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Academic Positions

Associate Professor of Sociology, Northern Illinois University, 2012-Present.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Northern Illinois University, 2012-Present.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Northern Illinois University, 2010-2012.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Vanderbilt University, 2002-2010.

Areas of Professional Interest

Criminology

Juvenile Delinquency

Deviance

Statistics

Quantitative Research Methods

Sociology of the Life Course

Demography

Aging

Education

Ph.D., Duke University, Department of Sociology, August 2002

Dissertation: "Continuity and Discontinuity in the Criminal Careers of Serious Youthful Offenders"

Advisor: Kenneth C. Land

M.A., Duke University, Department of Sociology, May 1999

A.B., University of California, Davis, Department of Sociology, June 1996

With Highest Honors

Honors Thesis: "Modeling Recidivism Among Young Parolees with Varying Ages: The Applicability and Utility of the Cox Proportional Hazards Model"

Advisor: Lawrence E. Cohen

Publications: Books

Ezell, Michael E., and Lawrence E. Cohen. 2005. *Desisting From Crime: Continuity and Change in Long-term Crime Patterns of Serious Chronic Offenders*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Publications: Articles (* indicates peer reviewed journal)

Ezell, Michael E. Forthcoming. "Crime, Persistence, and Desistence." In *The International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioral Sciences*, edited by James Wright. London, UK: Elsevier.

Ezell, Michael E., and Emily E. Tanner-Smith. 2009. "Examining The Role of Lifestyle and Criminal History Variables on the Risk of Homicide Victimization." *Homicide Studies* 13: 144-173.*

Taylor, Donald H., Michael E. Ezell, Maragatha Kuchibhatla, Truls Ostbye, and Elizabeth C. Clipp. 2008. "Identifying Trajectories of Depressive Symptoms for Women Caring for Their Husbands with Dementia." *The Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* 56: 322-327.*

Ezell, Michael E. 2007. "The Effect of Criminal History Variables on the Process of Desistance in Adulthood Among Serious Youthful Offenders." *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* 23: 28-49.*

Ezell, Michael E. 2007. "Examining the Overall and Offense-Specific Criminal Career Lengths of a Sample of Serious Offenders." *Crime & Delinquency* 53: 3-37.*

Brown, Tony N., Emily E. Tanner-Smith, Chase Lesane-Brown, and Michael E. Ezell. 2007. "Child, Parent, and Situational Correlates of Familial Ethnic/Race Socialization: Findings from the 1998-99 ECLS-K." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 69: 14-25.*

Boettcher, Jean B., and Michael E. Ezell. 2005. "The Effectiveness of Boot Camps: A Randomized Experiment with a Long-Term Follow-Up." *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*. 42: 309-332.*

Ezell, Michael E., and Kenneth C. Land. 2005. "Ordinary Least Squares." Pp. 943-950 in *Encyclopedia of Social Measurement*, edited by Kimberly Kempf-Leonard. San Diego: Academic Press.

Linz, Daniel, Kenneth C. Land, Jay R. Williams, Bryant Paul, and Michael E. Ezell. 2004. "Are Adult Dance Clubs Associated with Increases in Crime in Surrounding Areas? A Secondary Crime Effects Study in Charlotte, North Carolina." *Law and Society Review* 38: 69-104.*

- Ezell, Michael E., Kenneth C. Land and Lawrence E. Cohen. 2003. "Modeling Multiple Failure Time Data: A Survey of Variance-Corrected Proportional Hazards Models with Empirical Applications to Arrest Data." *Sociological Methodology* 2003, 111-167.*
- Taylor, Donald H., Gerda G. Fillenbaum, and Michael E. Ezell. 2002. "The Accuracy of Medicare Claims Data in Identifying Alzheimer's Disease." *The Journal of Clinical Epidemiology* 55: 929-937.*
- Ezell, Michael E., and Lawrence E. Cohen. 1997. "Age, Crime, and Crime Control Policies: A Longitudinal Analysis of Youthful, Serious, Chronic Offenders with Implications for 'Three Strikes' Legislation." *Studies on Crime and Crime Prevention* 6: 169-199.*

Projects/Papers in Progress

- Ezell, Michael E. "The Distinguishing Features, Trends, and Challenges of Gang and Group Violence in the Educational Setting." Chapter in *The Handbook of Violence in Education*, edited by Harvey Shapiro. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.
- Ezell, Michael E. "An Exploratory Study of Multiracial Identity and the Risk of Violent Victimization: Results from the National Crime Victimization Survey."
- Ezell, Michael E., Emily E. Tanner-Smith, and J. Scott Brown. "Examining the Relationship Between Multiracial Identity and the Risk of Criminal Offending and Victimization During Adolescence and Early Adulthood."

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate Courses:

- Northern Illinois University, *Criminology*: Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2015
- Northern Illinois University, *Contemporary Topics, Street Gangs and Street Gang Behavior*: Fall 2012, Fall 2014
- Northern Illinois University, *Juvenile Delinquency*: Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014
- Northern Illinois University, *Proseminar, Street Gangs and Street Gang Behavior*: Spring 2011
- Vanderbilt University, *Gangs and Gang Behavior*: Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Spring 2010
- Vanderbilt University, *Social Statistics*: Fall 2003, Fall 2005, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Spring 2010
- Vanderbilt University, *Research Practicum*: Spring 2003, Spring 2004, Spring 2005
- Vanderbilt University, *Juvenile Delinquency*: Fall 2002, Spring 2003, Fall 2003, Fall 2004, Spring 2006, Spring 2008

Graduate Courses:

Northern Illinois University, *Sociological Statistics*: Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2014
Vanderbilt University, *Multivariate Analysis I*: Fall 2004, Fall 2005; Fall 2008
Vanderbilt University, *Multivariate Analysis II*: Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2009
Vanderbilt University, *Event History/Hazards/Survival Analysis*: Spring 2004, Fall 2006, Spring 2010
Vanderbilt University, *Math Camp*: Summer 2009
Duke University, *Social Statistics II*: Spring 2001

Independent Studies Courses:

Northern Illinois University, Sociology 490: Brian Lipowski, Spring 2012; Jesslyn Truesdale, Fall 2014
Northern Illinois University, Sociology 690: Josh Osborn, Spring 2012; Shay Galto, Spring 2012; Kathryn Brown, Fall 2012; Patrick Dowling, Fall 2014
Vanderbilt University, Sociology 299: Alexis King, Summer 2003; Michael Costello, Fall 2004, Spring 2005; Kalynn Hauf, Spring 2005; Megan MacMurray, Fall 2006; Stephanie Saclarides, Fall 2006; Kristen Kuan, Spring 2009
Vanderbilt University, Sociology 390A: William Hale, Fall 2008, Fall 2009

Honor's Capstone Courses

Northern Illinois University, Sociology 490H: Andrew Reum, Spring 2013; Alexandra Queeney, Spring 2014; Jesslyn Truesdale; Spring 2015; Kaitlynn Hughes, Spring 2015

Undergraduate Honor's Thesis Committee:

Vanderbilt University, 2004-2005, Natalie Jacobowski

Graduate Student Committees:

Master's Thesis Committee, Northern Illinois University: Douglas Engelman, 2014
Special Area Exam, Vanderbilt University: Laurie Woods, 2004; Noel Austin, 2005; Emily Tanner-Smith, 2006; William Hale, 2009
Master's Paper Committee, Vanderbilt University: Jarrett Thibodeaux, 2009
Dissertation Committee, Vanderbilt University: Emily Tanner-Smith, 2009

Professional Meeting Presentations

Ezell, Michael E. "Betwixt and Between or Elevated? The Enigma of Multiracial Identification and Criminal Victimization." American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. November 2012.

- Ezell, Michael E. "An Exploratory Study of Multiracial Identity and the Risk of Violent Victimization." American Society of Criminology, Washington DC. November 2011.
- Greenberg, David F., and Michael E. Ezell. "The Distribution of Criminal Trajectories: Discrete or Continuous?" Modern Modeling Methods Conference, Storrs, CT. May 2011.
- Greenberg, David F., and Michael E. Ezell. "The Distribution of Criminal Trajectories: Discrete or Continuous?" Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA. November 2009.
- Ezell, Michael E. "The Effect of Time Served on Subsequent Criminal Offending Among Latent Classes of Serious Youthful Offenders: Defiance, Deterrence, or Irrelevance?" Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, St. Louis, MO. November 2008.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Alex R. Piquero. "Examining Criminal Offending Among Serious Youthful Offenders: Specialization or Versatility?" Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. November 2007.
- Tanner-Smith, Emily E., and Michael E. Ezell. "Racial and Ethnic Differences in the Association between Pubertal Development, Substance Use, and Delinquency among Adolescent Boys." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. November 2007.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Alex R. Piquero. "Offense Type and Intermittent Offending During the Early Adult Lifecourse of Serious Offenders." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, CA. November 2006.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Kenneth C. Land. "Examining the Presence of Within-Class Heterogeneity Using the Finite Mixture Model and Long-term Outcomes." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Canada. November 2005.
- Ezell, Michael E. "On The Relationship of Past to Subsequent Criminal Activity: Evidence from the Serious Youthful Offender Population." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Nashville, TN. November 2004.
- Gove, Walter, and Michael E. Ezell. "Assessing the Degree to Which Robbery Victims Perceive Their Victimization as Interracial or Intra-racial." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Nashville, TN. November 2004.
- Ezell, Michael E. "The Reduced Risk of Homicide Victimization: A Latent Effect of Incarceration?" Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Denver, CO. November 2003.

- Ezell, Michael E., and Jean B. Bottcher. "An Experimental Study of a Juvenile Boot Camp and Intensive Parole Program" Annual Meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, Vancouver, Canada. February 2003.
- Ezell, Michael E. "The Relationship between Criminal Offending and Homicide Victimization among Chronic Youthful Offenders: An Application of the Lifestyle Theory of Victimization." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. November 2002.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Kenneth C. Land. "Heterogeneity in the Age-Crime Curves of Serious Youthful Offenders." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. November 2002.
- Ezell, Michael E., Kenneth C. Land, and Lawrence E. Cohen. "Modeling Multiple Failure Time Data: A Survey of Variance-Corrected Survival Models with Empirical Applications to Arrest Data." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA. April 2001.
- Strulowitz, Suzanne Y., and Michael E. Ezell. "Social Reciprocity as a Predictor of Time to Institutionalization Among the Elderly." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New York, New York. March 1999.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Amy V. D'Unger. "Specialization in Offending: A Longitudinal Study of Offenders in a California Youth Authority Sample." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA. August 1998.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Amy V. D'Unger. "The Time to Re-arrest Among Serious Youthful Offenders: A Competing Risks Survival Analysis." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA. April 1998.
- Ezell, Michael E., and Amy V. D'Unger. "Latent Classes of Serious Youthful Offenders: Empirical Results from Mixed Poisson Regression Models." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA. April 1997.

Grant Funded Research

- Cohen, Lawrence E. (P.I.), Michael E. Ezell, Diane H. Felmlee, Norman Skonovd, and Rudy A. Haapanen. "A Longitudinal Analysis of Recidivism Rates in Three California Youth Authority Parole Release Cohorts." National Institute of Justice, \$137,450. October 1998.

Honors and Awards

Duke University Graduate Award Fellowship, 1996-1997
Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society (Initiated, UC Davis)
Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society (Initiated, UC Davis)
Golden Key National Honor Society (Initiated, UC Davis)
Most Outstanding Original Research Award, Department of Sociology, University of California at Davis, 1996
Distinction Award, Department of Sociology, University of California at Davis, 1996

University and Departmental Service

Department of Sociology (Northern Illinois University):

2014-Present: Assessment Committee (Chair)
2012-Present: Curriculum Committee
2012: EOPP Review Committee
2011-Present: Departmental Council
2011-Present: Graduate Committee
2011-2012: Development Committee

Department of Sociology (Vanderbilt):

2008-2009: Department Speakers Committee
2007-2008: Sociology Chair Advisory Selection Committee
2007-2008: Senior Search Committee
2006-2007: Graduate Program Committee
2005-2006: Undergraduate Program Committee
2004-2005: Remodeling Advisory Committee
2004-2005: Sociology Chair Advisory Selection Committee
2002-2005: Undergraduate Program Committee
2002-2003, Department Speakers Committee

Vanderbilt University:

Faculty & Staff Benefits Committee, 2008-2009
Vanderbilt Visions Faculty VUcept, 2007-2008
Pre-Major Advisor, 2003-2007
Founder's Walk Faculty Marshall, 2004-2006
Honorary VUcept, 2004-2005

Professional Memberships & Service

Memberships:

American Sociological Association
American Society of Criminology

Editorial Board:

American Sociological Review (2013-Present)
Journal of Quantitative Criminology (2007-2011)

Reviewer:

African Conflict and Peacebuilding Review
American Journal of Sociology
American Sociological Review
Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Crime & Delinquency
Criminal Justice Studies
Criminal Justice & Behavior
Criminology
Demography
Homicide Studies
Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice
Journal of Legal Education
Journal of Research in Crime and Deviance
Journal of Quantitative Criminology
Justice Quarterly
National Research Council ("Parole, Desistance from Crime, and Community Integration")
National Science Foundation
Sociological Methods & Research
Research on Aging
Social Forces
Work & Occupations

Service:

Local Arrangements Committee (Co-Chair with Professor Gary Jensen): Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology (ASC), Nashville 2004.
American Sociological Association, Crime, Law, and Deviance Section, Committee on Graduate Student Paper Award