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Education:

Ph.D. Sociology, New York University, 2003
Dissertation Title: *Children in an Adult World: Prosecuting Adolescents in Criminal and Juvenile Jurisdictions*
M.A. Sociology, New York University, 2000
B.A. Psychology, Boston University, 1994

Academic Positions:

September 2006 – present: Assistant Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware

August 2003 – July 2006: Assistant Professor of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University

June 1998 – July 2003: Staff Associate at the Columbia University Center for Violence Research and Prevention

Awards:

American Society of Criminology, Ruth Shonle Cavan Young Scholar Award, 2007
Arizona State University Last Lecture Series Nomination, 2005
Wakonse Arizona Teaching Fellowship, 2004
American Society of Criminology, Gene Carte Student Paper Award, 2002
Law and Society Association, Graduate Student Paper Award, 2002
New York University Department of Sociology Dennis Wrong Graduate Student Paper Award, 2002
American Sociological Association, Graduate Student Travel Award, 2002
New York University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Designation as Master Teaching Assistant, 2000, 2001, 2002
New York University, Dean's Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, 2000

Publications

Books:

Aaron Kupchik. 2006. *Judging Juveniles: Prosecuting Adolescents in Adult and Juvenile Courts*. NY: New York University Press.

Jo Dixon, Aaron Kupchik, and Joachim Savelsberg (eds.). 2006. *Criminal Courts*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate.

Refereed Journal Articles:

Geoff Ward and Aaron Kupchik. Forthcoming (2008). "What Drives Juvenile Probation Officers? Relating Organizational Contexts, Status Characteristics, and Personal Convictions to Treatment and Punishment Orientations." *Crime and Delinquency*.

Aaron Kupchik and Angela Harvey. Forthcoming (2007). "Court Context and Discrimination: Exploring Biases Across Juvenile and Criminal Courts." *Sociological Perspectives*.

Aaron Kupchik and Nicholas D. Ellis. Forthcoming (2007). "School Discipline and Security: Fair for All Students?" *Youth and Society*.

Joseph De Angelis and Aaron Kupchik. Forthcoming (2007). "Citizen Oversight, Procedural Justice, and Officer Perceptions of the Complaint Investigation Process." *Policing: an International Journal of Police Strategies and Management*.

Aaron Kupchik. 2007. "The Correctional Experiences of Youth in Juvenile and Adult Prisons." *Justice Quarterly* 24: 247-270.

Aaron Kupchik. 2006. "The Decision to Incarcerate in Juvenile and Criminal Courts." *Criminal Justice Review* 31: 309-336.

Aaron Kupchik and Torin Monahan. 2006. "The New American School: Preparation for Post-Industrial Discipline." *British Journal of Sociology of Education* 27: 617-632.

Aaron Kupchik. 2004. "Youthfulness, Responsibility and Punishment: Admonishing Adolescents in Criminal Court." *Punishment & Society: The International Journal of Penology* 6(2): 149-173 (reprinted in Jo Dixon, Aaron Kupchik, and Joachim Savelsberg (eds.). 2006. *Criminal Courts*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate).

Aaron Kupchik. 2003. "Prosecuting Adolescents in Criminal Court: Criminal or Juvenile Justice?" *Social Problems* 50(3): 439-460 (reprinted in Thomas J. Bernard (ed.). 2006. *Serious Delinquency: An Anthology*. Los Angeles: Roxbury).

Aaron Kupchik, Jeffrey Fagan, and Akiva Liberman. 2003. "Punishment, Proportionality and Jurisdictional Transfer of Adolescent Offenders: Testing the Leniency Gap Hypothesis." *Stanford Law & Policy Review* 14: 58-84.

Articles Under Review:

Aaron Kupchik and R. Bradley Snyder, "The Impact of Juvenile Inmates' Perceptions and Facility Characteristics on Disorder in Juvenile Correctional Facilities." Revised and Resubmitted to *The Prison Journal*.

Geoff Ward and Aaron Kupchik, "Accountable to What? Professional Orientations Toward Accountability-Based Juvenile Justice." Under review at *Punishment & Society: The International Journal of Penology*.

Review Essays:

Aaron Kupchik. Forthcoming (2007). "Prosecuting Juveniles as Adults." *Insights on Law & Society* (published by the American Bar Association).

Aaron Kupchik and Jeffrey Fagan. Forthcoming (2009). "Children in the Adult Criminal Justice System." In Richard A. Schweder, Thomas R. Bidell, Anne C. Dailey, Suzanne D. Dixon, Peggy J. Miller, and John Modell (eds.), *The Chicago Companion to the Child*. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.

Aaron Kupchik. 2004. "Direct File of Youth to Criminal Court: Understanding the Practical and Theoretical Implications." *Criminology & Public Policy* 3: 645-650.

Book Chapters:

William Parkin, Gray Cavender, Aaron Kupchik, Randel Hanson, and David Altheide. 2005. "Timothy McVeigh: The Social Construction of an American Terrorist." Shlomo G. Shoham and Paul Knepper (eds.) *Terrorism and the International Community: Israel Studies in Criminology, Vol. 9*, pp. 80-114. Toronto: de Sitter Publications.

Aaron Kupchik. 2005. "Punishing to Protect? Balancing Punishment and Future Welfare in Juvenile Court." Stacy Burns (ed.) *Ethnographies of Law and Social Control: Sociology of Crime, Law and Deviance, Vol 6*, pp. 185-202. New York: Elsevier Ltd.

Research Reports:

- Joseph De Angelis and Aaron Kupchik. 2007. *Officer Satisfaction with the Denver Police Complaint Process: A Comparison of the Baseline and Post Implementation Surveys*. Report to City of Denver and Denver Police Department.
- Joseph De Angelis and Aaron Kupchik. 2006. *Measuring Complainant and Officer Satisfaction with the Denver Police Complaint Process: Results from the Baseline Survey*. Report to City of Denver and Denver Police Department.
- Aaron Kupchik. 2003. *Children in an Adult World: Prosecuting Adolescents in Criminal and Juvenile Jurisdictions*. Final Grant Report to National Institute of Justice.
- Jeffrey Fagan, Aaron Kupchik, and Akiva Liberman. 2003. *Comparative Impact of Juvenile Versus Criminal Court Sanctions on Recidivism Among Adolescent Felony Offenders: A Replication and Extension*. Final Grant Report to National Institute of Justice.
- Mary T. Phillips, Marian Gewirtz, Dale Sealy, Ray Caliguire, Alisha Fenton, Vanessa Martin, and Aaron Kupchik. 1999. *Release-on-Recognizance Recommendation System for Juvenile Offenders Arraigned in New York City Adult Courts: Part I Validation Study*. New York: Criminal Justice Agency.

Book Reviews and Other Publications:

- Aaron Kupchik. 2007. Letter published in *Scientific American Mind* 18(2): 4.
- Aaron Kupchik and Joseph De Angelis. 2004. "Legitimacy." Mary Bosworth (ed.) *Encyclopedia of Prisons and Correctional Facilities*. CA: Sage.
- Aaron Kupchik. 2004. Letter published in *Contexts* 3(4): 5.
- Aaron Kupchik. 2003. Book Review of *The Changing Borders of Juvenile Justice: Transfer of Adolescents to Criminal Court* edited by Jeffrey Fagan and Franklin E. Zimring. *Punishment & Society: the International Journal of Penology* 5: 221-223.
- Aaron Kupchik. 2002. Book Review of *Excluding Violent Youths from Juvenile Court: The Effectiveness of Legislative Waiver* by David L. Myers. *Punishment & Society: the International Journal of Penology* 4: 270-273.
- Aaron Kupchik. 2000. Book Review of *Bad Kids: Race and the Transformation of Juvenile Court* by Barry Feld. *Punishment & Society: the International Journal of Penology* 2: 491-493.

Manuscripts in Progress:

Aaron Kupchik and R. Bradley Snyder. "Surveillance Artifacts and the Measurement of Disorder in Juvenile Correctional Facilities."

Antonia Randolph, Yasser Payne, and Aaron Kupchik. "Racial Threat and Responses to the Fear of Crime in Schools: Perspectives of Students, Teachers, and Administrators."

Aaron Kupchik and Nicole Bracy. "School Violence: Perceptions and Reality."

Grants Activity**Grants Awarded**

1) External Grants:

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences Division, 2006-2008, *School Discipline and Security: Maintaining Safety and Legitimacy* (PI, \$144,871, #SES-550208).

National Science Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, Law and Social Sciences Division, 2001, *Between Two Worlds: Prosecuting Adolescents in Juvenile and Criminal Courts* (\$9,874, #SES-004334).

National Institute of Justice Graduate Research Fellowship, 2001, *Between Two Worlds: Prosecuting Adolescents in Juvenile and Criminal Courts* (PI, \$14,942, #2001-IJ-CX-0005).

2) Internal Grants:

General University Research Program, University of Delaware, 2007 (\$5,989)
Understanding the Link Between Incarceration and Medicaid.

Faculty Incentive Grant, School of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University, 2005 (\$5,000).

Faculty Grant Incentive Program, School of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University, 2004 (\$4,000).

Dean's Incentive Grant, College of Public Programs, Arizona State University, 2004 (\$5,000) *School Discipline and Security: Understanding the Links Between Schools, Courts and Police.*

Grants Applied for (not awarded):

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences Division, *School Discipline and Security: Maintaining Safety and Legitimacy* (2005).

Smith Richardson Foundation, *School Discipline and Security Policies: Making Educational Reform Effective and Legitimate* (2005).

National Institute of Justice, *The Effects of School Characteristics and Community Influences on School Discipline and Security* (2004).

The Spencer Foundation, *School Discipline and Security* (2004).

Presentations

Invited Presentations:

April 2006, Walden University Annual Graduate Conference. Phoenix, AZ:
“Juvenile Justice and Public Policy: The Role of Research.” (keynote speech)

March 2006, Council of Juvenile Correctional Association Meeting. Braintree, MA.:
“PbS Data Analysis: Safety, Order, and Security.” (with R. Bradley Snyder, Matt Birmingham, and Anne Schneider)

October 2005, Arizona State University, Classes Without Quizzes Day:
“Children Before the Law.”

October 2004, Arizona State University, Department of Sociology Colloquium Series:
“Children in an Adult World: Judging Adolescents’ Youthfulness and Culpability in Criminal Courts.”

June 2003, Casey Journalism Center Conference on Juvenile Justice. Denver, CO:
“The Criminalization of Delinquency: Comparative Impacts of Juvenile and Adult Sanctions on Adolescent Felony Offenders.”

March 2003, Institute for Law and Society at New York University: Movements in the Field of Law and Society:
“Prosecuting Adolescents in Criminal Courts: Criminal or Juvenile Justice?”

October 2000, Speaker at University of Minnesota Law School, Institute for Legal Studies Conference on Juvenile Justice:
“The Comparative Impact of Juvenile Versus Criminal Court Sanctions on Recidivism Among Adolescent Felony Offenders: A Replication and Extension.” (with Jeffrey Fagan)

Conference Papers:

November 2006, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Los Angeles, CA:

“Judging Youth in Schools: School Punishment and the Maintenance of Order.” (with Olivia Salcido)

“Transfer and Reintegration: Comparing Experiences of Young Adults Released from Juvenile and Adult Prisons.”

November 2005, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada:

“Juvenile Court Actors’ Goals: The Effect of Personal Characteristics, Professional Roles, and Attitudes.” (with Geoff Ward)

November 2004, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Nashville, TN:
“The Negotiated Balance of Care and Control in the Juvenile Court.”

August 2004, American Sociological Association Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA:
“Punishing to Protect? Balancing Punishment and Future Welfare in Juvenile Court.”

November 2002, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Chicago, IL:
“Legal Rationality and Jurisdictional Transfer: Comparing Sentencing of Adolescents in Juvenile and Criminal Courts.”

August 2002, American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL:
“Prosecuting Adolescents in Specialized Criminal Courts: Criminal or Juvenile Justice?”

July 2002, British Society of Criminology Conference. Keele, England:
“Degradation and Juvenile Justice: The Search for Middle-Ground When Punishing Youth as Adults.”

June 2002, Law and Society Annual Conference. Vancouver, Canada:
“Making Some Noise: Degradation as Tension Resolution for the Criminal Court Prosecution of Adolescents.”

November 2001, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA:
“The Effect of Downward Shifts in Maximum Jurisdictional Age of Juvenile Court on the Age Distribution of Arrests: Reports on Some National Samples.” (with Jeffrey Fagan and Franklin Zimring)
“The Criminalization of Delinquency: Comparative Impacts of Juvenile and Adult Sanctions on Adolescent Felony Offenders.” (with Jeffrey Fagan and Jan Holland)

November 2000, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA:
“Comparative Impact of Juvenile Versus Criminal Court Sanctions on Recidivism Among Adolescent Felony Offenders: A Replication and Extension.” (with Jeffrey Fagan)

November 1999, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada:

“Child as Offender, Child as Adult: The Classification of Juveniles Waived to Criminal Court.”

March 1999, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference. Boston, MA:

“The Persistence of Individualized Rehabilitation Within the Juvenile Justice System: An Analysis of Recent Reform.”

November 1997, American Society of Criminology Annual Conference. San Diego, CA:

“A Critique of the Literature Regarding the Juvenile Justice System: a Call for Research Integrating Law, Ideology, and Punishment.”

Teaching

Courses Taught:

- 1) At the University of Delaware:
 - Advanced statistics and data analysis (graduate)
 - Research methods and statistics (graduate)
 - Introduction to Sociological Research (undergraduate – fall 2007)

- 2) At Arizona State University:
 - Juvenile delinquency
 - Youth and justice
 - Statistical problems in justice research
 - Data analysis for justice research

Graduate Committees:

- 1) At the University of Delaware:
 - a. Ph.D. Committees:
 - Nicole Bracy (chair, in progress): *School Safety and Students' Rights*
 - Ray Maratea (member, in progress): *Constructing Social Problems in the Internet Age*

 - b. M.A. Committees:
 - Lynn Letukas (member, in progress): *Can Aid be a Problem? An Exploration of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Response*

- 2) At Arizona State University:
 - a. Ph.D. Committees:
 - Angela Harvey (co-chair, defended 2007): *(De)constructing Youthfulness in Juvenile Court: An Analysis of Competency to Stand Trial*
 - Olivia Salcido (member, in progress): *The Criminal Justice System's Response to Domestic Violence: A Comparative Study of U.S. Born and Latina Immigrant Victims/Survivors*

b. M.A. Committees:

Nicholas D. Ellis (chair, defended 2006): *Cursed? A Media Analysis of the 2003 Chicago Cubs*

William Parkin (member, defended 2004): *Timothy McVeigh: The Social Construction of an American Terrorist.*

Genevieve Smith (member, defended 2004): *Predicting Incompetence: A Study of Gender as a Predictive Variable in Competency Evaluations*

Undergraduate Mentoring:

Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Faculty mentor to Judith Munoz, 2007.

Service

Professional Service:

2006-2008: Member, American Society of Criminology Publications Committee.

2006-2007: Member, program committee for the 2007 American Society of Criminology annual conference.

2005-2007: Chair, Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems (2005-2006: Chair-elect; 2006-2007: Chair).

2006: Member, American Society of Criminology, Division of Corrections and Sentencing awards committee.

1998 - 2001: Assistant Editor for *Punishment & Society: The International Journal of Penology*.

Referee for: National Science Foundation (Law and Social Sciences Division), *Social Problems*, *Theoretical Criminology*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *Criminology*, *Punishment & Society*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Criminology and Public Policy*, *Journal of Criminal Justice*, *Justice Research and Policy*.

Professional Membership:

American Sociological Association

American Society of Criminology

Eastern Sociological Society

Society for the Study of Social Problems

University Service:

University of Delaware, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice:

2006-2007: Methods Comprehensive Exam Committee
Criminology Comprehensive Exam Committee
Undergraduate Policy Committee

Co-Organizer of 2007 University of Delaware Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Conference.

Co-Organizer of 2005 and 2006 Arizona State University School of Justice and Social Inquiry Graduate Student Conferences.

Faculty Participant in ASU / Spencer Foundation Discipline Based Studies in Education Program, 2004-2005.

Member of Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics Affiliates Council at Arizona State University, 2003-2005.

Faculty Participant and Speaker for Preparing Future Faculty program at Arizona State University, 2004.

Arizona State University, School of Justice and Social Inquiry:

2005-2006: Graduate Committee
2004-2005: Personnel Committee
2003-2004: Grants and Faculty Development Committee

Community Service:

Advisory Council, Campaign for Youth Justice (Washington, DC based advocacy group)