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## **Education**

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*University of Minnesota* 2005-2012

Ph.D. Sociology.

Dissertation Title: "Iraq and the Centrality of Policing to State Formation"

Advisor: Christopher Uggen

*University of Northern Iowa* 2004

B.A., Summa Cum Laude, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Honors Program

## **Employment**

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Assistant Professor 2013-Present

Division of Sociology and Anthropology  
West Virginia University

## **Research Interests**

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Policing, Criminology, State Power, Political Sociology, Transnational Sociology, Social Theory, Qualitative Methods

## **Refereed Publications**

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Wozniak, Jesse. 2017. "Iraq and the Material Basis of Post-Conflict Police Reconstruction" *The Journal of Peace Research*, published online in advance doi: 10.1177/0022343317704502

Wozniak, Jesse. 2017. "'We are Going to Prove That We Are a Civil and Developed Country': The Cultural Performance of Police Legitimacy and Empire in the Iraqi State" *The British Journal of Criminology*. 57(4):906-923.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2016. "Missing the Moral: Excited Delirium as a Negative Case of a Moral Panic" *Punishment and Society* 18(2): 198-219.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2014. "When the Going Gets Weird: A Call to Gonzo Sociology" *The American Sociologist* 45(4): 453-473.

Wozniak, Jesse and Christopher Uggen. 2009. "Real Men Use Non-Lethals: Appeals to Masculinity in the Marketing of Police Weaponry" *Feminist Criminology* 4(3): 275-293.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2005. "Winning the Battle of Seattle: State Response to Perceived Crisis" *Illness, Crisis, & Loss* 13(2): 129-145.

## **Other Scholarly Publications**

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Wozniak, Jesse. 2016. "Book Review: *Police, Race, and Culture in the 'New Ireland'* by Sam O'Brien-Olinger New York, NY: Palgrave, 2016". *The American Journal of Sociology* 122(3): 980-982.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2012. "Interview with Award Recipients: Gregory Hooks and Brian McQueen" *States, Power, and Societies* 17(1): 8-11.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2011. "A National Ceremony" *Contexts* 10(1): 12-18.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2007-2009. "Contexts Discoveries" *Contexts* 8(1) – 9(4).

## **Manuscripts Under Review**

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Wozniak, Jesse. "From the Point of a Gun to the Point of Starvation: Economic Constriction in Post Conflict Policing" Revise & Resubmit at *The Asian Journal of Criminology*

Wozniak, Jesse. "Iraq's Neoliberal Reconstruction and the Continued Relevance of the State" Revise & Resubmit at *Sociological Focus*.

Wozniak, Jesse, Josh Woods, and Quenton King. "Unpredictable Chaos and Institutional Management: The Self Presentation of the Islamic State in *Dabiq* Magazine" Revise & Resubmit at *Social Science Quarterly*.

Contessa, Jason and Jesse Wozniak. "Attitudes of Rural Law Enforcement Toward Proposed Changes in Policing" Under Review at *The International Journal of Rural Criminology*.

## **Manuscripts in Progress**

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Wozniak, Jesse and Gabrielle Ferrales. "Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan" (data analysis)

Wozniak, Jesse. "The Centrality of Policing to Contemporary State Formation" Invited manuscript for *Sociological Compass* (draft in progress)

Wozniak, Jesse. Training Empire (book manuscript in draft, chapters available for review)

Wozniak, Jesse. "A PRIME Method Analysis of the Reconstruction of the Iraqi Police Force" (draft in progress)

Wozniak, Jesse, Yan Song Lee, and Vivian Guettler. "The Self Presentation of the Islamic State in *Dabiq* Magazine" (data analysis)

## External Funding

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Wozniak, Jesse (co-PI) and Gabrielle Ferrales (co-PI) with John Hagan and Guillermina Jasso "Collaborative Research: Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan" Under Review at the National Science Foundation \$292,846.

Humanities Grant, *West Virginia Humanities Council*  
(\$2500)

## Professional Associations

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American Sociological Society Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance Webmaster and Publicans Committee (2017-Present) Section on Marxism	2008-Present
American Society of Criminology	2012-Present
North Central Sociological Association	2013-Present

## Courses Taught

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### *West Virginia University*

Graduate Qualitative Methods, Advanced General Graduate Sociology, Police Culture and Socialization, Punishment and Social Control, Capstone: Law Politics and Inequality, Introduction to the American Criminal Justice System

### *University of Minnesota*

Policing American Society, Law Politics and Inequality, Introduction to Sociology, Race and Ethnicity, Introduction to Deviant Behavior

## Awards and Internal Grants

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Faculty Development Award <i>West Virginia University, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences</i> (\$1200)	2017
Research Travel Award <i>West Virginia University, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences</i> (\$1200)	2017
Summer Research Funding <i>West Virginia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology</i> (\$3800)	2016

Faculty Travel Grant <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i> (\$800)	2015
Faculty Travel Grant <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i> (\$800)	2014
Outstanding Graduate Instructor <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Department</i>	2011
Engaged Scholar Public Sociology Award <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Research Institute</i>	2011
Travel Award <i>University of Minnesota, Council of Graduate Students</i> (\$500)	2011
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship <i>University of Minnesota, Department of Global Studies</i> (\$4,000)	2010
Humane Studies Fellowship <i>Institute for Humane Studies</i> (Finalist)	2010
“Stewey Award” Chair’s Recognition for Service to the Department <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Department</i>	2007
Summer Research Grant <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Department</i> (\$6,000)	2007
Graduate Research Partnership Project Award (with Christopher Uggen) <i>University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts</i> (\$5,948)	2006
Recruitment Fellowship <i>University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts</i> (\$20,000)	2005-2006
Human Rights Leadership Award <i>University of Northern Iowa, Amnesty International Chapter</i>	2004
Program Scholarship <i>University of Northern Iowa, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences</i>	2000-2004

*Honors Program*

## **Professional Meetings**

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“Iraq and the Material Basis of Post-Conflict Police Reconstruction,” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 15, 2017. Montreal, Quebec.

“Selling D’aesh to the World: Dabiq Magazine and the Framing of a Terrorist Organization,” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*. August 20, 2016.

“From Iraq to Chi-raq: The Construction of Social Problems and State Legitimacy” *North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. March 24, 2016. Chicago, IL.

“Iraqi Police Reconstruction and the Centrality of the State to Capitalist Imperialism” *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*. November 19, 2015. Washington, D.C.

“Toward an Islamic Policing Model: Community Policing in the United Arab Emirates” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*. May 30, 2015. Seattle, WA.

“It’s The Money Stupid: The Material Basis of Post-Conflict Police Reconstruction” *North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. April 10, 2015. Cleveland, OH.

“The Iraqi Police Values Survey, Final Results” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*. August 15, 2014. San Francisco, CA.

“Critical Dialogue: Poverty, Sexuality, and Institutions” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*. August 16, 2014. San Francisco, CA.

“The Iraqi Police Values Survey” *Law and Society Association of America Annual Meeting*. May 31, 2014. Minneapolis, MN.

“The Iraqi Police Values Survey, Preliminary Results” *North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. April 11, 2014. Cincinnati, OH.

“Critical Dialogue: New Media and Sociology” Organizer and discussant. *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*. August 9, 2013. New York, NY.

“Policing the Imperial Line” *Law and Society Association of America Annual Meeting* June 1, 2013. Boston, MA.

“(re)Creating the Iraqi National Police: Policing as State Power.” *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting* November 18, 2011. Washington, D.C.

“Missing The Moral: Excited Delirium as a Negative Case Study of a Moral Panic.” Roundtable Discussion, *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* August 22, 2011. Las Vegas, NV.

“Crime and Deviant Behavior.” Discussant. *Sociology Research Institute*. April 17, 2009. Minneapolis, MN.

“Contexts Comes to Minnesota: What Its About and How You Can Contribute.” Roundtable Discussion, *Sociologists of Minnesota Annual Conference* October 5, 2007. Minneapolis, MN.

“The Carla B. Howery Session on Undergraduate Education – Pedagogical Impacts and Considerations on Student Learning Outcomes.” *Sociologists of Minnesota Annual Meeting* October 4, 2007. Minneapolis, MN.

“Real Men Use Non-Lethals: Hegemonic Masculinity and the Framing of Police Weaponry.” Roundtable Discussion, *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* August 11, 2007. New York, NY.

“Attitudes About Crime and Deviant Behavior.” Discussant. *Sociology Research Institute*. April 21, 2007. Minneapolis, MN.

“Real Men Use Non-Lethals: Hegemonic Masculinity and the Framing of Police Weaponry.” Paper Presentation, *Sociologists of Minnesota & Wisconsin Sociologists Association Joint Meeting*. October 5, 2006. River Falls, WI.

“They Gotta Make the Bosses’ Money Increase: How the War on Drugs is Used to Increase Policing Forces and Control the Underclass.” Paper Presentation, *Midwest Sociological Society* March 31, 2005. Omaha, NE.

## **Student Mentoring**

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\*Jacqueline Fowler

*McNair Advisor, 2014-2015*

*MA Thesis Chair, Successful Defense Spring 2017*

\*Jason Contessa

*MA Thesis Chair, Successful Defense Spring 2016*

\*Ahniefah Porter

*MA Thesis Chair, Successful Defense Spring 2016*

Theodore Malone

*MA Thesis Committee Member, Successful Defense Spring 2015*

Erin Bixler

*MA Thesis Committee Member, Successful Defense Spring 2015*

Kent Hastings

*MA Thesis Committee Member, Successful Defense Spring 2015*

Delia Trickett

*MA Thesis Committee Member, Successful Defense Spring 2015*

## **Academic Service**

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Reviewed submissions for *Law & Society Review*, *Social Problems*, *Sociological Forum* and *Feminist Criminology*

CLD Section Committee on Publications 2017-Present  
*Webmaster*  
*ASA Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance*

Leadership Team 2014-Present  
*Alliance for Police Accountability*  
*Pittsburgh, PA*

Scholarly Awards Committee 2017-2018  
*North Central Sociological Association*

Research Intern 2011  
*International Human Rights Law Institute*  
*Sulaimaniyah, Iraq*

Host and Producer 2008-2011  
*Contexts* and *Office Hours* Podcasts

Department Service:

West Virginia University  
Graduate Committee 2016-2017  
Promotion and Tenure Review Committee 2015-2016  
Graduate Committee 2015-2016  
Chair's Advisory Committee 2014-2015  
Search Committee 2013-2015

University of Minnesota  
Council of Graduate Students Sociology Department Representative 2011-2012  
Graduate Student Mentor, First Year Graduate Student Mentorship Program 2009-2011  
Graduate Committee 2009-10  
Graduate Student Editorial Board, *Contexts* Magazine 2007-2009  
Senior Search Committee 2007-2009

## References

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