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Education

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Summer 2011 (expected).

Dissertation Title: *Private Prisons and Public Discourse: The Emergence and Legitimation of Modern Prison Privatization in the United States*

Committee Chair: Dr. Pamela Oliver

Qualifying exams: Political Sociology; Sociology of Law (*with distinction*)

M.S. Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2006.

B.A. Sociology (*cum laude*), Linfield College, McMinnville, OR, 2002.

Research and Teaching Interests

Sociology of Law/Law and Society; Political Sociology; Criminal Justice; Criminology

Publications

Journal Articles

Burkhardt, Brett C. (forthcoming). "Ideology over Strategy: Extending Voting Rights to Felons and Ex-Felons, 1966-1992." Conditionally accepted at *The Social Science Journal*.

Burkhardt, Brett. C. 2009. "Criminal Punishment, Labor Market Outcomes, and Economic Inequality: Devah Pager's *Marked: Race, Crime, and Finding Work in an Era of Mass Incarceration*." *Law & Social Inquiry*, vol. 34 (4): 1039-1060.

Policy Reports

Cancian, Maria, Carolyn Heinrich, Ingrid Rothe, Hilary Shager, and Brett Burkhardt. 2006. *Families Forward: Child Support Arrears Forgiveness Program and Evaluation Report*. Report prepared under contractual agreement for the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development. Madison, WI: Institute for Research on Poverty.

Work in Progress

Carolyn J. Heinrich, Brett C. Burkhardt, and Hilary M. Shager: "Reducing Child Support Debt and Its Consequences: Can Forgiveness Benefit All?" (revise and resubmit at *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*).

Research Experience

Research Assistant, *Prison Privatization and Public Discourse*, Fall 2009-Summer 2011

Principal Investigator: Pamela Oliver, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Research Assistant, *Families Forward: An Experimental Child Support Debt Reduction Program in Racine County, Wisconsin*, Fall 2006-Summer 2009

Advised by Carolyn Heinrich, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Teaching Experience

Supervisor for undergraduate researchers (three students), UW-Madison, Fall 2010

Supervisor for undergraduate researchers (three students), UW-Madison, Summer 2010

Supervisor for undergraduate researchers (seven students), UW-Madison, Spring 2010

Lecturer (Criminology), UW-Madison, Fall 2009

Supervisor for undergraduate researcher (one student), UW-Madison, Fall 2009

Teaching Assistant (Criminal Justice in America), UW-Madison, Fall 2005, Spring 2006

Teaching Assistant (Ethnic Movements in the US), UW-Madison, Spring 2005

Teaching Assistant (Problems of American Racial and Ethnic Minorities), UW-Madison, Fall 2004

Awards and Honors

Conference travel award from the Institute for Research on Poverty, UW-Madison, 2007, 2008, and 2009

Selected to attend Law and Society Association's Graduate Student Workshop, 2009

Graduate Research Fellow at the Institute for Research on Poverty, UW-Madison, Aug. 2006-May 2009

Vilas Travel Grant for conference attendance from the Graduate School, UW-Madison, 2007

Departmental small grant for independent research from Sociology Department, UW-Madison, 2007

Pass with distinction on departmental qualifying exam, "Sociology of Law", UW-Madison, 2007

Graduated *cum laude*, Linfield College, 2002

Competitive scholarship in Philosophy, Linfield College, 1998-2002

Professional Presentations

"Prison Privatization in the News" (poster), Communications Crossroads: A Multidisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, Madison, WI, 2010.

"Shifting Determinants of State Prison Privatization: The Role of Courts" (roundtable), American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, San Francisco, CA, 2009.

“Private Prisons in Public Discourse” (poster), Law and Society Association (LSA) Conference, Denver, CO, 2009.

“Public Discourse on Prison Privatization,” Midwest Law and Society Retreat, Madison, WI, 2008.

“Political Strategy in Felon Re-Enfranchisement,” American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, Boston, MA, 2008.

“‘The Pedophile Vote’?: What Can We Expect From Ex-Felon Re-Enfranchisement?,” American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, New York, NY, 2007.

“Re-Examining Race and Politics in Felon Re-Enfranchisement, 1966-1989,” Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Conference, New York, NY, 2007.

“The Limited Medicalization of Antisocial Personality Disorder,” Pacific Sociological Association (PSA) Conference, Vancouver, British Columbia, 2002.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association

Law and Society Association

Service

To the Profession

Presider, ASA Honors Program roundtable session, American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, San Francisco, CA, 2009

To the Department

Curriculum Committee, UW-Madison Department of Sociology, 2008-2009

To the Community

Intern for Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, Madison, WI, Summer 2005

Software and Programming Capabilities

Stata (advanced); Microsoft Access (moderate); QSR NVivo (moderate); Perl (basic); SPSS (PASW) (basic); UCInet (basic)

References

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