

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### BUSINESS ADDRESS

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### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2010-present	<u>Associate Professor</u> , Department of Sociology
2014-2020	Undergraduate Coordinator, Criminology & Justice Studies program
2013-2014	Undergraduate Coordinator, Sociology program
2011-2013	<u>Associate Dean</u> of Undergraduate Advising and Student Affairs, College of Arts and Sciences
2009-2010	<u>Graduate Coordinator</u> , Department of Justice Studies
Fall 2000-Summer 2007	<u>Undergraduate coordinator</u> , Department of Justice Studies. Oversee B.A. program; advise and process transfer and regional campus students, meet with prospective students
Fall 1992-2010	<u>Associate Professor</u> , Department of Justice Studies
Fall 2001-June 2003	<u>Acting Chair</u> , Department of Justice Studies
Fall 1995- Spring 1998	<u>Faculty adviser</u> , Undergraduate Studies. Part-time adviser, instructor, and researcher for program designed to assist undecided Kent State University students (Exploratory majors)
Fall 1987-Spring 1992	<u>Assistant Professor</u> , Department of Justice Studies, Kent State University
Fall 1986-Spring 1987	<u>Assistant Professor</u> , Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Northern Iowa

### EDUCATION

1982 - 1986	University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA: Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Social Systems Sciences, specialization in Criminology
DISSERTATION:	Criminal Career Patterns in a Cohort of Young Adult Males (Dissertation Director: Marvin E. Wolfgang)
1981-82	University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA: Master of Arts in Criminology, Department of Sociology
1977-81	University of Maryland, College Park, MD: Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Criminology

## ACADEMIC HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

### Academic Awards

1982-85 Teaching Fellowships, University of Pennsylvania  
1981-82 Research Assistantship, University of Pennsylvania  
May 1981 Graduated Summa cum Laude, University of Maryland  
May 1980 Member, Phi Beta Kappa (Gamma of MD chapter)  
1977-81 Provost's List, University of Maryland  
1977-81 Maryland State Senatorial Scholarship

### University Awards

2018 KSU Assessment Pioneer Award  
2010 KSU Provost's Fellowship (declined to take Associate Dean position)  
2007 KSU Raymond and Shirley Kuhn Excellence in Undergraduate Advising Award  
2006 KSU Student Accessibility Services and Ability Unlimited Outstanding faculty award  
1990 Outstanding Faculty Instructor, New Student Orientation

### Grants Awarded

#### *Federal*

"Group Offending and Criminal Careers," National Institute of Justice, Data Resources Program, January-August 1993; Amount \$29,858.

Recipient, National Institute of Justice Graduate Research Fellowship, Dissertation research, 1984-1985.

#### *State*

"Crime Victims' Utilization of Services," co-principal investigator with P. C. Kratcoski, state Office of Criminal Justice Services, Columbus, OH, February 1993-January 1994.

"Assessment of Victim Assistance Programs," co-principal investigator with P. C. Kratcoski, state Office of Criminal Justice Services, Columbus, OH, January 1992-January 1993.

#### *Internal*

"Web Enhancement of a Technology-based Data Analysis Course," KSU Moulton Scholars program (Faculty Professional Development Center), Spring 2005

"Belonging and Retention: Issues and patterns within and across campuses," KSU retention improvement initiative, 2001-2002 (P. Tontodonato and N. Ammar); Amount \$10,490.

"Improving Retention via CJST Student-Faculty Interaction," KSU retention improvement initiative, 2000-2001.

"Improving Recruitment and Retention from Regional Campuses to Kent Campus," KSU retention improvement initiative, 2000-2001 (P. Tontodonato and N. Ammar); Amount \$11,000.

KSU Research/Scholarly Activity Support request, 1990 (Funding for research on sex offenses).

"Alcohol use and its contribution to dating violence," KSU Summer Research Development award, 1989.

Recipient, University of Northern Iowa Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, 1986.

## OTHER SCHOLARLY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2019, Outstanding Scholarship Award, Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship Section, for *Journal of Criminal Justice Education* publication, “The Value-added Nature of Service Learning” (A. Drinkard and P. Tontodonato).

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

“Texting behind the wheel and the generality of risky driving.” (P. Tontodonato)

“Retention and persistence of first-generation college students” (E. Pringle and P. Tontodonato)

## PUBLICATIONS

P. Tontodonato and A. Drinkard (2021), “Predictors of cellphone-related distracted walking among college students.” The Social Science Journal. Available from <https://doi.org/10.1080/03623319.2021.1899360>

P. Tontodonato and A. Drinkard (2020), “Social learning and distracted driving among young adults.” American Journal of Criminal Justice 45 (5): 821-843. Available from <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-020-09516-6>

A. Drinkard and P. Tontodonato (2019), “The value-added nature of service-learning.” Journal of Criminal Justice Education 30 (1): 136-155. Available from <https://doi.org/10.1080/10511253.2018.1446544>

P. Tontodonato and F. Hagan (2009), "What Causes Delinquency? Classical and Sociological Theories of Crime" [book chapter], *Controversies in Juvenile Justice and Delinquency*, (2<sup>nd</sup>) edition, P. Benekos and A. Merlo (Eds.), Anderson Publishing/ LexisNexis.

P. Tontodonato (2006), “Goals, expectations, and satisfaction of criminal justice majors: Implications for faculty, students, and programs,” Journal of Criminal Justice Education, vol. 17, no. 1: 162-180. Available from <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/10511250500336211>

P. Tontodonato (2005), "Cohort research," article in the *Encyclopedia of Criminology*, pp. 197-199, Richard Wright and J. Mitchell Miller (Eds.), New York: Routledge.

P. Tontodonato (2005), "Marvin E. Wolfgang," article in the *Encyclopedia of Criminology*, pp. 1764-1766, Richard Wright and J. Mitchell Miller (Eds.), New York: Routledge.

F. Hagan and P. Tontodonato (2004), "Delinquency Theory: Classical and Sociological Explanations," Chapter 2 (pp. 21-41) in *Controversies in Juvenile Justice and Delinquency*, P. Benekos and A. Merlo (Eds.), Anderson Publishing/ LexisNexis.

## **PUBLICATIONS** (continued)

- P. Tontodonato (2001), Study Guide to accompany *Introduction to Criminal Justice, 4th edition*, by Lawrence F. Travis, III, Anderson Publishing.
- P. Tontodonato (2001), "Cultural conflict theory," invited article, *Encyclopedia of Criminology and Deviant Behavior*, pp. 69-71, C. D. Bryant, Editor-in-Chief, Brunner-Routledge, Taylor and Francis publisher.
- P. Tontodonato and F. Hagan, editors (1998), The Language of Research in Criminal Justice: A Reader, edited by Allyn & Bacon.
- P. Tontodonato & E. Erez (1994), "Crime, Punishment and Victim Distress," International Review of Victimology, Volume 3: 33-55.
- E. Erez & P. Tontodonato (1992), "Victim Participation in Sentencing and Satisfaction with Justice," Justice Quarterly, Volume 9 (3): 393-417, September.
- P. Tontodonato & B. K. Crew (1992), "Dating Violence, Social Learning Theory and Gender: A Multivariate Analysis," Violence and Victims, Volume 7(1): 3-14, Spring.
- E. Erez & P. Tontodonato (1992), "Sexual Harassment in the Criminal Justice System," chapter 12 (pp. 227-252) in Imogene Moyer (ed.), The Changing Roles of Women in the Criminal Justice System.
- E. Erez & P. Tontodonato (1990), "The Effect of Victim Participation in Sentencing on Sentence Outcome," Criminology, Volume 28 (3): 451-474, August.
- E. Erez & P. Tontodonato (1989), "Patterns of Reported Parent-Child Abuse and Police Response," Journal of Family Violence, Volume 4 (2): 143-159.
- P. Tontodonato (1988), "Explaining Rate Changes in Delinquent Arrest Transitions Using Event History Analysis," Criminology, Volume 26 (3): 439-459, August.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

- Preventing Violence in America, *Criminal Justice Review*, Volume 22 (2): 233-235, Autumn 1997.
- Rape and Criminal Justice: The Social Construction of Sexual Assault. *Journal of Crime and Justice*, Volume 12 (1): 131-134, Spring 1989.
- Connecting Law and Society: An Introduction to Research and Theory. *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*, Volume 75 (1): 311-314, Spring 1984.

## OTHER WORKS

- "Assessment for Academic Programs," web pages for the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences web site, co- authored by B. Peat, D. Davenport, K. Johnson, and P. Tontodonato. Available from [http://www.acjs.org/pubs/167\\_2085\\_13678.cfm](http://www.acjs.org/pubs/167_2085_13678.cfm) .
- "Group offending and criminal careers: Violence among juvenile delinquents and adult offenders" (P. Tontodonato). Final report for the National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., 1996. Available from <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/Digitization/172228NCJRS.pdf>
- "Group offending and criminal careers: Violence among juvenile delinquents and adult offenders" (P. Tontodonato). Executive Summary for the National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., 1996.
- "Crime Victims' Utilization of Services" (P. Tontodonato & P. C. Kratcoski). Final research report prepared for the Governor's Office of Criminal Justice Services, Columbus, OH, April 1995.
- "Assessment of Victim Assistance programs" (P. C. Kratcoski & P. Tontodonato). Final research report prepared for the Governor's Office of Criminal Justice Services, Columbus, OH, February 1993.
- "Patterns of reported parent-child abuse and police response" (E. Erez & P. Tontodonato), in Sarah Ben David and Gerd F. Kirchhoff (eds.), International Faces of Victimology. (Papers and essays given at the 6th International Symposium on Victimology in Jerusalem, 1988), WSV publishing (1992).

## INVITED LECTURES

- "Youth Violence: Prevalence, Incidence, and Risk Factors." Cleveland State University, Department of Sociology, Crime and Society Lecture Series, April 15, 1998.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Social learning and distracted driving" (P. Tontodonato and A. Drinkard), paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 2019.
- "The role of individual and environmental factors in student success," paper presented at the February 2010 annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA.
- "Student Retention: Issues and Implications," paper presented at the March 2009 annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Boston, MA.
- "Educational persistence and performance of justice studies students," paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting, Cincinnati, OH, March 2008.
- "Why course-embedded assessment: The benefits of classroom assessment for faculty," paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting, Cincinnati, OH, March 2008.

“Satisfaction with teaching and learning among nontraditional students,” paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting, Seattle, WA, March 2007.

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (continued)**

“Effects of violence and help-seeking on the children of battered Latina immigrant women” (N. Ammar and P. Tontodonato), paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 2006.

“Developing program assessment plans” (with K. Johnson), Professional development seminar presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 2006.

“School victimization and gender,” paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting, Chicago, IL, March 2005.

“Assessing learning outcomes: What are the tools to use?: Rubrics,” Professional development seminar presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting, Chicago, IL, March 2005.

“Goals and Expectations of Criminal Justice majors: Implications for faculty, students, and programs,” paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meetings, Las Vegas, NV, March 2004.

“Retention of Criminal Justice students: Assessing global versus personal factors in student success,” paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meetings, Anaheim, CA, April 2002.

“Applied criminal justice: Theory, research, and practice in Corrections,” paper presented at the Ohio Correctional and Court Service Association (OCCSA), Akron, OH, June 2002.

“Retention strategies for minority students: What works?”, paper presented (with N. Ammar) at the American Council on Education conference, 'Educating all of one nation,' Cincinnati, OH, October 2001.

“Retention of Justice Studies Students in a Multi-Campus system: A Case Study,” paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meetings (with N. Ammar), Washington, DC, April 2001.

“Criminals and space: A study of ISP offenders in Northeast Ohio” (P. Tontodonato, A. Boros, and M. Harvey), paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meetings, New Orleans, LA, March 2000.

“Prevalence and Incidence of violent offending: Risk factors,” paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, Washington, D.C., November 1998.

“Violence in the Philadelphia Birth Cohort,” paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, Chicago, November 1996.

“Victim Assessment of Victim Assistance Programs,” paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Peter C. Kratcoski), Miami, November 1994.

“Assessing Victim/Witness Assistance Programs,” paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Peter C. Kratcoski), Phoenix, October 1993.

“Victim-Witness Assistance Programs: Problems and Prospects,” paper presented at the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association meeting (with Peter C. Kratcoski), Chicago, September 1993.

“A Comparison of Group Offending During the Juvenile and Adult Years,” paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, New Orleans, November 1992.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- "The Role of Legal and Extra-Legal Factors in the Prosecution of Sex Offenses," paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meetings (with Peter C. Kratcoski), Pittsburgh, March 1992.
- "The Role of Co-offending in Delinquent and Criminal Careers," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, San Francisco, November 1991.
- "Crime, Punishment, and Victim Distress," paper presented at the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association meetings (with Edna Erez), Chicago, October 1991.
- "Determinants of Victim Involvement in the Criminal Justice Process," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Edna Erez), Baltimore, November 1990.
- "Experiences of the Victims of Violent and Non-violent Crimes," paper presented at the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association meetings (with Edna Erez), Chicago, October 1990.
- "Sexual Harassment in the Criminal Justice System," paper presented at the National Women's Studies Association conference (with Edna Erez), Akron, June 1990.
- "Victim Impact Statements and Sentence Outcomes," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Edna Erez), Reno, November 1989.
- "The Role of Alcohol Use and Sex Typing in Dating Violence: Some Preliminary Findings," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Keith Crew), Chicago, November 1988.
- "Patterns of Reported Parent-Child Abuse and Police Response," paper presented at the Sixth Annual International Symposium on Victimology (with Edna Erez), Jerusalem, August 1988.
- "Sex Role Stereotyping and Dating Violence," paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meetings (with B. Keith Crew), San Francisco, April 1988.
- "School Achievement and Delinquency in the 1958 Birth Cohort," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings (with Robert M. Figlio), Montreal, November 1987.
- "Offense Specialization & Young Adult Urban Offending," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, Atlanta, November 1986.
- "Offense Spacing & Velocity," paper presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, San Diego, November 1985.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2010-present | Associate Professor, Kent State University, Department of Sociology |
|              | Courses taught:   |
|              | <i>Graduate:</i> Juvenile Delinquency (Sociology PhD);              |

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE (continued)

Research Methods in Criminology and Criminal Justice (online MA in Criminology & Criminal Justice/CCJ); Proseminar Capstone: Issues in Contemporary Justice (online MA in CCJ)

*Undergraduate:* Researching Society (Writing-Intensive), Research Methods (in JUS) (Writing-Intensive), Criminology, Juvenile Delinquency

Fall 1992-2010

Associate Professor, Kent State University, Department of Justice Studies

Courses taught:

*Undergraduate:* Criminal Justice Research Methods (Writing-Intensive), Quantitative Methods (Statistics), Juvenile Delinquency (Writing-Intensive), Youth and the Justice System, Criminology, Social Problems (Sociology)

*Graduate:*

Research Methods in Justice Studies, Quantitative Methods (Statistics), Criminal Justice Research Applications, Special Topics: Criminal Violence, Theories of Crime and Delinquency, Juvenile Justice

Fall 1987-  
August 1992

Assistant Professor, Kent State University, Department of Criminal Justice Studies.

Courses taught: see above.

Fall 1986-  
August 1987

Assistant Professor, University of Northern Iowa, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

Courses taught: Social Problems, Corrections and Punishment, Women and the Criminal Justice System, Juvenile Delinquency.

Fall 1985-  
July 1986,  
Summer 1984

University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School Evening Program. Instructor, Criminology (3).

Fall 1984-  
Spring 1985,

University of Pennsylvania, Sellin Center for Studies in Criminology and Criminal Law.

Fall 1983-  
Spring 1984

Teaching Fellow, SOSYS (3), Criminology.

Fall 1982-  
Spring 1983

University of Pennsylvania, Department of Sociology. Teaching Fellow, SOC (3), Criminology.



## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Research interests include: Distracted driving and distracted walking; Criminology/Criminal Justice Education, Assessment, and Program Evaluation; Juvenile Delinquency/Justice; Victimology

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Teaching interests include: Juvenile Delinquency/Justice, Statistics, Research Methods (quantitative) and Survey Research, Criminological Theory, Victimology

## **RECENT GRADUATE COMMITTEE WORK**

Thesis director, Tierra James (2019)  
PhD Dissertation Committee Member, Ebenezer Duah (2021)

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Mental Health First Aid USA course, National Council for Behavioral Health (2017-2020)  
CITI Training Program (Social and Behavioral Research on Human Subjects) (2020-2023)

## **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Society of Criminology  
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences  
Midwest Criminal Justice Association

**REFERENCES:** Available on request.