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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2020 **Ph.D., Criminology**, University of South Florida, Tampa
- 2013 **M.S., Criminology**, Florida State University, Tallahassee
- 2009 **B.A., Criminology**, University of South Florida, Tampa

Academic and Professional Experience

- 2025– **Assistant Professor**, University of Central Florida, Department of Criminal Justice
- 2020–2025 **Assistant Professor**, Appalachian State University, Department of Government and Justice Studies
- 2014–2018 **Managing Editor**, *Policing: An International Journal*
- 2007–2013 **Police Officer**, North Port Police Department, North Port, Florida

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2025 **Marier, C. J.**, Todak, N., Baker, D. B., & Ondercin, H. Assessing the effect of gender and diversity on the traditional police culture. *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/police/paaf014>
- 2025 Fridell, L. A., & **Marier, C. J.** *The color of confinement: Racial bias and jail populations across America*. American Journal of Criminal Justice. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-024-09788-2>
- 2024 **Marier, C. J.** & Baker, D. B. Police use-of-force self-efficacy: An antidote to the Ferguson effect? *Journal of Crime and Justice*, 47(3), 309–323. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2023.2299457>
- 2024 **Marier, C. J.** (2024). Justifiability and culpability in lethal self-defense: Police officers vs. civilians. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 90. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2023.102142>
- 2023 **Marier, C. J.** & Fridell, L. A. Racial threat and punitive police attitudes. *Justice Quarterly*, 40(6), 859–884. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2022.2127842>
- 2023 Kim, H. S., & **Marier, C. J.** High-speed mobile networks and police repression during the COVID-19 pandemic: The case of Nigeria. *Policing: An International Journal*, 46(4), 655–668. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-01-2023-0017>
- 2023 **Marier, C. J.** & Cochran, J. K. Ethnic diversity, ethnic polarization, and incarceration rates: A cross-national study. *Justice Quarterly*, 40(4), 478–505. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2022.2063753>

- 2023 Baker, D. B., **Marier, C. J.**, & Cheek, M. Worried sick: Perceptions of low public support, stress, and somatic health problems in law enforcement. *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*, 17. <https://doi.org/10.1093/police/paac118>
- 2023 Fridell, L. A., & **Marier, C. J.** The impact of suspect race and precipitating incident on community members' assessments of deadly force reasonableness. *Homicide Studies*, 27(1), 142–166. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10887679221112601>
- 2020 **Marier, C. J.**, & Fridell, L. A. Demonstrations, demoralization, and de-policing. *Criminology & Public Policy*, 19(3), 693–719. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12492>
- 2019 Cochran, J. K., **Marier, C. J.**, Jennings, W. G., Smith, M. D., Bjerregaard, B., & Fogel, S. J. Rape, race, and capital punishment: An enduring cultural legacy of lethal vengeance? *Race and Justice*, 9(4), 383–406. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2153368717702700>
- 2019 **Marier, C. J.** & Moule, R. K. Feeling blue: Officer perceptions of public antipathy predict police occupational norms. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 44(5), 836–857. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-018-9459-1>
- 2018 **Marier, C. J.**, Cochran, J. K., Smith, M. D., Fogel, S. J., & Bjerregaard, B. Victim age and capital sentencing outcomes in North Carolina (1977–2009). *Criminal Justice Studies*, 31(1), 62–79. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1478601X.2017.1404464>

Other Publications and Research

- 2023 Fridell, L. A., Richardson, D., & **Marier, C. J.** The Use of Force “Reasonableness Divide.” *Police Chief*.
- 2022 **Marier, C. J.** & Baker, D. B. NC Officer Health, Fitness, and Wellness. Technical report to the N.C. Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.

Manuscripts Under Review

- Marier, C. J.**, & Santos, M. R. Divided we jail: Racial bipolarization, conflict, and punishment. *American Journal of Sociology*. Under Review.

Conference Presentations

- 2023 **Marier, C. J.**, Cochran, J. K., & Santos, M. R. *Polarization and Punishment*. ASC Annual Meeting, Philadelphia.
- 2023 **Marier, C. J.**, Todak, N., Baker, D. B., & Ondercin, H. *Anticipating 30x30: Effects of Organization and Leader Diversity on Attitudes of White Male Officers*. ASC Annual Meeting, Philadelphia.
- 2023 **Marier, C. J.** *Police Officers Are Perceived More Favorably Than Civilians in Factually and Legally Equivalent Shootings: A Randomized Controlled Survey Experiment*. Research and Creative Activity at Appalachian, Boone, NC.
- 2023 **Marier, C. J.** & Baker, D. B. *Police Stress and Use-of-Force Attitudes*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, National Harbor, MD.
- 2022 Baker, D. B., **Marier, C. J.**, & Cheek, M. *Worried Sick: Perceptions of Low Public Support, Stress, and Somatic Health Problems in Law Enforcement*. Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Asheville.
- 2022 Fridell, L. A., **Marier, C. J.**, & Richardson, D. *The Impact of Suspect Race and Precipitating Incident on Community Members' Assessments of Force Reasonableness*. ACJS Annual Meeting, Las Vegas.
- 2022 **Marier, C. J.** & Richardson, D. *Benefit of the Doubt?: Public Perceptions of Lethal Self-Defense by Police vs. Civilians*. ACJS Annual Meeting, Las Vegas.

- 2021 **Marier, C. J.**, Richardson, D., & Fridell, L. A., *Examining the Relationships Between Socializing with Blacks, Implicit Anti-Black Bias, and Support for Racial Profiling*. ASC Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- 2021 **Marier, C. J.** & Fridell, L. A. *Racial Threat and Punitive Police Attitudes: Evidence from 97 American Agencies*. Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Daytona.
- 2020 **Marier, C. J.** *Examining American Exceptionalism in Minority Confidence in Police*. Accepted at ASC Annual Meeting. (Canceled due to COVID-19)
- 2020 **Marier, C. J.** *Minority Threat and Incarceration Rates: A Cross-National Study*. Accepted at ACJS Annual Meeting. (Canceled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 **Marier, C. J.** & Fridell, L. A. *Racial Threat and Arrest Disparities: The Mediating Effect of Implicit Bias*. ASC Annual Meeting, San Francisco.
- 2019 **Marier, C. J.** *Legitimacy Crisis and Police Culture: Evaluating Changes in Police Culture Following Ferguson Riots*. ACJS Annual Meeting, Baltimore.
- 2018 **Marier, C. J.** & Moule, R. K. *Feeling Blue: Police Perceptions of Public Antipathy and Police Culture*. ASC Annual Meeting, Atlanta.
- 2017 **Marier, C. J.**, Cochran, J. K., Smith, M. D., Fogel, S. J., & Bjerregaard, B. *Victim Age and Capital Sentencing Outcomes in North Carolina (1977–2009)*. ASC Annual Meeting, New Orleans.
- 2016 **Marier, C. J.** *The Scale of Incarceration and the Behavior of Law*. ACJS Annual Meeting, Denver.

Grants

- 2025 *Evaluation of a Novel, Comprehensive Police Training and Education Program*. Submitted to the Charles Koch Foundation May 15, 2025. Amount requested: \$46,080. (Not funded.)
- 2024 *Lawful but Awful? Exploring Community Expectations and Public Policy in Police Use of Force*. Awarded by the Appalachian State University Research Council, November 21, 2024. Amount: \$4,310.
- 2024 *Lawful but Awful? Exploring Community Expectations and Public Policy in Police Use of Force*. Summer Stipend for Writing a Grant awarded by the Appalachian State University Office of Research & Innovation, November 11, 2024. Amount: \$3,500.
- 2024 *The Appalachian State University Police Officer Development Program: A Model for the Nation?* Co-Principal Investigator. Chancellor's Innovation Grant awarded by Appalachian State University, January 20, 2024. Amount: \$10,000.
- 2024 *APDP Evaluation*. Research/Proposal Development Summer Grant awarded by the Appalachian State University College of Arts and Sciences, January 8, 2024. Amount: \$5,000.
- 2021 *A Novel Experiment Evaluating Perceptions of Police Use of Force*. Awarded by the Appalachian State University Research Council, December 15, 2021. Amount: \$4,809.
- 2019 *An Innovative Study to Identify the Risk Factors of Assaults On/Against Law Enforcement Officers*. Submitted to the National Institutes of Health, October 7, 2019. Amount requested: \$1.2 million. (Not funded.)

Awards and Honors

- 2021 Outstanding Criminology Ambassador, USF
- 2020 ACJS International Section Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award
- 2019 ACJS Doctoral Summit Fellowship
- 2014 University Graduate Fellowship, USF

Manuscript Reviewer

Justice Quarterly, Criminology & Public Policy, Homicide Studies, Journal of Drug Issues, Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice, Police Practice and Research: An International Journal, Journal of Criminal Justice Education, Policing: An International Journal, Political Geography, Journal of Crime and Justice, Race & Justice, Injury Epidemiology, Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being

Courses Taught

Introduction to Law Enforcement, Critical Issues in Policing, Police Administration & Organization, Officer Wellness and Performance, Criminalistics, Criminal Investigations, Comparative Criminal Justice, Race and Justice, Patterns of Criminal Behavior, Survey of the Criminal Justice System, Theories of Criminal Behavior, Introduction to Criminology, Deviant Behavior, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Introduction to Corrections, Juvenile Delinquency & Rehabilitation, Police Process, Contemporary Issues in Policing, Criminal Law, Honors Thesis, Writing in Criminal Justice, Theories of Crime and Justice.

Student Mentorship

- 2025 **Conor Goodwin.** Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Chair. *Testing the Community Expectations Standard in Evaluations of Police Use of Force.*
- 2023 **Alex Setliff.** Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Second Reader. *Law Enforcement and Prosecutors: How Two Entities Work Together (or Not).*
- 2023 **Ben Carter.** Master of Public Administration Capstone Committee Member. *The Impact of Ongoing Physical Fitness Training Implementations on Law Enforcement Officer Wellness and Physical Work Performance.*
- 2022 **Ivey Black.** Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Chair. *Police Use of Force: Causes, Impacts, and Policy.*

Service

- 2022 Member, Criminal Justice Faculty Search Committee, Department of Government & Justice Studies, Appalachian State University.
- 2022 Member, Political Science Faculty Search Committee, Department of Government & Justice Studies, Appalachian State University.
- 2021–2023 Reviewer, Peer Assisted Review Enterprise (PARE), Appalachian State University.
- 2021 Member, Scholarship Committee, Department of Government & Justice Studies, Appalachian State University.
- 2020–2021 Member, Departmental Personnel Committee (DPC), Department of Government & Justice Studies, Appalachian State University.
- 2018–2020 Member, Undergraduate Committee, University of South Florida.

2014–2015 Fundraising Coordinator, Criminology Graduate Student Organization, University of South Florida.

Professional Affiliations

American Society of Criminology (ASC) – Division of Policing

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) – Police, Women and Minorities, and International Sections