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EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D. *Criminology and Criminal Justice*, Arizona State University.
Dissertation: “Managing Violent Misconduct in a Maximum Security Prison: Processes and Outcomes in a Restrictive Status Housing Program.”
Committee: Kevin A. Wright (Chair), Jacob T.N. Young, and Cody W. Telep.
- 2013 M.S. *Criminology and Criminal Justice*, Arizona State University.
Thesis: “Absolute vs. Relative Stability in Self-Control: A Meta-Analysis.”
Committee: Travis C. Pratt (Chair), Kevin A. Wright, and Callie H. Burt.
- 2011 B.S. *Sociology*, University of Wisconsin- La Crosse.
Minor: *Criminal Justice*

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2020 - Present *Assistant Professor*, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Texas at San Antonio.
- 2019 - Present *National Affiliate*, Center for Correctional Solutions, Arizona State University.
- 2018 - 2020 *Assistant Professor*, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.
- 2012 - 2018 *Research Assistant*, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.
- 2014 - 2018 *Instructor*, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.
- 2011 - 2014 *Graduate Teaching Assistant*, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corrections; Correctional Policy; Offender Rehabilitation; Program Evaluation; Criminological Theory

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

(*denotes graduate student)

Telep, Cody W., Wright, Kevin A., *Haverkate, Danielle L., & **Meyers, Travis J.** (2020). The value of participatory action research in corrections: Introduction to the special issue. *Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research*, 5(1), 1-5. [\[link\]](#)

*Haverkate, Danielle L., **Meyers, Travis J.**, Telep, Cody W., & Wright, Kevin A. (2020). On PAR with the yard: Participatory action research to advance knowledge in corrections. *Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research*, 5(1), 28-43. [\[link\]](#)

Meyers, Travis J., *Infante, Aryn, A., & Wright, Kevin A. (2018). Treating the seriously mentally ill in prison: An evaluation of a contingency management program. *Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research*. [\[link\]](#)

Meyers, Travis J., Infante, Aryn, A., & Wright, Kevin A. (2018). Addressing serious violent misconduct in prison: Examining an alternative form of restrictive housing. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, (62)14, 4585-4608. [\[link\]](#)

Meyers, Travis J., Wright, Kevin A., Young, Jacob T. N., & Tasca, Melinda. (2017). Social support from outside the walls: Examining the contextual nature of prison visitation. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 52, 57-67. [\[link\]](#)

Meyers, Travis J. (2017). Examining the network components of a Medicare fraud scheme: The Mirzoyan-Terdjanian Organization. *Crime, Law, and Social Change*, 68(1), 251-279. ¹ [\[link\]](#)

¹ Winner of the 2014 White-Collar Crime Research Consortium (WCCRC) and the National White-Collar Crime Center (NWC3) Best Student Paper Award, American Society of Criminology. [\[link to news article\]](#)

Holtfreter, Kristy & **Meyers, Travis J.** (2015). Challenges for cybercrime theory, research, and policy. *The Norwich Review of International and Transnational Crime*, 1(1), 54-66. [\[link\]](#)

Technical Reports

Wright, Kevin A., Haverkate, Danielle L., **Meyers, Travis J.**, Matekel, Caitlin G., Telep, Cody W., Maloney, Erik, Thrasher, Justin, House, Johnny, White, Varrone, & Wroe, Timm. 2017 *Reducing Recidivism in Arizona*. Report submitted to the Governor's Recidivism Reduction Action Committee, Office of the Governor. [\[link\]](#)

Technical Reports, cont.

Wright, Kevin A., **Meyers, Travis J.**, & Infante, Arynn A.
2016 *Restrictive Status Housing Program Evaluation*. Report submitted to the Arizona Department of Corrections.

Wright, Kevin A., Infante, Arynn A., & **Meyers, Travis J.**
2016 *Mental Health Program Evaluation*. Report submitted to the Arizona Department of Corrections.

Manuscripts Under Review

(*denotes graduate student)

Meyers, Travis J., Testa, Alexander, & Wright, Kevin A.
“Managing violence in prison: In-prison behavior associated with placement in an alternative disciplinary segregation program.”

Meyers, Travis J., Wright, Kevin A., & *Phillips, Samantha
“Redefining disciplinary segregation: Participant perceptions of effective programming.”

Manuscripts in Preparation

Meyers, Travis J., Fahmy, Chantal, & Wright, Kevin A.
“Coping with incarceration: Differences in coping strategies among the recently incarcerated.”

Meyers, Travis J., *Haverkate, Danielle L., Young, Jacob T.N., & Wright, Kevin A.
“The quality of prison visitation, the exchange of social support, and the implications for reentry outcomes.”

Meyers, Travis J., Infante, Arynn A., *Morse, Stephanie J., & Wright, Kevin A.
“The effects of working in restrictive housing on correctional officer physical and mental health: A comparison of the impact of security level and other workplace factors.”

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Unfunded Grant Proposals

2019 *Principal Investigator*: “Friends Rehabilitation Reentry Program for Philadelphia Department of Prisons.” Submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-Based Adult Reentry Program. Principal Investigator: **Travis J. Meyers**. Co-Principal Investigator: Caterina Roman.

2019 *Principal Investigator*: “Examining the Effects of Working in Segregation on the Physical and Mental Health of Correctional Officers and Staff.” Submitted to the Charles Koch Foundation. Principal Investigator: **Travis J. Meyers**.

Grant and Research Experience

- 2017 - 2018 *Project Manager*: “Altering Administrative Segregation for Inmates and Staff: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of the Effects of Living and Working in Restrictive Housing.” Funded by the National Institute of Justice [\$631,559]. Principal Investigator: Kevin A. Wright; Co-Principal Investigator: John R. Hepburn.
- 2017 *Survey Design/Analyst*: “Reducing Recidivism in Arizona.” Governor’s Recidivism Reduction Action Committee, Office of the Governor, Arizona State University, Arizona Transformation Project.
- 2016 *Interviewer*: “Gangs on the Street, Gangs in Prison: Their Nature, Interrelationship, Control, and Reentry.” Funded by the National Institute of Justice, Research on Gangs and Gang Violence [\$840,807]. Principal Investigator: Scott H. Decker; Co-Principal Investigator: David C. Pyrooz.
- 2015 - 2016 *Project Manager*: “Evaluation of Mental Health and Restrictive Housing Programming, Arizona Department of Corrections-Florence.” Funded by the Arizona Department of Corrections [\$45,000]. Principal Investigator: Kevin A. Wright.
- 2014 *Research Assistant*: “Unpacking the Prison Visitation Experience: How Social Relationships Impact Inmate Well-Being.” Funded by Arizona State University [\$10,000]. Principal Investigator: Nancy Rodriguez; Co-Principal Investigators: Kevin A. Wright, and Melinda Tasca.
- 2012 - 2013 *Experimental Auditor*: “Criminal Stigma, Race, Gender, and Employment: An Expanded Assessment of the Consequences of Imprisonment for Employment.” Funded by the National Institute of Justice [\$482,048]. Principal Investigator: Scott H. Decker; Co-Principal Investigator: Cassia Spohn.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations

- 2016 *Restrictive Status Housing in the Arizona Department of Corrections: An Evaluation Brief*. Arizona Department of Corrections, Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2016 *Mental Health Programming in the Arizona Department of Corrections*. Arizona Department of Corrections, Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2015 *Programming in Prison: Addressing the Social and Mental Health Needs of Incarcerated Individuals*. Counseling Psychology Colloquium Series, College of Integrative Sciences and Arts, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.

Papers Presented at Professional Conferences

(*denotes graduate student)

Meyers, Travis J.

2020 “Redefining disciplinary segregation: Perceptions of effective programming among program participants and staff.” Abstract accepted for the *76th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, Washington, D.C.

Meyers, Travis J., *Infante, Aryn A., *Morse, Stephanie J., & Wright, Kevin A.

2020 “The effects of violence exposure on correctional officer physical and psychological well-being. Abstract accepted for the *57th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Science*, San Antonio, TX.

Meyers, Travis J., & Fahmy, Chantal

2019 “Coping during incarceration: Examining the relationship between individual coping styles and adverse outcomes.” Presented at the *75th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, San Francisco, CA.

Meyers, Travis J.

2018 “Coping while incarcerated: A longitudinal study of coping styles and psychological well-being.” Presented at the *74th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

***Haverkate, Danielle L., Meyers, Travis J., Telep, Cody W., & Wright, Kevin A.**

2018 “Letting those who walk the walk do the talk: Lessons and challenges from the Reducing Recidivism in Arizona Study.” Poster presented at the *74th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

Wright, Kevin A., Meyers, Travis J., & Matekel, Caitlin G.

2018 “Conditions of confinement and mental health among an incarcerated sample in Arizona.” Presented at the *55th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences*, New Orleans, LA.

Meyers, Travis J.

2017 “Altering disciplinary segregation: Processes and outcomes in a restrictive status housing program.” Presented at the *73rd Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, Philadelphia, PA.

Meyers, Travis J., Wright, Kevin A., Young, Jacob T.N., & Tasca, Melinda.

2016 “Social support behind the walls: Examining the contextual nature of prison visitation.” Presented at the *72nd Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, New Orleans, LA.

Papers Presented at Professional Conferences, cont.

Wright, Kevin A., Meyers, Travis J., & Infante, Aryn A.

2016 “The forbidden three: Addressing serious violent misconduct in prison.”
Presented at the 53rd Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice
Sciences, Denver, CO.

Meyers, Travis J.

2015 “The role of institutional and reentry perceptions in a sample of serious juvenile
offenders.” Presented at the 71st Annual Meeting of the American Society of
Criminology, Washington, D.C.

Meyers, Travis J., & Wright, Kevin A.

2015 “Prison visitation and the role of social support.” Presented at the 42nd Annual
Conference of the Western Society of Criminology, Phoenix, AZ.

Meyers, Travis J.

2014 “The Mirozoyan-Terdjanian Organization: Networking components of a
successful fraud scheme.” Presented at the 70th Annual Meeting of the American
Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

Meyers, Travis J.

2013 “Absolute vs. relative stability in self-control: A meta-analysis.” Presented at
the 69th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

(*denotes online course)

The University of Texas at San Antonio

Undergraduate Courses Developed/Taught

Introduction to Corrections (CRJ 2513); Fall 2020

Temple University

Undergraduate Courses Developed/Taught

Introduction to Corrections (CJ 2301); Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

White-Collar Crime (CJ 3401); Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

Arizona State University

Graduate Courses Taught

Seminar in Courts and Sentencing (CRJ 513)*

Undergraduate Courses Developed/Taught

Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program (CRJ 494)

Organized Crime (CRJ 464)*

Law and Social Control (CRJ 350)*

Statistical Analysis (CRJ 303)*

Introduction to Criminology (CRJ 225)

Crime Control Policies (CRJ 201)

TEACHING INTERESTS

Corrections; Criminal Justice Policy; White-Collar Crime; Criminological Theory; Research Methods

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2017 *Travel Grant*, Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), Arizona State University.
- 2017 *Doctoral Fellow*, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS).
- 2011 - 2017 *University Graduate Fellowship*, Arizona State University.
- 2014 *Travel Grant*, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Workshop Series, University of Michigan, Arizona State University.

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Media Interviews

“ASU researchers study impact of visitation on prison population” (March, 13, 2015), CBS 5 (KPHO Broadcasting Corporation). [\[link to news article\]](#).

Service to the Profession

- 2020 *Program Committee*, American Society of Criminology-Division of Corrections and Sentencing.
- 2016 - 2020 Ad Hoc Reviewer: *Journal of Criminal Justice, Justice Quarterly, International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, Law & Society Review, Crime, Law and Social Change, Security Journal*
- 2018 - 2019 *Guest Editor, Corrections: Policy, Practice, & Research*, Special Issue on Participatory Action Research (PAR).
- 2018 - 2019 *Newsletter Committee*, American Society of Criminology-Division of Corrections and Sentencing.
- 2017 - 2019 *Outreach Committee*, American Society of Criminology-Division of Corrections and Sentencing.

Service to the University

The University of Texas at San Antonio:

2020 *Undergraduate Program Committee*, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, The University of Texas at San Antonio

Temple University:

2019 - 2020 *Undergraduate Cyber Certificate Committee*, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.

2019 - 2020 *Faculty Advisor*, Criminal Justice Society Student Organization, College of Liberal Arts, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.

2018 - 2020 *Undergraduate Committee*, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.

2018 - 2020 *Graduate Faculty Advisor*, 4+1 Masters/Undergraduate Program, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.

2018 *Reviewer*, James J. Fyfe Award, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University.

2018 *Faculty Representative*, Experience Temple Day, Temple University.

Arizona State University:

2015 - 2018 *Graduate Student Mentor*, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

2017 *Student Representative*, External Review, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

2017 *Reviewer*, Grant Awards, Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), Arizona State University.

2015 - 2016 *Student Representative*, Graduate Student Orientation, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

2014 - 2016 *Student Contact*, Prospective Graduate Student Recruitment, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

2015 *Course Development*, Field Research Module, College of Public Service and Community Solutions, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.

- 2015 *Program Development, Service-Learning Initiative, College of Public Service and Community Solutions, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.*
- 2014 *Student Representative, Director Candidate Search Committee, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.*
- 2013 - 2014 *Co-Coordinator, Annual Lecture on Criminology and Criminal Justice by Distinguished Scholar: Raymond Paternoster, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University.*
- 2013 *Research Center Volunteer: "Examining the Effects of the TASER on Cognitive Functioning." Funded by the National Institute of Justice [\$408,377]. Principal Investigator: Michael D. White; Co-Principal Investigators: Justin Ready and Robert J. Kane.*

Service to the Community

- 2019 *Coordinator, Film Screening of "The Mayor of Graterford", Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program, Criminal Justice Society, Temple University.*
- 2016 - 2018 *Founding Member, Arizona Transformation Project (ATP), Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program Think Tank.*
- 2015 - 2018 *Volunteer, Arizona Department of Corrections.*
- 2017 *Co-Coordinator, (Ink)arcerated- Prison Art Show, Arizona Department of Corrections, Arizona State University, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice.*
- 2016 *Facilitator, Reentry Summit, Arizona Department of Corrections.*
- 2015 - 2016 *Volunteer, Spring Day of Service, College of Public Service and Community Solutions, Arizona State University.*
- 2015 - 2016 *Volunteer, Fall Day of Service, College of Public Service and Community Solutions, Arizona State University.*
- 2011 *Legal Intern, Wisconsin State Public Defender's Office, College of Liberal Studies, University of Wisconsin- La Crosse, La Crosse, WI.*

Selected Professional Development

- 2018 - 2019 *Grant Academy Training Program, Office of the Vice President for Research, Temple University.*

- 2016 *Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program Instructor Training*, Inside-Out National Instructor Training Institute, Temple University.
- 2016 *Project-Based Modular Learning Instructor Training*, Arizona State University.
- 2014 – 2016 Professional Development Series, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University. Topics: *Preparing Successful Research Fellowships, Ethics of Publishing, Teaching Research Methods and Statistics, Classroom Management, Boot Camp for Teaching Online, R Statistical Workshop, Network Perspectives on Criminology and Criminal Justice.*
- 2014 *Pathways to Desistance Study: Analyzing the Life Event Calendar Data for Substance Abuse Research*, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Workshop, University of Michigan.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Criminology
Division on Corrections and Sentencing
Division on White-Collar and Corporate Crime
 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Doctoral Fellow
Corrections Section

REFERENCES

- Kevin A. Wright, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Correctional Solutions, Arizona State University, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Email: kevinwright@asu.edu
- Jacob T. N. Young, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Arizona State University, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Email: jacob.young.1@asu.edu
- Cody W. Telep, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Arizona State University, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Email: cody.telep@asu.edu