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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	1992	University of Michigan	Sociology and Social Work
M.S.W.	1983	Portland State University	Planning and Management
B.A.	1981	University of Oregon	Sociology (<i>Phi Beta Kappa</i>)

CAREER BRIEF

Dr. Jeffrey A. Butts is Research Professor and Director of the Research and Evaluation Center at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York. His research focuses on discovering and improving policies and programs for people involved in the justice system as well as strategies for preventing and reducing community violence. Previously, he was a research fellow with Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago (2005-200), director of the Program on Youth Justice at the Urban Institute in Washington, D.C. (1997-2005), and senior research associate at the National Center for Juvenile Justice in Pittsburgh (1991-1997). Before his research career, he was a juvenile court drug abuse counselor in Eugene, Oregon, and a permanency planning social worker with the Oregon child welfare agency in Portland. In 2012 and 2013, he served as a committee member on assessing juvenile justice reform for the National Research Council of the National Academies. In 2015, the U.S. Attorney General appointed him to a four-year term as a member of the Science Advisory Board for the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, and in 2021 Governor Kathy Hochul appointed him to the New York State Probation Commission.

Since 1990, Dr. Butts has managed research projects with total budgets valued at \$54 million (\$70M in 2022 dollars). He has worked with policymakers and justice practitioners in 28 states, published two books, dozens of book chapters, and reports for philanthropic foundations and government agencies, as well as peer-reviewed articles in journals such as *Criminology & Public Policy*, the *American Journal of Criminal Law*, *Crime and Delinquency*, *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, *Judicature*, *Justice Evaluation Journal*, *Annual Review of Public Health*, *Youth & Society*, and *Children and Youth Services Review*. His research and policy views have been covered in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Chicago Tribune*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Miami Herald*, *USA Today*, *Economist*, *Guardian*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *American Prospect*, *BusinessWeek*, *US News & World Report*, *Time Magazine*, CNN, MSNBC, NBC News, and *National Public Radio* among others.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2010- Research Professor and Director, Research and Evaluation Center, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York (CUNY). Directing research and evaluation projects on justice policies and programs with a focus on New York City and the State of New York.
- 2005-2009 Research Fellow, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago. Led a program of research on youth justice programs and policies, focusing on the well-being of youth in the justice system and applying youth development principles in justice interventions.
- 1997-2005 Program Director and Senior Research Associate, Urban Institute, Washington, D.C. Directed policy analysis and program evaluation projects related to juvenile justice, teen substance abuse, and youth violence.
- 1991-1997 Senior Research Associate, National Center for Juvenile Justice, Pittsburgh. Managed the National Juvenile Court Data Archive, which involved the collection of juvenile court data records from jurisdictions containing more than half the U.S. population. Conducted research on policies and programs related to juvenile courts.
- 1988-1990 Research Analyst, Center for the Study of Youth Policy, University of Michigan. Participated in a dozen projects focusing on juvenile justice in the states. Investigated juvenile correctional populations across the United States and analyzed the use of inpatient psychiatric hospitalization for youth.
- 1986-1988 Research Assistant, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan. Studied the impact of using in-home, intensive supervision programs in lieu of state commitment for adjudicated juvenile offenders from Detroit, Michigan.
- 1983-1985 Social Worker, Oregon Department of Human Resources, Portland, Oregon. Provided intensive case-management services to foster children and families at risk of parental rights termination. Managed social, psychological, and medical services for families and as warranted, prepared evidence for legal terminations of parental rights in juvenile court.
- 1980-1981 Drug and Alcohol Counselor, Lane County Juvenile Court, Eugene, Oregon. Provided alcohol and drug assessments, individual counseling, and drug education groups for court-ordered juvenile drug offenders (paid, full-time federal internship).

FUNDED PROJECTS

(Career Total, PI/Co-PI: \$70 Million, constant dollars)

JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE (2010–CURRENT)

TOTAL = \$45,886,202

Evaluation of Social Impact Partnerships to Pay for Results Act, New York (2022-2024). The U.S. Department of the Treasury funded New York City to expand the Crisis Management System, a violence prevention strategy inspired by Cure Violence. City officials invited the Research and Evaluation Center at John Jay College to evaluate the effort in partnership with NORC at the University of Chicago. Sponsor: Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, New York City. Budget: \$2,639,250. Role: Co-Principal Investigator with Dr. John K. Roman, NORC Co-PI.

Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative (2021-2023). Analytical support for the New York City Council and Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice in investigations of the operations of the justice system and the criminalization of poverty. Sponsor: Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, New York City. Budget: \$1,400,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Effectiveness of Violence Prevention Approaches Not Depending on Police (2020). Recruitment and management of consultant team to review and assess published evaluation results of methods to prevent and reduce community violence without police. Sponsor: Arnold Ventures, New York City. Budget: \$98,400. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of Project Fast Track and Cost-Benefit Analysis of Cure Violence (2017-2020). Assessment of various efforts to prevent and reduce gun violence in New York City, including specialized court process and evaluation of Cure Violence. Sponsor: New York City Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice. Budget: \$2,247,148. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of the Mayor's Action Plan for Neighborhood Safety (2017-2020). Assessment of a multi-strategy approach for improving the safety and well-being of public housing communities in New York City. Sponsor: New York City Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice. Budget: \$28,704,341. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of the LGBTQ Center's LIFT Training (2018-2019). Assessment of a training program for clinicians & families with LGBTQ children involved in the child welfare system. Sponsor: The LGBTQ Center, New York City. Budget: \$49,995. Role: Principal Investigator.

Estimating the Causal Relationships among Juvenile Justice System Improvements, Youth Crime, and Juvenile Confinement (2017-2020). Statistical analysis of the role of intentional policy and legal reforms in changing rates of crime and confinement. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice. Budget: \$125,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Practitioner Perceptions of Youth Confinement (2017-2018). Researchers surveyed youth justice practitioners about the uses of residential placement and secure confinement. Sponsor: Annie E. Casey Foundation. Budget: \$150,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Osborne Association (2016-2020). Collaborative evaluation of interventions to increase responsible fatherhood among New York City residents returning from periods of incarceration. Sponsor: Osborne Association through a grant from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. Budget: \$720,975. Role: Principal Investigator.

Building Positive Youth Outcome Measures (2015-2017). Assisted the juvenile justice staff of ACS in conceptualizing an expanded program of client outcome measures, specifically those focusing on positive outcomes. Sponsor: New York City Administration for Children's Services. Budget: \$54,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Coordinating Justice and Mental Health Systems in New York City (2015-2016). Collected data about the adequacy of mental health services for incarcerated populations; made recommendations for system reforms and improvements. Sponsor: New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Budget: \$100,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Reforming Youth Justice and Behavioral Health Systems (2015). Reviewed the growth and accomplishments of the Reclaiming Futures initiative and assessed its capacity as a model of comprehensive system reform for youth justice and adolescent substance abuse interventions. Sponsor: Reclaiming Futures. Budget: \$75,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evidence Generation (2015-2016). Worked with two innovative youth services agencies to improve their evaluation capacity and measure their effectiveness. Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP), based in Harrisburg, PA, and exalt of New York City, are dynamic providers of community-based services and supports for disconnected, at-risk, and justice-involved youth. Sponsor: Annie E. Casey Foundation. Budget: \$150,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of Cure Violence (2014-2019). Evaluated Cure Violence, the public health approach to violence reduction. Sponsors: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (\$3,126,000); New York City Council (\$1M); New York City Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (\$265,000). Total Budget: \$4,391,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Assessing the Effectiveness of Correctional Practices (2014-2015). Collaborated with the Doctoral Program of John Jay College to assess implementation fidelity in New York counties funded by DCJS to incorporate evidence-based correctional practices. Sponsor: New York Division of Criminal Justice Services. Budget: \$220,000. Role: Co-Principal Investigator.

Pinkerton Fellowship Initiative (2012-2015). Collaborated with the Prisoner Reentry Center at John Jay College (Ann Jacobs, director). Supported 14 CUNY graduate research fellows in temporary youth justice positions to build the operational and research capacity of nonprofit and community-based organizations in New York City. Sponsor: Pinkerton Foundation. Budget: \$1,715,000. Role: Co-Principal Investigator.

Research Support and Evidence Development for Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (2011-2012). Identified strategies to build upon and expand YAP's existing evidence base, including designing and promoting consistent data-collection and data-analytic methods. Sponsor: Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. Budget: \$55,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Rudin Research Partnership Program (2011-2019). Conducted research projects in collaboration with justice agencies in New York City and New York State. Sponsor: Susan and Jack Rudin. Budget: \$250,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Rudin Fellowship Program (2011-2019). Supported the development of student/faculty research projects at John Jay College of Criminal Justice to benefit the operations and effectiveness of the New York City justice system. Sponsor: Jack Rudin and the May and Samuel Rudin Family Foundation, Inc. Budget: \$325,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Criminal Justice Policy Research (2013-2014). Worked with Justice Fellowship (JF) to provide expertise and support in developing written reports that advance JF's goal of changing the national narrative on criminal justice. Sponsor: Justice Fellowship. Budget: \$90,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Assessing "Close to Home" in New York City (2012-2014). Measured the implementation and impact of youth justice realignment shifting low- and medium-level youth offenders out of State-operated facilities and into City-operated supervision and placement. Sponsor: Robert Sterling Clark Foundation. Budget: \$80,000 (\$65,000 from the Robert Sterling Clark Foundation; \$15,000 from the Pinkerton Foundation). Role: Principal Investigator.

Monitoring Reforms in Youth Justice (2012-2013). Investigated the feasibility and design of a process for monitoring youth justice reforms at the state and local level. Sponsor: John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Budget: \$37,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Data-Informed Strategies for Improving Policy and Practice (2011-2012). Extended a program of research and technical assistance on juvenile justice realignment and reform in long-term placements and placement alternatives. Sponsor: Annie E. Casey Foundation. Budget: \$12,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Realigning Youth Justice (2011-2012). Assessed the state of policy and practice in justice realignment, shifting resources away from large, state-operated correctional facilities and into smaller, community-based programs. Sponsor: New York Community Trust. Budget: \$30,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

National Evaluation of Community-Based Violence Prevention Program (2010-2014). Comprehensive process and outcome evaluation of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's \$8.6 million Community-Based Violence Prevention Demonstration Program (CBVP). Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$1,200,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Assessing the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention (2010-2012). Assessment of the development of the National Forum and its efforts in participating communities. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$441,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Assessment of YouthBuild USA Mentoring Initiative and YouthBuild/AmeriCorps partnership (2010-2013). Provided research expertise and support to quality assessments undertaken by YouthBuild USA for the National Mentoring Initiative, funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) and the YouthBuild/AmeriCorps partnership, funded by the U.S. Department of Labor. Sponsor: YouthBuild USA. Budget: \$145,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Reclaiming Futures in North Carolina (2010-2011). Assisted six North Carolina counties with data system development as they worked to adopt the Reclaiming Futures approach to serving the needs of youthful offenders with drug and alcohol problems. Sponsor: The Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust. Budget: \$80,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

CHAPIN HALL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO (2005–2009)

TOTAL = \$643,000

Establishing a Framework for Juvenile Justice Reform Based on Positive Youth Development (2008-2009). Analysis and summary of research literature and other materials that could be used to create theoretically consistent, practical approaches for embedding positive youth development concepts in juvenile justice. Sponsor: Community Foundation for the National Capital Region. Budget: \$40,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Monitoring Disproportionate Minority Contact in Illinois (2007-2008). Pilot-tested survey to assess and monitor the origin and impact of DMC issues in local jurisdictions in Illinois. Sponsor: Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission. Budget: \$85,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of the City of Chicago's Juvenile Intervention and Support Center (2007-2008). Assessment and process evaluation of the City of Chicago's centralized juvenile diversion center, the Juvenile Intervention and Support Center (JISC). Sponsor: John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Budget \$90,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Identifying and Managing Juvenile Justice Delays (2005-2009). Assessment of delinquency case processing time in juvenile courts; identified promising practices in case flow management and practitioner-oriented approaches for tracking and analyzing case processing statistics. Sponsor: National Institute of Justice. Budget: \$249,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Technical Assistance (2005-2006). Assisted Development Services Group, Inc. in designing a web-based data entry and analysis tool to be used by States in reporting DMC data to the U.S. Department of Justice, and provided technical assistance on DMC issues. Sponsor: Development Services Group, Inc., Bethesda, MD. Budget: \$12,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Juvenile Justice Cost Analysis (2005-2006). Assisted Connecticut youth advocates in assembling data and designing analytical approaches to estimating the costs of changing State laws to increase the upper age of juvenile court jurisdiction to 17. Sponsor: Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance. Budget: \$20,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Coordinating Local Evaluations of Reclaiming Futures (2006-2008). Coordination of five locally-based evaluations of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's *Reclaiming Futures* initiative, a program to develop and demonstrate substance abuse treatment and other services for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. Sponsor: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Budget: \$117,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

The Past, Present, and Future of Juvenile Justice: Assessing Policy Options (2005-2007). National survey of juvenile justice practitioners to explore the impact of changes to criminal court transfer laws, provisions for juvenile accountability, confidentiality restrictions, etc. Principal Investigator for a University of Chicago subcontract to the Urban Institute. Sponsor: National Institute of Justice. Budget: \$30,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

URBAN INSTITUTE (1997–2005)

TOTAL = \$4,294,000

National Evaluation of Reclaiming Futures (2002-2007). Cross-site evaluation of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's *Reclaiming Futures* initiative, a program to develop and demonstrate methods for improving the coordination, integration, and effectiveness of substance abuse treatment and other services for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. Sponsor: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Budget: \$2 million. Role: Principal Investigator via subcontractor to the Urban Institute (2005-2007); Founding Principal Investigator at the Urban Institute (2002-2005).

Estimating Costs and Benefits of the Separate Juvenile Justice System (2004-2004). Research Roundtable on a cost-benefit analysis of the nation's separate system of juvenile laws and juvenile courts. Sponsor: MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice. Budget: \$30,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Developing Policy-Sensitive Juvenile Forecasting in Washington, D.C. (2002-2003). Effort to help Washington, D.C. officials anticipate demand for secure bed space for young offenders. Project supported by D.C.'s Youth Services Administration and the court-appointed monitor of the District of Columbia's consent decree in *Jerry M. v. D.C.*, re. care and treatment of juveniles. Sponsor: District of Columbia. Budget: \$45,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

National Evaluation of Juvenile Drug Courts (2002-2004). A project to design and assess a conceptual framework for evaluating juvenile drug courts. Described programs in six jurisdictions, described their operations, reviewed and analyzed existing evaluations in those programs, and collected new data where needed. Examined the success of juvenile drug courts through the lens provided by the conceptual framework. Sponsor: National Institute of Justice (NIJ). Budget: \$700,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Evaluation of Teen Courts (1998-2002). Measured the effect of handling juvenile offenders in teen courts rather than juvenile courts. Compared recidivism, changes in teen's perceptions of justice, and attachment to pro-social norms and institutions. Tracked cases in four teen-court programs versus those processed in the traditional juvenile justice system. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$799,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Youth, Guns, and Juvenile Justice (2001-2002). Reviewed recent trends in youth gun violence and the impact of state and federal policy. Sponsor: Joyce Foundation, Chicago, IL. Budget: \$20,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Assessment of Space Needs in Juvenile Detention and Corrections (1998-2002). Analyzed demand for juvenile confinement space and methods to plan additional space. Developed an internet-based analytical tool for forecasting confined populations at state and local levels. Pilot-tested the tool in three jurisdictions. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$700,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE (1991–1997)

TOTAL = \$3,200,000

Delays in Juvenile Justice Sanctions (1992-1996). Analyzed court processing in more than 200 jurisdictions to 1) determine the extent of unnecessary delay in case processing; 2) analyze the causes of delay and its effect on the administration of juvenile justice; 3) recommend policy initiatives to reduce delay. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$200,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

National Juvenile Court Data Archive (1991-1997). Managed collection, analysis, and reporting of data from U.S. juvenile courts. Created researchable databases for investigations of policy and program issues. Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Budget: \$3 million. Role: Co-PI/Project Manager.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (1989–1991)

Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization of Adolescents (1990-1991). Studied the duration of hospitalization for adolescents with primary psychiatric diagnoses. Compiled 60,000 hospitalization discharge records from 500 hospitals, combining them with organizational and census data and residential backgrounds of patients. Dissertation project.

Key Decision Makers in Juvenile Corrections (1989-1990). Studied state policies regarding the incarceration of juvenile offenders in Alabama, Georgia, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, and West Virginia. Interviewed state officials including legislators, Attorneys General, and agency administrators. Collected data about incarcerated juveniles in each state and prepared reports for local officials and media. Sponsor: Annie E. Casey Foundation. Role: Research Analyst.

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

New York State Probation Commission (2021–)
Editorial Board, Justice Evaluation Journal (2018–)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2000–)
American Society of Criminology (1988–)

PAST AFFILIATIONS

Board of Directors, New Yorkers Against Gun Violence (2018–2020)
Science Advisory Board, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (2015–19)
Expert Advisor, OJJDP Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines, American Institutes for Research (2016)
Juvenile Justice Subcommittee, Science Advisory Board, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (2011–2014)
Advisory Committee, Strategies for Youth, Boston, MA (2012–2014)
Research Advisory Committee, Evaluation of Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, National Council on Crime and Delinquency, San Francisco, CA (2011–2013)
Consultant to New York City Dispositional Reform Steering Committee (2011–2013)
Youth and Family Justice Advisory Committee, New York City Administration for Children's Services (2010–2012)
New York City Working Group on Disproportionate Minority Contact, Vera Institute of Justice (2011–2012)
Advisory Board, District of Columbia Crime Policy Institute (2011–2012)
Committee on Assessing Juvenile Justice Reform, Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education, National Research Council (2010–2012)
Advisory Council, Campaign for Youth Justice (2006–2012)
New York State Bar Association Special Committee on Youth Courts (2010–2011)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (1990–2011)
Editorial Board, Journal of Court Innovation (2007–2009)
Social Science Peer Reviewer, European Science Foundation (2009–2010)
Editorial Board, Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice (2002–2010)
Research Advisory Committee, Washington, DC Dept of Youth Rehabilitation Services (2008–2009)
Panel of Experts, Governor Paterson Task Force on Juvenile Justice, New York (2008–2009)
Government Relations Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice (2007–2009)
Associated Scientist, NORC at the University of Chicago; Substance Abuse, Mental Health, and Criminal Justice Systems Department (2006–2009)
Advisory Board, Illinois Youth Court Association (2006–2008)
Federal Forum on Comprehensive Community Initiatives, Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Washington, D.C. (2008)
Peer reviewer, Grant Applications, National Institute on Drug Abuse (2008)
Advisory Board, Illinois Juvenile Defense Assessment Project (2005–2008)
Governor's Transition Planning Team, Illinois Dept of Juvenile Justice (2006)
Cook County/Chicago Evaluation Sub-Committee, Annie E. Casey Foundation Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (2006–2007)
Peer Reviewer, Grant Applications, National Science Foundation (2006)
Peer Reviewer, Grant Applications, British Council on Social and Economic Research (2006)
Juvenile Justice Panel, Council on Accreditation, New York, NY (2006)

Advisory Council, Justice/Violence Index, Chicago Metropolis 2020 (2005-2006)
 American Evaluation Association (2003–2006)
 Editorial Advisory Board, Urban Institute Press (2004–2005)
 Associate Editor, Justice Research and Policy (2004–2005)
 American Judicature Society (1997–2005)
 Editorial Panel, Juvenile & Family Court Journal (1994–2000)
 Board of Editors, Journal of Crime and Justice (1994–1996)
 Peer reviewer, Grant Applications, National Institute of Justice (1997–2000)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Justice Quarterly* (occasional)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Crime & Delinquency* (occasional)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Criminology* (occasional)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Journal of Research in Crime & Delinquency* (occasional)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Criminal Justice Review* (occasional)
 Peer reviewer, Manuscripts, *Criminal Justice and Behavior* (occasional)
 Vice President, ACLU Pittsburgh Chapter, Board of Directors (1996–1997)
 Working Group on Case Management in the Juvenile Court, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (1998)
 Working Group on Reducing Litigation Cost and Delay, task force of the Justice Management Institute, American Bar Association, National Center for State Courts (1997–1998)

TEACHING

LECTURER, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

The Juvenile Justice System: Policy and Practice	School of Social Service Administration	Spring 2008
The Evaluation of Social Welfare Programs and Policies	School of Social Service Administration	Winter 2008
The Juvenile Justice System: Policy and Practice	School of Social Service Administration	Spring 2007
The Juvenile Justice System: Policy and Practice	School of Social Service Administration	Winter 2006

ADJUNCT, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY. WASHINGTON, DC

Independent Studies in Justice, Law, & Society	School of Public Affairs	Fall 2004
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ADJUNCT, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY. PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Juvenile Crime and Violence	History	Spring 1997
Crime and Punishment in America	History/Social and Decision Science	Fall 1996
Crime and Punishment in America	History/Social and Decision Science	Spring 1996
Crime and Punishment in America	History/Social and Decision Science	Fall 1995
Crime and Punishment in America	History	Spring 1995

PART-TIME FACULTY, DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY. PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Policy Practice in Youth Services	Social and Public Policy	Spring 1994
Delinquency and Society	Sociology	Fall 1993

INSTRUCTOR, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN. ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Child and Youth Policy Social Work
Family Policy (teaching assistant) Social Work

Fall 1990
Winter 1987

CONSULTING, TRAINING, SPEAKING

2021— current

Regional Gun Violence Consortium, Rockefeller Institute of Government
Bureau of Governmental Research, New Orleans
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and American Heart Association
Publics Lab, Graduate Center, City University of New York
University of Connecticut, Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy

2011—2020

Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators
California Probation, Parole & Correctional Association
Obama Foundation, My Brother's Keeper Conference
Moss Group, Inc.
National Conference of State Legislatures
Oregon Juvenile Department Directors Association
Annie E. Casey Foundation
New York District Attorneys Association
Massachusetts Department of Youth Services
Reclaiming Futures National Office
Dane County (Wisconsin) Department of Human Services
New York State Joint Appellate Division
White House Domestic Policy Council (2014)
Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators
National Governors Association
Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance
Massachusetts Department of Youth Services
Vera Institute of Justice, Raise the Age Consultant
Annie E. Casey Foundation, Positive Youth Justice
University Settlement House, Housing Court Research
Inter-American Development Bank
New York Juvenile Justice Initiative
The Partnership: Drug-Free America
Pew Charitable Trusts, Center on the States
American Institutes for Research, OJJDP Training and Tech Assistance
Sierra Health Foundation
Vera Institute of Justice, Senior Research Advisor
Michigan Family Impact Seminar, Lansing, MI
Heckscher Foundation for Children, New York, NY
Arizona Supreme Court, Phoenix, AZ
Oregon Juvenile Department Directors Association
Minnesota Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Portland State University, National Mentoring Symposium
Urban Institute, District of Columbia Crime Policy Institute

2001—2010

Rite of Passage, National Office (2008 - 2010)

Council of State Governments Justice Center
 Vera Institute of Justice, DC Performance Indicators (2009 –2010)
 Center for Children’s Law and Policy
 Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance
 Cook County Juvenile Court
 New Hampshire Division of Juvenile Justice
 Delaware Family Court
 National Juvenile Defender Center
 Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention, State of Maryland
 Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. DOJ
 Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice
 National Center for Juvenile Justice
 National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice

1988—2000

Justice Management Institute
 Utah Juvenile Court
 South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice
 Cook County (IL) Public Defender
 United States General Accounting Office (GAO)
 West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals
 Cook County (Chicago) Judicial Advisory Council
 Alabama Department of Youth Services
 West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals
 Lucas County (Toledo, Ohio), Mental Health Board
 Oklahoma Division of Children and Youth Services
 Alabama Department of Youth Services

INTERNATIONAL

Chile – Delivered a presentation to the Chilean Ministry of Justice Conference on the Rights of Children, Santiago, Chile	November 2015
Belize – Toured facilities for justice-involved youth and advised the Belize government and the Inter-American Development Bank on evaluation research to support effective practices	March 2014
Canada – Delivered a presentation to the National Forum on Drug Treatment and Youth in Conflict with the Law, Department of Justice, Ottawa, Ontario	March 2009
Israel – Toured the nation’s juvenile justice system and consulted with an inter-district panel of judges, organized by the U.S. Department of State, Office of Public Diplomacy in Jerusalem	September 2003
France – Toured the Paris juvenile justice system and met with national and local officials related to youth crime and drug policy, organized by staff at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	September 2002

PRESS COVERAGE (quotations, citations, interviews)***2022**

The Independent	July 27
Associated Press	July 19
1010 WINS Podcast	July 12
Boston Globe	July 1
NewsNation Prime	June 30
Rochester City Newspaper	June 20
The Gothamist	June 15
Microsoft News	May 25
Newsweek	May 24
NY Daily News	May 21
Governing Magazine	May 12
WBUR Public Radio	April 13
Le Monde	April 13
Baltimore Sun	April 12
The Virginian–Pilot	April 10
New York Times	April 06
NY1 Spectrum News	March 30
Christian Science Monitor	March 29
NY1 Spectrum News	March 28
National Catholic Register	March 9
The Gothamist	February 22
Fox News	February 11
RT America	February 8
Boston Globe	February 8
New York Magazine	February 5
Al Jazeera	February 4
Agence France-Presse	February 3
La Nacion	February 2
C-SPAN: Washington Journal	January 25
The City	January 24
Barrons	January 21
Toledo Blade	January 14
RT America	January 10

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National Public Radio	December 3
Louisville Courier-Journal	November 17
ABC News	November 9
New Jersey Public Broadcasting	October 14
WBAL News Radio	September 21
WYPR (National Public Radio)	September 20
WBAI Pacifica Radio	September 19
Philadelphia Inquirer	September 7
Vox	September 3
Minneapolis Star Tribune	September 2
New York Times	August 24
Philadelphia Tribune	August 21

* For detailed information, see <https://jeffreymbutts.net/press/>.

CBS New York	August 2
San Francisco Chronicle	August 1
NBC News Now	July 20
Philadelphia Inquirer	July 15
AM950 Minneapolis	July 12
El Mercurio (Chile)	July 11
ABC News	July 5
Univision News	June 23
CNN	June 19
Newsday	June 16
ABC7 New York	June 10
Christian Science Monitor	June 9
MSNBC Jonathan Capehart's Sunday Show	June 6
New York Times	June 3
Fox5 New York	June 2
Washington Post	May 30
U.S. News & World Report	May 19
New York Times	May 14
Sinclair Broadcast Group	April 7
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation	March 29
The New Yorker	March 29
New York ABC 7	March 28
Gothamist	March 26
New York Post	February 23
The Intercept	January 3
The City	January 3

2020

CUNY TV	November 20
Vox	October 23
Newsday	October 20
WNYC New York Public Radio	October 16
San Francisco Chronicle	September 1
Fox News	July 30
City Lab	July 30
The Intercept	July 26
The Appeal	June 22
WNYC New York Public Radio	July 14
Orlando Sentinel	June 18
NY Fox 5 Television	June 10
Injustice Watch	February 25
WNYC New York Public Radio	January 17

2019

Albany Times-Union	November 23
Twin Cities Pioneer Press	November 9
Bangor Daily News	November 5
St. Louis Post-Dispatch	October 7
The Atlantic	September 11
Brooklyn Daily Eagle	September 10
Houston Chronicle	August 12

National Journal/Globo Brazil	August 6
PolitiFact	August 5
CityLab	May 22
Juvenile Justice Information Exchange	May 9
Jacobin Magazine	March 9
Albuquerque Journal	January 21

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The Guardian	September 24
Nonprofit Quarterly	September 8
The Tennessean	August 21
New York Times	July 10
Miami Herald	April 23
New York Times	March 23
The Marshall Project	March 15
City Limits	March 2
New York Times	January 21
WNYC News Radio, New York City	January 17
Gotham Gazette	January 8
Wisconsin Public Radio	January 5
Washington Post	January 5
New York Daily News	January 2

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Associated Press (quoted in more than 30 newspapers)	October 29
Columbus Dispatch	October 17
Miami Herald	October 10
NY1	October 3
Wall Street Journal	October 2
WRVA Radio	September 27
A&E Documentary Film ("Kids who Kill")	June 1
The Trace	June 3
CBS News (national television interview)	March 14
The Guardian	March 10
Chicago Sun-Times	February 17
WRVA News Radio	February 16
The Trace	February 9
NationSwell	February 8
The Trace	February 6
Vox	January 20
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Reuters News Service	October 22
Congressional Quarterly Researcher	September 11
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Achieving and evaluating positive youth outcomes. Webinar presented to Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators. December 2020.

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Juvenile diversion. Opening address in a symposium by the National Academies of Science-Engineering-Medicine. May 2019. Washington, DC.

Are outreach and violence interruption equally important: findings from the New York City Cure Violence Evaluation. November 2018. Presentation at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Building a strong portfolio of outcome measures. September 2018. Presentation to the California Probation, Parole & Correctional Association. San Diego, CA.

Strategies for reducing violence. February 2018. Panel Discussion at the My Brother's Keeper (MBK) conference sponsored by the Obama Foundation. Newark, NJ.

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Advances in youth justice policy reforms. September 2017. Presentation to state legislators. National Conference of State Legislatures. New York, NY.

Violence is a health issue. May 2017. Panel presentation at NYU medical conference on health issues. New York, NY.

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Developmentally appropriate youth justice practices. October 2016. Workshop presented at the annual JDAI Conference, Annie E. Casey Foundation. Columbus, OH.

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Recidivism, desistance and violence reduction models. November 2015. International Conference on Youth Justice, Government of Chile. Santiago de Chile.

Specialized courts. September 2015. Inter-Site Conference of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Annie E. Casey Foundation. Phoenix, AZ.

Research Developments. September 2015. New York State District Attorneys Association. New York, NY.

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Youth development principles and the juvenile justice system. June 2015. National Conference for Reclaiming Futures. San Diego, CA.

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Youth justice reform. Child Advocacy Program, Harvard Law School. April 2015. Cambridge, MA.

Did "Close to Home" work in New York City? April 2015. Panel discussion at the Center for New York City Affairs, New School. New York, NY.

Positive youth development in the youth justice system. April 2015. Training Session for an inter-agency development group sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Youth Services.

Community-based alternatives to incarceration. September 2014. Panel Presentation to the National Governors Association Learning Lab on Improving Outcomes for Justice-Involved Youth. Avon, Connecticut.

Statement of Jeffrey A. Butts to the New York State Commission on Youth, Public Safety & Justice. August 2014. New York: NY.

Review of the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention. February 2014. Presentation to the White House Domestic Policy Council, Interagency Youth Violence Prevention Steering Committee. Washington, DC.

Evaluating the Cure Violence model in New York City. February 2014. Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Baltimore, MD.

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Juvenile incarceration trends. April 2013. Webinar for the National Juvenile Justice Network. Washington, DC.

Findings from the Implementation Assessment of the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention. Working Session. December 2012. Washington, DC.

Positive what? Reframing the goals of juvenile justice interventions. Presentation at the Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology. November 2012. Chicago, IL.

What's the evidence for evidence-based practice and policy? Pinkerton Fellowship Initiative Workshop, John Jay College of Criminal Justice. September 27, 2012. New York, NY.

Keynote, Evidence-based programs for court-involved youth. Children's Aid Society Evidence-Based Practices Forum. August 2012. New York, NY.

Keynote, Applying youth development principles in youth justice. Statewide Youth Development Summit. July 2012. Bangor, ME.

Keynote, The Positive Youth Justice Model. Sierra Health Foundation. June 2012. Sacramento, CA.

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Building the future juvenile justice system. Michigan Family Impact Seminar. December 2011. Lansing, MI.

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Innovation in juvenile justice. Heckscher Foundation for Children. November 2011. New York, NY.

Science and juvenile justice policy. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention National Conference, pre-conference research meeting. October 2011. Washington, DC.

The Positive Youth Justice Model. Arizona Supreme Court. October 2011. Phoenix, AZ.

Juvenile justice and behavioral health: An awkward partnership. Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) Northeast Region Conference. September 2011. Manchester, NH.

The Positive Youth Justice Model. Annual Conference of the Oregon Juvenile Department Directors Association. September 2011. Canyonville, OR.

Mentoring in the juvenile justice system. Portland State University Summer Symposium on Mentoring Research. July 2011. Portland, OR.

The Positive Youth Justice Model. Minnesota Coalition for Juvenile Justice. July 2011. Minneapolis, MN.

Can juvenile justice be based on positive youth development? Youth Development Forum, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University. May 2011. New Brunswick, NJ.

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Realigning juvenile justice. Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform. March 2011. Washington, DC.

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2006–2010

Juvenile crime rates 1980-2009. Keynote speaker at the Missouri Juvenile Justice Association's Fall 2010 Educational Conference. October 2010. Lake of the Ozarks, MO.

Positive youth justice. Presentation to the National Juvenile Justice Network, 8th Annual Forum. July 2010. New Orleans, LA.

Positive youth development: From theory to practice. Presentation to the Working Together to Strengthen Our Communities conference at Hofstra University. April 2010. Hempstead, NY.

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Positive youth development: Theory and practice. Presentation to Maine Rising: Juvenile Justice Summit. December 2009. Augusta, ME.

The use and misuse of crime statistics. Thematic panel session. Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology. November 2009. Philadelphia, PA.

Positive youth development: Using protective factors to buffer risk. Presentation to the Fall training conference of the Virginia Juvenile Justice Association. November 2009. Hampton, VA.

Youth development as a framework for public safety and youth justice. Presentation to the statewide juvenile justice training conference. September 2009. Concord, NH.

Supporting families in crisis. Presentation to the annual conference of the Council of State Governments Midwest Region. August 2009. Orland Park, KS.

Using youth development principles to improve juvenile justice outcomes. Presentation to the summer meeting of the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators. August 2009. Nashville, TN.

(Over)reacting to trends in violent crime. Presentation to the annual all-site conference of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Annie E. Casey Foundation. August 2009. Washington, D.C.

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System reform. Invited address to the Juvenile Justice Research Symposium, John Jay College of Criminal Justice. June 2009. New York, New York.

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Balancing justice and treatment. Presented to the National Forum on Drug Treatment and Youth in Conflict with the Law, Department of Justice, Canada. March 2009. Ottawa, Ontario.

Current policy issues and critical data needs in juvenile justice. Presentation to the 2009 Data Summit, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago. March 2009. Chicago, Illinois.

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Balancing justice and treatment: Some lessons from the RWJF Reclaiming Futures initiative. Presented to the National TASC conference. September 2008. Chicago, Illinois.

Using youth development concepts to build comprehensive juvenile correctional interventions. Presented to the summer business meeting of the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA). August 2008. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Adolescent development and juvenile justice programs. Keynote presentation to the family meeting of Voices for Ohio's Children. August 2008. Columbus, Ohio.

Decreasing reliance on institutions. Presented to the annual forum of the National Juvenile Justice Network. June 2008. Northwestern Law School, Chicago, Illinois.

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The next hundred years of juvenile justice. Panel discussion during the Kids Count 2008 Symposium, Voices for Illinois Children. March 2008. Chicago, Illinois.

Understanding racial and ethnic disparity in child welfare and juvenile justice (with Bridgette Lery). Part of the Symposium, "The Overrepresentation of Children of Color in America's Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare System, sponsored by the Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and Chapin Hall Center for Children at the University of Chicago. March 2008. Washington, DC.

Youth development as a public safety goal. The Charles Shireman Memorial Lecture. Portland State University School of Social Work. February 2008. Portland, Oregon.

Is juvenile justice the right place to manage drug treatment for teens? Part of the policy series, "Thursday's Child," Chapin Hall Center for Children and the Urban Institute. December 2007. Washington, DC.

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Measuring changes in Reclaiming Futures communities: National evaluation results. Annual Conference of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice. June 2007. Washington, DC.

The youth development approach to juvenile justice. Presented to juvenile justice officials in Massachusetts, March 2007. Boston, Massachusetts.

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Personal statement and testimony. Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, U.S. House of Representatives, 100th Congress. Part of the hearing: Making Communities Safer: Youth Violence and Gang Interventions that Work. February 2007. Washington, D.C.

Is there anybody out there? Preparing social research with an audience in mind. Presentation to a seminar sponsored by "research in practice" [<http://www.rip.org.uk/>] and hosted by the Nuffield Foundation of England. November 2006. London, England.

Is there a new youth crime wave? Evidence and action. Part of the policy series, "Thursday's Child," Chapin Hall Center for Children and the Urban Institute. November 2006. Washington, DC.

Improving juvenile justice with positive youth development. Presentation to the 14th Annual Conference, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services and American Indians Against Abuse. November 2006. Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Data collection strategies for teen courts. Presentation to the "Illinois Youth Court Summit" of the Illinois Attorney General. November 2006. Decatur, Illinois.

Youth involved in the criminal justice system. Panel presentation at the Chapin Hall conference, "Adolescence and the Transition to Adulthood: Rethinking the Safety Net for Vulnerable Young Adults." October 2006. Chicago, Illinois.

Using developmental evidence and youth assets to design juvenile justice systems: Can it be done? Presentation to the Annual Conference of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice. May 2006. Bethesda, Maryland.

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Treatment as punishment: What every drug treatment provider should know about juvenile justice. Presentation at the 2006 Joint Meeting on Adolescent Treatment Effectiveness, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. March 2006. Baltimore, Maryland.

New models of juvenile justice. Legislative briefing. Connecticut State Legislature. February 2006. Hartford, Connecticut.

Prosecuting juveniles in adult court. Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, the National Juvenile Defender Center, and the Georgetown University Law Center Juvenile Justice Clinic. January 2006. Washington, DC.

Can positive youth development improve juvenile justice? Part of the policy series, "Thursday's Child," Chapin Hall Center for Children and the Urban Institute. January 2006. Washington, DC.

Juvenile justice system reform: A developmental tool, part of a web-assisted audio conference, "Strengthening Youth Policy in the States." National Conference of State Legislatures. January 2006. Denver, Colorado.

Knowledge dissemination and utilization from a practitioner perspective. For the symposium: "Addressing the Community Youth Gang Problem in the U.S." School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago. January 2006. Chicago, Illinois.

Opening remarks, Illinois Youth Court Summit. Sponsored by the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. January 2006. Gurnee, Illinois.

Reclaiming the futures of youth in the juvenile justice system. First national conference, Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice. January 2006. Washington, DC.

2001–2005

Kids in a jam: Why are African-Americans and Latinos overrepresented in the juvenile justice system and what can lawyers do about it? Annual program of the Illinois State Bar Association. December 2005. Chicago, Illinois.

Evaluating youth court programs. Youth Court Professional Development Institute, National Youth Court Center. December 2005. Chicago, Illinois.

Practical approaches to evaluation design. Training session for the management staff of the Cook County Juvenile Court. November 2005. Chicago, Illinois.

Youth development in the juvenile justice system. Breakfast briefing by the Chapin Hall Center for Children at the University of Chicago. October 2005. Chicago, Illinois.

Disproportion minority contact. Luncheon plenary before the Delaware Family Court Juvenile Justice Conference. September 2005. Dover, Delaware.

Youth crime panel, part of Measuring Child Well-being: Reducing Risky Behavior: A Brookings Welfare Reform and Beyond Public Forum. The Brookings Institution. March 2005. Washington, DC.

Local evaluation/national evaluation: Combining the two for best results. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Annual Foundation Program Meeting. November 2004. Washington, DC.

Improving evaluation outcomes in research on juvenile drug courts (with John Roman). Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) drug court grantee conference. June 2004. Washington, DC.

Methods for detecting and measuring disproportionate minority contact in the juvenile justice system. Governor's Office of Crime Control. State of Maryland. March 2004. Baltimore County, Maryland.

A profile of juvenile offenders. Symposium on juvenile justice for print and broadcast journalists, sponsored by the Casey Foundation Journalism Center on Children and Families. Northwestern University School of Journalism. October 2003. Evanston, Illinois.

Internet-based forecasting methods for juvenile justice agencies (with Daniel P. Mears). Annual Conference, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) and the Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA), October 2003. San Francisco, California.

Proposed methods for measuring disproportionate minority contact. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Eastern Regional Training. August 2003. Jersey City, New Jersey.

Proposed methods for measuring disproportionate minority contact. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Southern Regional Training. August 2003. Atlanta, Georgia.

A conceptual framework for evaluating juvenile drug courts. Annual Research and Evaluation Conference, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, July 2003, Washington, DC.

Issues in juvenile detention and corrections. Symposium for western region journalists, Casey Journalism Center, University of Maryland, June 2003, Denver, Colorado.

The limits of crime data for predicting confinement space. Jerry M. Stakeholders Meeting, convened by the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Children and Youth, and the Presiding Judge of the D.C. Superior Court Family Division, December 2002, Washington, DC.

Conceptual frameworks for evaluating juvenile drug courts. American Society of Criminology. November 2002, Chicago, Illinois.

Trying youth as adults – An overview of the issue. Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Fall Training Conference and Board of Directors' Meeting. November 2002. Miami Beach, Florida.

Evaluating youth courts (with Janeen Buck). One-day training session sponsored by the American Probation and Parole Association, National Youth Court Center. October 2002. Indianapolis, Indiana.

Teen court as an alternative for young offenders. National Center for Juvenile Justice, Juvenile Court Data Archive Contributors' Workshop. June 2002. Savannah, Georgia.

Forecasting the need for juvenile justice programs and facilities. National Center for Juvenile Justice, Juvenile Court Data Archive Contributors' Workshop. June 2002. Savannah, Georgia.

What do researchers really know about transfer? Coalition for Juvenile Justice. Annual Spring Training Conference. April 2002. Washington, DC.

Effects of teen court: Results of the OJJDP evaluation (with Janeen Buck and Mark Coggeshall). National Youth Court Conference. April 2002, Arlington, Virginia.

Youth court: Models and impact (with Janeen Buck and Mark Coggeshall). American Youth Policy Forum, U.S. House of Representatives. December 2001, Washington, DC.

Teen court outcomes with young offenders (with Janeen Buck and Mark Coggeshall). American Society of Criminology. November 2001, Atlanta, Georgia.

Intervention: Building evidence-based juvenile justice systems. Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, Youth Strategies Consolidated Grant and Technical Assistance Training, October 2001, Towson, Maryland.

Intervention: Building evidence-based juvenile justice systems. Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, Youth Strategies Consolidated Grant and Technical Assistance Training, October 2001, Towson, Maryland.

Assessing the impact of juvenile justice reform in the 1990s. Council of State Governments, Eastern Regional Conference, August 2001, Bartlett Village, New Hampshire

An internet-based approach to forecasting juvenile corrections bed-space. Best Practices Committee, Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators, August 2001, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

A researcher's perspective on innovation. U.S.-U.K. exchange on juvenile justice innovations. Invitational meeting sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation and hosted by the Center for Court Innovation. July 2001, New York, New York.

OJJDP Evaluation of Teen Courts. Annual Research and Evaluation Conference, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, July 2001, Washington, DC.

Policy implications of youth violence. Annual Conference of the Georgia Council of Juvenile Court Judges, Georgia Institute of Continuing Judicial Education. May 2001, St. Simons Island, Georgia.

1996–2000

Evaluating youth courts. National Conference on Juvenile Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice. December 2000, Washington, DC.

Forecasting methods in state juvenile corrections agencies. American Society of Criminology. November 2000, San Francisco, California.

The impact of criminal court transfer laws. Annual conference of the Wisconsin State Public Defenders Association, October 2000, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Assessing space needs in juvenile corrections. Annual conference of the Wisconsin Division of Juvenile Corrections (dinner speaker), October 2000, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Recent developments in juvenile justice policy. Symposium for journalists in residence at the University of Maryland's Journalism Fellows program, September 2000, College Park, Maryland.

Dismantling the juvenile-criminal border: Implications of current policies (Plenary). Annual Research and Evaluation Conference, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. of Justice, July 2000, Washington, DC.

Research issues in the juvenile justice system. National Juvenile Justice Summit, a conference sponsored by the Juvenile Court Centennial Initiative and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, June 2000, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Teen courts in the United States (with Janeen Buck). American Society of Criminology. November 1999, Toronto, Canada.

Issues in caseload management for delinquency cases. Utah Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Court Caseload Management Workshop. October 1999, Midway, Utah.

Investigating juvenile corrections and detention capacity in the States. American Bar Association, Juvenile Justice Committee. June 1999, Washington, DC.

History and future of the juvenile court. Centennial Celebration of the Juvenile Court, a symposium sponsored by the Institute on Child and Family Policy, Mercyhurst College. June 1999, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Youth violence: Perception vs. reality. Urban Institute, Board of Trustees. May 1999, Washington, DC.

Assessing space needs for juvenile detention and corrections. National Conference on Juvenile Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice. December 1998, Washington, DC.

Can we abolish the juvenile court? Lecture presented to a class in juvenile law at the University of Baltimore, School of Law. December 1998. Baltimore, Maryland

The proliferation of teen courts (co-authored with Simon Singer). American Society of Criminology. November 1998, Washington, DC.

Design issues in evaluating teen courts. Training workshop offered by the American Probation and Parole Association. November 1998. Cincinnati, Ohio.

The real juvenile court has already been abolished. Conference on The Juvenile Justice Counter-Reformation: Children and Adolescents as Adult Criminals, co-sponsored by the Quinnipiac School of Law, the Juvenile Justice Center of the American Bar Association, and the Juvenile Law Center. September 1998, New Haven, Connecticut.

Estimating the need for juvenile correctional resources in the states. Annual Conference on Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. July 1998, Washington, DC.

Speedy trial in juvenile court. Annual Conference on Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation, National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice. 1997. Washington, DC.

Management information systems: How to make data work for you. National College of Juvenile and Family Law. June 1997, Reno, Nevada.

Waiting for justice: Speedy trial issues in the juvenile court. 24th National Conference on Juvenile Justice, National District Attorneys Association and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, co-sponsors. March 1997, Reno, Nevada.

Juvenile justice data: Where to find it and how to use it. National Conference on Juvenile Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. December 1996, Baltimore, Maryland.

Length of stay reduction strategies (Moderator). National Conference on Juvenile Detention, Annie E. Casey Foundation. December 1996. Baltimore, Maryland.

Juvenile justice data sources. American Society of Criminology. Nov. 1996. Chicago, IL.

The big picture: A national overview of juvenile justice trends. Washington Public Defenders Association, Juvenile Justice Conference. November 1996. Seattle, Washington.

Juvenile justice in America: A century of progress? Policy symposium by the Institute on Child and Family Policy, Mercyhurst College. September 1996. Erie, Pennsylvania.

Research and management information systems: What the judge needs to know. National College of Juvenile and Family Law. June 1996. Reno, Nevada.

Juvenile correctional alternatives. Sixth Annual Meeting of Contributors to the National Juvenile Court Data Archive. June 1996. Charleston, South Carolina.

1995 and Earlier

Background and recent trends in the use of criminal court transfer. Fifth Annual Meeting of Contributors to the National Juvenile Court Data Archive. June 1995. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Delays in juvenile justice sanctions. American Society of Criminology. November 1994. Miami, Florida.

Delays in juvenile justice: Findings from a recent national survey (with Gregory J. Halemba). American Society of Criminology. November 1994. Miami, Florida.

Are juveniles more violent today? University of Michigan School of Social Work's Summer Symposium. June 1994. Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Recent trends in the transfer of juveniles to the criminal justice system. American Society of Criminology. October 1993. Phoenix, Arizona.

Analyzing juvenile delinquency and the juvenile justice system using data from the National Juvenile Court Data Archive. American Society of Criminology. November 1992. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Using data from the National Juvenile Court Data Archive to evaluate the impact of restitution on juvenile recidivism. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. March 1992. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Deinstitutionalization of juvenile offenders in Maryland (with Denise Gottfredson, William Barton, and Rosemary Barberet). American Society of Criminology. November 1990. Baltimore, Maryland.

Juvenile corrections risk assessment: Recent state-based studies. American Society of Criminology. November 1989. Reno, Nevada.

Treating troubled teenagers. Pine Rest Psychiatric Hospital, Child and Adolescent Division Planning Retreat. May 1989. Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Why some states are successful and others are not. National Conference of State Juvenile Justice Advisory Groups. May 1989. Reno, Nevada.

The evaluation of three in-home alternatives to state commitment for juvenile delinquents (with W.H. Barton). American Society of Criminology. November 1988. Chicago, Illinois.

The ever-widening net (with William H. Barton). American Society of Criminology. November 1988. Chicago, Illinois.