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**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice 2014-2020**

Cognate: Communication

Dissertation: *Clarifying the complex relationship between motherhood and recidivism: A study of parenting problems and ideologies among justice-involved mothers*

Committee: Dr. Merry Morash (Chair), Dr. Steven Chermak, Dr. JenniferCobbina, and Dr. Sandi Smith

**M.S. Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice 2013-2014**

Thesis: *Maternal motivations and criminal desistance*

Committee: Dr. Merry Morash (Chair), Dr. Jennifer Cobbina, and Dr. Mahesh Nalla

**B.A. Michigan State University, 2010-2012**

Summa Cum Laude with High Honors

Majors: Psychology and Criminal Justice

Attended **Loyola University Chicago 2008-2010**

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Correctional Evaluation

Gender and Family Responsibility

Stress and Mental Health

Neighborhood Danger and Disadvantage

Crime and Substance Use Cessation

Normative Beliefs and Identity

Communication and Social Support

Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships

**EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

July 2020-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University

November 2019- Research Team Leader and Interviewer for the National

March 2020 Science Foundation sponsored grant “Communication between Probation and Parole Agents and their Clients: Gender Differences, Client Psychological Responses, and Behavioral Outcomes” Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Merry Morash

May 2019- Instructor, School of Criminal Justice,

July 2019 Michigan State University

August 2017- Graduate Research Assistant, School of Criminal Justice,

May 2019 Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Merry Morash

August 2013- Graduate Research Assistant and Project Manager for the National

2017 Science Foundation sponsored grant “The Effect of Identity Development on Women's Recidivism” Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Merry Morash

October 2013- Graduate Research Assistant for U.S. Department of Justice

April 2014 sponsored grant “Ceasefire Detroit” Michigan State University,

Supervisor: Dr. Edmund McGarrell

August 2012- Qualitative Data Manager for the National Science Foundation

August 2013 sponsored grant “Probation/Parole Officer Interactions with Women Offenders: Do Relationship Style and Communication Pattern Predict Outcomes?” Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Merry Morash

February 2012- Transcriber for the National Science Foundation sponsored

August 2012 grant “Probation/Parole Officer Interactions with Women Offenders: Do Relationship Style and Communication Pattern Predict Outcomes?” Michigan State University, Supervisors: Drs. Merry Morash and Jennifer Cobbina

February 2012- Behavioral Aide for Children with Emotional Impairments and

July 2013 Difficult Behaviors at Community Based Intervention Rehabilitation Services, Lansing, Michigan,

Supervisor: Richard Green

February 2012- Research Assistant for the National Institute of Child Health and

September 2012 Development sponsored grant “The effects of pre- and post-natal IPV on infant behavior and physiology” Michigan State University, Supervisors: Drs. Alytia Levendosky and Anne Bogat

May 2011- Video Coder for Study of Marital Interactions in the Department

January 2012 of Psychology, Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Mikhila Humbad

September 2010- Research Assistant for the National Institute of Mental Health

January 2012 sponsored grant “Gene-environment interactions in childhood conduct problems” Michigan State University, Supervisor: Dr. Alexandra Burt

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Journal Articles, Refereed**

**Adams, E. A.** (2020). Intensive parenting beliefs and risks for recidivism among justice- involved mothers. *Women and Criminal Justice*. 1-20. doi: 10.1080/08974454.2020.1741487

**Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Cobbina, J. E., & Smith, S. W. (2017). Women’s experiences of motherhood, violations of supervision requirements and arrests. *British Journal of Criminology,* *57*, 1420-1441. doi:10.1093/bjc/azw092

Holmstrom, A. J., **Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Smith, S. W., & Cobbina, J. E. (2017) Supportive messages female offenders receive from probation and parole officers about substance use: Message perceptions and effects. *Criminal Justice and Behavior, 44*, 1496 -1517. doi:10.1177/00938548177233

Roddy, A. L., Morash, M., **Adams, E. A.,** Holmstrom, A. J.,Smith, S.W., & Cobbina, J. E. (2019). The nature and effects of messages that women receive from probation and parole agents in conversations about employment. *Criminal Justice and Behavior.* doi:10.1177/0093854818811385

Smith, S. W., Morash, M.,Walling, B., **Adams, E. A.,** & Holmstrom, A. J. (2019). Precursors to probation and parole agent intent to send informational, emotional, and esteem social support messages to female clients. *Journal of Applied Communication Research*.  doi: 10.1080/00909882.2019.1615632

Smith, S. W., Morash, M., Walling, B., & **Adams, E. A.** (2020). Precursors to probation and parole agent communication style with female clients. 1-23, *Communication Studies*. doi: 10.1080/10510974.2020.1725080

**Book Chapters**

**Adams, E.** (2014). “‘On the bus mall’ Homeless youth community affected by societal issues.” In A. D. Smith, T. G. Smith and S, Watkins, *The pop culture zone: Writing critically about popular culture*. 2nd ed. Boston, MA: Wadsworth Cengage Learning.

Morash, M., **Adams, E. A.**, Goodson, M. V., Cobbina, J. E., & Smith, S. W. (2019). Prison experiences and identity in women’s life stories. In A. Leverentz, Chen, E., & J. Christian, *Moving beyond recidivism: Expanding approaches to research on prisoner reentry and reintegration*. NYU Press.

Smith, S. W., Morash, M., Holmstrom, A., Walling, B., & **Adams, E. A**. (2019).  How interpersonal communication improves the lives of women on probation and parole. In S.W. Wilson and S.W. Smith (Eds.), *Reflections on Interpersonal Communication*. San Diego: Cognella.

**Other Publications**

**Adams, E.** (2016). Kanka, Megan. In Bailey, F.Y., & S. M., Chermak, *Crimes of the century: an encyclopedia of notorious crimes, criminals, and criminal trials in American history*.

McGarrell, E. F., Pizarro, J. M., Circo, G., **Adams, E.,** & Rossler, M. (2013). Detroit Ceasefire: Interim Report. Michigan State University.

**Journal Articles Under Review**

**Adams, E. A.,** Morash, M., & Holmstrom, A. J. (accepted with minor revisions). An opportunity for probation and parole agents to provide optimal support to mothers they supervise. *Women and Criminal Justice.*

**Manuscripts in Preparation**

**Adams, E. A**. (in preparation). A multi-level analysis of justice-involved mothers’ violations based on agent and county characteristics.

**Adams, E. A.,** Morash, M., & Cobbina, J. E. (in preparation). Neighborhood danger, disaster-avoidance parenting strategies, and cumulative stress among among mothers on probation and parole.

**Adams, E. A.,** &McGarrell, E. F. (in preparation). Resident perspectives of police legitimacy and procedural justice in relation to cooperation with the police: Implications for community relations and crime control.

Morash, M., **Adams, E. A.,** &Smith, S. W. (in preparation). The state of interdisciplinary research on communication and criminal justice: A case for integrating classrooms and theories. To Send to *Criminal Justice Education*.

Smith, S. W.**,** Walling, B., Holmstrom, A., **Adams, E. A.**, & Morash, M. (in preparation). The intersection of social support and memorable messages in context of women on probation and parole.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Conference Papers**

**Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Cobbina, J. E., Smith, S. W., & Kashy, D. A. “Mothers under Community Supervision: Challenges, Motivations and Criminal Desistance.” American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA (2014). Presenter and Chair.

**Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Smith, S. W., Kashy, D. A., & Cobbina, J. E. “Maternal Motivations and Criminal Desistance.” American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC (2015). Presenter and Chair.

Holmstrom, A. J., **Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Smith, S. W., Kashy, D. A., & Cobbina, J. E. “So that’s how she do”: Supportive messages female offenders receive from parole officers. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Fukuoka, Japan, (2016). Co-presenter. Peer-Reviewed Conference; Division has 46% acceptance rate.

**Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Smith, S. W., Kashy, D. A., & Cobbina, J. E. Support and resources for mothers on probation and parole: A critical assessment. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, LA (2016). Presenter.

**Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Smith, S. W., Holmstrom, A., Kashy, D. A., & Cobbina, J. E. Supportive Messages Female Offenders Receive from Probation and Parole Officers about Parenting Stress and Child Custody Issues: Message Perceptions and Effects. Presented at Michigan State University Graduate Academic Conference, East Lansing, MI (2017). Presenter.

Smith, S. W., Morash, M., **Adams, E. A**., Walling, B. M., & Cobbina, J. E. Precursors to Probation and Parole Agent Intent to Send Informational, Emotional, and Esteem Social Support Messages to Female Clients. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Diego, CA (2017). Peer-Reviewed Conference; Division has 46% acceptance rate.

**Adams, E. A.**, Morash, M., Smith, S. W., & Cobbina, J. E. Mothers on Community Supervision: Understanding Child-Centered Motivations and Behaviors in Relation to Neighborhood Crime. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA (2017). Presenter.

Morash, M., **Adams, E. A.**, Goodson, M. V., Cobbina, J. E., & Smith, S. The Prison Experience and Women’s Narrative Identity. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA (2017). Presenter.

Smith, S. W.**,** Walling, B., **Adams, E. A**., Morash, M., Holmstrom, A., & Cobbina, J. E., Precursors to Probation and Parole Agent Communication Style with Female Clients. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic (2018). Peer-Reviewed Conference; Division has 46% acceptance rate.

Smith, S. W., Walling, B., Holmstrom, A., **Adams, E. A.**, & Morash, M. The Intersection of Social Support and Memorable Messages in the Context of Women on Probation and Parole. To be presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT (2018).

Roddy, A. L., **Adams, E. A.,** Morash, M.,Holmstrom, A. J.,Smith, S.W., & Cobbina, J. E. The Nature and Effects of Messages that Women Receive from Probation and Parole Agents in Conversations about Employment. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA (2018).

**Adams, E. A.** An examination of the relationships among justice-involved mothers’ intensive parenting ideologies and risks for recidivism. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA (2019).

**FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS & AWARDS**

Recipient, Criminal Justice Alumni Graduate Endowed Assistantship 2018

Supports Assistantship for the 2018-2019 Academic Year

Recipient, Doctoral Summit Fellowship 2018 ACJS (Conference Registration and Hotel Accommodation)

Recipient, Huff Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State 2017 University ($514)

Recipient, Huff Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State 2016 University ($508)

Recipient, Top 4 Paper Award from the Interpersonal Communication Division 2016 of the International Communication Association, Fukuoka, Japan, June 9-13, 2016 (Peer-Reviewed Conference; Division has 46% acceptance rate)

Recipient, Travel Award from the Interpersonal Communication Division of the 2016 International Communication Association ($300)

Recipient, Travel Award from the Anneberg Travel Fund of the International 2016 Communication Association ($100)

Recipient, Travel Award, College of Social Science at Michigan State 2016 University ($500)

Recipient, Travel Award, The Graduate School at Michigan State 2016 University ($250)

Recipient, Travel Award, International Studies and Programs at Michigan State 2016 University ($300)

Recipient, Travel Award, College of Graduate Studies at Michigan State 2016 University ($300)

Recipient, Travel Award, Center for Gender in Global Context at Michigan State 2016 University ($300)

Recipient, Criminal Justice 75th Anniversary Scholarship, The School of Criminal 2016 Justice at Michigan State University ($300)

Recipient, Huff Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State 2015 University ($623)

Recipient, Summer Fellowship, College of Social Science at Michigan State 2015 University ($2,000)

Recipient, Huff Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State 2014 University ($578)

**CERTIFICATIONS**

Michigan Incident Crime Reporting Training 2014

Michigan State Police

Risk Terrain Modeling Certification 2014

Rutgers University

Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program 2018

School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University

Carson City Correctional Facility

**ADVANCED STATISTICS COURSES**

**Michigan State University**

2017 Latent Variable Modeling

Instructor: Dr. Tenko Raykov, Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology

2016 Data Analysis: Mixed Methods

Instructor: Dr. Merry Morash, School of Criminal Justice

2015 Advanced Multivariate Data Analysis II

Instructor: Dr. Spyros Konstantopoulos, Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology

**Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research**

2015 Multilevel Models: Introduction and Applications

Instructor: Dr. Mark Manning, Wayne State University

**Rutgers University**

2014 Risk Terrain Modeling Training Webinar

Instructor: Dr. Joel M. Caplan, School of Criminal Justice

**TEACHING**

**Instruction**

Criminology, Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice

Summer 2019, online, 50 students

**Experience as Mentor**

*Qualitative Data Manager*  2012-2017

Trained students and non-student research assistants to transcribe and ensured their progress and performance.

*Project Manager for Women Improving Probation and Parole* 2012-2016

Trained and supervised interviewers and qualitative coders.

*Undergraduate Research Mentor*  2015

University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum at Michigan State University Student: Erica Dalzell. I taught Ms. Dalzell how to code qualitative data, secure reliability, write up her results, as well as prepare her poster for presentation.

*Undergraduate Research Mentor*  2016

University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum at Michigan State University Student: Erica Dalzell. I taught Ms. Dalzell how to conduct follow-up analyses on the data from her previous project and helped her prepare her poster for presentation.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Service to the Profession**

Ad-hoc Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Criminal Justice and Behavior, Journal of Developmental and Life-course Criminology, International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*

Graduate Employee Union Steward for the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University October 2017-2019

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2014-Present American Society of Criminology

Division of Women and Crime

2016-2017 International Communication Association

Interpersonal Communication

Organizational Communication

2018-Present Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

Corrections

Minorities and Women

**REFERENCES**

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