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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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2019 to Present. Assistant Professor of Sociology, University at Buffalo, SUNY  
Affiliations: Law School, University at Buffalo, SUNY

## EDUCATION

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2019. Ph.D. Sociology, University of Minnesota  
Dissertation: "Towards a Sociology of Mercy: A Mixed Methods Analysis of  
Commutation Release in the United States." Advisors: Christopher Uggen, &  
Michelle Phelps.
2017. M.A., Sociology, University of Minnesota  
Advisors: Christopher Uggen, & Michelle Phelps.
2013. M.A., Sociology & Social Justice, Kean University  
Thesis: "On the Measurement of Inmate Misconduct." Advisor: Jose Sanchez.
2007. B.A., Sociology, University of Iowa

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Punishment, Crime, Law and Society, Gender, Mixed-Methods

## SCHOLARSHIP

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### JOURNAL ARTICLES

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- Uggen, C., Stewart, R., & **Horowitz, V.** (2018). Why Not Minnesota? Norway, Justice Reform, and 50-Labs Federalism. *Federal Sentencing Reporter*, 31(1), 5-13.
- Horowitz, V.** & Uggen, C. (2018). Consistency and compensation in mercy: Commutation in the era of mass incarceration. *Social Forces*. 97(3), 1205-1230.
- Tietjen, G., Garneau, C. **Horowitz, V.**, & Noel, H. (2018). Showing up: The gendered effects of social engagement on educational participation in United States correctional facilities. *The Prison Journal* 98(3), 359-381.
- Horowitz, V. (2012). Aging and inmate misconduct: A test of the importation theory. *The International Journal of Aging and Society*, 2(2), 53-69.

### PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

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- Curry, C. **Horowitz, V.**, Edgell, P. The racialization of crime, colorblindness, and crime control attitudes.
- Curry, C. **Horowitz, V.**, Matonich, J., & Stock, K. Mass parental incarceration and sentencing reform in Minnesota. (*invited by Mitchell Hamline Law Review*)

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#### WORKING PAPERS

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**Horowitz, V.**, Larson, R. Nobles, A., Piehowski, V. & Page, J. Pragmatic punitiveness: The institutionalization of criminal domestic violence protector orders. Preparing for submission to *Law and Social Inquiry*.

Stewart, E. **Horowitz, V.**, & Curry, C. Ruthless or redemptive? Nonreligion and punitive attitudes. Preparing for submission to *Punishment & Society*

**Horowitz, V.**, Curry, C., & Edgell, P. Moral individualism and white evangelicals' attitudes toward crime, punishment, and rehabilitation

**Horowitz, V.** & Gowan, T. Feminized need and racialized danger: Punitive therapeutics in a Midwestern drug court.

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#### OTHER WRITING

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Utržan, D., Caitlin, C., & **Horowitz**. 2019. *Parental incarceration and child wellbeing: Analyzing semi-structured interviews using a phenomenological approach*. 1 Oliver's Yard, 55 City Road, London EC1Y 1SP United Kingdom: SAGE Publications Ltd.

Uggen, C. **Horowitz, V.** & Stewart, R. (2017). Public criminology and criminologists with records. *The Criminologist*, 42(1), 3-7.

Horowitz, V. (2015). (Book review). Can't catch a break: Gender, jail, and the limits of personal responsibility. Authors: Susan Sered & Maureen Norton-Hawk. *Criminal Justice Review*, 40(3) 406-408.

**Horowitz, V.**, & Uggen, C. (2015). Crime, punishment and politics. *Encyclopedia of American Political Culture*. Ed. Michael Shally-Jensen. Santa Barbara, CA: ABD-CLIO.

Horowitz, V. (2014). Getting an education: From state prison to graduate school. *EuroVista*, 3(1).

Horowitz, V. L. (2014). (Book review) A plague of prisons: The epidemiology of mass incarceration in America. Author: Ernest, Drucker. *Criminal Justice Review*, 39(2), 219-220.

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#### SPECIAL REPORTS

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Stewart, R., **Horowitz, V.**, & Uggen, C. (2017). Monetary Sanctions in Minnesota in *Monetary Sanctions in the Criminal Justice System*. Seattle, Washington: University of Washington (98-122).

**Horowitz, V.**, Kanerismen, A., Scrivner, E., & Wright, J. (2015). *Domestic Report on Children of Incarcerated Caregivers*. Minneapolis, MN.

Richardson, B., Hayashi, V., & **Horowitz, V.** (2015). *Iowa Project LAUNCH Cumulative Evaluation Report (2009-2015)*. Iowa City, IA: University of Iowa.

Landsman, M.J., Richardson, B., McCrory, K., Gindin, A., & **Horowitz, V.** (2009). *Evaluation of Title IV-E Waiver for Subsidized Guardianship in Iowa*. Iowa City, IA: University of Iowa.

Saunders, E., Landsman, M.J., Graf, N., & **Horowitz, V.** (2004). *A Cross-Site Evaluation of Iowa's Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Intervention, and Community Programs*. Iowa City, IA: University of Iowa.

Saunders, E., Landsman, M.J., Graf, N., & **Horowitz, V.** (2003). *A Cross-Site Evaluation of Iowa's Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Intervention, and Community Programs*. Iowa City, IA: University of Iowa.

## GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

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### EXTERNAL GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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- 2018-2019 *Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, Madison.* “Dual Debtors: Child Support and Criminal Financial Legal Obligations.” [Co-I with PI Chris Uggen, Co-I’s Rob Stewart, Frank Edwards, Emmi Obara, and Kim Spencer-Suarez]. \$18,938.
- 2017-2018 *Horowitz\* Foundation for Social Policy, New Brunswick, NJ.* “Towards a Sociology of Mercy: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Commutation Release in the United States.” \$7,500.\*no relation
- 2017-2018 *Dissertation Scholarship, Division on Corrections and Sentencing, American Society of Criminology.* “Towards a Sociology of Mercy: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Commutation Release in the United States.” \$1,000.
- 2017-2018 *Feminist Criminology Scholarship, Division on Women and Crime, American Society of Criminology.* “Mercy in a Punitive Place? A Case Study of Gender and Commutation in Louisiana.” \$5,000.

### INTERNAL GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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- 2018-2019 *Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts.* “Towards a Sociology of Mercy: A Mixed-Methods Multi-Level Analysis.” \$25,000.
- 2018-2019 *Interdisciplinary Collaborative Workshops, College of Liberal Arts.* “The Effects of Parental Incarceration on Family and Child Wellbeing.” [Student Investigator under PIs Joshua Page and Damir Utržan. \$10,000.
- 2017-2018 *Anna Welsch Bright Research Award, Department of Sociology.* “Towards a Sociology of Mercy: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Commutation Release in the United States.” \$5,000.
- 2016-2017 *Aldous Innovation Funds for Public Engagement, College of Liberal Arts.* “Protecting the Rights of Children Whose Parents are Incarcerated.” [Selected as Aldous Fellow, Awardee Barbara Frey, Director of Human Rights Institute. \$5,000 (recipient of \$2,500)].
- 2014-2015 *Mixed-Methods Interdisciplinary Graduate Group Scholarship.* “Gender in(justice)? A Mixed Methods Approach to Understanding the Role of Gender in Commutations.” \$1,000.
- 2013-2014 *Life Course Fellowship, Life Course Center, Department of Sociology.* \$7,800 (\$5,000 for Summer Research, \$1,600 for conference travel, \$1,200 for research equipment.
- 2012-2013 *Martin Rogers Alumni Association Scholarship in Human Rights, Kean University.* \$1,000.

## RESEARCH POSITIONS

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- 2015 (Fall) - Present Research Assistant, Multi State Study of Monetary Sanctions, PI: Alexes Harris [Co-PI Chris Uggen, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota.]
- 2016 (Spring) - 2015 (Summer) Research Intern, Children of Incarcerated Caregivers, Minneapolis, MN.  
Children of Incarcerated Caregivers Minneapolis, MN.
- 2014 (Fall) - 2014 (Spring) Research Assistant, PI Michelle Phelps, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota
- 2014 (Summer) Research Assistant, School of Social Work, National Resource Center for Family Centered Practice, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.
- 2012 (Spring) Research Practicum, Drug Policy Alliance, New York City, NY.

2011-2013 Graduate Assistant, Holocaust Resource Center, Kean University, Union, NJ.  
2007-2009 & Research Assistant I, National Resource Center for Family Centered Practice,  
2003-2005 University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.  
(Summers)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Spencer-Suarez, K. **Horowitz, V.**, Stewart, R., Obara, E., Edwards, F., Larson, R., & Uggen, C. (scheduled, 2020). Dual debtors: Navigating child support arrears and criminal justice debt. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference. January 15-19, 2020. Washington, DC.
- Horowitz, V. (scheduled 2019). Discretion and discrimination: Comparing the predictors of types of prison release. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 13-15, 2019, San Francisco, CA.
- Larson, R., Stewart, R., **Horowitz, V.**, & Uggen, C. (scheduled 2019). The socio-cultural effects of race and indigeneity on monetary sanctions in Minnesota. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 13-15, 2019, San Francisco, CA.
- Horowitz, V.**, & DalCortivo, C. (scheduled 2019). The Scandinavian prison project: Experiencing Scandinavian exceptionalism as a Pennsylvania correctional officer. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 13-15, 2019, San Francisco, CA.
- Horowitz, V. (2019). Mercy and the maintenance of social control. Law and Society Annual Meeting and Junior Scholars Workshop, May 27-June 3, 2019, Washington D.C.
- Horowitz, V.** Curry, C., & Stewart, E. (2018). Evangelicals and the tension between punitive views on crime control and advocacy for prison reform. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 14-17, Atlanta, GA.
- Horowitz, V.** & Uggen, C. (2018). Consistency and compensation in mercy: Commutation in the era of mass incarceration. American Sociological Association Meeting. August 11-14, 2018, Philadelphia, PA.
- Horowitz, V.**, Stewart, R., Carlson, C., & Uggen C. (2018). Monetary sanctions in Minnesota: Roads not taken. Midwest Sociological Society Annual Conference. March 22-25, Minneapolis, MN.
- Horowitz, V.**, Larson, R. Nobles, A., Piehowski, & V. Page, J. (2018). No contact: The origins and trajectory of domestic abuse law in Minnesota. Midwest Sociological Society Annual Conference. March 22-25, Minneapolis, MN.
- Horowitz, V.**, & Uggen, C. (2017). Mercy and commutation in the mass incarceration era: A multi-level multi-method investigation. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November, 15-18, Philadelphia, PA.
- Horowitz, V.**, Larson, R. Nobles, A., Page, J. & Piehowski, V. (2017). No contact: The origins and trajectory of domestic abuse law in Minnesota. Law and Society Annual Conference. June 20-23, Mexico City, Mexico.
- Horowitz, V.**, & Gowan, T. (2016). Feminized need and racialized risk: Accentuated gender and color-blind racism in a Midwestern drug court. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November, 16-19, New Orleans, LA.
- Horowitz, V.**, & Gowan, T. (2016). Feminized need and racialized risk: A race, class, gender comparison in a Midwestern drug court. American Sociological Association Meeting. August 20-23, Seattle, WA.

- Horowitz, V. (2016). The impact of crime and arrest on self-esteem: A longitudinal analysis. Law and Society Annual Conference. June 2-6, New Orleans, LA.
- Horowitz, V., & Uggen, C.** (2015). The case for commutation. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. November 18-21, Washington, DC.
- Horowitz, V., Kaneriseman, A., Scrivner, E., & Wright, J.** (2015). Children of Incarcerated Caregivers Reception. September 9, Minneapolis, MN.
- Horowitz, V., & Uggen, C.** (2015). Mercy and commutation in the mass incarceration era. American Sociological Association Meeting. August 22-25, Chicago, IL.
- Tietjen, G. Garneau, C., **Horowitz, V., & Noel, H.** (2015). Showing up: The gendered effects of social capital on educational participation in the United States correctional facilities. Midwest Sociological Society Meeting. March 26-29, Kansas City, KS.
- Horowitz, V. (2014). EnGendering disparities in drug court. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 19-22, San Francisco, CA.
- Horowitz, V. (2014). The gendered nature of commutations: A mixed methods analysis. Roundtable presented at the American Sociological Association Meeting. August 16-19, San Francisco, CA.
- Horowitz, V. (2014). Gender inequalities in prison labor: Work opportunities, payment, and occupational segregation. Law and Society Annual Conference. May 29-June 1, Minneapolis, MN.
- Horowitz, V., & Stewart, R.** (2013). Prison as a choice: When incarceration is preferable to prison. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 20-23, Atlanta, GA.
- Horowitz, V. (2013). Incarceration and recidivism: A relationship of fundamental causality? Roundtable presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. August 10-13, New York City, NY.
- Horowitz, V. (2012). Mis-measuring misconduct: A content analysis of recent research on inmate misconduct. American Society of Criminology Meeting. November 14-17, Chicago, IL.
- Horowitz, V. (2012). Aging and inmate misconduct: A test of the importation theory. Aging and Society Conference. November 5-6, Vancouver, Canada.
- Horowitz, V. (2012). Exploring incarceration and environmental injustice: Superfund sites and prisons in California. Workshop presented at the Mid-Atlantic Law & Society Conference. October 19-20, Philadelphia, PA.
- Horowitz, V., & Sorensen, C.** (2007). Only times will tell: A content analysis of *New York Times* obituaries. Iowa Sociological Association Meeting. April 13, Decorah, IA.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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2019 (Fall)	Professor, Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo, SUNY. Criminal Justice Systems.
2019 (Fall)	Professor, Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo, SUNY. Gender and Crime
2016 (Summer)	Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. Sociological Perspectives on the American Criminal Justice System.
2015 (Fall)	Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. Sociological Perspectives on the American Criminal Justice System.

## SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

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### PROFESSIONALS MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

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#### **Professional Memberships**

American Society of Criminology  
American Sociological Association  
Law and Society Association  
Midwest Sociological Society

#### **Manuscript Reviewer**

*Qualitative Sociology* (2019)  
*Social Forces* (2018, 2019)  
*American Journal of Sociology* (2018, 2019)  
*Journal of Criminal Justice* (2018)  
*Criminology & Criminal Justice* (2018)  
*Criminal Justice Review* (2016, 2017)  
*Law and Society Review* (2016)  
*The Journal of Crime and Justice* (2015)  
*Taylor & Francis, Routledge* (2014)  
*International Journal of Aging and Society* (2012-2013)

#### **Conference Panel Organizer (O), Chair (C), and/or Discussant (D)**

2019 Law & Society Annual Meeting (O&C)  
2018 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (O, C, & D)  
2017 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (C & D)  
2017 Law & Society Annual Meeting (C&D)  
2016 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (C)  
2015 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (C)  
2014 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (O, C, & D)  
2013 Law & Society Annual Meeting (C)  
2013 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (C)

#### **Supportive Positions at Nonprofits**

The Prison Scholars Fund. *Advisor*. March, 2018-present.  
Children of Incarcerated Caregivers. *Advisory Board Member*. June, 2017-2019.

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### CLE TRAININGS FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

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<i>The Harms of Mass Parental Incarceration</i>	Mitchell-Hamline Law School Symposium (April, 2019)
<i>Family Relationships as a Basis for Dispositional Departures</i>	Sixth District Regional Meeting of Public Defenders (Sept, 2017) Minnesota Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys (June, 2017) Chief Public Defenders of Minnesota (April, 2017) Hennepin County Public Defenders (September, 2016) Ramsey County Public Defenders (October, 2017)
<i>The Impact of Parental Incarceration on Children</i>	United States District Court Judges In-Court Seminar (June, 2017)