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**EDUCATION**

- 2009            Ph.D, Criminology and Criminal Justice  
University of Missouri – St. Louis  
Dissertation: *From Prison to Home: Women’s Pathways In and Out of Crime* (Chair: Jody Miller)
- 2006            M.A., Criminology and Criminal Justice  
University of Missouri – St. Louis
- 2004            B.A., Criminal Justice and Sociology  
Indiana University – Bloomington

**APPOINTMENT**

Michigan State University            Assistant Professor            August 2009

**PUBLICATIONS**

- Huebner, Beth M., Christina DeJong, and Jennifer E. Cobbina (forthcoming). “Women Coming Home: Long-Term Patterns of Recidivism.” *Justice Quarterly*.
- Cobbina, Jennifer E., Jody Miller, and Rod Brunson. 2008. “Gender, Neighborhood Danger, and Risk Avoidance Strategies among Urban African American Youth.” *Criminology*, 46 (3): 501-538.
- Cobbina, Jennifer E. 2008. “Race and Class Differences in the Portrayals of Crack-Cocaine and Methamphetamine in Print Media.” *Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture*, 15 (2): 145-167.
- Cobbina, Jennifer. 2008. Book Review: “War on the Family: Mothers in Prison and the Families They Leave Behind.” By Renny Golden. *Criminal Justice Review*, 33 (1): 126-128.

Huebner, Beth M. and Jennifer E. Cobbina. 2007. "Drug Use, Treatment, and Probationer Recidivism." *Journal of Drug Issues*, 37 (3): 619-642.

## **MANUSCRIPT UNDER REVIEW**

Cobbina, Jennifer, Toya Z. Like, and Jody Miller. "Gender and the Social Construction of Violence: An Examination of Young Men's Accounts." Revise and resubmit to *Deviant Behavior*, March 2009.

## **TECHNICAL REPORT**

Richardson, Lillard E., Beth Huebner, David Valentine, Shannon Stokes, Jennifer Cobbina, and Mark Berg. 2006. "Sex Offenders Risk Assessment." Report to the Missouri Sentencing Advisory Committee.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Administrative**

2007-2008 *Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, 2008 Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology.* Drs. Robert J. Bursik, Jody Miller, and G. David Curry. Duties include working with 2008 ASC President and Program Chairs to organize the 2008 meetings and assist with local arrangements.

### **Research**

2005-2009 *Graduate Research Assistant, Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis*

Dr. Jody Miller (August 2006-May 2008). *Gender and Urban Violence.* Duties include qualitative data analysis and writing manuscripts.

Dr. Eric Baumer (June-July 2006). *Multi-Level, Multi-Method Analysis of Offender Re-Entry in Ireland.* Duties included data entry.

Dr. Scott Decker (April-May 2006). *Central West End Project.* Duties included field observations, data collection, data analysis, and report writing.

Drs. Scott Decker and Beth Huebner (January 2005-February 2007). *Project Safe Neighborhoods.* Duties included conducting interviews with juveniles in detention and adults in St. Louis County Jail.

Dr. Finn Esbensen (May-August 2005). *Evaluation of Teens, Crime, and Community Program/Community Works Training.* Duties included data entry of youth surveys.

## **Teaching**

2007-2008 *Instructor*, Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis.  
Course Taught: CCJ 2260 Corrections (Summer Session).

2004-2007 *Graduate Teaching Assistant*, Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Dr. Beth Huebner (June 2005-May 2007). *CCJ 4335 Probation and Parole; CCJ 2270 Corrections*. Duties included in-class lectures, grading exams and papers, holding office hours, and providing general course assistance.

Drs. Janet Lauritsen and Eric Stewart (August 2004-May 2005). *CCJ 2220 Statistical Analysis in Criminology & Criminal Justice*. Duties included grading quizzes and exams, holding office hours, and providing general course assistance.

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

Recipient, Graduate Research Fellowship, National Institute of Justice, 2008-2009 (\$20,000).

Recipient, Graduate Minority Fellowship, American Society of Criminology, 2007 (\$6,000).

Recipient, Outstanding Graduate Student Award, University of Missouri-St. Louis, 2007 (\$4,000).

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Invited Colloquia**

2008 Like, Toya, Jennifer Cobbina, and Jody Miller. "Urban Adolescent Males' Use of Talk in the Social Construction of Gender and Violence." Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network, The Ohio State University, July 25.

2007 Cobbina, Jennifer E., Jody Miller and Rod Brunson. "Gender, Neighborhood Danger, and Risk Avoidance Strategies among Urban African American Youth." Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network, The Ohio State University, July 27.

### **Conference Papers**

2008 Cobbina, Jennifer E. "From Prison to Home: Women's Pathways In and Out of Crime." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, St. Louis, Missouri, November.

- 2007 Huebner, Beth M., Christina DeJong, and Jennifer Cobbina. "Women Coming Home: The Role of Community Context in Explaining Long-Term Patterns of Recidivism." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, Georgia, November.
- 2007 Cobbina, Jennifer E., Jody Miller, and Rod Brunson. "Gender, Neighborhood Danger, and Risk Avoidance Strategies among Urban African American Youth." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, Georgia, November.
- 2006 Cobbina, Jennifer E. "Race and Class Differences in the Portrayals of Crack-Cocaine and Methamphetamine in Print Media." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, California, November.
- 2005 Huebner, Beth M. and Jennifer E. Cobbina. "Drug Use, Treatment, and Probationer Recidivism." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Ontario, November.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Referee for Scholarly Publications**

- 2008 Peer Reviewer for *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*

### **College/Departmental Service**

- 2006-2007 *Vice President, Graduate Student Association.* Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Missouri-St. Louis. Duties included organizing fundraising efforts, preparing social events for guest speakers, and writing grant proposals.

### **University Service**

- 2005-2007 *Assistant, International Student Orientation.* Center for International Studies, University of Missouri-St. Louis. Duties included transportation of new students from airport, assistance with registration, and conducting campus tours

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

American Society of Criminology

## **AFFILIATION**

- 2007-Present *Member,* Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice – Network