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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociology, June 2000

Northeastern University, Boston, MA 2000

M.A. in Sociology 1994-1996
Northeastern University

B.S. in Criminal Justice 1989-1994
Northeastern University

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2005-Present *Associate Professor*; Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice, University of Delaware.

2000-2005 *Assistant Professor*; Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice, University of Delaware.

2000-2005 *Co-investigator*; "The Role of Race in Punishing Criminal Violence: Jury Sentencing in Capital Cases," Principal Investigator: William J. Bowers, Ph.D., Criminal Justice Research Program, Northeastern University, funded by the National Science Foundation.

1996-2000 Senior Research Associate, Criminal Justice Research Program, Northeastern University, Boston, MA.

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Edited Volumes

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin with Carla Crowder (2008) *Dying Inside: The HIV/AIDS Ward at Limestone Prison*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Laura Beth Nielsen (2006). *The New Civil Rights Research: A Constitutive Perspective*. Aldershot, United Kingdom: Ashgate Press

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2004) *Jurors' Stories of Death: How America's Death Penalty Invests in Inequality*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Refereed Journal Articles

Rapp, Laura, Deeanna Button, Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, and Ruth Fleury-Steiner (2010). "The Internet as Tool for Black Feminist Activism: Lessons from an Online Anti-Rape Protest" *Feminist Criminology* 5: 244-262.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin, Kerry Dunn, & Ruth Fleury-Steiner (2010). "Governing through Crime as Commonsense Racism: Race, Space, and Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." *Punishment & Society* 11: 5-24.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2006) "Different Approaches Need To Be Taken In Different Settings" Situating Activist Prison Lawyering: The Struggle For HIV-Positive Prisoners Rights." *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society* 38: 3-25.

Antonio, Michael, Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, Valerie P. Hans, & William J. Bowers (2004) "Capital Jurors as the Litmus Test of Community Conscience for the Juvenile Death Penalty." *87 Judicature*: 274-283.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin D. & Victor Argothy (2004) "Lethal 'Borders': Elucidating Jurors' Racialized Discipline to Punish in Latino Defendant Death Cases." *6 Punishment & Society*: 67-84.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin D. & Kristian Wiles. (2003) "The Use of Commercial Advertisements on Police Cars, USA Post-911." *13 Policing & Society*: 441-450.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2003) "Before or Against the Law? Citizens' Legal Beliefs and Experiences as Death Penalty Jurors." *27 Studies in Law, Politics, & Society* 115-137.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2003) "Before or Against the Law? Citizens' Legal Beliefs and Experiences as Death Penalty Jurors." *27 Studies in Law, Politics, & Society* 115-136.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2002) "Narratives of the Death Sentence: Toward a Theory of Legal Narrativity." *36 Law & Society Review* 549-576. (Reprinted in *Crime and Criminal Justice*, edited by W Lyons. London, U.K.: Ashgate Press and *Consciousness and Ideology*, edited by P. Ewick. London, U.K.: Ashgate Press).

Steiner, Benjamin D. (2002) "Keeping the Public in the Dark: The (Un)Availability of Public Information Regarding the Parole of Murderers." *6 Homicide Studies*: 167-178, (2002).

- Steiner, Benjamin D. (2001) "The Consciousness of Crime & Punishment: Reflections on Race, Political Narrative, & Lawmaking in the War on Drugs." *23 Studies in Law, Politics, & Society*: 185-212, (2001).
- Steiner, Benjamin D., William J. Bowers, and Austin Sarat (1999) "Folk Knowledge as Legal Action: Death Penalty Judgments and the Tenet of Early Release in a Culture of Mistrust and Punitiveness" *33 Law & Society Review*: 461-506.
- Steiner, Benjamin D. (1999) "Still Arbitrary: Capital Sentencing in the Post-Furman Era." *10 Criminal Justice Policy Review*: 85-102.

Law Review Articles

- Longazel, Jamie and Benjamin Fleury-Steiner (In Press). "Exploiting Borders: Racism and the Political Economy" *30 UCLA Chicana/o-Latino/a Law Review*.
- Bowers, William J., Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, Valerie P. Hans, & Michael E. Antonio (2004) "Too Young to Be Executed: An Empirical Examination of Community Conscience and the Juvenile Death Penalty from the Perspective of Capital Jurors," *84 Boston University Law Review*: 609-693.
- Steiner, Benjamin D. and Victor Argothy (2001) "White Addiction: Racial Inequality, Racial Ideology, and the War on Drugs." *10 Temple Political and Civil Rights Law Review*: 443-475.
- Bowers, William J., Benjamin D. Steiner, & Marla Sandys (2001) "Death Sentencing In Black & White: An Empirical Analysis of Jurors' Race and Jury Racial Composition." *3 Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*: 171-273.
- Bowers, William J. & Steiner, Benjamin D. (1999) "Death by Default: An Empirical Demonstration of Forced and False Choices in Capital Sentencing." *77 University of Texas Law Review* 608-717.
- Bowers, William J., Marla Sandys, & Benjamin D. Steiner (1998). "Foreclosed Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Guilt-Trial Experience, and Premature Decision Making." *83 Cornell Law Review*: 1476-1556.

Chapters

- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Jamie Longazel (2010) "Neoliberalism, Community Development, and Anti-Immigrant Backlash in Hazelton, Pennsylvania" in Monica Varsanyi, ed. *State and Local Immigration Policy Activism in the US: Interdisciplinary Perspectives*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Aaron Fichtelberg (2008) "Paulina Escobar as Cause Lawyer: "Litigating" Human Rights in the Shadows of *Death and the Maiden*" in Austin Sarat and Stuart Scheingold, eds. *The Cultural Live of Cause Lawyers*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Laura Beth Nielsen (2006) "A Constitutive Perspective of Rights," in Benjamin Fleury-Steiner and Laura Beth Nielsen, eds. *The New Civil Rights Research: A Constitutive Perspective*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate Press.

- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Jessica Hodge (2006) "Keeping Rights Alive: The Struggle for HIV-Infected Prisoners." in Benjamin Fleury-Steiner and Laura Beth Nielsen, eds. *The New Civil Rights Research: A Constitutive Perspective*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate Press.
- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2006). "Death in 'Whiteface': Modern Race Minstrels, Official Lynching and the Culture of American Apartheid," in Charles Ogletree and Austin Sarat, eds. *From the Lynch Mob to the Killing State: Race and the Death Penalty in America*. New York, NY: New York University Press.
- Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2004). "William "Willie" Horton," in F.Y. Bailey and S. Chermack, eds., *Famous Criminal Trials and the Media*. New York, NY: Praeger.
- Bowers, William J., Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, & Michael E. Antonio (2003) "The Capital Sentencing Decision: Guided Discretion, Reasoned Moral Judgment, or Legal Fiction." in J. Acker, R. Bohm, and C.S. Lanier, eds., *America's Experiment with Capital Punishment: Reflections on the Past, Present, and Future of the Ultimate Penal Sanction* (2nd Editors). Durham, NC: Carolina Press.
- Bowers, William J. & Benjamin D. Steiner (1998) "Choosing Life or Death: Sentencing Dynamics in Capital Cases," in J. Acker, R. Bohm, and C.S. Lanier, eds., *America's Experiment with Capital Punishment: Reflections on the Past, Present, and Future of the Ultimate Penal Sanction*." Durham, NC: Carolina Press.
- Bowers, William J. & Benjamin D. Steiner (1999) "People want an Alternative to the Death Penalty" (1999) in G. Stassen ed., *Capital Punishment: A Reader*. Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press.

GRANTS

Extramural

"Stalking Among Women Seeking Protection Orders: A Longitudinal Study of Safety," under review, Co- Principal Investigator, National Institute of Justice Solicitation "Research and Evaluation on Sexual Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence," \$490,000, Co-Principal Investigator.

"The Role of Race in Punishing Criminal Violence: Jury Sentencing in Capital Cases," *funded*, Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Program in Law and Social Sciences, \$249,592, June 1, 2000- May 31, 2005.

Intramural

"The Role of Race in Capital Sentencing: Delaware Tri-State Component," Principal Investigator, University of Delaware General University Research Grant, \$6,000, June 1, 2001- June 1, 2002.

Other

"Mitigation in Capital Sentencing: Evidence from Trial Transcripts & Juror Interviews," Co-Director of Delaware Data Collection, National Science Foundation Program in Social and Economic Sciences, \$241,393, March 15, 2006-February 28, 2011.

INVITED COLLOQUIA

Invited Faculty, National Capital Habeas Unit (CHU) Conference (Paid expenses). Chicago, Illinois, April 14, 2010.

Guest Speaker "Confronting HIV/AIDS in U.S. Carceral Institutions: Lessons from the Southern Center for Human Rights' Leatherwood Litigation" (Paid expenses and honorarium) *Human Rights in the USA*, University of Connecticut Law School, October 22-24, 2009.

Guest Speaker "Race and the Death Penalty: Is Justice Colorblind." Widener University Law School. April 15, 2008.

Guest Speaker Annual Strausser Lecture: "Race and the Death Penalty: What Jurors' Stories Teach Us" (Paid expenses and honorarium). Lycoming College, March 26, 2008, Westport, PA.

Guest Speaker "Rights Consciousness" (Paid expenses and honorarium) Guest Lecture, University of Gronigen, Netherlands. June 2007.

Guest Speaker "Death in White Face." (Paid expenses). "From Lynch Mobs to the Killing State: Race & The Death Penalty in America." Conference sponsored by the Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race Justice, Harvard Law School, May 05, 2006, Cambridge, MA

Guest Speaker "Paulina Escobar as Cause Lawyer: "Litigating" Human Rights in the Shadows of Death and the Maiden." (Paid expenses). Conference on Cause Lawyers and Popular Culture, March 10-11, 2006. Amherst College, Amherst, MA.

Guest Speaker "Race & the Capital Jury." (Paid expenses). Annual Criminal Justice Conference of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, July 22, 2005, Airlie, VA.

Guest Speaker (Paid expenses). "Cause Lawyers and Advocates in the Struggle for HIV+ Prisoner Rights." Cause Lawyering and Social Movements Conference, UCLA Law School, March, 2005.

Guest Speaker "Dying Inside: A Social Autopsy of Preventable Deaths in One Alabama Prison." (Paid expenses University of California-Santa Barbara. January 15, 2004

Co-Organizer & Guest Speaker "First Annual Meeting of the Consortium for Undergraduate Law and Justice Programs (CULJP). June 4, 2003 Pittsburgh, PA.

Guest Speaker “The Capital Jury Project: Implications for Delaware Capital Defense Attorneys.” Continuing Legal Education Program (CLE), Office of the Public Defender, December 2002, Wilmington, DE.

Guest Speaker “The Capital Jury,” *Death Penalty 2000 Symposium*, Widener University School of Law, October 27, 2000.

Guest Speaker “The Capital Jury Project.” *National Capital Case Conference*, San Francisco, California.
April 27-29, 1998.

Guest Speaker “The Failure to Achieve Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Attitudes, and Premature Decision-Making.” *How the Death Penalty Works: Empirical Studies of the Modern Capital Sentencing System*. Sponsored by the Cornell Law Review and the Cornell Death Penalty Project, Ithaca, New York. March 28, 1998.

Guest Speaker "Juries and the Death Penalty." *Live From Death Row: The Case of Mumia Abu-Jamal*. Sponsored by Northeastern University Center for African American Studies, Boston, Massachusetts. October 12, 1995.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation). “Rights as Networks for Survival and Social Mobility: Social Capital among Homeless Veterans in a Post-*McKinney-Vento* Transitional Housing Program.” Law and Society Association. Chicago, May 2010.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (organizer and presenter). “Mass Imprisonment and Communities in the Post-Welfare State: Social Activists and Sociologists in Dialogue.” American Sociological Association. San Francisco, August 2009.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Jamie Longazel (paper co-presentation). “Law as Defender of Neoliberalism: Understanding Anti-Immigrant Backlash in a Small U.S. City.” Law & Society Association. Montreal, June 2008.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Laura Rapp (paper co-presentation). “Why are Black Women’s Voices Heard: Race and Rights in an Online Anti-Rape Protest. Law & Society Association. Montreal, June 2008.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (author). "Author-Meets-Readers: *Jurors Stories of Death: How America's Death Penalty Invests in Inequality* (2004: University of Michigan Press)." Law & Society Association. Las Vegas, June 2005.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant). "Roundtable: The Death of Scholarly Law & Society Books?" Law & Society Association. Chicago, May 2004.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant) "Roundtable: The New Civil Rights Research." Law & Society Association. Chicago, May 2004.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant) "Sentencing Women to Death: Analyzing the Gender of Death Penalty Judgments." American Society of Criminology. Denver, November 2003.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Mobilizing Rights Consciousness Behind Bars: The Case of HIV+ Prisoners' Rights." Law & Society Association. Pittsburgh, June 2003.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (chair) "Author-Meets-Readers: *Knowing Rights* by Trish Oberweis and Michael Musheno. Law & Society Association. Pittsburgh, June 2003.

Bowers, William J. Benjamin Fleury-Steiner and Michael Antonio (paper co-presentation) "Jurors' Race: The Third Wave of Racial Discrimination in Capital Sentencing" American Society of Criminology. Chicago, November 2002.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Jurors Stories of Death." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, November 2002.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Hegemony, Identity, and the Consciousness of Capital Sentencing Jurors." American Sociological Association. Atlanta, August 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Legal Consciousness among Arab-Americans Post-911" Law & Society Association. Vancouver, June 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin & Laura Beth Nielsen (co-chairs) "Roundtable: New Directions in Inequality and Legal Consciousness Research. Law & Society Association. Vancouver, June 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Racialized Consciousness in Death Penalty Decisions." Law & Society Association, Vancouver, June 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin and Naomi Bellot (paper co-presentation) "Punishing Identities: Legal Consciousness among African and European Capital Jurors." American Society of Criminology. Atlanta, Georgia. November, 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Restorative Justice in a Colorline Culture: Challenges to Rebuilding, Healing, and Empowering Marginalized Communities." Justice Studies Association. Norton, MA May 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Punishing Identities." Law and Society Association. Budapest, Hungary 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "An Age of Innocents?: Death Penalty Rhetoric and the New Legality After the Illinois Moratorium." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Washington, D.C. March 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Race, Ideology, and Legal Action: The Case of Capital Sentencing Jurors." Law and Society Association. Miami, FL May 2000.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (chair) "Racialized Wars against Crime." Law and Society Association. Miami, FL May 2000.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Still Arbitrary: Capital Sentencing in the Post-Furman Era." Northeastern Academy for Criminal Justice Sciences. Newport, RI June 1999.

Bowers, William, Marla Sandys, and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "Foreclosed Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Guilt Trial Experience, and Premature Decision Making." American Society of Criminology. Washington, D.C. May 1998.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Constructing Life or Death." American Society of Criminology. Washington, D.C. May, 1998.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (chair) "25 Years After Furman: Contemporary Research on the Capital Jury." Law & Society Association. St. Louis, Missouri. May, 1997.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "The Point of No Return: The Dynamics of Compliance at Final Sentencing." Law & Society Association. St. Louis, Missouri. May, 1997.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (participant) "Roundtable: The Capital Jury Project." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "The Pernicious Myth of Early Release for First Degree Murderers Not Sentenced to Death." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "An Eye For Whom?" American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "The Illusion of Early Release as a Tenet of Crime and Punishment Orthodoxy." Law & Society Association. Glasgow, Scotland. July, 1996.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Ambivalence and Arbitrariness in Making the Life or Death Decision." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Boston, Massachusetts. March, 1995.

TEACHING

Undergraduate Courses Taught

Capital Punishment & American Culture
Inequality, Crime, & Justice
Sociology of Law
Research Methods

Hate Crimes
Problems of Corrections
Introduction to Criminal Justice

Other Undergraduate Education Activities

- Mentoring of McNair Scholars in 2001 (Naomi Bellot), 2009 (Denise Areola), and 2010 (Patricia Mann).
- Chair, Undergraduate Honors Thesis, "In the Trenches of Delaware's Capital Defense System" (Naomi Bellot, 2002)
- Faculty mentor, Undergraduate Summer Scholars Program in 2007 (Rana Sachdev), 2008 (Rebecca Miller), and 2010 (Michael Akrong).
- Independent studies with more than 15 undergraduate students
- Academic Advisor, 2000-present, Undergraduate Criminal Justice Majors, University of Delaware.

Graduate Course Taught

Race and Crime, Fall 2005 and Fall 2007.

Other Graduate Education Activities

- Chair, 2009-present, Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Race, Class, and Gender.
- Member, 2004-2008, Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Race.
- Member, 2002-2004, Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Criminology.
- Guest Speaker, 2007, Graduate Student Pro-Seminar.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial

Editorial Board Member; *Law and Social Inquiry*, 2009-Present, *Punishment & Society*, 2008-Present, *Race & Society*, 2009-Present.

Journal Reviewer *Criminology*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Law, Culture, & the Humanities*, *Law & Social Inquiry*, *Law & Society Review*, *Punishment & Society*, *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society*

Book Reviewer; Ashgate Press, New York University Press, Routledge Press, University of Michigan Press.

Extramural Grant Reviewer; National Science Foundation.

Organizational

Workshop Panelist, Early Career Workshop, Law and Society Association, Chicago, Illinois, May 2010

Organizer and Presenter, A Thematic Session: “Mass Imprisonment and Communities in the Post-Welfare State: Social Activists and Sociologists in Dialogue.” American Sociological Association. San Francisco, August 2009.

Committee Member, Conference Planning Committee, Law and Society Association, 2007

Committee Chair; Conditions of Work, Law and Society Association, 2004-2006. Organized several panels involving issues germane to junior faculty, including publishing and the promotion and tenure process.

Secretary, Consortium of Undergraduate Law & Justice Programs (CULJP) 2003-2004

Committee Chair, Diversity, Law and Society Association, 2002-2003.

Committee Member, Diversity, Law and Society Association, 2001-2002.

Collaborative Research Network Co-Organizer, *Inequality and Legal Consciousness*. Organized sessions for annual meetings of the Law and Society Association 2004-2006. Helped organize a large research network of interdisciplinary scholars that led to a co-edited monograph, *The New Civil Rights Research: A Constitutive Approach* published by Ashgate Press in the Fall of 2006.

International Research Network Co-Organizer, Berlin, Germany, 2007.

Active Member; Law and Society Association (since 1995), American Sociological Association (1996-2000; 2009-Present)

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Member, Merit Evaluation Criteria Review Committee, 2009-present.

Chair, Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Race, Class, & Gender, 2009-present.

Member; Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Race, 2005-2007

Member Graduate Comprehensive Exam in Criminology, 2001-2004.

Co-Organizer, Department Brown Bag Series, 2006-2007.

Department Policy Committee, 2001-2002

Undergraduate Policy Committee, Chair, 2005-2006.

Black American Studies

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2010-2011

Chair, Four-Year Review Committee, 2009-2010

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2008

Service to the College of Arts & Sciences

Member, Promotion & Tenure Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, 2008-2010

Service to the University

Member, Faculty Senate, 2000-2001.