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EDUCATION

- Ph.D., 2010** **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO; CHICAGO, IL**
Major: Criminology, Law, and Justice
- M.A., 2007** **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO; CHICAGO, IL**
Major: Criminal Justice
- B.A., 2005** **JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE; NEW YORK, NY**
Major: Criminal Justice
Minor: English Honors

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Crime and Deviance in Caribbean Communities; Impact of Criminal Justice Policies on Citizen's Lived Experiences

PUBLICATIONS AND TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Chen, E. Y., and **Adams, E. B.** (2017). "'I've Risen Up from the Ashes that I Created': Record Clearance and Gendered Narratives of Self-Reinvention and Reintegration." *Feminist Criminology*. First published online. doi: [10.1177/1557085117733796](https://doi.org/10.1177/1557085117733796)
- Adams, E. B.**, Chen, E. Y., and Chapman, R. (2017). "Erasing the Mark of a Criminal Past: Ex-Offenders' Expectations and Experiences with Record Clearance." *Punishment & Society* 19:1, 23 – 52. doi: [10.1177/1462474516645688](https://doi.org/10.1177/1462474516645688)
- Adams, E. B.**, (Under Review). "Police legitimacy in Trinidad and Tobago: Resident perceptions in a high crime community."
- Adams, E. B.**, and Vera Sanchez, C. G. (In progress). "Murder in a twin island paradise: Trends and strategies implemented to address criminal homicide in Trinidad and Tobago."
- Vera Sanchez, C. G., and **Adams, E. B.** (2015). *2013 Evaluation of Sunday Friends: The Working Alternative to Charity*. Available online at http://www.sundayfriends.org/achievements/program-evaluation/eval_13.pdf

- Adams, E. B.** (2012). “‘We are Like Prey’: How People Negotiate a Violent Community in Trinidad and Tobago.” *Race and Justice* 2:4, 274 – 303. **doi: 10.1177/2153368712452434**
- Ullman, S. E., Najdowski, C. J., and **Adams, E. B.** (2012). “Women, Alcoholics Anonymous and Related Mutual Aid Groups: Review and Recommendations for Research.” *Alcoholics Treatment Quarterly* 30:4. **doi: 10.1080/07347324.2012.718969**
- Adams, E. B.** (2012). *Impact of Record Clearing and the Record Clearance Project at San José State University on Clients and Their Families.*
- Vera Sanchez, C. G. & **Adams, E. B.** (2011). “Sacrificed on the Altar of Public Safety: The Over Policing of Latino and African American Youth.” *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* 27:3, 322 – 341. **doi: 10.1177/1043986211412565.**
- Adams, E.**, Morales, E, Reyes, K., Schaffner, L. & Traylor, L. (2007, March). “Teaching Transgressing: Film studies in juvenile detention.” *AREA*, 4, 28 – 29.
- Adams, E.** (2007). “Social Structure and Crime in a Twin Island Paradise: A Study of Juvenile Delinquency in Trinidad and Tobago.” *New Challenges in Crime and Justice: From Research to Policy* (An edited selection of papers from the 4th International Conference in Crime and Justice in the Caribbean). Trinidad and Tobago: The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine.
- Adams, E.**, & Schaffner, L. (2007). *2007 UIC Girls’ Summer Film Festival.* Final Report for the University of Illinois at Chicago Summer Film Festival.
- Rosenbaum, D. P., Schuck, A. M., Mattaini, M. A., & **Adams, E.** (2007). *Interdisciplinary Research at the University of Illinois at Chicago: A Campus-Wide Survey of Climate, Obstacles and Opportunities.* Final report to the UIC Interdisciplinary Center for Research on Violence. Available online at http://tiger.uic.edu/depts/ovcr/research/funding/limited_competitions/IDR_Report_2007.pdf

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2015 – Present Consultant—Cure Violence Program Evaluation in Trinidad and Tobago. American University, Washington, D.C.
- 2012 – Present Primary Investigator —“Impact of Record Clearing and the Record Clearance Project at San José State University on Clients and their Families” San José State University, San José, California.
- 2008 – Present Primary Investigator—“Community Violence in Trinidad and Tobago: Government Inaction, Drug Blocks, and Resident Survival” University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2009 Research Assistant—“Women, Alcoholics Anonymous, and Mutual Aid Groups”

Primary Investigator: Dr. Sarah Ullman
University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

- 2006 – 2007 Research Assistant—“UIC Interdisciplinary Center for Research on Violence: Changing Systems to Prevent Violence in Chicago and Beyond.”
Primary Investigator: Dr. Dennis Rosenbaum
University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
- 2006 Research Assistant—“ClearPATH Evaluation”
Primary Investigators: Dr. Dennis Rosenbaum and Dr. Amie Schuck
University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
- 2004 – 2005 Primary Investigator—“The Culture of Success: Implications for African American Youth”
Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2017 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Crimigration and mass incarceration as mechanisms of social control.” Ann Lucas Lecture Series—*From deportation to prison: The politics of immigration enforcement in post-civil rights America*. San José, California, October.
- 2016 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Theorizing Violence in Trinidad and Tobago.” American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, Louisiana, November.
- 2016 Session Chair: **Adams, E.** “Understanding International Trends in Homicide, Crime, and Violence.” American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, Louisiana, November.
- 2016 Presenters: **Adams, E.,** and Chen, E. “‘I’ve Risen Up from the Ashes that I Created’: Expungement and Female Offenders’ Narratives of Desistance and Self-Reinvention.” Prisoner Reentry and Reintegration: Improving Data Collection and Methodology¹ to Advance Theory and Knowledge, Newark, New Jersey, April.
- 2015 Presenters: **Adams, E.,** and Chen, E. “Structural Determinants of Successful Desistance Associated with Criminal Record Expungement.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C., November.
- 2015 Presenter and Organizer: **Adams, E.** “Record Clearance and Women’s Reintegration after Incarceration.” Women and the Criminal Justice System: The Experiences of Victims and Offenders, Naperville, Illinois, November.
- 2015 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Policing Marginalized Populations” Beyond Ferguson: Race, Class, and the Journey to Justice. MLK Week Events, Illinois, January.
- 2014 Presenters: **Adams, E.,** Chen, E., and Chapman, R. “Erasing the Mark of a Criminal Past.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California, November.
- 2014 Session Chair: **Adams, E.** “Criminal Records, Employment and Prisoner Reentry.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California, November.
- 2014 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “The Role of the State in a High Crime Community in Trinidad and Tobago.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California, November.
- 2014 Session Chair: **Adams, E.** “Racialization and the Criminal Justice System.” Crime and Criminal Justice in Social Context: Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network. Columbus, Ohio, July.

- 2012 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “The Creation of Criminals: Neoliberalism and Banishment Policies.” Ann Lucas Lecture Series—*Banished: The new social control in urban America*. San José, California, May.
- 2012 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Effect of Expungement on Ex-Offenders and Their Families.” Record Clearance Lunch Series: Current Issues and Challenges, San José, California, March.
- 2011 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “‘We are Like Prey’: Self-Imposed Ecological Imprisonment and Gendered Reactions to Violence.” Crime and Justice Summer Research Institute: Broadening Perspectives and Participation, Columbus, Ohio, July.
- 2010 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “‘We is Prey’: Gendered Reactions to Violence.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California, November.
- 2009 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Case Study of Violence in a Working Class Community in North West Trinidad.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November.
- 2008 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Criminology in a Developing Nation: The Case of Trinidad and Tobago.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, St. Louis, Missouri, November.
- 2006 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “Social Structure and Crime in a Twin Island Paradise: A study of Juvenile Delinquency in Trinidad and Tobago.” 4th International Conference on Crime and Justice in the Caribbean, Trinidad and Tobago, February.
- 2004 Presenter: **Adams, E.** “The Culture of Success: Implications for African American Youth.” McNair Scholars Conference at University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California, Summer.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Justice Studies, San José State University. 2017 to Present.

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, North Central College. 2014 to 2017.

Instructor, Department of Justice Studies, San José State University. 2010 to 2014.

Instructor, Department of Sociology, San José State University. 2011.

Instructor, Department of Criminal Justice, Kaplan University. 2010.

Instructor, Department of Criminology, Law, and Justice, University of Illinois at Chicago. 2009.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Criminology, Law, and Justice, University of Illinois at Chicago. 2006 to 2008.

COURSES TAUGHT

Criminology; Critical Issues and Ideas in Justice; Comparative Criminal Justice Systems; Qualitative Research Methods; International Crime and Deviance; Race, Gender, Inequality and the Law; Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Punishment; Immigration and Justice; Sexuality and Justice; Family and Community Violence; Gender and Crime; Criminal Justice in America; Juvenile Justice; Senior Seminar: Contemporary Problems; Violence in Society

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2015 Junior Faculty Enhancement Grant: North Central College; 6 Credit Course Release for Fall 2016 to work on book manuscript tentatively titled “Community Violence in Trinidad and Tobago: Government Inaction, Drug Blocks, and Resident Survival.”
- 2015 Summer Research and Writing Grant: North Central College (\$3,000 to work on co-authored research paper).
- 2011 Summer Research Institute Fellowship: The Ohio State University, Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice—Network, Columbus, Ohio.
- 2010 Nominated for Outstanding Thesis Award: University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2009 – 2010 Diversifying Higher Education in Illinois Fellowship: Illinois Board of Higher Education, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2009 Graduate Student Travel Award: University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois (\$600 for travel to the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA).
- 2005 – 2008 Abraham Lincoln Fellowship: University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2008 Graduate Student Travel Award: University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois (\$600 for travel to the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, St. Louis, Missouri).
- 2007 Graduate Fellowship for Ethnic Minorities: American Society of Criminology, Columbus, Ohio.
- 2007 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship: University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2006 Graduate Student Travel Award: University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois (\$600 for travel to the 4th International Conference on Crime and Justice in the Caribbean, Trinidad and Tobago, West Indies).
- 2005 The Leonard E. Reisman Medal for Distinguished Scholarship and Exceptional Service to the College: John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York.
- 2003 – 2005 Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Scholarship: John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York.
- 2004 Student Service Award: John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York.
- 2004 Thurgood Marshall Scholarship: John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2011 – Present Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice—Network
- 2007 – Present American Society of Criminology (ASC)
ASC--Division of People of Color and Crime
ASC--Division of International Criminology
ASC--Division of Corrections and Sentencing