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EDUCATION

Michigan State University 2024
Ph.D., Criminal Justice

University of Iowa
B.S., Criminology, Law, & Justice 2019

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of South Florida 2024
Department of Criminology, Assistant Professor

PUBLICATIONS

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

Knode, J., Wolfe, S.E., & Carter, T.M. (2024). Shedding light on the Veil of Darkness: How to use the veil of darkness to examine racial disparity. *Criminology*.

Carter T.M., Wolfe, S.E., Knode, J., & Henry, G. (2024). Attempting to Reduce Traffic Stop Racial Disparities: An Experimental Evaluation of an Internal Dashboard Intervention. *Criminology & Public Policy*.

Carter, T.M., & Melde, C.E. (2023). Testing the generality of Ferraro's risk interpretation model. *Crime & Delinquency*

Carter, T.M., Wolfe, S.E., Nam Y.D., & Lawson, S.G. (2023). 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

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.**, Knode, J., & Henry, G. (2023). *An Experimental Evaluation of the Michigan State Police Internal Traffic Stop Data Dashboard*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan Justice Statistics Center, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University.

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., **Carter T.M.**, & Wolfe, S.E. Driving while broke: Considering race, place, and class in traffic stop outcomes. (Revise and Resubmit at *Justice Quarterly*)

In Progress:

Carter T.M., McNealey, R., Melde, C.E. Responding to fear of victimization: A test of protection motivation theory among adolescents.

Carter T.M., Moule, R. “Ya gotta believe!” Baseball, unexpected loss, and a concern for public safety.

PRESENTATIONS

Professional Presentations:

Carter, T.M. (2024). Driving change in racial disparities through traffic stop data dashboards. Center of Evidence-Based Crime Policy Symposium, Fairfax, VA.

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. (2024). Attempting to reduce traffic stop racial disparities: An experimental evaluation of an internal dashboard intervention. The Center for Justice Research and Policy, Tampa, FL.

Carter, T.M., Jed Knode, & Scott E. Wolfe (2024). “Michigan State Police Racial Disparity Technical Training & Assistance Series.” Michigan State Police. Dimondale, MI.

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 GRANT EXPERIENCE

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

Saginaw Community, Offender, and Victim Cooperation Initiative 2020-2022
PI: Dr. Scott Wolfe

Role: *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

PI: Dr. Scott Wolfe

Role: *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

PI: Dr. Ed McGarrell

Role: *Research Assistant*

Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2016-WY-BX-0005)

COVID-19 Small Research Grant 2020

PI: **Travis Carter** and Noah Turner

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

Dissertation Completion Fellowship, College of Social Sciences, East Lansing, MI 2024

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: Drs. Jeff Wooldridge and 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: Drs. Sara Mitchell (University of Iowa) and 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, Michigan State University 2020-2023

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

2020-2021

PEER REVIEW/REFEREE ACTIVITIES

Crime Science

Criminal Justice and Behavior

Criminal Justice Policy Review

Criminology

Deviant Behavior

International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice

Journal of Crime and Justice

Journal of Criminal Justice

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency

Justice Quarterly

Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

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

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honors Society