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EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University, State College PA

PhD: Criminology. In Progress (ABD)

Minor: Social Data Analytics

Certificate in Quantitative Methodology

The Pennsylvania State University, State College PA

2020

Master of Arts: Criminology

Thesis: *Religious Identity and Adolescent Delinquency*

Hope College, Holland MI

2016

Bachelor of Science: Engineering—electrical emphasis (ABET accredited)

Bachelor of Arts: Sociology

Minor: Mathematics

Summa Cum Laude

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Crime and delinquency; Religion and ideology; Bias and discrimination; Health; Quantitative methods; Big data; Machine learning; Spatial analysis

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Seto, Christopher. 2022. "Saving Grace? Religious Ecology and Deaths of Despair."

Social Science & Medicine 293, 114642.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114642>

Seto, Christopher & Iman Said. 2022. "Religious Perceptions of Crime and Implications for Punitiveness." *Punishment & Society* 24(1), 46-68.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/1462474520960038>

Seto, Christopher. 2021. "Religious Identity and Delinquency: Comparing Muslim, Christian and Non-religious Adolescents in the United Kingdom." *British Journal of Criminology*. Advanced online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1093/bjc/azab100>

Seto, Christopher. 2021. "Understanding Delinquency Among the Spiritual but not Religious." *Sociology of Religion* 82(2): 156-178.

<https://doi.org/10.1093/socrel/sraa042>

Staff, Jeremy, Jennifer Maggs, **Christopher Seto**, Julia Dillavou, & Michael Vuolo. 2020. "Electronic and Combustible Cigarette Use in Adolescence: Links with Adjustment, Delinquency, and Other Substance Use." *Journal of Adolescent Health* 66:39-47.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (available upon request)

* Indicates Equal Co-authorship

Block, Ray*, Michael Burnham*, Kayla Kahn*, Rachel Peng*, Jeremy Seeman*, & **Christopher Seto***. "Perceived Risk, Political Polarization, and Adherence to COVID-19 Mitigation Guidelines." *Revise & Resubmit at Social Science & Medicine*

Seto, Christopher. "God and group: The ecology of religiously motivated hate crimes." *Under review at Criminology*

Seto, Christopher*, Aria Khademi*, Claire Kelling, Vasant Honavar, & Corina Graif. "Interconnected Places: Commuting Networks and COVID-19 Spillovers." Under review at *Health & Place*

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS (available upon request)

Seto, Christopher. "Fighting for Votes: Ethno-racial Violence and Political Competition across Three Elections."

Seto, Christopher & Selena Ortiz. "Religious affiliation and support for inclusive COVID-19 policies: The importance of broader social context"

Seto, Christopher & Corina Graif. "Driving home the violence: Crime diffusion over commuting networks"

Graif, Corina, **Christopher Seto**, & Vasant Honavar. "Network Contagion and Child Overdose across US Communities: Exploring Racial and Ethnic Disparities."

Ortiz, Selena, **Christopher Seto**, & Daryl Cameron. "Perspective-Taking, Moral Inclusion, and Support for Inclusive COVID-19 Policies"

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022. First place in 13th annual Criminology Paper Competition, Published Paper Category
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

2021. C-SoDA Seed Grant Accelerator Award, co-PI (\$5,000)
The Pennsylvania State University, Center for Social Data Analytics

2021. Second place in national Gene Carte Student Paper Competition
American Society of Criminology (ASC)

2021. First place in 12th annual Criminology Paper Competition, Working Paper Category
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

2021. CJRC Graduate Student Research Award Grant (\$2,000)
The Pennsylvania State University, Criminal Justice Research Center

2021. First place in annual Criminology Master's Thesis Award
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

2020. First place in 11th annual Criminology Paper Competition, Working Paper Category
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

2018-2019. University Graduate Fellowship (\$30,000)
The Pennsylvania State University

2016. Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, lifetime member
Hope College Chapter

2016. Senior Sociology Award
Hope College, Department of Sociology

2012-2016. Presidential Scholarship
Hope College

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). "Collateral Consequences of Coronavirus: Exploring Contextual and Situational Predictors of Anti-Asian Hate Incidents in the United States during 2020." Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference (Atlanta, GA).

2022. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). "Exploring ecological predictors of violent hate crime against racial and ethnic minorities: A machine learning approach" PSU/UMD/UPENN Virtual Conference.

2021. Graif, Corina & **Christopher Seto** (presenter). "Driving home the Crime? Commuting Network Spillovers and Spatial Criminology." American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Conference (Chicago, IL).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). "Exploring Spatial and Temporal Predictors of Hate Crime in the US: A Machine Learning Approach." American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Conference (Chicago, IL).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). "Broadening Questions of Religion and Delinquency." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Conference (Portland, OR).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Religious Identity and Adolescent Delinquency: Comparing Muslim, Christian, and Non-Religious Adolescents in the United Kingdom.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Conference (virtual).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Saving Grace? Religious Ecology and Deaths of Despair.” Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference (virtual).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter), Aria Khademi, Vasant Honavar, & Corina Graif. “Commuting Network Spillovers and COVID-19 Deaths across US Counties.” Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference (virtual).

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Divine Interventions: Articulating a Causal Model and Estimating Religious Effects on Adolescent Substance Use” PSU/UMD/UPENN Virtual Conference.

2020. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Understanding Delinquency among the Spiritual but not Religious” American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

- Cancelled due to COVID-19

2020. Graif, Corina (lead presenter), **Christopher Seto** (presenter), & Vasant G. Honavar. “Network Contagion and Child Overdose across US Communities: Exploring Racial and Ethnic Disparities.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Conference (virtual).

2019. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Religious Identity and Adolescent Delinquency.” American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

2015. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Collective Emotional Feedback to Dating Relationships” North Central Sociological Association Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2022. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Saving Grace? Religious Ecology and Death of Despair” Penn State Criminology Brown Bag. State College, PA.

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Collateral Consequences of Coronavirus: Exploring Contextual and Situational Predictors of Anti-Asian Bias Incidents in the United States during 2020” Penn State Criminal Justice Research Center (CJRC) Criminology Forum. State College, PA.

2021. **Seto, Christopher** (presenter). “Religious Identity and Adolescent Delinquency: Comparing Muslim, Christian, and Non-Religious Adolescents in the United Kingdom” Penn State Criminology Brown Bag. State College, PA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Associate <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Population Research Institute</i>	January 2021-Present
Graduate Research Assistant <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	August 2018-Present
Director of Beta Testing and Customer Feedback <i>Fathom Drones Inc.</i>	October 2016-June 2018
Undergraduate Research Assistant <i>Hope College, Department of Sociology</i>	August 2014-December 2014
Undergraduate Research Assistant <i>Hope College, Department of Engineering</i>	May 2013-June 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest lecturer, <i>Communities and Crime</i> (CRIM 559) <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	April 2022
PRI Advanced Methods Workshop Leader <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Population Research Institute</i>	March 2022
Instructor, Graduate Statistical Coding Lab (SOC 596) <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	August 2021-December 2021
Guest lecturer, <i>Sociology of Deviance</i> (SOC/CRIM 406) <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	June 2021
Coding and Data Committee Workshop Leader <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	August 2020-December 2020
Instructor, <i>Introduction to Criminology</i> (CRIM/SOC 12) <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	May 2020-June 2020
Guest lecturer, <i>Communities and Crime</i> (CRIM 459) <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	January 2020

DEPARTMENTAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Occasional reviewer, <i>Sociology of Religion: A Quarterly Review</i>	
Occasional reviewer, <i>Journal of Quantitative Criminology</i>	
Coding and Data Committee <i>The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology</i>	2020-present

Graduate Student Recruitment Committee (Co-chair since 2021) 2019-present
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

Diversity Promotion Committee 2018-present
The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association (ASA)
Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance
Section on Sociology of Religion
Section on Drugs and Society
Section on Sociology of Population

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR)

Association for the Society of Religion (ASR)