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Education

University of Minnesota 2012
Ph.D. Sociology (Advisor: Christopher Uggen)

University of Northern Iowa 2004
B.A., Summa Cum Laude, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Honors Program

Employment

Associate Professor 2019-Present
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
West Virginia University

Assistant Professor 2013-2019
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
West Virginia University

Research Interests

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

Books

Wozniak, Jesse. 2021. *Policing Iraq: Legitimacy, Democracy, and Empire in a Developing State* Berkley, CA: University of California Press

Refereed Publications

Wozniak, Jesse, Joshua Woods, and Yan Song Lee. 2020. "The Evolving Self-Presentation of the Islamic State, From *Dabiq* to *Rumiyah*" *The Social Science Journal* DOI: 10.1080/03623319.2020.1727242

Burston, Adam, Jesse Wozniak, Jacqueline Roebuck Sakho, and Norman Conti. 2020. "'The blackness that incriminated me': Stigma and Normalization among Brothers and Keepers" *Kalfou* 7(2): 330-351.

Wozniak, Jesse. 2019. "Iraq's Neoliberal Reconstruction and the Continued Relevance of the State" *Sociological Focus* 52(4): 359-376.

- Wozniak, Jesse. 2019. "From the Point of a Gun to the Point of Starvation: Economic Constriction in Post Conflict Policing" *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice* 43(4): 341-355.
- Burston, Adam, Norman Conti, Jesse Wozniak, and Elaine Frantz. 2019. "An Initial Case Study in Education Among Police and Incarcerated Men" *The Police Journal: Theory, Practice and Principles* 93(3): 248-264.
- Wozniak, Jesse. 2018. "From Chi-Raq to Iraq: The Retreat of the State and the Rise of Violent Organizations" *International Sociology* 33(4): 473-485.
- Wozniak, Jesse. 2018. "Post Conflict Police Reconstruction: Major Trends and Developments" *Sociological Compass* 12(6): doi.org/10.1111/soc4.12588
- Contessa, Jason and Jesse Wozniak. 2018. "Attitudes of Rural Law Enforcement Toward Proposed Changes in Policing" *The International Journal of Rural Criminology* 4(1): 108-132.
- Wozniak, Jesse, Josh Woods, and Quenton King. 2018. "Unpredictable Chaos and Institutional Management: The Self Presentation of the Islamic State in *Dabiq Magazine*" Forthcoming at *Social Science Quarterly*.
- 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. 2017. "Iraq and the Material Basis of Post-Conflict Police Reconstruction" *The Journal of Peace Research* 54(6): 806-818.
- 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 Publications

- Wozniak, Jesse, Justin Laing, Brandi Fisher, Jasiri X, Allyce Pinchback-Johnson, Leon Ford, Michelle Kenney, Miracle Jones, and Ashley Comans. 2021. *Reimagining Public Safety in Pittsburgh and Allegheny County: A Community Vision for*

Lasting Health and Safety Available at: https://apa-pgh.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Digital_CRPS_Report_2021_APA.pdf

Wozniak, Jesse. 2021. “*A City Divided*” Forthcoming at *Kalfou: A Journal of Comparative and Relational Ethnic Studies*

Wozniak, Jesse. 2021. “*Chemical Heroes*” Forthcoming at *Contemporary Sociology*

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

Guetler, Vivian, and Jesse Wozniak. “Hirschi’s Social Bond Theory: Radicalization, Violent Extremism, and Social Bonds” under review at *Terrorism and Political Violence*

Manuscripts in Progress

Wozniak, Jesse, Gabrielle Ferrales, and Wenjie Liao. “Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan” (draft, expected submission Fall 2021)

Wozniak, Jesse, Patrick Doreian, and Norm Conti. “Police Recruit Narratives and Publicly-Oriented Vocabularies of Motive” (draft, expected submission Fall 2021)

Ferrales, Gabrielle, Jesse Wozniak, and Wenjie Liao. “Factorial Survey Analysis of Iraqi Kurdistan” (data analysis)

Wozniak, Jesse and Gabrielle Ferrales. “Interview and Ethnographic Data Analysis” (data analysis)

External Funding

Fisher, Brandi, Jasiri X, Jesse Wozniak, Leon Ford, Michelle Kenney, Miracle Jones, and Ashley Comans. “Reimagining Public Safety” *Pittsburgh Foundation*. (\$50,000) *Funded*.

Wozniak, Jesse. Humanities Grant, *West Virginia Humanities Council*. (\$2500) *Funded*.

Conti, Norm (co-PI), Jesse Wozniak (co-PI), and Amy Luginbuhl Phelps (co-PI) “Police Training Inside-Out: Further Development and Expansion” Department of Justice COPS Office. (\$292,545). *Not Funded.*

Wozniak, Jesse (co-PI) and Gabrielle Ferrales (co-PI) with John Hagan and Guillermina Jasso “Collaborative Research: Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan” National Science Foundation (\$292,846) *Not Funded.*

Invited Talks

“Qualitative Methodologies” October 30, 2019
*Guest Lecture, Heather McLaughlin’s Criminology course
 Oklahoma State University*

“Birthing Democracy: Iraq and Criminal Justice” October 9, 2018
*Mary F. Shipper Library
 Potomac State University*

“American Gangs and the Islamic State” October 31, 2018
*Guest Lecture, Wenjie Liao’s Criminology course
 North Carolina State University*

“Police Legitimacy and Marginalized Populations” December 6, 2017
*Pittsburgh Police Department Training Session
 Pittsburgh Holocaust Center*

“Gramsci and State Reconstruction” July 6, 2017
Sulaimaniyah (Iraq) Philosophers Club

“Doing Discourse Analysis” March 17, 2017
*Guest Lecture, Martina Caretta’s Qualitative Methods Course
 West Virginia University*

Professional Associations

American Sociological Association 2008-Present
 Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance
 Webmaster and Publicans Committee (2017-Present)
 Section on Marxism

American Society of Criminology 2012-Present

North Central Sociological Association 2013-Present

Courses Taught

West Virginia University

Qualitative Methods (Graduate), Advanced General Sociology (Graduate), Race Crime and Community (Graduate), 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

Faculty Travel Grant (\$700) <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i>	2018
Faculty Travel Grant (\$900) <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i>	2017
Faculty Development Award (\$1200) <i>West Virginia University, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences</i>	2017
Research Travel Award (\$1200) <i>West Virginia University, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences</i>	2017
Summer Research Funding (\$3800) <i>West Virginia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology</i>	2016
Faculty Travel Grant (\$800) <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i>	2015
Faculty Travel Grant (\$800) <i>West Virginia University, Senate Research Committee</i>	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 (\$500) <i>University of Minnesota, Council of Graduate Students</i>	2011
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (\$4,000) <i>University of Minnesota, Department of Global Studies</i>	2010
Humane Studies Fellowship (Finalist) <i>Institute for Humane Studies</i>	2010

“Stewey Award” Chair’s Recognition for Service to the Department <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Department</i>	2007
Summer Research Grant (\$6,000) <i>University of Minnesota, Sociology Department</i>	2007
Graduate Research Partnership Project Award (\$5,948) <i>University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts</i>	2006
Recruitment Fellowship (\$20,000) <i>University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts</i>	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 Honors Program</i>	2000-2004

Professional Meetings

“Ethnicity and Punishment: Legal Decision-making in Iraqi Kurdistan,” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting* August 9, 2019. New York, NY.

“Positionality, Power, and Fear: Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan” *Law and Society Association* May 30, 2019. Washington, D.C.

“Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* August 12, 2018. Philadelphia, PA.

“Legal Decision-Making in Iraqi Kurdistan” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting* August 10, 2018. Philadelphia, PA.

“Criminal Punishment in Iraqi Kurdistan,” *Interdisciplinary Conference on Kurdish Politics and Societies*, Yale University Macmillan Center, April 8, 2018. New Haven, CN.

“Iraqi Police Reconstruction and the Centrality of the State to Capitalist Imperialism,” *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, November 18, 2017. Philadelphia, PA.

“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

Marina Mohd Hamdan
MA Thesis Chair, Defense Anticipated 2022

Whitney Tyree
MA Thesis Chair, Defense Anticipated 2022

*Vivian Guettler
Ph.D. Committee Chair, Defense Anticipated 2022

*Mikaela Zimmerman
Ph.D. Committee Chair, Defense Anticipated 2023

Hemiz Aziz
(University of Cincinnati)
Ph.D. Committee Member, Defense Anticipated 2021

Yan Song Lee
MA Committee Member, Successful Defense Spring 2018

*Jacqueline Fowler
McNair Advisor, 2014-2015
MA Thesis Chair, Successful Defense Spring 2017

*Jason Contessa
MA Thesis Chair, Successful Defense Spring 2016

*Ahnheyah 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 and Community Service

Reviewed submissions for *Law & Society Review, Social Problems, Justice Quarterly, Sociological Forum, Sociological Focus, Feminist Criminology, Journal of Human Security, Palgrave Books, and Bristol University Press*

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

Scholarly Awards Committee 2017-Present
North Central Sociological Association

Reimagining Public Safety 2020-2021
Steering Committee

Marxist Sociology Section Membership Committee 2019-2021
ASA Section on Marxist Sociology

CLD Section Student Paper Awards Committee 2019-2021
ASA Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance

CLD Section Committee on Publications 2017-2019
*Webmaster
ASA Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance*

Research Intern 2011
International Human Rights Law Institute

Sulaimaniyah, Iraq

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

Graduate Student Editorial Board 2007-2009
Contexts Magazine

Department Service:

Graduate Committee 2015-Present

Graduate Awards Committee 2019-Present

Promotion and Tenure Review Committee 2015-2016

Chair's Advisory Committee 2014-2015

Search Committee 2013-2015

References

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