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**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

2019-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Camden

# EDUCATION

The Graduate Center, City University of New York, PhD in Sociology, May 2019

Concentration: Criminology, Law, and Deviance

Dissertation: “Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant:’ Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance at the Crimmigration Nexus”

Committee: David Brotherton (chair), Leslie Paik, Monica Varsanyi, and Philip Kretsedemas

Boston University, BA in Sociology and Political Science, 2009

Membership in Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society, 2009

Deans’ Scholarship, 2005-2009

**GRANTS**

2023-2024 Chancellor's Grant for Assistant Professor Research Development, Rutgers University-Camden. “‘Crimmigration’ Advisal in Public Defense Offices: A Comparative Study of Immigrant-Receiving Cities in the United States.” ($19,885)

2021-2023 National Science Foundation. Division of Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences, Law & Science Program. “Collaborative Research: The Criminal Deportation Pipeline in New York City.” Co-PI with David Brotherton, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY. ($371,967)

2020 Center for COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness, Rutgers University. “Migrant Detention, Deportation, and COVID-19 Transmission: Public Health and Safety Challenges in New Jersey.” Co-PI with PI Ulla Berg and Kenneth Sebastian León. ($13,624)

2020 Center for COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness, Rutgers University. “Putting Stories to Work.” Co-PI with PI Bridget Purcell, Ulla Berg, Cati Coe, Joanne Gottesman, Leslie Kay Jones, Catherine Lee, Randi Mandelbaum, Domingo Morel, Tim Raphael, and Louisa Schein. ($19,950)

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

2023-2024 Early Career Faculty Fellowship, Institute for the Study of Global Racial Justice, Rutgers University. ($12,500)

2022 Honors College Faculty Fellowship, Honors College, Rutgers University-Camden. “Migration, Deportation, and Justice.” ($1,000)

2016-2019 Behavioral Science Training in Drug Abuse Research Fellowship, Rory Myers College of Nursing, New York University ($24,000/year)

2017-2018 Pollis Dissertation Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY ($15,000)

2017-2018 David Garth Dissertation Award in Public Policy, The Graduate Center, CUNY ($10,000)

2016 Vera Institute/CUNY Graduate Center Research Fellowship, Vera Institute of Justice ($4,000)

2014-2016 Behavioral Science Training in Drug Abuse Research Fellowship, National Development and Research Institute ($23,000/year)

2014 Research Praxis Fellowship, Advanced Research Collaborative, The Graduate Center, CUNY ($4,000)

2011-2016 Enhanced Chancellor’s Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY ($25,000/year)

**BOOK**

Sarah Tosh. 2023. *The Immigration Law Death Penalty: Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance.* New York University Press.

**EDITED JOURNAL**

Sarah Tosh, Edwin Grimsley, and Nicholas Rodrigo, eds. Forthcoming. Special Issue of *Critical Criminology* on “The Criminalization to Deportation Pipeline in the United States.”

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Ulla D. Berg, Sarah Tosh, y K. Sebastian León. 2022. “Trabajos originales de investigación. Etnografía carcelaria en tiempos de pandemia: Examinando la detención y deportación de migrantes durante el COVID-19.” *Etnografías Contemporaneas* 8(15), pp. 62-87. (Spanish translation of previously published article.)

Ulla D. Berg, Sarah R. Tosh, and Kenneth Sebastian León. 2022. “Remote Ethnography in Carceral Settings: Local Configurations of Migrant Detention during the Coronavirus Pandemic.” *Ethnography.* <https://doi.org/10.1177/14661381211072414>

Sarah Tosh. 2022. “Mandatory Detention for Aggravated Felonies: Crimmigration Law and the Reproduction of Inequality.” *Law & Policy.* https://doi.org/10.1111/lapo.12179

Sarah Tosh. 2021. “Critical Criminology and the Modern Deportation Regime.” *The Howard Journal of Crime and Justice,* 60(3), pp. 409-429.

Sarah Tosh, Ulla Berg, and Kenneth Sebastian León. 2021. “Migrant Detention and COVID-19: Pandemic Responses in Four New Jersey Detention Centers.” *Journal of Migration and Human Security,* 9(1), pp. 44-62*.* https://doi.org/10.1177/23315024211003855

Sarah Tosh. 2020. “Drug Prohibition and the Criminalization of Immigrants: The Compounding of Drug War Disparities in the United States Deportation Regime.” *International Journal of Drug Policy*, 87*.* https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2020.102846

Sarah Tosh. 2019. “Drugs, Crime, and Aggravated Felony Deportations: Moral Panic Theory and the Legal Construction of the ‘Criminal Alien.’*” Critical Criminology,* 27(2), pp. 329-345.

David Brotherton and Sarah Tosh. 2018. “Deportation and Immigration Enforcement.” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780190264079.013.347

Mehdi Bozorgmehr, Paul Ong, and Sarah Tosh. 2016. "Panethnicity Revisited: Contested Group Boundaries in the Post-9/11 Era." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 39(5), pp. 727–745.

**BOOK CHAPTER**

David Brotherton and Sarah Tosh. 2018. “The Sociology of Vindictiveness and the Deportable Alien.” In *Immigration Policy in the Age of Punishment,* edited by David Brotherton and Phil Kretsedemas, New York: Columbia University Press, pp. 167-186.

**DOCTORAL DISSERTATION**

Sarah Tosh. 2019. *Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant:’ Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance at the Crimmigration Nexus.* ProQuest Dissertations Publishing.

**BOOK REVIEWS**

Sarah Tosh. 2020. *The Crimmigrant Other: Migration and Penal Power. Theoretical Criminology.*

Sarah Tosh. 2019. *Hurt: Chronicles of the Drug War Generation*. *Social Forces.*

**MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

Sarah Tosh. “Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant’: Legal Resistance to Aggravated-Felony-based Deportation.”

Sarah Tosh and Lorena Avila Jaimes. “Social Bulimia and the Deportation of Incarcerated Non-Citizens from the Caribbean.”

Sarah Tosh and Edwin Grimsley. “The ‘Immigration Law Death Penalty’: Assessing the Impacts of the Aggravated Felony Legal Category.”

Sarah Tosh, Edwin Grimsley, and Nicholas Rodrigo. “Unearthing and Resisting the Criminalization-to-Deportation Pipeline, in New York City and Beyond.”

Edwin Grimsley and Sarah Tosh. “Broken Windows Policing and the Deportation of Black Immigrants: The Case of New York City.”

Lorena Avila Jaimes and Sarah Tosh. “The Institutional Hearing Program and the Incarceration-to-Deportation-Pipeline.”

**INVITED TALKS**

2023 “Mandatory Detention for Criminal Convictions and the Growth of the Modern Deportation Regime.” Elizabeth Detention Center: Past, Present, & Future Symposium. Rutgers University, New Brunswick. October 27.

2023 “The Immigration Law Death Penalty: Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance.” PhD Program in Sociology. The Graduate Center, CUNY. October 27.

2023 “Book Talk: The Immigration Law Death Penalty: Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance.” The Criminal Justice Doctoral Students Association, The Department of Sociology, and the Center for Transgressive Studies. John Jay College of Criminal Justice. October 20.

2023 “An Open Discussion on Mass Incarceration.” Criminal Justice Organization. Rutgers University-Camden. February 15.

2020 “Migrant Detention and COVID-19: Pandemic Responses in Four New Jersey Detention Centers.” COVID-19: Communications and [Mis]information Working Group, Rutgers University. Co-Presenter with Ulla D. Berg and K. Sebastian León. May 24. (Remote presentation.)

2020 “Migrant Detention, Deportation, and COVID in New Jersey.” *Social Control and the Pandemic: Incarceration, Detention, and Deportation in the time of COVID-19.* The Graduate Center and John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York. Co-Presenter with Ulla D. Berg and K. Sebastian León. May 6. (Remote presentation.)

2020 “COVID-19 and Immigration Detention.” *Locked Up in a Lockdown: New Challenges for those Incarcerated and Detained during the Pandemic*. Rutgers Law School. October 8. (Remote presentation.)

2020 “Remote Ethnography in Carceral Settings: Local Configurations of Migrant Detention During the Coronavirus Pandemic.” The Society and Pandemic Working Group, Rutgers. Co-Presenter with Ulla D. Berg and K. Sebastian León. October 8. (Remote presentation)

2020 “Crimmigration in the Time of COVID-19.” Crime, Law, and Deviance Workshop, The Graduate Center, City University of New York. May 6. (Remote presentation.)

2019 “Criminal Deportation and the Reproduction of Inequality,” Chancellor’s New

Faculty Research Symposium, Rutgers University-Camden. November 19.

2019 “Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant:’ Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance at the Crimmigration Nexus.” Thesis defense, passed with distinction. The Common Study Programme in Critical Criminology. Middlesex University, London. December 16-18.

2019 “Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant:’ Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance at the Crimmigration Nexus.” Inside the Graduate Center: A Dissertation Showcase. The Graduate Center, City University of New York. May 13.

**CONFERENCES CO-ORGANIZED**

2020 The Border is Everywhere: The Crisis of the Immigration Enforcement Regime, City University of New York, March 10-11. (Postponed due to COVID-19.)

2017 The Common Sessions in Critical Criminology, City University of New York, May 3-5.

2015 Growing Up Muslim in the United States and Europe, City University of New York, April 16-17.

**CONFERENCE PANELS ORGANIZED**

2022 “Fighting for Justice in the Melting Pot: Inequality and Resistance Along NYC’s Criminal Deportation Pipeline.” Global Meeting on Law and Society, Lisbon, July 13-16.

2021 “Social Anatomy of a Deportation Regime II: Crimmigration Enforcement, Mass Incarceration, and Mass Detention.” American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November 17-20.

2021 “Social Anatomy of a Deportation Regime I: Critical Criminology, Immigration Enforcement, and Deportation.” American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November 17-20.

2019 “Documenting a Deportation Regime: Lessons from New York City and Beyond.” American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, November 13-16.

2019 “The Social Anatomy of a Deportation Regime Workshop.” American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13.

2018 “Fear, Violence, and Punishment: The Everyday Workings of the U.S. Deportation Regime.” American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, November 14-17.

2013 “Ethnoracial Boundaries and Panethnicity.” International Migration Mini-Conference, in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 9.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

2023 “Policing and the Deportation of Black Immigrants: Overlapping Systems of Anti-Blackness in New York City.” Co-Presenter with Edwin Grimsley. American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, August 17-21.

2023 “Broken Windows Policing and the Deportation of Black Immigrants: The Case of New York City.” Co-Presenter with Edwin Grimsley. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, August 18-20.

2023 “Fighting for Justice in the Melting Pot: Inequality and Resistance along NYC’s Criminal Deportation Pipeline.” Co-Presenter with Lorena Avila Jaimes. Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, February 23-26.

2022 “A Hydra in the Sanctuary: The Role of NYC’s Complex Criminal Justice Policies in Overwhelming its Immigration Court and the Successes of Those Resisting.” American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, November 16-19

2022 “Funneled Toward Deportation in a “Sanctuary” City: Crimmigration Processes and Legal Resistance.” Global Meeting on Law and Society, Lisbon, July 13-16.

2021 “Mandatory Detention for Criminal Convictions: The Reproduction of Inequality through U.S. Immigration Law.” American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November 17-20.

2020 “Criminal Deportation and Legal Resistance: A Case Study of New York City under the Trump Deportation Regime.” Toward a Critical Migration Studies Mini- Conference. Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, February 27-March 1.

2019 “Aggravated Felonies, Criminal Deportation, Inequality, and Resistance.” American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, November 13-16.

2019 “Defending the ‘Bad Immigrant:’ Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and Legal Resistance at the Crimmigration Nexus.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, August 9-11.

2019 “Drug Prohibition and the Criminalization of Immigrants: The Compounding of Drug War Disparities in the Modern United States Deportation Regime.” International Society for the Study of Drug Policy, Paris, May 22-24. (Honorable Mention for Best Presentation by an Early Career Researcher.)

2018 “Aggravated Felonies and the Crimmigration Nexus: Legal Resistance to Criminal Deportation.” American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, November 14- 17.

2018 “Drugs, Crime, and Aggravated Felony Deportations: Moral Panic Theory and the Legal Construction of the ‘Criminal Alien.’” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, August 10-12.

2018 “Understanding and Challenging the Deportation Regime.” Left Forum, New York, June 1-3.

2018 “The ‘Immigration Death Penalty’ in the ‘Wild West of Law’: Aggravated Felonies, Criminal Removal, and Legal Resistance in the Modern U.S. Deportation Regime.” Common Sessions in Critical Criminology, Canterbury, UK, April 23-25.

2017 “Aggravated Felonies, Deportation, and the Legal Construction of the Criminal Alien.” Common Sessions in Critical Criminology, New York, May 3-5.

2016 “The Creation of the Aggravated Felony Legal Category and the Punitive Turn in American Drug, Crime, and Immigration Policy.” American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, November 16-20.

2016 “Drugs, Crime, and Deportation: The Moral Construction of the Aggravated Felon.” Common Sessions in Critical Criminology, Porto, Portugal. May 4-6.

2016 “Aggravated Felonies and the Legal Production of the ‘Criminal Alien.’” Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, March 17-20.

2016 “Punishing the ‘Criminal Alien’: The Role of Moral Panic in American Drug, Crime, and Immigration Policy.” Common Sessions in Critical Criminology, Rotterdam, December 2-4.

2015 “Immigrant Criminality and Repressive Policy: A Historically-Situated Analysis of an American Moral Panic.” Eastern Sociological Society, New York, February 28-March 1.

2013 “The War on Drugs, Exception, and Black Bare Life.” Presider and presenter. Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance Roundtable. American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13.

2013 “Limits of Panethnicity: An Alternative Model of Group Formation.” Co-Presenter with Mehdi Bozorgmehr. American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13.

2013 “The War on Drugs and Black ‘Bare Life.’” Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, March 21-24.

2013 “The Puzzle of Panethnicity: A Theoretical Reformulation.” Co-Presenter with Mehdi Bozorgmehr. Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, March 21-24.

# TEACHING

2022-2023 Honors College, Rutgers University-Camden

-Migration, Deportation, and Justice – Spring 2023

2019-present Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Camden

-Sociology of Deviance - Spring 2020-2022

-Inequality in Criminal Justice - Spring 2021-2023

-Drugs and Society - Fall 2019-2021

-Poor, Minorities, and Justice - Spring 2020

-Research Methods in Criminal Justice (MA Level) - Fall 2019-2021

-Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member - Lorena Avila Jaimes, PhD Program in Criminal Justice, Rutgers-Newark (2022-2023)

-Master’s Thesis Committee Member - Gianna Berretta (Spring 2022), Brielle Thompson (Spring 2021)

2020-present Guest Lecturer

-Sociology of Law (Prof. Jesse Liss, Rutgers University-Newark)

-Drugs and Society (Prof. Edwin Grimsley, University of Hartford)

-Sociology of Crime and Deviance (Prof. Kyla Bender-Baird, Kenyon College)

2015-2016 Writing Across the Curriculum, Medgar Evers College, CUNY

-Led writing and research workshops for students and faculty

2012-2015 Department of Sociology, Brooklyn College, CUNY

-Introductory Sociology - Spring 2015

-Sociology of Law - Fall 2014

-People, Power, & Politics (2 sections) - Fall 2012, 2013; Spring 2013, 2014

# CONTRACTED RESEARCH

2018 John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Research Assistant

-Conducted interviews and analyzed qualitative data for Professor David Brotherton’s project, “The Deportation Regime and Structural Violence,” funded by the Professional Staff Congress, City University of New York

2016-2017 National Development and Research Institute, Research Assistant

-Conducted surveys and ran focus groups for a comparative study on “Bath Salts and the Illicit Drug Market: Use, Violence & Health Consequences,” funded by the National Institute of Health and National Institute of Drug Abuse

2016 Vera Institute of Justice, Center on Immigration and Justice, Research Fellow

-Transcribed, coded, and analyzed qualitative interview and survey data for an evaluation of the federally-funded Justice AmeriCorps program

2015-2016 Brooklyn College, Research Assistant

-Assisted Professor Alex Vitale with research, organization, and editing for his book, *The End of Policing* (Verso, 2017)

2013-2016 The Graduate Center, Research Assistant

-Assisted Professors Philip Kasinitz and Mehdi Bozorgmehr in organizing a comparative international conference and producing an edited volume on *Growing Up Muslim in Europe and the United States* (Taylor & Francis, 2018)

2011-2016 The Graduate Center, Research Assistant

-Assisted Professors Mehdi Bozorgmehr and Paul Ong (UCLA) in conducting a mixed-methods, comparative research project on panethnicity in the United States

**SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY**

Departmental Representative, Faculty Senate, Rutgers University-Camden (2021-present)

Chancellor's Advisory Council on Undocumented Students, Rutgers University-Camden (2020-present)

Society and Pandemic Working Group, Rutgers University (2020-2021)

**SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT**

Graduate Committee (2020-present)

Committee on #BlackLivesMatter, Race, and Policing in the Sociology and Criminal Justice Majors (2020-2021)

Undergraduate Committee (2019-2020)

Graduate Comprehensive Exam Writer and Reviewer (2020-present)

Undergraduate Academic Advisor (2019-present)

Peer Teaching Evaluator (Fall 2019, Fall 2020)

**SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

Social Anatomy of a Deportation Regime (SADR) Working Group, Social Change and Transgressive Studies Project, John Jay College for Criminal Justice

-Co-Founder and Executive Committee (2017-present)

Editorial Board Member:

-*Critical Criminology* (2022-present)

Panel Chair:

-The Annual Meeting on Law and Society, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 1-4, 2023.

Manuscript and Grant Reviewer:

-National Science Foundation, New York University Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, *American Behavioral Scientist, Critical Criminology, Ethnic and Racial Studies, European Journal of Criminology, International Criminal Justice Review, International Journal of Conflict and Violence, Law & Social Inquiry, Law & Society Review, Qualitative Research in Health, SAGE Open Medicine, Social Problems, Theoretical Criminology*

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

-American Criminological Society (ASC)

-American Sociological Association (ASA)

-Common Study Programme in Critical Criminology

-Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)

-Law and Society Association (LSA)

-Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

**MEDIA COVERAGE**

2023 “The War on Fentanyl.” *Rutgers Today.* February 27. <https://stories.camden.rutgers.edu/the-war-on-fentanyl/index.html>

2021 “CUNY Stories November 2021.” *Urban U.* CUNY-TV. November 4. <https://tv.cuny.edu/show/urbanu/PR2010687>.

2021 “Migrant Detention and Deportation in New Jersey Presented Unique Challenges to Curb Spread of COVID-19, Says Rutgers-Camden Researcher.” *Rutgers-Camden NewsNow.* May 25. <https://news.camden.rutgers.edu/2021/05/migrant-detention-and-deportation-in-new-jersey-presented-unique-challenges-to-curb-spread-of-covid-19-says-rutgers-camden-researcher/>.

2019 “Episode Four: Criminal Deportation and the Structural Violence of Immigration Court.” *They Are Just Deportees* Podcast. November 25. <https://anchor.fm/they-are-just-deportees/episodes/Episode-Four-Criminal-Deportation-and-the-Structural-Violence-of-Immigration-Court-e96sbg/a-a130113>

2019 “Scholarship that Seeks Justice: Sarah Tosh ’19 Investigates ‘Aggravated Felony’ Deportations of Immigrants.” *CUNY Graduate Center News.* May 21. <https://www.gc.cuny.edu/news/scholarship-seeks-justice-sarah-tosh-19-investigates-aggravated-felony-deportations-immigrants>.