

## Kimberly M. Davidson

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### EDUCATION

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- Ph.D.           The Pennsylvania State University, Summer 2021 (*Expected*) – 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*

### RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

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

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

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- Kreager, Derek A., Jacob T. N. Young, Dana L. Haynie, David R. Schaefer, Martin Bouchard, & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. In Press. “In the Eye of the Beholder: Meaning and Structure of Informal Status in Women’s and Men’s Prisons.” *Criminology*.
- Davidson, Kimberly M.** In Press. “Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Pennsylvania Prison-Based Therapeutic Community.” *Criminal Justice and Behavior*.
- Schaefer, David R., **Kimberly M. Davidson**, Dana L. Haynie, & Martin Bouchard. Online First. “Network Integration within a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community.” *Social Networks*.
- 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.

## GRANTS & FUNDING

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- 2020-2021 National Institute of Justice (Principle 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 Penn State University – College of the Liberal Arts (Principle Investigator)  
Research and Graduate Studies Office (RGSO) Dissertation Support  
*"Recovery and Reentry: Post-Prison Trajectories of Men with Substance Use Disorders"*  
Amount: \$2,000
- 2016-18 National Institutes of Health (Graduate Research Assistant, PI: Kreager)  
R21, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism  
*"Network Mechanisms in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community"*  
Amount: \$441,630.
- 2015-2016 University Graduate Fellowship – The Graduate School at Penn State  
Amount: \$26,250

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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- 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.
- 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.

### **MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (drafts available upon request)**

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Galvin, Miranda A., **Kimberly M. Davidson**, & Matthew Kleiman. "Substance Involvement and Probation Outcomes: Incidence and Time to Revocation."

**Davidson, Kimberly M.**, Brian J. Ostrom, & Matthew Kleiman. "Client Perspectives of Holistic Defense: Strengthening Procedural Justice Through Enhanced Client Trust."

### **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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Anderson, Chanya, **Kimberly M. Davidson**, & Derek A. Kreager. "A Qualitative Analysis of the Complex Relationship Between Fatherhood, Incarceration, and Desistance."

**Davidson, Kimberly M.** "Predictors of Baseline Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community."

Said, Iman & **Kimberly M. Davidson**. "A Longitudinal Evaluation of Religiosity in Incarceration and Reentry."

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

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| 2020 | Graduate Student Achievement Award<br><i>Awarded to one criminology graduate student per year for demonstrating outstanding achievement</i>   |
| 2020 | Volunteer of the Year<br><i>Pennsylvania Prison Society – Centre County Chapter</i>   |
| 2019 | Criminology Student Paper Competition, Working Paper Competition<br><i>First Place Paper – "Unpacking the Black Box of Treatment Engagement: A Mixed-Methods Approach to Understanding Therapeutic Communities"</i> |
| 2018 | Criminology Thesis Award, Penn State Department of Sociology & Criminology<br><i>First Place Thesis – "Testing an Interactionist Theory of Treatment Engagement in a Prison-Based Therapeutic Community"</i>        |
| 2016 | National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program<br><i>Honorable Mention</i>  |

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 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**

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- 2019            “The Reentry Experiences of Men with Substance Use Disorders”  
                    PSU Criminal Justice Research Center Advisory Board Meeting
- 2017            “Therapeutic Community PINS Projects.”  
                    PSU Justice Center for Research Board Meeting

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### Instructor

#### *Rehabilitation Corrections (RHS 428) (Spring 2020)*

- Redeveloped the course with a stronger emphasis on criminal justice theory, research, and policy
- Part of an effort to strengthen interdisciplinary ties between Criminology and Rehabilitation and Human Services departments
- Taught students from various disciplines including criminology, rehabilitation and human services (RHS), and psychology

-Transitioned to online/remote teaching due to COVID-19 and 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

*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."

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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Project Manager/Data Collection Lead

Led interviewer training and data collection for multiple longitudinal data collection projects; communicated and collaborated frequently with institutional partners

- OUD Prisoner Reentry Project – Assessment and Recruitment (Spring 2020)

- Therapeutic Community Reentry Prison Inmate Network Study (Fall 2016 through Spring 2019)

- Therapeutic Community Prison Inmate Network Study (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

Contracted Research Partner – Vital Strategies

Collaborated with researchers at the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing and Johns Hopkins University on a project analyzing statewide resentencing data

- Assisted with development of the grant proposal (\$110,000 grant over 9 months) and research design (Summer 2019)

- Literature review, data cleaning, and data analysis (Summer 2019, Fall 2019)

- Development of probation file coding instrument and data collection (Fall 2019)

Qualitative Interviewer

Conducted more than 100 semi-structured interviews with incarcerated individuals and re-entrants

- Reentry Prison Inmate Network Study (Spring 2016 through Fall 2016)

- Therapeutic Community Reentry Prison Inmate Network Study (Fall 2016 through Spring 2019)

#### CAPI Interviewer

Collected survey data from more than 300 incarcerated individuals across four correctional facilities

- Women's Prison Inmate Network Study (Summer 2017, Summer 2018)
- Therapeutic Community Prison Inmate Network Study (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)
- Prison Inmate Network Study, Wave 2 (Fall 2015)

#### Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing

Graduate Research Assistant (Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Fall 2020)

#### Criminal Justice Research Center, Penn State University

Graduate Research Assistant (Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Summer 2018)

#### Undergraduate Research Assistant Supervisor

Trained and supervised six undergraduate research assistants to edit interview audio files, redact interview transcripts, and apply qualitative coding software (NVivo) to code inmate interview transcripts (Spring 2018 through Summer 2020)

#### Undergraduate Intern Supervisor

Supervised one summer intern and one undergraduate volunteer at the Reentry Services Office (RSO) at local state prisons (Summer 2018)

### **JOURNAL REFEREE**

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<i>Criminology</i>	2016, 2020 (2)
<i>Humanity &amp; Society</i>	2020 (1)
<i>International Journal of Offender Therapy &amp; Comparative Criminology</i>	2019-2020 (2)
<i>Social Problems</i>	2019 (1)
<i>Journal of Forensic Psychology: Research and Practice</i>	2019 (1)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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2020 -	ASC Division of Corrections and Sentencing
2020 -	American Sociological Association
2019 -	Criminal Justice Research Center Advisory Board Graduate Student Representative
2016 -	American Society of Criminology

## **DEPARTMENTAL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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- 2020 Undergraduate Exhibition for Research, Inquiry, or Creative Activity  
*Judge – Social & Behavioral Sciences*
- 2019-20 Department Community Service Committee  
*Member*
- 2017-20 Criminology Department Social Events  
*Committee Chair*
- 2017-18 Criminology Forum Committee  
*Member*
- 2016-17 Department Social Committee  
*Committee Chair*
- 2015-16 Department Social Committee  
*Member*

## **RELEVANT VOLUNTEER WORK**

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- 2017 - Pennsylvania Prison Society – Centre County Chapter  
Official Visitor at Centre County Correctional Facility  
Reentry Assistance Coordinator  
Chapter Secretary
- 2017, 2019 Lead Organizer – Holiday Toy Drive  
Centre County Correctional Facility
- 2017-19 Volunteer – Children’s Book Recording  
Centre County Correctional Facility

## **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES (DISSERTATION COMMITTEE)**

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Educ. Psychology, Counseling & Special Educ.  
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