Francis Bruce Prior, Ph.D.

Education

PhD in Sociology, University of Pennsylvania 2016 MA in Sociology, University of Pennsylvania 2011 BA in Philosophy, Villanova University 2009

Academic Positions

Assistant Professor of Sociology and Criminology, Assumption University (2016-present) Graduate Student Instructor, College of Liberal and Professional Studies, University of Pennsylvania (2015-2016) Graduate Teaching Fellow, Center for Critical Writing, University of Pennsylvania (2014-2015)

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- Prior, Francis, Steve Farough. 2022. "Struggling to Make Good: The Dilemmas of Fatherhood for Formerly Incarcerated African American Men" *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology* 11(1).
- Prior, Francis. 2021. "Urban Neoliberal Debt Peonage: Prisoner Reentry, Work, and the New Jim Crow." *Social Currents* 8(5).
- Prior, Francis. 2020. "Security Culture: Surveillance and Responsibilization in a Prisoner Reentry Organization." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 49(3).
- Prior, Francis. 2014. "Quality Controlled: An Ethnographic Account of Tea Party Messaging and Action." *Sociological Forum* 29(2).

Works in Progress

- "Motherhood and Work: Experiences of Reentry for Formerly Incarcerated African American Women" In Progress
- "Violence as Adaptation in Hostile Community Context: An Interview Case Study of African American Women Convicted of Homicide" *In progress*
- "Twenty First Century Populism: Tea Party and Occupy in Ethnographic and Rhetorical Comparison." with Shantee Rosado *In progress*

Prior, Francis. 2017. Book Review. "From the War on Poverty to the War on Crime: The Making of Mass Incarceration in America." *Contemporary Sociology* 46(5).

Grants

Russell Sage Foundation, Pipeline Grant: "Debt Peonage: How Formerly Incarcerated Fathers Experience Child Support and Criminal Justice Debt." (2022) \$30,000 Primary Investigator.

Assumption University, Faculty Development Grant "Debt Peonage: How Formerly Incarcerated Fathers Experience Child Support and Criminal Justice Debt." (2022) \$3500

Assumption University, D'Amour College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Summer Scholars Research Program, "Debt Peonage: How Formerly Incarcerated Fathers Experience Child support and Criminal Justice Debt." (2022) \$5000 to support an undergraduate researcher.

Mississippi State University, Strategic Research Initiative: Race and Racism Research, "Debt Peonage and the New Jim Crow: Experiences of Justice System-Involved Fathers with Child Support and Criminal Justice Debt" (2022) \$9,995 Co-PI with Stacy Haynes.

Assumption University, Faculty Development Grant for creation of Sociology of Punishment course (2018) \$3,000

Academic Presentations

- Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2021: "Struggling to Make Good: The Dilemmas of Fatherhood for Low-Income Formerly Incarcerated African American Men"
- Roundtable at American Sociological Association 2018: "Downward Occupational Mobility: Collateral consequences of a criminal Record in Working Class Service Sector Employment"
- Panel at *Society for the Study of Social Problems* 2018: "Prisoner Reentry as a Pathway to Deskilled Service Work Among Men with Working Class Human Capital"

Panel at Incarcerating Women and Girls 2018: "Interviews with Formerly Incarcerated Women"

- Panel at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2018: "Redemption, Responsibilization, and Surveillance: Prisoner Reentry in a State-Run Street Level Bureaucracy"
- Roundtable at *American Society of Criminology* 2015: "Prisoner Reentry: The Myth of Public Safety, Employment, and Legitimating Urban Governance"

- Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2015: "New American Populism: Tea Party and Occupy in Ethnographic and Rhetorical Comparison," with Shantee Rosado. (Presider)
- Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2015: "Cohesion of Security, Surveillance, and Service Provision in a Prisoner Reentry Organization."
- Presentation at *Penn Urban Ethnography Workshop* 2015: "Afterward: Service Provision Post-Release and the Mark of a Criminal Record."
- Panel at American Anthropological Association 2014: "Prisoner Reentry: An Ethnographic Account of Service Provision and Social Insecurity."
- Panel at *Mid-Atlantic Law and Society* 2014: "Teaching the Sociology of Punishment at Elite Universities."
- Panel at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2014: "New American Populism: The Tea Party Movement and Occupy in Comparison," with Shantee Rosado.
- Roundtable *at American Sociological Association* 2012: "The Tea Party Movement: Struggles in Frame Vulnerability and Micromobilization."
- Panel at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2011: "The Tea Party Movement: Frames and Micromobilization."
- Poster Session at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2008: "The Effect of Progressive Politics on Unionization Rates."

Courses Taught

Criminology Criminology Internship I Criminology Internship II Deviant Behavior Principles of Sociology Social Problems Social Movements Social Consequences of Mass Incarceration Sociology of Punishment Sociology of Urban Life Sociology Senior Seminar

Service

Service for Assumption University

Faculty Development Committee Fall 2017-Spring 2019 Faculty Senate Fall 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2020-present Secretary for Faculty Senate: Fall 2020, Fall 2021-present College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee Fall 2021-present Assessment Committee Fall 2021-present Core Curriculum Committee 2019-present Commencement Committee Spring 2020-present First Year Book Committee Spring 2022-present Credo First Year Experience Committee Spring 2022-present Public Safety Committee Fall 2021-Spring 2022 Admissions Open House events Fall 2018, Spring 2019 March 21, Fall 2020 Oct 6, Nov 11, Spring 2021 Feb 15, Fall 2021 October 23, Spring 2022 January 22 Admissions Mock Sociology Classroom Back up facilitator Spring 2021 Student Case manager COVID-19 Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021 Summer Preview Day 2019 Session on Racial Microaggressions: Student Orientation Fall 2017 Student Recruit Back Winter 2020, Summer 2021

Service for the Sociology and Criminology Department at Assumption University

Professor of Practice Search Committee 2021 Assistant Professor Search Committee 2020 Assessment of Criminology Curriculum Summer 2020 Alumni Career nights 2018, 2019, 2022

Service for the Discipline of Sociology

Referee for American Sociological Review 2022 Referee for Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology 2021 Referee for Journal of Contemporary Ethnography 2021 Referee for Sociological Forum 2014-2018 Referee for Social Movement Studies 2017-2018 Referee for Social Problems 2019 Reviewer for Contemporary Sociology 2016-7

Civic Engagement

Inside-Out Prison Exchange

2015 Facilitated Public Workshop on Criminal Justice Issues.

2014 Trained as an Instructor for Inside-Out Courses.

2014-2015 Member of Graterford Think Tank.

Pennsylvania Prison Society

2013-2015: Official Visitor and Member.