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EDUCATION

- Northwestern University** Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology, Expected 2018
Dissertation: “Black Power Behind Bars: Racial Coercion and the Rise of the Black Guerilla Family”

Committee Members: John Hagan (chair), Heather Schoenfeld, Aldon Morris, Al Hunter, Pete Simi

Field Exam Concentrations, 2016: Punishment, Organizations, Gangs

M.A., Sociology, 2015
- Columbia University** M.A., Latin American Studies, 2013
- Vanderbilt University** B.A., History, 2011
Minor, Latin American Studies

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

♦Punishment ♦Race ♦Culture and Politics ♦Organizations ♦Gangs

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

Friedman, Brittany and Mary Pattillo. *Forthcoming*. “Statutory Inequality: The Logics of Monetary Sanctions in State Law.” *The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*.

Friedman, Brittany. 2014. “Selective Morality in Legal Discourse: Child Prostitution and the Cultural Evocation of Sexuality.” Pp. 18-81 in *Pictures and Mirrors, Volume Two: Race and Access to Higher Education in Brazil*, edited by Max Pendergraph. Nashville, TN: Lulu Press, Inc.

Other Publications

Friedman, Brittany and Zach Sommers. 2018. “[Solitary Confinement and the Nation of Islam](#).” *The Immanent Frame—The Social Science Research Council*. Invited Contribution.

Pattillo, Mary and Brittany Friedman. 2017. “Monetary Sanctions in Illinois.” Pp. 76-97 in [Monetary Sanctions in the Criminal Justice System](#), edited by Alexes Harris, Beth Huebner, Karin Martin, Mary Pattillo, Becky Pettit, Sarah Shannon, Bryan Sykes, Chris Uggen, and April Fernandes. Houston, TX: Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

Friedman, Brittany. 2017. Review of Captive Nation: Black Prison Organizing in the Civil Rights Era. *Punishment & Society* 19(2): 258-260.

Friedman, Brittany. March 2014. "Targeted Incarceration: A Look at Pervasive Inequality and Crime Policy." *Vanderbilt Political Review* 6(2):18-21. Invited Contribution.

Friedman, Brittany. January 2014. "[Correcting Prejudice in Legal Discourse](#)." *A Contrario: International Criminal Law*. Invited Contribution.

Working Papers

John Hagan and Brittany Friedman. "The Big House and the Solitary Cell: The Financial Foundations and Racial/Ethnic Consequences of Solitary Confinement in America." *Under Review*.

Friedman, Brittany and Eva Rios. "Prison Gang Formation as a Microrevolution."

Friedman, Brittany and Pete Simi. "Institutional Isomorphism among US White Supremacist Prison Gangs."

Friedman, Brittany and Zachary Sommers. "Punishing Black Politics with Solitary Confinement."

IN THE MEDIA

April 21, 2018. "Politics of Prison Abolition." *Think Outside the Cage KPFK 90.7 Los Angeles*. Invited Guest.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

National Science Foundation (\$11,145)

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, 2017-2018

Northwestern University International Studies (\$22,000)

Graduate Instructor Fellowship, 2015-2016

Kellogg Dispute Resolution Research Center (\$8,400)

Dissertation Fellowship, 2015

Northwestern University International Studies (\$3,000)

Graduate Mentor, 2014-2015

American Society of Criminology (\$6,000)

Ruth D. Peterson Fellowship, 2014

Northwestern University Department of Sociology (\$1,600)

MacArthur Collaborative Research Grant, 2014

Columbia University Institute of Latin American Studies (\$4,000)

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, 2012

Graduate Internship Travel Grant: Belo, Horizonte, Brazil, 2012

Vanderbilt University Department of History (\$6,000)

Gertrude Casebier Research Travel Grant, 2011

FIPSE-CAPES Federal Research Grant: São Paulo, Brazil, 2011

PRESENTATIONS

Friedman, Brittany and Eva Rios. November 2017. “Penal Insurgency and the State: Primeiro Comando da Capital as a Model for Prison Gang Expansion.” Panel: ‘The State, Corruption, and Crime’ at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the **American Society of Criminology** in Philadelphia, PA.

Friedman, Brittany and Zachary Sommers. November 2017. “The Prison Gang Threat: Examining the Disparate Use of Punishment Techniques in Correctional Institutions.” Panel: ‘Prison Gangs’ at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the **American Society of Criminology** in Philadelphia, PA.

Friedman, Brittany and Pete Simi. November 2016. “Institutional Isomorphism among US White Supremacist Prison Gangs.” Panel: ‘A Look at Prison Gangs throughout the US’ at the 72nd Annual Meeting of the **American Society of Criminology** in New Orleans, LA.

Friedman, Brittany. December 2015. “Prison Gang Formation and Organizational Context.” Politics, Culture, and Society Brownbag at the **University of Wisconsin-Madison** Department of Sociology.

Friedman, Brittany. September 2015. “Prison Organizational Formation and Environmental Impact: Explaining the Rise of the Black Guerilla Family.” Young Scholars Symposium at the **University of Nebraska-Omaha** Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Friedman, Brittany. August 2015. “The Birth of a Movement: Rethinking the Rise of the Black Guerilla Family.” Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section at the 110th Annual Meeting of the **American Sociological Association** in Chicago, IL.

Friedman, Brittany. March 2012. “Standardizing Beauty: the Use of Imaginary Images in Popular Culture.” Presented at the **Negritud International Conference on Afro Latin American Studies** in San Juan, PR.

Friedman, Brittany. March 2012. “Standardizing Beauty: the Use of Imaginary Images in Popular Culture.” Presented at the **Southwest Conference on Latin American Studies** in Miami, FL.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Argonne National Lab Associate, Global Security Sciences Division
2015-present

Northwestern University Research Assistant to Mary Pattillo, Sociology
2015-2017 **Multi-State Study of Monetary Sanctions in the Criminal Justice System**

Faculty Collaborative Team: Alexes Harris, Beth Huebner, Karin Martin, Mary Pattillo, Becky Pettit, Bryan Sykes, Sarah Shannon, and Chris Uggen

Columbia University Research Assistant to Sharyn L. O'Halloran, Political Science
2012-2013 **Comparative Study of Financial Regulatory Outcomes**
Coded cases from FDIC, SEC, and CFTC for quantitative analysis

Vanderbilt University Research Assistant to Arthur Demarest, Anthropology
2011 Institute of Mesoamerican Archaeology

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Northwestern University Instructor
Winter 2016 **The Rise of the Criminal Organization: Gangs and Organized Crime in International and Comparative Perspective**

Northwestern University Teaching Assistant
Fall 2014-Spring 2015 **Sociology of Organizations**
Spring 2014 **Introduction to Sociology**

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

Northwestern University
2016-2017 Co-Founder & Co-Organizer, Crime, Law, and Society Workshop
2015-2016 Co-President, Sociology Graduate Students Association
2015-present Culture Workshop
2015-present Social Movements/Collective Behavior Workshop
2015-present Social Interaction and Organizing Workshop
2014-2015 Policy Relevance Workshop
2013-present Comparative Historical Social Science Workshop

External Service Reviewer for *Law & Society Review*

Memberships American Sociological Association
American Society of Criminology
Society for the Study of Social Problems
Law and Society Association

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Portuguese Advanced reading proficiency
Intermediate written and oral proficiency

Spanish Intermediate reading proficiency