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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2022—** **Villanova University**
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology & Criminology
- 2016-2021** **John Jay College of Criminal Justice**
Graduate Assistant, Department of Criminal Justice

EDUCATION

- 2022** **The Graduate Center, City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice**
PhD, Criminal Justice
Dissertation: “LGBTQIA+ Individuals’ Encounters with Police: Contextual Factors, Help-Seeking, & Service Needs”
Committee: Valli Rajah (chair), Amy Adamczyk, Angela Dwyer, Brian Lawton
- 2020** **The Graduate Center, City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice**
MPhil, Criminal Justice
- 2016** **John Jay College of Criminal Justice**
MA, Forensic Psychology
Thesis: “C-Reactive Protein Levels in Abused & Neglected Children Followed-Up Into Adulthood”
Committee: Cathy Spatz Widom (chair), Maureen Allwood, Preeti Chauhan
- 2012** **Bennington College**
BA, Liberal Arts

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

- Queer criminology
- LGBTQIA+ populations
- Qualitative research methods
- Consequences of abuse & trauma
- Social control & order policing
- Critical criminology
- Prison abolitionism & activist movements
- Help-seeking & service access for marginalized populations
- Media depictions of crime & victimization

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Osborn, M.** (2022). LGBTQIA+ people's service access during the COVID-19 pandemic: Obstacles to care and provider adaptations. *Journal of Gay & Lesbian Social Services*. doi: 10.1080/10538720.2022.2053025.
- Osborn, M.** (2022). U.S. news coverage of transgender victims of fatal violence: An exploratory content analysis. *Violence Against Women*, 28(9), 2033-2056. doi: 10.1177/10778012211025995.
- Rajah, V., & **Osborn, M.** (2021). Understanding the body and embodiment in the context of women's resistance to intimate partner violence: A scoping review. *Trauma, Violence & Abuse*, epub ahead of print. doi: 10.1177/1524838021995941.
- Widom, C. S., & **Osborn, M.** (2021). The cycle of violence: Abused and neglected girls to adult female offenders. *Feminist Criminology*, 16(3), 266-285. doi: 10.1177/1557085120987628.
- Osborn, M.**, & Rajah, V. (2020). Understanding formal responses to intimate partner violence and women's resistance processes: A scoping review. *Trauma, Violence & Abuse*, epub ahead of print. doi: 10.1177/1524838020967348.
- Rajah, V., & **Osborn, M.** (2020). Understanding women's resistance to intimate partner violence: A scoping review. *Trauma, Violence & Abuse*, epub ahead of print. doi: 10.1177/1524838019897345.
- Osborn, M.**, & Widom, C. S. (2020). Do documented records and retrospective reports of childhood maltreatment similarly predict chronic inflammation? *Psychological Medicine*, 50(14), 2406-2415. doi: 10.1017/S0033291719002575.

Book Chapters

- Osborn, M.** (in press). "Nobody ever correctly recognizes me": Nonbinary presentation, visibility, and safety across contexts. In V. Demos and M. T. Segal (Eds.), *Advances in gender research: Gender visibility & erasure (Vol. 33)*, Emerald Group.
- Rajah, V., & **Osborn, M.** (2020). The place of the body in resistance to intimate partner violence: What do we know? In N. Boero & K. Mason (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Sociology of Body and Embodiment*. doi: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190842475.013.37.

Manuscripts in Preparation

- Osborn, M.** Difficult, deceptive, and dangerous: Portrayals of victimized transgender men in crime news coverage. In A. E. Goldberg, D. C. Stakoff, & C. L. Buist (Eds.), *The (mis)representation of queer lives in true crime*, Routledge.
- Osborn, M.** "It's a weird thing with authority": Transgender and nonbinary people's management of presentation during encounters with police. In R. Colvin, A. Dwyer, & S. Giwa (Eds.), forthcoming edited volume on policing and the queer community.

DeJong, C., **Osborn, M.**, & Kaur, H. Trans panic: The representation of trans women as murder victims in true crime podcasts. In A. E. Goldberg, D. C. Slakoff, & C. L. Buist (Eds.), *The (mis)representation of queer lives in true crime*, Routledge.

Osborn, M. Intimate partner violence, trans people. In A. E. Goldberg (Ed.), *The SAGE Encyclopedia of LGBTQ Studies* (2nd edition), SAGE Publications, Inc.

Osborn, M. “The cops have never once made me feel better or made me feel safe”: LGBTQIA+ people and police responses to crisis situations. Abstract accepted for publication in S. Kelley, S. Clevenger, & K. Ratajczak (Eds.), *Queering the system: Challenging hetero-cis-normative examinations of criminal-legal response*, Queer Victimology and Criminal Legal-Series (Vol. 2), Texas Review Press.

Osborn, M. Transgender and nonbinary protesters against police violence: Safety, strategy, and solidarity.

Osborn, M. Policing deviant bodies: Trans women of color, law enforcement, and the social control of “disorderly” populations.

Technical Reports and Public Writing

Osborn, M. (2018, October 8). Revealing the prisons within prisons. Think Justice Blog, Vera Institute of Justice. <https://www.vera.org/blog/revealing-the-prisons-within-prisons>

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

Osborn, M. (2022, June 17). Stigma and stereotypes in news coverage of transgender victims. Plenary panel at the 2022 Crime Victim Law Conference, National Crime Victim Law Institute (NCVLI), Lewis & Clark Law School.

Osborn, M. (2022, March 2). “It’s difficult when a straight person asks you questions”: Online interviewing, recruiting from marginalized populations, and researcher positionality. Alumni speaker series, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Widom, C. S., & **Osborn, M.** (2021, October 21). Type specific effects of maltreatment. Presentation at Cross-Cohorts Collaboration Workshop, Yale University.

Conference Presentations

Osborn, M. (2022). Queer and trans perspectives, crisis response alternatives, and the abolitionist imagination. Paper accepted for presentation at the 2022 American Society of Criminology Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Osborn, M. (2022). “A giant question mark”: Inclusive measurement of gender identity and sexual orientation. Presentation accepted as part of the roundtable session “Methodological and terminological issues in queer criminology” at the 2022 American Society of Criminology Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

- Osborn, M.** (2021). Policing queer and trans bodies: Formal and informal control over marginalized populations. Paper presented at the 2021 Society for the Study of Social Problems Virtual Annual Meeting.
- Osborn, M.** (2021). “The way we make space with each other”: Transgender and nonbinary communication and care during the COVID-19 pandemic. Paper presented at the inaugural Transgender Professional Association for Transgender Health Conference.
- Osborn, M.** (2021). LGBTQIA+ help-seeking and service access during the COVID-19 pandemic. Paper presented at the 2021 LGBTQ Research Symposium, Kansas City, KS.
- Osborn, M.** (2021). Service provider perspectives on LGBTQIA+ people’s needs and access barriers during COVID-19. Poster presented at the 2021 National LGBTQ Health Conference.
- Osborn, M.** (2021). Trans and nonbinary protesters against police violence: Safety, strategy, and solidarity. Paper presented at the 2021 Moving Trans History Forward Conference, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada.
- Osborn, M.** (2019). Policing deviant bodies: Trans women of color, law enforcement, and the social control of “disorderly” populations. Paper presented at the 2019 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD.
- Rajah, V., **Osborn, M.**, & Martinez, A. (2018). Embodiment and resistance in intimate partner violence literature: A multidisciplinary scoping review. Paper presented at the 2018 American Society of Criminology Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Osborn, M.** (2018). U.S. news coverage of transgender victims in 2016. Paper presented at the 2018 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Falkenbach, D., Campregher, J., & **Osborn, M.** (2015). Psychometric properties of three self-report measures of juvenile psychopathy. Poster presented at the 2015 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Ontario.
- Osborn, M.** (2015). Gender differences in risky sexual behavior as an expression of psychopathy. Poster presented at 11th Annual Master’s Student Research Conference, John Jay College, New York, NY.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2022—** **Research Team, Safe Hotlines Project**
 Trans Lifeline
- Compiles/analyzes literature for a scoping review on mental health crisis intervention outcomes, police involvement in crisis response, and involuntary hospitalization.
- 2015-2022** **Administrative Assistant**
 Development Through the Life Cycle Lab, John Jay College, New York, NY

- Assisted PI (Dr. Cathy Spatz Widom) with preparation of manuscripts, grants, & IRB materials.
- Processed grant applications for Forensic Psychology Research Institute.
- Helped coordinate and facilitate R25 grant-funded week-long training and mentorship seminars for early career scholars in child abuse and neglect in 2018 and 2021. For 2021 sessions, held entirely online for the first time, coordinated schedule/agenda, handled communication with attendees, facilitated all presentations and discussions over Zoom.

2016-2020 Research Assistant, Criminal Justice Department

John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- Assisted PI (Dr. Valli Rajah) with literature reviews, transcription, data management, coding.
- Contributed to manuscripts on intimate partner violence, embodiment, and resistance.

2018 CUNY Graduate Center Summer Fellow, Center for Sentencing & Corrections

Vera Institute of Justice

- Updated literature review on solitary confinement/restrictive housing.
- Reviewed/edited draft of nationwide prison housing survey.
- Drafted methodology paper for nationwide prison housing survey.

2014-2016 Research Assistant, Psychopathy Research Lab

John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- Assisted PI (Dr. Diana Falkenbach) with literature reviews, contributed to manuscripts.
- Entered and checked information in SPSS and Excel databases.
- Recruited study participants, administered self-report assessment measures.

2014-2015 Research Assistant, Department of Epidemiology

New York State Psychiatric Institute (NYSPI)

- Compiled lit review on cross-cultural applications of empathy assessment measures.

2014 Research Assistant, Sex Offender Research Lab

John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- Assisted co-PIs (Drs. Cynthia Calkins & Elizabeth Jeglic) with coding interview data for a study of people convicted of sex offenses.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Sociology & Criminology, Villanova University

2022 Assistant Professor

CRM 1001: Introduction to Criminology *[undergraduate]*

Department of Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

2020-2021 Research Mentoring Fellow

CJBA 410: Senior Thesis I *[undergraduate]*

CJBA 411: Senior Thesis II *[undergraduate]*

Capstone projects supervised:

- Chad Abrams, “The Relationship Between Police Use of Force & Suspect Injuries”
- Yu Han Chen, “Sexual Assault on College Campuses”
- Emily Suh, “The Use of the LGBTQ+ Panic Defense in the United States: A 21st Century Assessment”
- Jessica (Yi Tong) Yu, “Examination of Underreporting Sexual Crimes”

2018-2020 Instructor**

CJBA 340: Research Methods in Criminal Justice [*undergraduate*]
 CRJ 710: Issues in Criminal Justice I [*graduate; online course*]

***Average Student Evaluation Rating: 4.56/5*

2017-2021 Guest Lecturer

“America’s Opioid Crisis”
 “Gender & Justice Research”
 “In-Prison Education”
 “Online Survey Methods”
 “Qualitative Interviewing & Data Analysis”

2017-2018 Teaching Assistant

CJBA 110: Introduction to Major Problems in Criminal Justice I [*undergraduate*]
 CJBA 111: Introduction to Major Problems in Criminal Justice II [*undergraduate*]

Bennington College

2010-2012 Writing Tutor

MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH

The Thought Project (2022). How LBGTQ individuals experience criminal justice [*podcast episode*]. CUNY Graduate Center. https://soundcloud.com/gc_cuny/20220608-thought-project-podcast-with-guest-max-osborn-final-mixdown

CUNY Graduate Center (2022). A queer criminologist starts on the tenure track. *GC Stories*. <https://www.gc.cuny.edu/news/queer-criminologist-starts-tenure-track>

CUNY Graduate Center (2022). Inside the CUNY Graduate Center: A Dissertation Showcase, 2022. <https://youtu.be/g1qknBF4Yys>

HONORS, AWARDS, & FELLOWSHIPS

2022 Dissertation Showcase, CUNY Graduate Center
Award Amount: \$250

2022 Outstanding Dissertation Award, PhD Program in Criminal Justice, John Jay College

Award Amount: \$250

- 2020** **Doctoral Student Research Grant**
Role: Principal Investigator
Funder: The Graduate Center, CUNY
Funded Amount: \$1,500
- 2019** **Student Research Award**
Role: Principal Investigator
Funder: Association of Doctoral Programs in Criminology & Criminal Justice (ADPCCJ)
Funded Amount: \$1,000
- 2019** **Larry J. Siegel Graduate Fellowship for the Study of Gender and Crime (Honorable Mention)**
Role: Principal Investigator
Funder: American Society of Criminology Division on Women and Crime
Funded Amount: \$500
- 2019** **ACJS Doctoral Summit Fellowship**
Funder: Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- 2018** **CUNY Graduate Center Summer Fellowship**
Funder: Vera Institute of Justice, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2018** **Conference Support Travel Award**
Funder: The Graduate Center, CUNY
Funded Amount: \$700
- 2015-2016** **Tow Policy Advocacy Fellowship**
Funder: Institute for Justice & Opportunity, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
- 2010** **“Action in the World” Field Work Grant**
Funder: Bennington College

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2021—** **Transgender Professional Association for Transgender Health (TPATH)**
- 2019—** **American Sociological Association (ASA)**
Sections: Crime, Law, & Deviance; Race, Gender, & Class; Sex & Gender; Sexualities; Teaching & Learning in Sociology
- 2019—** **Sociologists for Trans Justice (S4TJ)**
- 2019—** **Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)**
Divisions: Conflict, Social Action, & Change; Crime & Juvenile Delinquency; Gender; Law & Society; Sexual Behavior, Politics, & Communities; Teaching Social Problems

- 2016— American Society of Criminology (ASC)**
Divisions: Critical Criminology & Social Justice; Queer Criminology; Victimology; Women & Crime
- 2016— Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)**
Sections: Critical Criminal Justice; Minorities & Women; Teaching, Learning, & Scholarship; Victimology
- 2016-2021 CUNY Center for LGBTQ Studies (CLAGS)**
- 2015-2016 American Psychological Association (APA)**

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Sociologists for Trans Justice (S4TJ)

- 2021— Supporting Scholars Committee
 2019— Advancing Trans, Non-Binary, and Intersex Scholarship Committee
 2019-2021 Experts & Grants Committee

Transgender Professional Association for Transgender Health (TPATH)

- 2021— Newsletter Co-Editor
 2021 Conference Abstract Reviewer

American Society of Criminology, Division on Queer Criminology

- 2021— Social Media Committee
 2020— ASC Event/Social Committee

Summer Training Institute: Building a Multidisciplinary Pipeline of Researchers in Child Abuse & Neglect (*R25 grant-funded training seminar; co-PIs: Melissa Jonson-Reid & Cathy Spatz Widom*)

- 2020-2021 Organizer/Facilitator, 2021 Summer Training Institute for Early Career or Transitioning Scholars (online)
 2017-2018 Organizer/Facilitator, 2018 Summer Training Institute for Early Career or Transitioning Scholars (in-person)

PhD Program in Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- 2017-2018 Doctoral Faculty Membership Committee

Institute for Justice & Opportunity, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- 2015 Rapporteur, Roundtable on Pretrial Practice

Peer Reviewer

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| <i>Bulletin of Applied Transgender Studies</i> | <i>Laws</i> |
| <i>Feminist Criminology</i> | <i>Race & Justice</i> |
| <i>Feminist Media Studies</i> | <i>Violence Against Women</i> |
| <i>Journal of Aggression, Conflict & Peace Research</i> | <i>Violence & Gender</i> |

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

- 2019** **Community-Based Participatory Action Research Workshop**
Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- 2019** **Preparation for Teaching Online: A Foundational Workshop for CUNY Faculty**
CUNY School of Professional Studies
- 3-week course on building and teaching synchronous, asynchronous, & hybrid classes
 - Covers course planning, online teaching best practices, communication & assessment tools
- 2018** **Journal Reviewer Training Workshop**
American Society of Criminology, Division on Women and Crime

ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 2021** **Pride Committee Workshop Facilitator**
New York City Anti-Violence Project (AVP)
- Created and co-presented a public online political education workshop “Cops Out of Pride: Our History, Present, & Future,” on the historical context of Pride celebrations and policing of LGBTQ+ communities.
- 2020-2022** **Mass Distribution Grocery Dispatcher**
South Brooklyn Mutual Aid
- Handles scheduling and logistics to connect neighbors with grocery deliveries.
 - Works in mass distribution warehouse, organizing/assembling food delivery packages.
- 2020** **Notetaker/Chat Monitor, NCAVP Roundtable**
National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs (NCAVP)
- Provided administrative & technical support for panel sessions at Roundtable events.
- 2019-2020** **Front Desk Volunteer**
New York City Anti-Violence Project (AVP)
- Provided administrative coverage for a nonprofit serving LGBTQ+ & HIV+ survivors of violence.
 - Answered and dispatched phone calls, including to 24-hour crisis hotline.
 - Greeted and provided intake materials for walk-in clients.
- 2015-2016** **Tow Policy Advocacy Fellow**
Education from the Inside Out Coalition/College & Community Fellowship
- Performed communications work for a nonprofit coalition focused on reducing barriers to higher education for currently and formerly incarcerated people.
 - Identified potential legislative and community allies, maintained database of contacts.
 - Conducted outreach with national and state legislators on reinstating tuition funding for incarcerated people and ending criminal history screening in the college application process.
- 2012-2013** **Online Crisis Hotline Staffer**
Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network (RAINN)

- Supported hotline visitors in crisis (e.g., listening/validation, resource sharing, safety planning).
- Received ongoing training in crisis counseling and issues related to sexual assault survivors.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Quantitative Analysis: SPSS, STATA

Qualitative Analysis: ATLAS.ti, Dedoose, MAXQDA

REFERENCES

Valli Rajah

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