/vEyjZey1cMgDbNmC5SYqgM>
- 2017 *Experts' Amicus Brief in Karsjens v. Piper*. Supported and informed brief before US Supreme Court to consider granting *Writ of Certiorari* about Sex Offender Civil Commitment laws in Minnesota. Submitted by the Fair Punishment Project. June 2017. (Court Brief)
- 2017 *Verify: Does the death penalty deter violent crimes?* Dawn Scott, THV11. April 18th, 2017. (Media Interview)
Link: <http://www.thv11.com/news/local/verify-does-the-death-penalty-deter-violent-crimes/432074310>
- 2017 *Executing multiple inmates the same day was common, now rare*. Michael Graczyk, Associated Press. April 14th, 2017 (Media Interview)
Link:<https://www.apnews.com/64fccf9645544a8494eed9728df814d4>

Reprints (same title): Reading Eagle (4/14/2017); Laredo Morning Times online (4/14/2017); Fox News (4/14/17); Quad-City Times (4/14/17); Corvallis Gazette-Times (4/14/2017); Tulsa World (4/14/17); Dothan Eagle (4/14/2017); Brownsville Herald (4/14/17); Finger Lakes Times (4/14/2017); The Republic (4/15/2017); ABC News (4/15/2017); USA Today (4/15/2017); The Cullman Times (4/15/2017); Tampa Bay Times (4/15/17); East Oregonian (4/15/17); Abilene Reporter-News (4/15/17)

- 2017 *Interview with KUAR about Lethal Injection Protocols.* KUAR (NPR Affiliate). April 15th, 2017. (Media Interview; didn't air)
- 2017 *Verify: What's the true cost of the death penalty?* Erika Ferrando, THV11. April 12th, 2017. (Media Interview)
Link: <http://www.thv11.com/news/local/verify/verify-whats-the-cost-of-the-death-penalty/430857882>
- 2017 *Interview with KUAR about the Death Penalty.* Karen Tricot Steward, KUAR (NPR Affiliate). April 12th, 2017. (Media Interview with Graduate Students; did not air)
- 2017 *Here's why it takes so long to execute a death row inmate.* Denise Middleton, THV11. April 10th, 2017. (Media Interview)
Link: <http://www.thv11.com/news/local/heres-why-it-takes-so-long-to-put-a-death-row-inmate-to-death/430235541>
- 2016 *Interview with Cited podcast about sex offending and sex offense laws.* Gordon Katick, Cited Podcast. June 2016. (Documentary Interview; No appearance, but information used in episode)
Link: <http://citedpodcast.com/29-exiled-part-1-year-new-yorks-infamous-sex-offender-motel/>

Journal Reviewer

American Journal of Criminal Justice
American Psychologist
Analyses of Social Issues & Public Policy
Criminal Justice Policy Review
Criminal Justice Review
Criminal Justice Studies
Criminology
Current Psychology
*International Journal of Offender Therapy
and Comparative Criminology*
Journal of Crime and Justice

Journal of Criminal Justice
*Journal of Criminology, Criminal Justice,
Law and Society*
Journal of Homosexuality
Journal of Interpersonal Violence
*Journal of Research in Crime and
Delinquency*
Journal of Sexual Aggression
PLoS One
*Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and
Treatment*

Scholarships & Awards *(since May 2015)*

- 2023 **CBHHS Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award**
College of Business, Health, and Human Services, University of
Arkansas at Little Rock
- 2020 **CSSC Willingness to Go Above and Beyond Award**
College of Social Sciences and Communications, University of
Arkansas at Little Rock
- 2020 **Student Advocate Award Nominee**
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Training and Certification

- 2014 – Present *LGBTQ+ Ally, Safe Space Training (UNO, UA Little Rock)*
- 2018 *Structural Equation Modeling (ICPSR, 3-Day Workshop)*
- 2017 *Group Based Trajectory Modeling (ICPSR, 5-Day Workshop)*
- 2013 *Longitudinal Analysis using Multilevel Models (ICPSR, 5-Day
Workshop)*

Affiliations

- 2017 – Present *Member, Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ)*
- 2015 – Present *Member, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)*
Sections: Corrections, Law and Public Policy
- 2014 – Present *Member, Sex Offense Policy Research (SOPR) Workgroup*
- 2010 – Present *Member, American Society of Criminology (ASC)*
Divisions: Corrections & Sentencing, Public Opinion & Policy
- 2021 – 2023 *Member, American Evaluation Association (AEA)*