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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati: August 2023.

- Student in Criminology and Criminal Justice Ph.D. Program.

Seattle University: September 2021 – June 2023.

- M.A. in Criminal Justice.
 - o Specialization in Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation.
- Thesis title: *Community Perceptions of Fear of Crime and Police Legitimacy in Seattle's Autonomous Zone: Implications for Community-Police Engagement*
 - o Utilizes data from 2017 – 2022 Seattle Public Safety Survey.

University of Washington Tacoma: September 2018 – June 2021.

- B.A. in Criminal Justice and Psychology.
 - o *Magna cum laude.*

EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Analyst, Seattle Police Department's Micro-Community Policing Plans (MCP).

- May 2022 – June 2023.
- Assigned to South and Southwest Precincts.
- Co-facilitated three sets of weekly virtual community-police dialogues and analyzed qualitative data for 2022 report using qualitative analysis software, ATLAS.ti.
- Created qualitative analysis method and taught ATLAS.ti to research team.
- Distributed and analyzed 2022 Seattle Public Safety Survey.

Managing Editor, Journal of Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law, and Society.

- June 2022 – April 2023.
- Reviewed manuscripts for scientific rigor, contributions to the field, and quality.
- Served as line of communication between authors and reviewers.
- Prepared Volume 23, Issues 2 and 3; Volume 24, Issue 1 (assisted).
- Assisted with transition of journal from Seattle University to the University of Nevada, Reno.

Writing Consultant, UW Tacoma Teaching & Learning Center.

- September 2020 – June 2021
- Reviewed undergraduate academic papers and provided necessary feedback to students on how to improve their academic writing.

- Participated in ongoing staff training on how to become better tutors and writers ranging from word choice, organization, interpersonal skills, and appropriate feedback.
- Contributed to revision of the Writing Center's Inclusion and Anti-Racism Statement.

Summer Intern, Tacoma Probono.

- June 2020 – September 2020
- Completed intake forms for clients with legal issues around family law and housing for poor and marginalized communities.
- Collected and provided community resources to clients.

Social Psychology Research Assistant under Dr. Jenny Xiao.

- April 2019 – June 2021
- Threat and Distance Perception on Police Shootings
 - o Studied threat perception in police shootings utilizing virtual police shooter simulator.
 - o Guided participants through study and collected participant data; coded data from post-study questionnaire.
- Threat Perception during COVID-19
 - o Assisted lab with creating a study investigating threat perceptions of those who had contracted COVID-19.
 - o Created vignettes to frame the project; created survey in Qualtrics; prepared IRB documents; utilized Photoshop to create photos of confederates at different distances from participants.
- Synchrony and Bias
 - o Assisted lab with creating study investigating how mimicry and synchrony impact perceptions of others; provided feedback on materials to other research assistants who led the project during weekly lab meetings.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Co-Facilitator of 1-credit restorative justice circle community-police dialogue practicum.

- Seattle University - Spring 2023.

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Jacqueline Helfgott.

- Seattle University - Spring 2023 undergraduate Criminology course.
- Graded assignments, exams, and provided instruction as needed.

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Brooke Gialopsos.

- Seattle University - Fall 2022 undergraduate Criminal Justice Research Methods course.
- Graded assignments, presentations, papers, and provided instruction in-class as needed.

Guest Lectures

- Seattle University - Fall 2022, Dr. Brooke Gialopsos' undergraduate Criminal Justice Research Methods.

ACADEMIC ARTICLES

- Christensen, S., *Bledsoe, B. N., Gialopsos, B., Helfgott, J. B. (in progress). *The Impact of Restorative Community-Police Dialogue Circles on College Student Ratings of Police Legitimacy and Interest in a Career in Law Enforcement*. Journal TBD.
- *Bledsoe, B. N. & Helfgott, J. B. (in progress). *Community Perceptions of Fear of Crime and Police Legitimacy in Seattle's Autonomous Zone: Implications for Community-Police Engagement*. To be submitted to the Journal of Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society.
- Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., & Christensen, S. (in progress). *Improving Public Safety Through Precinct and Neighborhood-Based Virtual Restorative Community-Police Dialogues*. To be submitted to *Justice Quarterly*.
- Jonson, C. L., Gialopsos, B. M., Moon, M. M., & *Bledsoe, B. N. (in progress). *Shots Fired: The Psychological Impacts of a Single-Option Versus Multi-Option Active Assailant Simulations in an Adult Sample*. To be submitted to the *Journal of Experimental Criminology*.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., Dobbs, A., Kepler, K., & Madrid-Fierro, E. (2022). [Seattle Police Department's Citywide 2022 Seattle Public Safety Survey Results](#) (149 p.).
- Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., Dobbs, A., Kepler, K., & Madrid-Fierro, E. (2022). [Seattle Police Department's Micro-Community Policing Plans \(MCP\) Community-Police Dialogues 2022](#) (51 p.).
- Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., Dobbs, A., Kepler, K., & Madrid-Fierro, E. (2022). [Before the Badge Community-Police Dialogues 2022](#) (44 p.).

OP-EDS

- *Bledsoe, B. N., Kepler, K., & Helfgott, J. B. (2023). [Take a Seat at the Table of Seattle Community-Police Dialogues](#). The Seattle Times.
- Helfgott, J. B. & *Bledsoe, B. N. (2022). [How to Lend Your Voice to the Conversation on Community Policing](#). The Seattle Times.
- Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., & Kepler, K. (2022). [Diverse Voices Are Needed to Understand Public Safety and Security in Seattle](#). South Seattle Emerald.

CONFERENCES AND PANELS

- November 2023: *American Society of Criminology Conference*.

- Abstract accepted for paper presentation on *Community Perceptions of Fear of Crime and Police Legitimacy in Seattle’s Autonomous Zone: Implications for Community-Police Engagement*.
 - *Bledsoe, B. N. & Helfgott, J. B.
- Abstract accepted for paper presentation on *The Impact of Restorative Community-Police Dialogue Circles on College Student Ratings of Police Legitimacy and Interest in a Career in Law Enforcement*.
 - Helfgott, J. B., Gialopsos, B., Christensen, S. & *Bledsoe, B. N.
- May 2023: *National Institute of Justice Conference*.
 - Federally Sponsored Attendee
- April 2023: *Seattle University Restorative Justice Continuing Education Event*.
 - Panelist and Co-Facilitator
- April 2023: *Seattle University Sexual Assault Awareness Month Panel*.
 - Co-Facilitator
- February 2023: *Western Society of Criminology Conference*.
 - Paper presentation on *Improving Public Safety Through Precinct and Neighborhood-Based Virtual Restorative Community-Police Dialogues*.
 - Helfgott, J. B., *Bledsoe, B. N., Christensen, S.
- November 2022: *American Society of Criminology Conference*.
 - Poster presentation on *Countering the Narrative: Positive Psychological Impacts of an Active Shooter Training Among Adults*.
 - *Bledsoe, B. N., Gialopsos, B. M., Jonson, C. L., Moon, M. M.
- September 2022: *Washington State Crime Prevention Association Conference*.
 - Sponsored Attendee
- September 2022: *Seattle University Department of Criminal Justice, Criminology & Forensics New Graduate Student Orientation*.
 - Panelist
 - Presented outline of thesis to new students.
 - Provided advice to incoming students about how to succeed in graduate school.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Police-community relations, restorative justice, crime prevention, police legitimacy, public safety, legislation and policy.

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023 – 2026: *Provost Graduate Fellowship*, University of Cincinnati.

2023: *Arts & Sciences Leadership & Professional Engagement Award*, Seattle University.

2023: *Norm Maleng Academic Excellence & Citizenship Award*, Seattle University.

2023: *National Institute of Justice Conference Student Travel Award*.

2022 – 2023: *Marion J. Helenkamp Endowed Scholarship*, Seattle University.

2022: *Student Spotlight in the [Fall 2022 Western Criminologist Report](#)*.

Dean's List, all quarters at UW Tacoma.

MEMBERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP ROLES

July 2022 – June 2023: *President of Seattle University Arts and Sciences Graduate Student Council*

- September 2021 – June 2022: *Vice President*

September 2022 – June 2023: *Vice President, and Treasurer of Alpha Phi Sigma - Pi Delta Chapter*

Member, Alpha Sigma Nu – Honor Society of Jesuit Universities and Colleges.

Member, Psi Chi – International Honor Society of Psychology.

Member, Tri-Alpha – National Honor Society for First-Generation College Students.

Member, Student Collegiate Leadership Association.

Member, National Society of Leadership and Success.

CERTIFICATIONS/SKILLS

- Registered in Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI).
- Proficient in ATLAS.ti.
- Proficient in Qualtrics.
- Proficient in SPSS.