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EMPLOYMENT

2017-Present

Assistant Professor of Justice Studies, San José State University

EDUCATION

2017

PhD in Sociology, New York University

Areas of Specialization: Sociology of Punishment and Social Control; Race, Gender, and Class Inequality; Qualitative Research Methods

Dissertation: *The Runaround: Punishment, Welfare, and Poverty Survival After Prison*

Committee: Lynne Haney (chair), David Garland, Colin Jerolmack, and Deirdre Royster

2008

BA in Sociology, University of California, Berkeley

Highest Honors in Sociology

Highest Distinction in General Scholarship

2006

AA in Sociology, El Camino College

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Getting the Runaround: Formerly Incarcerated Men and the Bureaucratic Barriers to Reentry
(Under contract with University of California Press)

Peer Reviewed Articles

Halushka, John. 2020. "The Runaround: Punishment, Welfare, and Poverty Survival After Prison." *Social Problems*. 67(2): 233-250

Halushka, John. 2017. "Managing Rehabilitation: Negotiating Performance Accountability at the Frontlines of Reentry Service Provision." *Punishment and Society*. 19(4): 482-502

Halushka, John. 2016. "Work Wisdom: Teaching Former Prisoners How to Negotiate Workplace Interactions and Perform a Rehabilitated Self." *Ethnography* 17(1): 72-91

Book Chapters

Halushka, John. 2019. "Prisoner Reentry in the United States." Chapter 43 in *The Routledge Companion to Rehabilitative Work in Criminal Justice*. Pamela Ugwudike, Hannah Graham, Fergus McNeill, Peter Raynor, Faye Taxman, and Chris Trotter (Eds). London: Routledge.

Morning, Ann, Nandi Dill, Rachel Garver, and **John Halushka**. 2013. "Race and Ethnicity." Pp. 260-291 in *The Sociology Project: Introducing the Sociological Imagination*, First Edition. Richard Arum, Lynne Haney and Jeff Manza (Eds). New York: Pearson.

Review Essays

Halushka, John. 2019. James Forman, Jr., *Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America*. *Punishment and Society* 21(3): 375-379.

Works in Progress

"Reimagining Reentry: Toward a Social Justice Model of Service Provision" (Article manuscript in progress with Brandon Miller)

TEACHING

San José State University

Assistant Professor

Undergraduate

JS 12: Introduction to Legal Studies

JS 189: Senior Seminar in Contemporary Problems in Justice Studies

JS 132: Race, Gender, Inequality, and Law

JS 117: Qualitative Research Methods

JS 181: Internship Supervision

Graduate

JS 207: Qualitative Research Methods

JS 267: Gender and Crime Around the World (Online)

Graduate Student Advising

Project Supervisor, M.S. Program Evaluation Project, Brandon Miller, 2020

SJSU Student Research Competition

Member, M.S. Thesis Committee, Erin Afana, 2021

New York University

Adjunct Instructor (Instructor of Record)

Criminology

Law and Society

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2019-Present

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Reassigned Time Grant (San José State University)

2021

SJSU Teach Online Summer Certificate Program Grant (San José State University)

2018

College of Applied Arts and Sciences Faculty Success Program Sponsorship (San José State University)

2009-2015

Henry MacCracken Fellowship for Graduate Study (New York University)
Dean's Diversity Fellowship (New York University)

CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP, AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

2021

“Reimagining Reentry: Toward a Social Justice Model of Service Provision” (with Brandon Miller). Critical Dialogue: Pathways to Reentry, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Virtual

2020

“One Stop Reentry Centers: Reducing Service Fragmentation or Widening the Net of Surveillance?” Thematic Session: The Criminal Justice-Welfare State Nexus, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC.
[CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC]

“One Stop Reentry Centers: Reducing Service Fragmentation or Widening the Net of Surveillance?” Critical Dialogue: Pathways to Reentry, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, CA.
[CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC]

“Life After Prison.” Invited Lecture, Legal Studies 160: Punishment, Culture, and Society (Synchronous Online), University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA.

“Far From Home: Navigating Housing Insecurity After Prison.” Invited Panel: Precarious Housing Fixes, Power at the Margins 2020, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA.
[CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC]

2019

“Prisoner Reentry and the Welfare State.” Critical Dialogue: The Intersection Between Social Problems and Mass Incarceration, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, NY.

“Prisoner Reentry.” Invited Lecture, Legal Studies 160: Punishment, Culture, and Society, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA.

2018

“The Runaround: Punishment, Welfare, and Poverty Survival After Prison.” Sociology of Law section session on Law and Social Welfare Distribution, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.

“The Runaround: Punishment, Welfare, and Poverty Survival After Prison.” Paper Session on Release, Reentry, and Community Supervision, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Toronto, Canada.

“Surviving Poverty After Prison.” Invited lecture, Record Clearance Project: Talking About Law and Justice Speaker Series, San José State University, San Jose, CA.

“Mass Imprisonment and Its Aftermath.” Invited Lecture, Legal Studies 160: Punishment, Culture, and Society, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA.

2016

“The Runaround: Criminal Justice and Welfare Bureaucracies in the Everyday Lives of Formerly Incarcerated Men.” Regular Paper Session on Criminal Justice Contact and Inequality, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.

“Managing Rehabilitation: Accountability, Discipline, and ‘Defensive Institutionalism’ at the Frontlines of Reentry Service Provision.” Invited Panel on Unpacking the Processes of Re-entry and ‘Rehabilitation,’ Penal Boundaries Workshop: Excesses, Limits, and the Production of Inequality, Centre for Criminology and Sociological Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.

2015

“Prisoner Reentry and the Welfare State: Poverty Governance and Poverty Survival in New York City,” Invited Roundtable Session on Constructing Reentry: An Exploration of Prisoner Reentry Experiences through Diverse Perspectives, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.

“Work Wisdom: Negotiating the Barriers to Employment through Interaction and Identity,” Crime, Law, and Deviance Roundtable Session on Deviant and Delinquent Identities, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

“Work Wisdom: Teaching Formerly Incarcerated Men How to Negotiate the Barriers to Employment,” Paper Session on Reentry and Recidivism after Incarceration, Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Association, New York, NY

2014

“Getting a Job and Keeping a Job: Teaching Soft Skills to Formerly Incarcerated Job Seekers,” Crime, Law, and Deviance Workshop, NYU Department of Sociology, New York, NY

“Getting Back to Work: Formerly Incarcerated Jobseekers, Nonprofit Workers, and the Penal-Welfare State,” Invited Session on Prison and Post-Release Employment, Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD

“Responsibilizing Prisoner Reentry: How Frontline Service Workers Negotiate the Dilemmas of Neoliberal Governance,” Crime, Law, and Deviance Workshop, NYU Department of Sociology, New York, NY

2013

“Managing the Mark: Performing Rehabilitation and Earning Social Capital among Formerly Incarcerated Jobseekers” Graduate Student Association Spring Conference, NYU Department of Sociology, New York, NY

2011

“Punishment and Fiscal Crisis: Victims’ Rights, Populist Governance and the Future of Penal Reform in California.” Graduate Student Association Spring Conference, NYU Department of Sociology, New York, NY

“Mass Imprisonment and California’s Fiscal Crisis: Victims’ Rights, Populist Governance, and the Future of Penal Reform in California.” Crime and Punishment in Comparative Perspective Conference, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Academic Advising

2017-Present

Academic Advisor, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

Campus-Wide Events

2021

Organizer and Moderator, Ann Lucas Lecture Series in Law and Justice: *Privilege and Punishment: How Race and Class Matter in Criminal Court* by Matthew Clair. Discussion
Panelists: Mona Lynch, Garrick Percival, and Kathryn Young

2018

Organizer and Presenter (with Dr. Edith Kinney), Campus Reading Program Discussion: “From Raising a Fist to Taking a Knee: Black Protest and the Price of Freedom of Speech, 1968-2018.”

2017

Invited Discussant, Ann Lucas Lecture Series in Law and Justice: *From Deportation to Prison: The Politics of Immigration Enforcement in Post-Civil Rights America*.

Committee Service

2021-Present

Member, College of Social Sciences Advising Council

2020-Present

Internship Coordinator, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

2019-Present

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

2020

Faculty Hearing Committee, SJSU

2019-2020

Undergraduate Coordinator, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

Member, College of Health and Human Sciences Advising Council

2018-2019

Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

2018-2019

Member, Graduate Curriculum Committee, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

2017-2018

Member, Internship and International Experience Committee, SJSU Dept. of Justice Studies

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Committee Service

2019-2021

Vice Chair, Law and Society Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems

Chair, Edwin E. Sutherland Book Award Committee, 2021

Chair, Lindesmith Graduate Student Paper Competition Award Committee, 2021

Organizer and Presider, Thematic Session: "Law and Injustice: Can Law Repair the Harms of Systemic Racism?" 2021 Annual Meeting

Occasional Journal Reviewer:

American Journal of Sociology

American Sociological Review

Journal of Contemporary Ethnography

Law and Social Inquiry

Punishment and Society

Qualitative Sociology

Social Currents

Social Justice

Social Problems

Symbolic Interaction

Theoretical Criminology

Occasional Book Reviewer:

New York University Press

Stanford University Press

Member

American Sociological Association

American Society of Criminology
Law and Society Association
Society for the Study of Social Problems

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

2014-2016

Research Assistant, Professor Lynne Haney, NYU Department of Sociology

Project: “Incarcerated Fatherhood: Mass Imprisonment, Child Support, and the Politics of Paternity” (Funded by the National Science Foundation Law and Social Science Program)

Responsibilities: Research the intersection of criminal justice and child support policy in the U.S. through analysis of policy reports, statutes, and legal opinions; conduct in-depth interviews with formerly incarcerated fathers in New York City

2011

Research Assistant, Vera Institute of Justice, New York, NY

Project: Common Justice Evaluation

Responsibilities: Recruited major stakeholders for qualitative interviews; conducted, transcribed, and coded interview data; compiled a literature review on the relationship between trauma and violent behavior.

REFERENCES

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