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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D., Administration and Leadership Studies in Human Services**  
**(Interdisciplinary degree in Sociology, Political Science, Human Services, and Leadership)**, August 2006  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), Indiana, Pennsylvania

**M.A., Sociology of Human Services**, Dec 1992, (IUP), Indiana, Pennsylvania

**B.A., Sociology (Applied Social Research), Minor: Theater**, Dec 1988, (IUP), Indiana, Pennsylvania

## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION, ASSOCIATIONS, and COMMUNITY SERVICE

\*\*PA ACT 120 Municipal Police Officers Training program graduate (MPOETC):

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| I. Intro to law Enforcement in PA   | II. Laws & Procedures                      |
| III. Emotional & Physical readiness | IV. Defensive Tactics                      |
| V. Motor Vehicle Law Enforcement    | VI. Motor Vehicle Collision Investigation  |
| VII. Patrol Procedures & Operations | VIII. Principles of Criminal Investigation |
| IX. Human Relations                 | X. Crisis management                       |
| XI. Families in Crisis              | XII. Firearms (Qualified "expert")         |
| XIII. Operation of Parole Vehicles  | XIV. Report Writing                        |
| XV. Case presentation in Court      | XVI. First Aid & CPR                       |
| XVII. Handling Arrested persons     |  |

\*\*Certified Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Officer (Laurel Highlands Region)

\*\*Certified Cybercrime Investigator (IFCI)

\*\*Diplomate Child Forensic Interviewer (DFCI) through the National Association of Certified Child Forensic Interviewers (NACCFI)

\*\*Chair (2016-18) for the Critical Criminal Justice section of the ACJS (Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences)

\*\*Cambria County Child Death Review Team member (2015-current)

\*\*Somerset County Child Death Review team member (2016-current)

\*\*Cadet Captain / Class #85 Johnstown Regional Police Academy (August 2016-July 2017)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**PENNSYLVANIA HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE**, Fall 2010 - Current

Title: Associate Professor of Criminal Justice & Social Sciences and Lead Faculty for Criminal Justice program (Earned Tenure in 2016)

+ Courses taught or currently teaching: Deviance & Victimology, Criminal Justice Report Writing & Interviewing, Institutional & Community Corrections, Contemporary Security Management, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminal Law & Procedure, Institutional Populations & Management, Probation & Parole, Introduction to Sociology, Contemporary Social Issues, Special Topics in Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice, Corrections, Ethics in Criminal Justice, Forensic Biology, Criminal Investigation & Policing, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, and Criminological Theory

*Activities:* Faculty Senate President (2015-16), Curriculum Committee Chair (Fall 2012-present), Academic Grievance Committee, Internship Supervisor for Criminal Justice program, A.C.E. Faculty Liaison (Accelerated College Education), A.C.E. Advisory Committee, advisor for criminal justice students, Faculty Senate By-Laws Committee, BIT (Behavioral Intervention Team 2-15-current), various faculty search committee, Academic Realignment Committee (2012-current), Faculty Development Component Committee for Title III grant (appointment), Course Re-Design Committee (through Title III),

First Year Experience (FYE) Committee, comprehensive revisions of all criminal justice courses to match TAOC Agreement (PATRAC), faculty commencement marshal, and former member of General Education Committee

- + Course creations at Pennsylvania Highlands--Deviance & Victimology (CRJ 260), Ethics in Criminal Justice (CRJ 115), Special Topics in Criminal Justice (CRJ 212), Criminal Justice Report Writing & Interviewing, and Forensic Biology (BIO 108 & 118-Lab),
- + Course revisions include Criminological Theory (CRJ 225), Criminal Law & Procedure (CRJ 215), Criminal Investigation & Policing (CRJ 235), and Corrections (CRJ 100)

**CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**, Jan-May 2006, Jan 2008-May 2009 and Fall 2016-Current

Title: Temporary/Full-time Professor (Sociology Department in 2006, Justice, Law & Society in 2008-09 and adjunct Criminal Justice faculty for the Homeland and International Security online program beginning Fall 2016)

+ Undergraduate Courses taught or currently teaching: Introduction to Sociology, Collective Behavior, Sociology of Aging, Sociology of Crime, Sociology of Deviance, Sociology of Elite Deviance, Contemporary American Social Problems, Criminological Theories (online through D2L)

+ Graduate and undergraduate courses taught or currently teaching (online through D2L): Research Methods in Criminal Justice (JUS 495), Criminological Theories (JUS 496), Advanced Criminological Theories (CRM 700), Advanced Behavioral Crime Analysis (CRM 710), and Applied Research in Criminology (CRM 855)

Activities: Student advisement

**ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY**, August 2009 – Fall 2010 and Spring 2018 - Current

Title: Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Social Work, and Adjunct Professor of Psychology

+ Courses taught: Social Psychology, Human Behavior, General Sociology, Sociological Perspectives on the Family, American Society and Problems and Cultural Diversity, 2010 Alpha Delta Mu (Social Work Honor Society) Induction Ceremony Guest Speaker, "Take Back the Night" advisor and presenter, Committee work --- Franciscan Values & Ethics, and student advisement (Sociology and Criminal Justice)

**DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY**, May 2007 – December 2016

Title: Adjunct Instructor, School of Leadership and Professional Advancement and McNulty School of Liberal Arts

+ Courses taught -- Undergraduate: Survey of Sociology

Graduate: Framing Global Issues, World Class Organizations (Leadership course), Personnel Administration, and Social, Political and Economic Issues in Leadership

**DEVRY UNIVERSITY**, Fall 2010 – Summer 2016

Title: Adjunct on-line instructor

+ Courses taught: LAS 432: Technology, Society and Culture

**WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON COLLEGE**, Aug 2008 - May 2009

**COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY**, Jan - May 2008

**ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY**, Jan. 2005 – Dec. 2005

**WEST VIRGINIA NORTHERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**, Jan – May 1998

**KENT STATE UNIVERSITY**, East Liverpool, Ohio, campus, Aug 1996 – May 1997

**Additional Coursework taught;**

Introduction to Social Work, Social Welfare Institutions, Social Psychology, Contemporary Social Problems, Sex Roles, Race and Ethnic Relations, Social Research Methods, Sociology of Mass Media

## **CRIMINAL JUSTICE & COURT SYSTEM EXPERIENCE**

### **SHADE TWP. POLICE DEPARTMENT**, Cairnbrook, PA, October 2017 – Current

Title: Patrol Officer

- + Provide for public safety by maintaining order, responding to emergencies, protecting people and property, enforcing motor vehicle and criminal laws, and promoting good community relations,
- + Identify, pursue, and arrest suspects and perpetrators of criminal acts,
- + Record facts to prepare reports that document incidents and activities,
- + Review facts of incidents to determine if criminal act or statute violations were involved,
- + Render aid to accident victims and other persons requiring first aid for physical injuries,
- + Testify in court to present evidence or act as witness in traffic and criminal cases

### **PITTSBURGH ACTION AGAINST RAPE (PAAR)**, Pittsburgh, PA, October 2006-January 2008

Title: Community Advocate / Trainer

- + Provided legal and medical advocacy for victims of sexual assault, including assistance with Victim Impact Statements
- + Forensic interviewing of victims with law enforcement in preparation for court, including depositions
- + Worked with the district attorney's office in case review, preparation, writing juvenile compromises, and judicial conferences
- + Interviewing of alleged offenders in sexual assault and rape cases with law enforcement
- + Conducted sexual assault awareness trainings to social service agencies in Allegheny County

[1998-2006 Completed coursework, research and defense of dissertation for doctoral degree]

### **JEFFERSON COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD**, Steubenville, OH, Jan 1995 – Oct 1998

Title: Intake Supervisor

- + Supervised and evaluated intake caseworkers, FACSIS computer operators and intake screeners
- + Evaluated between 1,000 to 1,200 reports of suspected child abuse and neglect on an annual basis.
- + 98% efficiency on state monitoring on intake records in 1995 and 100% validation on agency records in 1998.
- + Co-coordinated county's first multidisciplinary team on child sexual abuse, securing support and participation from various community agencies including sheriff's office, mental health, public welfare, etc.
- + Conducted forensic interviews with child abuse victims
- + Worked with the sheriff's office detectives on child abuse cases in preparation for court by assisting with the interviewing of alleged offenders.
- + Attended law enforcement training on DNA evidence gathering for sexual assault/rape cases.
- + Assisted prosecutor's office (District Attorney) in case preparation on child abuse cases for county.
- + Assisted in developing agency contract as a member of the Interest-Based Bargaining management/labor group.
- + Conducted public awareness seminars on child abuse and neglect at local schools, agencies, and universities.

### **SOMERSET COUNTY CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES**, Somerset, PA, Dec 1992 – Dec 1994

Title: Family Preservation Specialist and Alcohol Diversion Instructor

- + Working through juvenile court and probation, conducted evaluations of families with children in imminent risk of out-of-home placement and provided a variety of services, including home counseling and court-related intervention.

### **SOMERSET COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION**, Alcohol Diversion Instructor, Somerset, PA, June – Dec 1994

- + Conducted substance abuse & drug education curriculum services for at-risk adolescents through the juvenile court system, maintaining a success rate of 100% for juveniles passing the course.

### **FAMILY COUNSELING AND TRAINING ASSOCIATES**, Johnstown, PA, May – Aug 1994

Title: Family Therapy Consultant

### **TIMBER RIDGE SCHOOL**, Winchester, VA, June 1989 – Aug 1990 and Feb 1992 – Dec 1992

Title: Case Manager

### **CHILDREN'S HOME OF BRADFORD**, Bradford, PA, Jan – June 1989 / Title: Residential Counselor

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLICATIONS / ASSOCIATIONS**

- + Certified Diplomate Child Forensic Child Interviewer through the National Association of Certified Child Forensic Interviewers (NACCFI), 2014
- + Certified 700 + training hours in child welfare casework, supervision, leadership, and victim services
- + Re-Certified Blackboard Instructor
  
- + *1992 Conference, CHAMP of IUP, Chicago, IL, Presenter*
- + *1994 Annual Conference, YSAP/PAEA, Gettysburg, PA, Presenter*
- + *1997 Annual Conference, PCSA, Columbus, OH, Presenter*
- + *2007 Sexual Abuse Prevention and Education Network Conference (SAPEN), State College, PA, Presenter*
- + *2007 Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) annual meeting, New York City, Presenter*
- + *2007 Men Against Sexual Violence (MASV), presentation, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, Presenter*
- + *2010 Alpha Delta Mu (Social Work Honor Society) Induction Ceremony Guest Speaker, St. Francis University*
- + *2011, 2012, 2014, and 2015 KEYS workshops on domestic violence, child custody issues in PA, expungement issues in PA, Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, Presenter*
- + *2015 ACJS panel and paper presentation "Re-Visiting Victim Precipitation: Applying Criminal responsibility to Victims"*
- + *2015 ACJS roundtable presenter: Teaching Criminal Justice: Innovative Ideas for the Classroom*
- + *2015 Paper submission for publication: Perceptions of Victim Precipitation*
  
- + *2016 Annual ACJS conference---panel and paper presentation "Perceptions of Victim Precipitation"*
  
- + *2017 Annual SSSP conference presentation of paper "Perceptions of Victim Precipitation and Offender Responsibility" – Montreal, Quebec, Canada (August 2017)*
  
- + *"On the Firing Line in Community-Based Corrections" article published (2011) and re-published (2013) edition of the journal Voices of Youthful Offenders and Professionals in the Juvenile Justice System*
- + *Self-Study Report (2009), Department of Sociology, Washington & Jefferson College, Contributor*
- + *Textbook Reviews for SAGE publications: Writing For Sociologists! (Harris & Tyner-Mullings), (2011) The Social Thought of Emile Durkheim (2012), Writings for Sociologists (2012), The Social Life of Gender (2012), How to Use SPSS Syntax (2013), Juvenile Delinquency: Mainstream and Crosscurrents (Fuller, 2013), Social Problems (Trevino, 2013)*
  
- + *Member Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2011 – current*
- + *Vice-Chair Critical Criminal Justice section (2015-16) and Chair (2016-18)*
- + *Member American Society of Criminology, 2015 - current*
- + *Member National Scholars Honor Society, 2008 - current*
- + *Member Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), 2002 - current*
- + *Former Member, Men Against Sexual Violence (MASV) task force, Westmoreland County, 2007-08*