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EDUCATION

Michigan State University 2019-2024 (expected)
School of Criminal Justice, Ph.D. Candidate
Dissertation Title: “A Few Bad Apples: An Empirical Assessment and Policy Simulation of Racial Disparities in Policing”
Committee: Drs. Scott Wolfe (Chair), Chris Melde, Jeff Rojek, Justin Nix

University of Iowa
Department of Sociology, B.S. Criminology, Law, Justice 2019

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles: ([Google Scholar Profile](#))

Carter, T.M., & Melde, C.E. (Forthcoming). Testing the generality of Ferraro’s risk interpretation model. *Crime & Delinquency*

Carter, T.M., Wolfe, S.E., Nam Y.D., & Lawson, S.G. (Forthcoming). Innovating community-oriented policing: An overview of Front-Porch Roll Calls in Saginaw, MI. [Policing: An International Journal](#)

Carter T. M., & Wolfe, S.E. (2021). Explaining the relationship between neighborhood disorder and crime fear: The perceptual role of neighbors and the police. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 77, 101867. [Journal of Criminal Justice](#)

Carter, T.M., & Turner, N.D. (2021). Examining the immediate effects of COVID-19 on residential and commercial burglaries in Michigan: An interrupted time-series analysis. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 76, 101834. [Journal of Criminal Justice](#)

REPORTS

Carter, T., Knode, J., & Wolfe, S. E., (2022). *Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops Using the Veil of Darkness Methodology*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan Statistical Analysis Center, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Carter, T. M., Wolfe, S. E., Nam, Y., & Lawson, S. G. (2022). *Saginaw Initiative to Reduce Violence (SIRV): A Final Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Nam, Y., **Carter, T.M.**, Wolfe, S. E., Rojek, A., & Lawson, S. (2022). *Project Safe Neighborhoods: Saginaw Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Magee, L., **Carter, T.M.**, & McGarrell, E. F. (2021). *Detroit Grand Jury Project: Final Project Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.**, & Knode, J. (2021). *Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking: A Final Report on Racial and Ethnic Disparities*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#) [NewsWeek](#)

Carter, T.M., & Turner, N. (2020). *COVID-19 CSS Small Research Grant for Graduate Students Final Project Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice. Report to Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Wolfe, S.E., **Carter, T.M.**, Nam, D., S.E., Lawson, S. G. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Pre-Test Community Survey and Front-Porch Roll Call Survey Results*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

Carter, T.M., Nam, D., Rojek, A., Wolfe, S.E., Lawson, S. G. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Spatial analysis of crime hot spots: City of Saginaw (2019-2020)*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

Carter, T.M., Nam, D., Lawson, S. G., Rojek, A., Wolfe, S.E. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Spatial analysis of crime hot spots: City of Saginaw (2017-2019)*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW AND IN PREPARATION

Under Review:

Knode, J., Wolfe, S.E., **Carter, T.M.** Shedding light on the Veil of Darkness: How to use the veil of darkness to examine racial disparity. (Revise and Resubmit, *Criminology*)

In Progress:

Carter, T.M., & Wolfe, S.E. The effect of real-world proactive policing on crime: A dynamic approach to understanding a timeless question.

Carter T.M., Rojek, J., Wolfe, S.E. Estimating the impact of traffic enforcement and motor vehicle crashes.

PRESENTATIONS

Professional Presentations:

Carter, T.M. (2023). Fewer traffic stops, more traffic crashes? The 79th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.

Carter, T.M. (2022). Proactive policing and crime revisited: A dynamic approach to a timeless question. The 78th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.**, & Knode, J. (2022). Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops Using the Veil of Darkness Methodology. Michigan State Police Headquarters, Dimondale, MI.

Carter, T.M., Wolfe, S.E. (2021). Explaining the relationship between neighborhood disorder and crime fear: The perceptual role of neighbors and the police. The 77th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.**, & Knode, J. (2021). Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking: A Final Report on Racial and Ethnic Disparities. Michigan State Police Headquarters, Dimondale, MI.

Invited Presentations:

Carter, T.M. (2021). “Structural Equation Modeling in Criminal Justice Research.” Invited lecturer event, CJ 907: Advanced Topics in Criminal Justice Data Analysis, Michigan State University.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University

Undergraduate Classroom Instruction:

Methods of Criminal Justice Research 2022
Sole Instructor
Students: 35
[Student Instructional Rating](#)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Michigan Justice Statistics Center 2021-Present
Graduate Research Fellow

Michigan State University 2019-Present
Graduate Research Assistant

RESEARCH GRANTS EXPERIENCE

Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops 2022-2023
Graduate Research Fellow

Studying the Impact of the Nonfatal Shooting Grand Jury Project 2021-2022
Research Assistant-Time Series Analyst
Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, (Grant No. 2017-DG-BX-K012)

Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking on Racial and Ethnic Disparities 2021
Graduate Research Fellow

Saginaw Community, Offender, and Victim Cooperation Initiative 2020-2022
Research Assistant
Funding: Strategies for Policing Innovation (SPI), Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2019-WY-BX-0003)

Project Sage Neighborhoods—Saginaw Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program 2020-2022
Research Assistant
Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2019-GP-BX-0060)

Smart Policing Initiative—Detroit Police Department 2020-2021
Research Assistant
Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2016-WY-BX-0005)

COVID-19 Small Research Grant 2020
Co-Investigator
Funding: College of Social Sciences, Michigan State University
Amount: \$3,000

AWARDS

American Society of Criminology

Conference Travel Award, Division of Policing. 2022

Michigan State University

Conference Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI. 2022

Conference Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI. 2021

Summer Research Fellowship, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI. 2021

Summer Research Fellowship, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI. 2019

CERTIFICATIONS

Graduate Teaching Workshop Certificate of Completion, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI. 2022

ADVANCED TRAINING

Applied Econometrics, Michigan State University

Instructors: Dr. Jeff Wooldridge and Dr. Tim Vogelsang (Michigan State University)

Structural Equation Modeling, Michigan State University

Instructor: Dr. Tenko Raykov (Michigan State University)

Time Series Analysis, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

Instructors: Dr. Sara Mitchell (University of Iowa) and Dr. Clayton Webb (University of Kansas)

COMMITTEE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

University:

Member, Graduate Student Advisory Council, Michigan 2022-2023

Participant, MSU Department of Police and Public Safety Citizen's Police Academy 2022

Hearing Board Member and Chair, All-University Student Hearing Board, Michigan State University 2021-2023

School:

Student Leader/Tutor, SCJ RStudio User's Group, School of Criminal Justice, 2020-2023
Michigan State University

Secretary, Graduate Student Association Executive Committee, School of 2020-2021
Criminal Justice, Michigan State University

PEER REVIEW/REFEREE ACTIVITIES

Crime Science

Criminal Justice Policy Review

Deviant Behavior

International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice

Journal of Criminal Justice

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency

Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice

PLOS ONE

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

American Society of Criminology-Division of Policing (ASC-DP)

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honors Society