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## EDUCATION

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Michigan State University 2019-2024 (expected)  
*School of Criminal Justice*, Ph.D. Student  
Working Dissertation Title: “Estimating the Potential Return Investment for Plucking a Few Bad Apples”  
Committee: Drs. Scott Wolfe (Chair), Chris Melde, Jeff Rojek, Justin Nix

University of Iowa  
*Department of Sociology*, BSc Criminology, Law, Justice 2019

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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<i>Topical</i>	<i>Methodological</i>
Crime Trends	Time Series Analysis
Policing	Causal Inference
Fear of Crime	Research Design

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:** ([Google Scholar Profile](#))

**Carter T. M.**, & Wolfe, S.E. (2021). Explaining the relationship between neighborhood disorder and crime fear: The perceptual role of neighbors and the police. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 77, 101867. [Journal of Criminal Justice](#)

**Carter, T.M.**, & Turner, N.D. (2021). Examining the immediate effects of COVID-19 on residential and commercial burglaries in Michigan: An interrupted time-series analysis. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 76, 101834. [Journal of Criminal Justice](#).

## REPORTS

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**Technical Reports:**

**Carter, T.**, Knode, J., & Wolfe, S. E., (2022). *Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops Using the Veil of Darkness Methodology*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan Statistical Analysis Center, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University.

**Carter, T. M.**, Wolfe, S. E., Nam, Y., & Lawson, S. G. (2022). *Saginaw Initiative to Reduce Violence (SIRV): A Final Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Nam, Y., **Carter, T.M.**, Wolfe, S. E., Rojek, A., & Lawson, S. (2022). *Project Safe Neighborhoods: Saginaw Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Magee, L., **Carter, T.M.**, & McGarrell, E. F. (2021). *Detroit Grand Jury Project: Final Project Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.**, & Knode, J. (2021). *Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking: A Final Report on Racial and Ethnic Disparities*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University. [Link](#) [NewsWeek](#)

**Carter, T.M.**, & Turner, N. (2020). *COVID-19 CSS Small Research Grant for Graduate Students Final Project Report*. East Lansing, MI: School of Criminal Justice. Report to Michigan State University. [Link](#)

Circo, G., Rogers, J., McGarrell, E.F., Krupa, J.M., DeBiasi, A., Liebler, J., Cartwright, S., **Carter, T.M.** (2020). *Project Greenlight Detroit: Evaluation Report*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Detroit Police Department. [Link](#)

Wolfe, S.E., **Carter, T.M.**, Nam, D., S.E., Lawson, S. G. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Pre-Test Community Survey and Front-Porch Roll Call Survey Results*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

**Carter, T.M.**, Nam, D., Rojek, A., Wolfe, S.E., Lawson, S. G. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Spatial analysis of crime hot spots: City of Saginaw (2019-2020)*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

**Carter, T.M.**, Nam, D., Lawson, S. G., Rojek, A., Wolfe, S.E. (2020). *Saginaw Police Department strategies for policing innovation grant program: Spatial analysis of crime hot spots: City of Saginaw (2017-2019)*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, School of Criminal Justice. Report to Saginaw Police Department.

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW AND IN PREPARATION

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### *Under Review:*

**Carter, T.M.**, & Melde, C.E. Testing the generality of Ferraro's risk interpretation model (Under review at *Journal of Research in Crime & Delinquency*). [Pre-Print](#)

**Carter, T.M.**, & Wolfe, S.E. The effect of real-world proactive policing on crime: A dynamic approach to understanding a timeless question (Under review at *Justice Quarterly*). [Pre-Print](#)

Knode, J., Wolfe, S.E., **Carter, T.M.** Shedding light on the Veil of Darkness: How to use the veil of darkness to examine racial disparity (Under review at *Criminology*).

**Carter, T.M.,** Wolfe, S.E., Nam Y.D., & Lawson, S.G. Innovating community-oriented policing: An overview of Front-Porch Roll Calls in Saginaw, MI (Under review at *Police Practice and Research*).

***In Progress:***

**Carter, T.M.,** Ropp, J., & Turner, N. A case for communities: The unequal impact of lockdown orders in the U.S.

**Carter T.M.,** & Rojek, J. Estimating the impact of traffic enforcement and motor vehicle crashes

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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***Professional Presentations:***

**Carter, T.M.** (2022). Proactive policing and crime revisited: A dynamic approach to a timeless question. The 78th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.,** & Knode, J. (2022). Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops Using the Veil of Darkness Methodology. Michigan State Police Headquarters, Dimondale, MI.

**Carter, T.M.,** Wolfe, S.E. (2021). Explaining the relationship between neighborhood disorder and crime fear: The perceptual role of neighbors and the police. The 77th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.

Wolfe, S. E., **Carter, T.M.,** & Knode, J. (2021). Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking: A Final Report on Racial and Ethnic Disparities. Michigan State Police Headquarters, Dimondale, MI.

***Invited Presentations:***

Guest Lecturer. (2021). "Structural Equation Modeling in Criminal Justice Research." Invited lecturer event, CJ 907: Advanced Topics in Criminal Justice Data Analysis, Michigan State University.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Michigan State University**

***Undergraduate Classroom Instruction:***

Methods of Criminal Justice Research  
(Fall CJ:292 Section 002)

2022

*Instructor*

Enrolled: 40

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Michigan Statistical Analysis Center</b> <i>Graduate Research Assistant</i>	2021-Present
<b>Michigan State University</b> <i>Graduate Research Assistant</i>	2019-Present

## RESEARCH GRANTS/CONTRACTS

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<b>Exploring Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Michigan State Police Traffic Stops</b> <i>Research Assistant</i>	2022-2023
<b>Studying the Impact of the Nonfatal Shooting Grand Jury Project</b> <i>Research Assistant-Time Series Analyst</i> Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, (Grant No. 2017-DG-BX-K012)	2021-2022
<b>Michigan State Police Traffic Stop External Benchmarking on Racial and ethnic Disparities</b> <i>Research Assistant</i>	2021
<b>Saginaw Community, Offender, and Victim Cooperation Initiative</b> <i>Research Assistant</i> Funding: Strategies for Policing Innovation (SPI), Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2019-WY-BX-0003)	2020-2022
<b>Project Sage Neighborhoods—Saginaw Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program</b> <i>Research Assistant</i> Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2019-GP-BX-0060)	2020-2022
<b>Smart Policing Initiative—Detroit Police Department</b> <i>Research Assistant</i> Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Dept. of Justice (Grant No. 2016-WY-BX-0005)	2020-2021
<b>Case Processing and Sentencing in Johnson County, IA</b> <i>Undergraduate Research Assistant</i>	2018-2019

## **AWARDS**

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### **Michigan State University**

Conference Travel Award, American Society of Criminology Division of Policing.	2022
Conference Travel Award, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI.	2021
Summer Research Fellowship, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI.	2021
Summer Research Fellowship, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI.	2019
COVID-19 Small Research Grant, College of Social Sciences, East Lansing, MI.	2020

### **University of Iowa**

Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) Research Fellowship, Iowa City, IA.	2018
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## **CERTIFICATIONS**

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Graduate Teaching Workshop Certificate of Completion, School of Criminal Justice, East Lansing, MI.	2022
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## **PROFICIENCIES AND ADVANCED TRAINING**

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### ***Time Series Analysis, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)***

Instructors: Dr. Sara Mitchell (University of Iowa) and Dr. Clayton Webb (University of Kansas)

### ***Structural Equation Modeling, Michigan State University***

Instructor: Dr. Tenko Raykov (Michigan State University)

## **COMMITTEE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE**

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### ***University:***

Member, Graduate Student Advisory Council, Michigan	2022-Present
Participant, MSU Department of Police and Public Safety Citizen's Police Academy	2022

Hearing Board Member, All-University Student Hearing Board, Michigan State University 2021-Present

***School:***

Student Leader/Tutor, SCJ RStudio User's Group, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University 2020-Present

Secretary, Graduate Student Association Executive Committee, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University 2020-2021

**PEER REVIEW/REFEREE ACTIVITIES**

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*Journal of Criminal Justice*

*Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*

*PLOS ONE*

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

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American Society of Criminology (ASC)

American Society of Criminology-Division of Policing (ASC-DP)

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honors Society