

Curriculum Vita
Walter W. Shelley

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Education

Ph.D. 2019, Criminal Justice, University at Albany (SUNY)

- Dissertation Title: “Family Instability as a Turning Point in the Life-Course: An Examination of Whether and How Family Instability and Specific Types of Family Instability Directly and Indirectly Influence Delinquency”
- Dissertation Committee: Dr. Dana Peterson (Chair); Dr. David McDowall; Dr. Pamela Smock; Dr. Heather Washington

M.A. 2013, Criminal Justice, University at Albany (SUNY)
Comprehensive Exam: *Birth Order and the Relation to Juvenile Delinquency and Youth Gangs*

B.A. 2011, Criminology, University of New Mexico (Magna Cum Laude)

Work Experience

Assistant Professor of Practice in Criminology, Department of Sociology & Criminology, Assumption College. Worcester, MA. Fall ‘19-Present.

Project Manager, Service Outcomes Action Research Project, Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center, University at Albany (SUNY), Summer ‘18 – Summer ‘19

Teaching Assistant, University at Albany (SUNY), Fall ‘15- Spring ‘18

Discussion Leader, University at Albany (SUNY), Spring ‘13; Fall ‘14; Spring ‘15

Areas of Current Research Interest

- Family instability and juvenile outcomes
- Juvenile delinquency
- Youth gangs
- Developmental/Life-Course Theory
- Sex differences in juvenile delinquency

Research Experience

Research Assistant to Prof. Dana Peterson, University at Albany (SUNY), Fall '13;
Spring '14- Bullying and Youth Gang Joining

Independent Study University at Albany (SUNY)

Prof. Megan Kurlychek – Spring '13 – Birth Order and Delinquency

Prof. Alissa Worden – Fall '14 – Juvenile Justice, and Representation

Referred Journal Publications

Shelley, Walter W., Peterson, Dana, (2018) “Sticks and Stones May Break My Bones, but Bullying Will Get Me Bangin’”: Bullying Involvement and Adolescent Gang Joining. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*. DOI:10.1177/1541204018809841

Shelley, Walter W., Pickett, Justin T., Mancini, Christina, McDougale, Diehl, Robyn, Rissler, Grant, Cleary, Hayley, (2017). Race, Bullying, and Public Perceptions of School and University Safety. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. DOI:10.1177/0886260517736272

Book Chapters (* denotes graduate student co-author)

*Morgan, Kirstin A. and **Shelley, Walter W.** (2014). “Juvenile Street Gangs.” Pp. 1-8 Entry in *Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*, edited by Jay S. Albanese. Wiley-Blackwell.
DOI: 10.1002/9781118517383.wbecj543

Manuscripts in Preparation for Submission

Richie, Matthew, **Shelley, Walter W.**, “Shit Happens” – A qualitative examination of the desistance process of an incarcerated population.

Shelley, Walter W., Blood Makes You Related, Instability Makes You a Blood: Family Instability and Gang Joining

Manuscripts in Progress

Shelley, Walter W., Family Instability as a Delinquent Turning Point in the Life-course. An examination of whether and how family instability influences delinquent behaviors.

Shelley, Walter W., Mama’s Boy or Daddy’s Girl? Exploring the interacting effects sex (of both youth and parents) and family instability has on delinquent behaviors.

Professional Conference Presentations

Shelley, Walter W. “Unstable Homes, Stable Bangin? American Society of Criminology meeting, November 2018, Atlanta, GA.

Shelley, Walter W. “Mama’s Boy or Daddy’s Girl?” American Society of Criminology meeting, November 2017, Philadelphia, PA.

Shelley, Walter W. “Delinquent Consequences of Family Instability by Sex of Youth” American Society of Criminology meeting, November 2016, New Orleans, LA.

Shelley, Walter W. “Family Transitions and Youth Gang Joining,” American Society of Criminology meeting November 2015, Washington, D.C.

Shelley, Walter W., Peterson, Dana. “Bullying and its Impact on Gang Joining” American Society of Criminology meeting, November 2013, Atlanta, GA.

Areas of Current Teaching Interest and Expertise

- Statistics & Research Methods
- Criminology Theory
- Society and Families
- Families and Juvenile Outcomes
- Juvenile Delinquency
- Juvenile Justice
- Youth Gangs
- Introduction to Criminal Justice

Courses Taught or Assisted

CRM 486: Internship Seminar II, Assumption College, Spring ‘20

SOC 465: Sociological Research Methods, Assumption College, Spring ‘20

CRM 130: Introduction to Criminal Justice, Assumption College, Fall ‘19

CRM 242: Criminology, Assumption College, Fall ‘19, Spring ‘20

RCRJ 399: Families and Delinquency/Crime, University at Albany (SUNY), Summer ‘16 (Online); Fall ‘16; Summer ‘17(Online); Fall ‘17; Spring ‘18

RCRJ 281: Introduction to Statistics, University at Albany (SUNY), Fall ‘15; Spring ‘16; Spring ‘17

RCRJ 202: Introduction to Law and Criminal Justice (Teaching Assistant), University at Albany (SUNY), Fall ‘14; Spring ‘15

RCRJ 203: Introduction to Criminology (Teaching Assistant), University at Albany (SUNY), Spring ‘13

Invited Lectures

Shelley, Walter W. Fall '15 "Influences and Characteristics of Gang Desistence" Guest lecture in Youth Gangs, University at Albany (SUNY).

Shelley, Walter W. Fall '16; Spring '17 "Risk Factors for Delinquency" Guest lecture in Juvenile Justice, University at Albany (SUNY).

Service

Professional

Member of School of Criminal Justice Graduate Committee (Fall '14 – Spring '16; Fall '17; Spring '18)

Member of School of Criminal Justice Undergraduate Committee (Fall '18 – Spring '19)

Reviewer for- *Justice Quarterly, Crime & Delinquency*

Volunteer

Justice and Multiculturalism in the 21st Century (2012-2014)

Criminal Justice Undergraduate Career Fair (2013-2016)

Graduate Student Orientation (2014, 2015, 2017)

PhD Recruitment Weekend (2014-2016)

University at Albany American Society of Criminology Reception (2015)

School of Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association (GSA)

At-Large Representative (Fall '17- Spring '19)

Advanced Representative (Fall '15 – Spring '16)

Vice-President (Fall '14 – Spring '15)

Masters Student Representative (Fall '12- Spring '13)

Awards

Steven DeBraccio '10 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (2017)

School of Criminal Justice Travel Award (2013; 2015-2017)