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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. The Pennsylvania State University, 2021 – Criminology
Dissertation: The Experiences of Men with Substance Use Disorders Exiting
 Prison at the Height of the Opioid Crisis
Committee: Derek Kreager (chair), Jeffery T. Ulmer, Gary John Adler, and
 Deirdre O’Sullivan
- M.A. The Pennsylvania State University, 2017 – Criminology
- B.M. The University of Kansas, 2012 – Music Therapy (Major) and Psychology
 (Minor)
 Summa Cum Laude

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Fall 2021- Assistant Professor, College of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida State
 University

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Criminology, Corrections, Programming and Rehabilitation, Community Reentry, Substance Use

JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Denotes graduate student or undergraduate student*

- Donnelly, Maeve E.*, & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. 2025. “I feel like I'm always on edge”:
Perceptions of parole supervision by parolees with substance use disorders." *Journal of
Substance Use and Addiction Treatment*, 168 (2025): 209529.

- Bond, Margaret*, & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. 2025. "Juvenile Justice Contact, Educational Trajectories, and Recidivism: A Mixed Method Evaluation." *American Journal of Criminal Justice* (2025): 1-26.
- Noorman, Kaylee*, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Emma E. Fridel, Shayna Arrigo*, Rachel Strickland*, George B. Pesta, & Thomas G. Blomberg. 2025. "Confronting Community Gun Violence Through Research Translation: A Case Study of Challenges and Facilitators." *American Journal of Criminal Justice* (2025): 1-25.
- Davidson, Kimberly M.**, & Jehanne E. Caudell*. 2024. "I'm Not Gonna Let My Daughter Be Ashamed of Who Her Father Is": Assessing the Complex Relationship Between Fatherhood, Recovery, and Desistance." *Crime & Delinquency* (2024): 00111287241293752.
- Mills, Jack M.* & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. 2024. "The Prison-Based Therapeutic Community: Resident Recommendations for Program Improvement." *Journal of Substance Use and Addiction Treatment* 163: 209404.
- Hay, Carter, Emily Hargrove*, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, & Ashton Cobb*. 2024. "Knowing and Caring About the Impact of Crime on Victims: Results From an Intervention for Justice-Involved Youth." *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* (2024): 15412040241305327.
- Said, Iman* & **Davidson, Kimberly M.** 2023. "A Mixed Method Evaluation of the Role of Religion in Desistance and Reentry." *Justice Quarterly* 40(1): 1-26.
- Davidson, Kimberly M.**, Brian J. Ostrom, & Matthew Kleiman. 2022. "Client Perspectives of Holistic Defense: Strengthening Procedural Justice Through Enhanced Client Trust." *Justice System Journal* 43(1): 128-150. (Special Issue: *Empirical Research on Indigent Defense*)
- Galvin, Miranda A., **Davidson, Kimberly M.**, and Matthew Kleiman. 2021. "Substance Involvement and Probation Outcomes: Evidence from a Cohort Study." *Journal of Drug Issues* 52(3): 329-348.
- Kreager, Derek A., Jacob T. N. Young, Dana L. Haynie, David R. Schaefer, Martin Bouchard, & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. 2021. "In the Eye of the Beholder: Meaning and Structure of Informal Status in Women's and Men's Prisons." *Criminology* 59(1): 42-72.
- Schaefer, David R., **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Dana L. Haynie, & Martin Bouchard. 2021. "Network Integration within a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community." *Social Networks* 64: 16-28.
- Davidson, Kimberly M.** 2020. "Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Pennsylvania Prison-Based Therapeutic Community." *Criminal Justice and Behavior* 47(10): 1282-1298.

Davidson, Kimberly M., & Jacob T.N. Young. 2019. “Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community: A Mixed-Methods Approach.” *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment* 103: 33-42.

Kreager, Derek A., David R. Schaefer, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Gary Zajac, Dana L. Haynie, & George De Leon. 2019. “Evaluating Peer Influence Processes in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community: A Dynamic Network Approach.” *Drug and Alcohol Dependence* 203: 13-18.

BOOKS & CHAPTERS

Davidson, Kimberly M., Jack M. Mills*, & Derek A. Kreager. 2023. “Amplifying incarcerated voices: Resident perceptions of a prison-based Therapeutic Community program.” In Rudes, Danielle, Gaylene Armstrong, TaLisa Carter, & Kimberly Kras (Eds.), *Handbook on Prisons and Jails: The ASC Division on Corrections & Sentencing Handbook Series* (Vol. 8).

GRANTS & FUNDING

2023-2025 Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (Co-Principal Investigator)
Leon County Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative
In Partnership with Leon County Sheriff’s Office
PI Thomas Blomberg & Co-PI Emma Fridel
Amount: \$357,818

2022 Florida State University (Principal Investigator)
Council on Research and Creativity, First Year Assistant Professor Award
“*Predicting Selection: An Empirical Assessment of Baseline Engagement in a Prison-Based Substance Use Treatment Program*”
Amount: \$20,000

2020-2021 National Institute of Justice (Principal Investigator)
Graduate Research Fellowship in the Social and Behavioral Sciences
“*The Experiences of Men with Substance Use Disorders Exiting Prison at the Height of the Opioid Crisis*”
Amount: \$91,097

➤ Featured in *Penn State News*: Krug, Melissa. 2019. “New project to track post-prison trajectories of men living with addiction.”
(<https://news.psu.edu/story/594385/2019/10/23/research/new-project-track-post-prison-trajectories-men-living-addiction>)

2019-2020 Penn State University – College of the Liberal Arts (Principal Investigator)
Research and Graduate Studies Office (RGSO) Dissertation Support
“*Recovery & Reentry: Post-Prison Trajectories of Men with Substance Use Disorders*”
Amount: \$2,000

- 2019-2020 Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (Lead Recruiter & Research Assistant, PI: Kreager)
 “Certified Recovery Specialist and Prison Reentry Pilot Study.”
 Amount: \$109,000.
- 2017-2020 National Institute of Justice (Graduate Research Assistant, PI: Kreager)
 “Understanding Incarceration and Re-Entry Experiences of Female Inmates and their Children: The Women’s Prison Inmate Networks Study (WO-PINS).”
 Amount: \$685,857.
- 2016-2018 National Institutes of Health (Project Coordinator, PI: Kreager)
 R21, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
 “Network Mechanisms in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community”
 Amount: \$441,630.
- 2015-2017 National Science Foundation (Graduate Research Assistant, PI: Kreager)
 “Prison Inmate Network Study (PINS).”
 Amount: \$323,818
- 2015-2016 The Graduate School at the Pennsylvania State University
 University Graduate Fellowship
 Amount: \$26,250

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Blomberg, Thomas G., Emma Fridel, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Kaylee Norman*, Rachel Strickland*, Shayna Arrigo*, Chloe Zook*, & George B. Pesta. 2023. “Leon County Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative: Phase I Report.” https://www.councilmenandboys.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/FSU-CVIPI-Phase-1-Report_final.pdf
- Galvin, Miranda A., Matthew Kleiman, & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. 2020. “The Role of Substance Use in Probation Outcomes.” Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing. Report to Vital Strategies. <https://pcs.la.psu.edu/research-data/reports-and-publications/>
- Kreager, Derek A., Gary Zajac, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Dana L. Haynie, David R. Schaefer, Jacob T.N. Young, & George De Leon. 2018. “The Therapeutic Community Prison Inmate Networks Study (TC-PINS): Evaluating Peer-Based Processes in a Prison Substance Abuse Treatment Unit.” Report to the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.
- Kreager, Derek A., **Kimberly M. Davidson**, & Corey Whichard. 2016. “A Network Approach to Understanding Prison-Based Therapeutic Communities.” *The Addiction Newsletter: Official Newsletter of APA Division 50 – Society of Addiction Psychology*. 25(2): 20-22.

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2023 Donal MacNamara Awardee: The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
For article: "A mixed method evaluation of the role of religion in desistance and reentry" co-authored with Dr. Iman Said
- 2022 Student Paper Award: Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
For article: "A mixed method evaluation of the role of religion in desistance and reentry" co-authored with Dr. Iman Said
- 2020 Graduate Student Achievement Award
Awarded to one criminology graduate student per year for demonstrating outstanding achievement
- 2020 Volunteer of the Year
Pennsylvania Prison Society – Centre County Chapter
- 2019 Criminology Student Paper Competition, Working Paper Competition
First Place Paper – "Unpacking the Black Box of Treatment Engagement: A Mixed-Methods Approach to Understanding Therapeutic Communities"
- 2018 Criminology Thesis Award, Penn State Department of Sociology & Criminology
First Place Thesis – "Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community"
- 2016 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program
Honorable Mention

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 "Correctional Facility Comparisons from the Perspective of Incarcerated Men"*
American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA
**Accepted, unable to attend conference*
- 2023 "A Break from the Streets": How Substance Use and Cumulative Disadvantage
Pattern Perceived Benefits of Incarceration"
American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA
- 2022 "A Mixed-Method Evaluation of the Impact of Fatherhood on Reentry and
Recovery"
American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA
- 2021 "Substance Use Disorders and Reentry: The Role of Social Capital &
Surveillance"
American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL

- 2020 “Reentry and Recovery During the Opioid Crisis.”
Annual Meetings of the Criminology Consortium
- 2020 “Reentry and Recovery During the Opioid Crisis.”
American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.*
**Canceled due to COVID-19*
- 2019 “Predicting Success in an Alternative Sentencing Program for Drug Offenders.”
American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA
- 2019 “Holistic Defense from the Client Perspective.”
American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA
- 2018 “Discrepant Indicators of Fidelity in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community.”
American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- 2017 “Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based
Therapeutic Community.”
American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2016 “Reflected and Peer Appraisals in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community.”
American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, LA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “A Hands-On Introduction to Qualitative Research”
FSU Graduate-Faculty Student Workshop
- 2019 “The Reentry Experiences of Men with Substance Use Disorders”
PSU Criminal Justice Research Center Advisory Board Meeting
- 2019 “Unpacking the Black Box of Treatment Engagement: A Mixed-Methods
Approach to Understanding Therapeutic Communities.”
PSU Paper Competition Brown Bag
- 2018 “Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based
Therapeutic Community.”
PSU Student Award Brown Bag
- 2017 “Therapeutic Community PINS Projects.”
PSU Justice Center for Research Board Meeting

TEACHING

Professor (Florida State University)

War on Drugs (CCJ 3658)
Theories and Methods of Offender Treatment (CJC 4410)
Introduction to Criminal Justice (CCJ 2020)
Directed Individual Study (CCJ 4905)
Honors in the Major Research (CCJ 4909)
Supervised Teaching (CCJ 5944)
Supervised Research (CCJ 5981)

Instructor (Pennsylvania State University)

Rehabilitation Corrections (RHS 428) (Spring 2020)
- Redeveloped the course with a stronger emphasis on criminal justice theory, research, and policy
- Transitioned to online/remote teaching due to COVID-19; implemented virtual office hours, one-on-one Zoom student check ins, and virtual group work

Online Teaching Certification Program

OL 2050: Essentials of Online Teaching for Graduate Students (Fall 2019)

Teaching Assistant

Drugs, Crime, and Society (Spring 2018)

Guest Lecturer

Women and Addiction (Spring 2021)
Lecture: “Women & Incarceration: Insights from Pennsylvania.”
Research Methods in Criminal Justice (Fall 2018)
Lecture: “Qualitative Methods.”
Drugs, Crime, and Society (Spring 2018)
Lecture: “The Drug-Crime Link.”
Introduction to Law (Summer 2017)
Lecture: “Corrections & Reentry.”
Introduction to Criminal Justice (Summer 2017)
Lecture: “Collecting Data in Prisons.”

STUDENT ADVISING

Doctoral Students

Maeve Donnelly, Major Professor, Florida State University (Current)
Kathleen De Rooy, Doctoral Dissertation Committee, University of Queensland (2024)

Masters Students

Maeve Donnelly, Master’s Thesis Committee (2024)
Colin Blankenship, Master’s Thesis Committee (2023)

Supervised Research

Lexie Bryant, Florida State University (2024)

Maeve Donnelly, Florida State University (2024)

Supervised Teaching

Maeve Donnelly, Florida State University (2023)

Undergraduate Research Students

Kenneth Bevan, Honor's Thesis Committee Member, Florida State University (2024-2025)

Bianca Beliard, Honor's Thesis Committee Member, Florida State University (2024-2025)

Charlie Tyson, Honor's Thesis Chair, Florida State University (2023-2024)

Ila Rosario, Directed Individual Study, Florida State University (2024)

Jehanne Caudell, Directed Individual Study, Florida State University (2023)

Emily Mckenzie, Directed Individual Study, Florida State University (2023)

Charlie Tyson, Directed Individual Study, Florida State University (2023)

JOURNAL & BOOK REVIEWER

Criminology

Justice Quarterly

Criminology & Public Policy

Journal of Criminal Justice

Routledge Books

Crime & Delinquency

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency

BMC Public Health

Criminal Justice and Behavior

European Journal of Criminology

Social Problems

Journal of Drug Issues

Public Health Reports

Humanity & Society

International Journal of Offender Therapy & Comparative Criminology

Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology

Women and Criminal Justice

Health & Justice

Journal of Restoration, Rehabilitation, and Reentry

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2020 - ASC Division of Corrections and Sentencing

2019-21 Criminal Justice Research Center Advisory Board
Graduate Student Representative

2016 - American Society of Criminology

DEPARTMENTAL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2024-2025 ASC, Division on Corrections & Sentencing (DCS), Special Events Committee
Member

2023-2025 Scholarship Committee, College of Criminology & Criminal Justice
Member

2023-2025 Faculty Senate, Florida State University
Acting Alternate/Substitute

2023-2024 Administrative Advisory Committee, College of Criminology & Criminal Justice
Member

2020 Undergraduate Exhibition for Research, Inquiry, or Creative Activity
Pennsylvania State University
Judge – Social & Behavioral Sciences

2019-21 Department Community Service Committee, Pennsylvania State University
Member

2017-18 Criminology Forum Committee, Pennsylvania State University
Member