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Future Appointment

Florida State University

Assistant Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice (beginning August 2013)

Research & Teaching Interests

Sociology and History of Criminal Punishment (esp. Corrections and Sentencing)

Methodology (Qualitative and Quantitative) and Research Design

Organizational Theory

Law and Society

Education

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, *exp.* May 2013

Dissertation: "Maintaining Organizational Exceptionalism: Administrative Support of the Pennsylvania System at Eastern State Penitentiary, 1829–1875"

Dissertation Committee: Malcolm Feeley (Chair), Cybelle Fox, Calvin Morrill, and Jonathan Simon

Field Exam: Criminal Justice (social theory, social control, sociology of the prison, punishment and society)

Topical Exam: The History of Prisons

B.A., Legal Studies (Highest Honors and Department Citation) and History (Highest Honors), May 2007

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Rubin, Ashley T. 2012. "The Unintended Consequences of Penal Reform: A Case Study of Transportation in Eighteenth-Century London." *Law & Society Review*, Vol. 46, Issue 4, 815–851.

Rubin, Ashley T. 2011. "Punitive Penal Preferences and Support for Welfare: Applying the 'Governance of Social Marginality' Thesis to the Individual Level." *Punishment & Society*, Vol. 13, Issue 2, 198–229.

Other Publications

Rubin, Ashley T. 2012. "Walnut Street Jail." *The Social History of Crime and Punishment in America: An Encyclopedia*. Sage.

Rubin, Ashley T. 2012. "History of Crime and Punishment in America: 1783–1850." *The Social History of Crime and Punishment in America: An Encyclopedia*. Sage.

Aubuchon-Rubin, Ashley T. 2009. "Rehabilitating Durkheim: Social Solidarity and Rehabilitation in Eastern State Penitentiary, 1829–1850." *International Journal of Punishment and Sentencing*, Vol. 5, Issue 1.

Grants, Awards, and Other Honors

Extramural

- American Philosophical Society, 2011–2012 Library Resident Research Fellow
- American Society of Criminology, Division on Corrections and Sentencing, Student Paper Award, 2nd Place, 2010, *for paper entitled, "The Effect of County Demographics on Sentencing Outcomes: A Quasi-Experiment Using Data from Inmates of Eastern State Penitentiary between 1829 and 1859"*
- Law and Society Association Graduate Student Award, 2010, *for paper entitled, "Race, Ethnicity, and Nativity at Eastern State Penitentiary: A Study of the Variation in Sentence Length, 1829–1871"*
- Phi Beta Kappa, 2006
- National Dean's List, 2005

University of California, Berkeley

- JSP Dissertation Grant, 2012
- Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies (BELS) Fellowship, 2011–2012
- Graduate Division Conference Travel Grant, 2011
- JSP Continuing Student Fellowship, 2010
- William K. Colbentz Civil Rights Endowment Student Research Fellow (Center for the Study of Law and Society), 2009
- JSP Continuing Student Fellowship, 2009
- Selznick Fellowship, 2007–2008
- Library Prize for Undergraduate Research, 2007, *for paper entitled, "A Means to an End: The Role of Religion in Eastern State Penitentiary during the Experimental Years, 1829–1849"*
- Dean's Honor List, 2003–2005

Conference Presentations

"Violating the Pennsylvania System: An Organizational Framework." *Paper presented at the November 2012 conference for the American Society of Criminology (in Chicago, IL) and at the February 2013 conference for the Western Society of Criminology (in Berkeley, CA).*

"Penal Transportation in Eighteenth-Century London: Alternative to a Death Sentence or Netwidening Innovation?" *Paper presentation at the November 2011 Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (in Chicago, IL).*

"Group Threat Theory and the Impact of Social Change on Nineteenth-Century Sentencing Disparities." *Paper presentation at the August 2011 conference for the American Sociological Association (in Las Vegas, NV).*

"Penal Transportation in Eighteenth-Century London: Alternative to a Death Sentence or Netwidening Innovation?" *Paper presentation at the June 2011 conference for the Law and Society Association (in San Francisco, CA).*

"The Effect of County Demographics on Sentencing Outcomes: A Quasi-Experiment Using Data from Inmates of Eastern State Penitentiary between 1829 and 1859." *Poster presentation at the November 2010 Conference for Empirical Legal Studies (in New Haven, CT).*

Invited Discussant. *Comments at the November 2010 Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (in New Haven, CT).*

"Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in Sentence Length: Irish, German, Black, and Female Inmates in Eastern State Penitentiary, 1829–1870." *Paper presentation at the November 2009 conference for the American Society of Criminology (in Philadelphia, PA).*

"Rehabilitating Durkheim: Social Solidarity and Rehabilitation in Eastern State Penitentiary, 1829–1850." *Poster presentation at the November 2008 conference for the American Society of Criminology (in St. Louis, MO).*

Working Papers

"The Relationship between County Demographics and Sentencing Outcomes: A New Approach Using Data from Inmates of Eastern State Penitentiary between 1829 and 1859" (*Under Review*)

"Does Net Widening Necessarily Co-occur with Mesh Thinning? A Case Study of Transportation in Eighteenth-Century London"

"Group Threat Theory and the Impact of Social Change on Nineteenth-Century Sentencing Disparities"

"Race, Ethnicity, and Nativity at Eastern State Penitentiary, 1829–1859: A Test of Current Sentencing Theory."

Teaching Experience

University of California, Berkeley

Acting Instructor, Undergraduate Legal Studies Program

- LS 160: Punishment, Culture, and Society, Summer 2011

Invited Guest Lectures, Undergraduate Legal Studies Program

- "The Birth of the Penitentiary," LS 160: Punishment, Society, and Culture (Professor Jonathan Simon), January 31, 2013
- "The Penitentiary Project: Auburn v. Eastern," LS 160: Punishment, Society, and Culture (Professor Richard Perry), March 10, 2011
- "Historical and Archival Research," LS 198: Honors Seminar (Professor Michael Musheno), October 27, 2010, October 26, 2011, and October 24, 2012.
- "The Penitentiary Project: Auburn v. Eastern," LS 160: Punishment, Society, and Culture (Professor Jonathan Simon), March 10, 2010

Graduate Student Instructor, Jurisprudence and Social Policy Program

- Law 300P: Pedagogy (Professor Malcolm Feeley), Fall 2010, Fall 2011
- Law 209.3: Introductory Statistics (Professor Justin McCrary), Fall 2011
- Law 209.3: Quantitative Methods I (Professor Kevin Quinn), Fall 2010

Graduate Student Instructor, Undergraduate Legal Studies Program

- LS 160: Punishment, Culture, and Society (Professor Jonathan Simon), Spring 2010 and Spring 2013
- LS 140: Property and Liberty (Professor R. Ben Brown), Spring 2009
- LS 105: Foundations of Criminal Law (Professor Meir Dan-Cohen), Fall 2008
- LS 111: The Making of Modern Constitutionalism (Professor David Lieberman), Summer 2008

Reader, Undergraduate Legal Studies Program

- LS 190: The Supreme Court and Public Policy (Professor Martin Shapiro), Spring 2008

Research Experience

University of California, Berkeley

Project Supervisor, Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP)

- Project Supervisor, Nineteenth-Century State Prisons, Sponsor: Professor Calvin Morrill (Fall 2012)
- Project Supervisor, Crime and Punishment in History, Sponsor: Professor Malcolm Feeley (Fall 2011–Spring 2012)

Research Assistant and Graduate Student Researcher

- Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Justin McCrary (Fall 2011)
- Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Calvin Morrill (Fall 2011)
- Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Calvin Morrill, JSP Graduate Reform Committee (Summer 2010)
- Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Malcolm Feeley (Summer and Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Summer 2010)
- Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Harry Scheiber (Summer 2008, Summer 2009)
- Research Assistant/Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Jonathan Simon (Summer 2006 to Summer 2008)
- Research Assistant/Graduate Student Researcher, Professor Charles McClain (Summer 2006 to Summer 2008)

Additional Training

Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods (CQRM)

- The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, at Syracuse University, 2011

Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

- Designing, Conducting, and Analyzing Field Experiments, Professor Donald Green, at Yale University, 2008

Workshops on Research Design for Causal Inference (Northwestern Law)

- Causal Inference: Frequentist Methods Workshop, at Northwestern Law, 2011

BerkeleyLaw Math Boot Camp (UC Berkeley)

- Math Boot Camp (Professors Justin McCrary and Kevin Quinn), at BerkeleyLaw, 2011

Center for the Study of Law and Society (CSLS) Miniseries in Empirical Research Methods, U.C. Berkeley

- Connecting Qualitative and Quantitative Methods: Close Encounters – of What Kind?, Professor David Collier (U.C. Berkeley), 2012
- Social Network Analysis in Sociological Research, Professor John Hipp (University of California, Irvine), 2011
- Comparative Socio-legal Research, Professor David Nelken (University of Macerata, Italy, and University of Cardiff, Wales), 2011
- Legal History and/or History in Law, Professor Dirk Hartog (Princeton University), 2011
- The ABCs of Data Management: Sampling, Weights, and Missing Data (using STATA), Dr. Su Li (U.C. Berkeley), 2010

- Using Old and New Media Sources as Data, Professor Jennifer Earl (U.C. Santa Barbara), 2010
- How to Design Research to Evaluate Programs, Professor Justin McCrary (U.C. Berkeley), 2009
- GIS, Analytical Mapping, and Spatial Modeling: Crime, Law and Society Applications, Professor Robert Nash Parker (U.C. Riverside), 2009
- Using Atlas.ti for Qualitative Research, Professor Danielle Rudes (George Mason University) and Professor Yuki Kato (Tulane University), 2008

Familiarity with Software Packages	Atlas.ti (qualitative) LaTeX (document preparation) R (statistical) Stata (statistical)

Service

Anonymous Referee

- *Criminology*, 2012
- *Journal of Urban History*, 2012, 2013
- *Law & Society Review*, 2012, 2013
- *Law & Social Inquiry*, 2010

Law and Society Graduate Association (LSGA), U.C. Berkeley

- President, 2011–2012
- Treasurer, Law and Society Forum Coordinator, and JSP Forum Coordinator, 2010–2011
- JSP Forum Coordinator, 2008–2009

Public Service

- English Tutor, Prison University Project, Patton University at San Quentin, Spring 2008
- Office Intern, Prison University Project, Patton University at San Quentin, Winter 2007 and Spring 2008
- Office Intern, Boalt Hall Death Penalty Clinic, U.C. Berkeley, Summer 2006

Professional Affiliations	American Society of Criminology American Sociological Association Law and Society Association Society for Empirical Legal Studies

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