

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

#### *Higher Education*

The Ohio State University, 1996-2002, Ph.D., Sociology, 2002.  
The University of Texas at Austin, 1992-1994, M.A., 1994.  
St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas, 1988-1992, B.A., 1992.

#### *Professional and Academic Positions*

Lecturer III  
University of New Mexico, August 2007 - present

Assistant Professor  
University of Iowa, August 2002-2007

#### *Honors and Awards*

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico,  
Senior Fellow (2009)  
Research Allocation Committee Grant (\$4,000), University of New Mexico, with  
Christopher Lyons (2008)  
Faculty Research Grant with Christopher Lyons (\$10,000) with the Robert Wood Johnson  
Foundation at the University of New Mexico (2008)  
Interdisciplinary Research Grant for Collaborative Projects (\$6,000) at the Obermann Center  
for Advanced Studies with Stephen Arndt (2006)  
Old Gold Fellowship, University of Iowa, 2003  
National Consortium on Violence Research, Predoctoral Fellowship, 2000-02.  
American Society of Criminology, Minority Fellowship, 1997-98.  
Society for the Study of Social Problems, Honorable Mention for the Minority Fellowship,  
1997-98.

The Department of Sociology Summer Publishing Fellowship, 1998  
The Ohio State University: University Fellowship, 1996-97.  
American Political Science Association: APSA Fellow, 1992-93.

#### *Memberships*

American Society of Criminology

## SCHOLARSHIP

### *Refereed Articles*

- Vélez, María B. 2009. "Contextualizing the Immigration and Crime Effect: An Analysis of Chicago Neighborhoods." *Homicide Studies* 13 (3) (page numbers to be determined, August volume)
- Vélez, María B., Ana L. Campos, and Stephan Arndt. 2008. "City's Racial Composition Shapes Treatment Center Characteristics and Services." *Journal of Ethnicity and Substance Abuse* 7(2):188-199.
- Vélez, María B., Lauren J. Krivo and Ruth D. Peterson. 2003. "Interracial Inequality and Homicide: A Direct Assessment of the Black-White Gap in Killings." *Criminology* 41:645-672.
- Vélez, María B. 2001. "The Role of Public Social Control in Urban Neighborhoods: A MultiLevel Analysis of Victimization Risk." *Criminology* 39(4):837-864.
- Reprinted in *Crime and Social Institutions*, ed. Richard B. Rosenfeld. Hampshire: Ashgate Publishing Limited. July 2006.
- Roscigno, Vincent J., María B. Vélez and Jim Ainsworth-Darnell. 2001. "Language Minority Achievement, Family Background, and the Impact of Bilingual Education." *Race and Society* 4(1):69-88.

### *Book Chapters: Invited*

- Vélez, María B. 2006. "Toward an Understanding of the Lower Rates of Homicide in Latino Versus Black Neighborhoods: A Look at Chicago" in *The Many Colors of Crime: Inequalities of Race, Ethnicity and Crime in America*, edited by Ruth D. Peterson, Lauren J. Krivo, and John Hagan, New York, N.Y.: New York Press.
- Bellair, Paul E., Vincent J. Roscigno, and María B. Vélez. 2003. "Occupational Structure, Social Learning, and Adolescent Violence" in *Social Learning Theory and the Explanation of Crime: A Guide for the New Century*, edited by Ronald L. Akers and Gary F. Jensen, Advances in Criminological Theory, Volume 11, New Brunswick, N.J. : Transaction Press.
- Peterson, Ruth D., Lauren J. Krivo and María B. Vélez. 2001. "Segregation and Youth Criminal Violence: A Review and Agenda." Pp. 277-286 in Susan O. White, ed., *Handbook of Youth and Justice*. New York, N.Y.: Plenum Publishers.

### *Published Reviews of Scholarship*

- Vélez, María B. 1999. Book review of Lisa Dietrich's "Chicana Adolescents: Bitches, 'Ho's, and Schoolgirls." *Contemporary Sociology* 28(6):670.

### *Under Review/In Progress: Refereed*

- Vélez, María B. and Kelly Richardson. "Community Organizations in the Spatial Patterning of

- Homicide.” Revise and Resubmit at *Criminology*.
- Vélez, María B. “Residential Bank Loans and the Racial Patterning of Crime: A Study of Chicago Neighborhoods.” Under review at *The International Journal of Conflict and Violence*, special issue on Ethnic and racial violence.
- Arndt, Stephan, María B. Vélez, Lisa Segre and Rebecca Clayton. “Remission from Substance Dependence in U.S. Whites, African-Americans, and Latinos” Under review at *Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse*.
- Vélez, María B. and Ramiro Martinez. “Latino Population Growth and Arrest Rates in a New Gateway: An Analysis of Iowa.”
- Vélez, María B and Stephan Arndt. “Latino Segregation and Access to Drug Treatment: An Analysis of Latinos and Whites.”

## EXTERNAL GRANT APPLICATIONS

- Vélez, María B. and Christopher Lyons. The Long-term Consequences of Bank Disinvestment on Community Disorder: An Analysis of Chicago Neighborhoods (1984-2000). Proposal Submitted to the National Poverty Center 2008 Small Grants Competition: Financial Risk, Assets, and Poverty (\$17,460) denied.
- Broidy, Lisa, Christopher J. Lyons, María B. Vélez, Paul Guerin, Michael Hall and Tony Ortiz. The New Mexico TARC: Organizing Efforts to Reduce Juvenile DMC. Proposal submitted to the Children Youth and Family Department, State of New Mexico (\$100,000) denied.

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

### National

- Vélez, María B. and Christopher J. Lyons, 2009. “The Long-term Consequences of Bank Disinvestment on Neighborhood Crime: An Analysis of Albuquerque Neighborhoods (1990-2006)” Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Vélez, María B. 2006. “External Resources and the Racial Patterning of Crime: A Study of Chicago Neighborhoods.” American Sociological Association. Regular Criminology Session, Montreal, Canada.
- Zevenbergen, Matthew and Vélez, María B. 2004. “The Importance of Neighborhood Ties to Local Police: An Analysis of Victimization Rates and Risk” Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Nashville, TN.
- Vélez, María B. 2003. “The Role of City Resources in Accounting for the Racial Patterning of Crime: A Study of Chicago Neighborhoods” Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Denver, Co.
- Vélez, María B. 2001. “Public Social Control in Chicago Neighborhoods: Helping Explain Links between Race, Disadvantage, and Crime.” Annual Meetings of the

American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, Ga.

- Vélez, María B. 1999. "The Role of Community Social Control and Neighborhood Disadvantage: A Contextual Analysis of Victimization Risk." Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Canada.
- Vélez, María B. 1998. "Neighborhood Disadvantage, Informal Social Control and Victimization: A Contextual-Effects Analysis." Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.
- Vélez, María B. and Vincent J. Roscigno and Jim Ainsworth-Darnell. 1997. "Language Minority Achievement, Family Background, and the Impact of Bilingual Education." Annual Meetings of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Toronto, Canada.

#### Invited Presentations

- Vélez, María B. 2009. "The Implications of a Foreign Born Community for Community Homicide Levels in Albuquerque and Chicago." NSF Supported Immigration Research Workshop, Social Science Research on Immigration: The Role of Transnational Migration, Communities and Policies. Conference held at Arizona State University.
- Vélez, María B. and Christopher Lyons. 2008. "The Long Term Consequences of Bank Disinvestment on Neighborhood Homicide: An Analysis of Albuquerque Neighborhoods (1990 – 2006). Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network Summer Workshop.
- Vélez, María B. 2008. "The Implications of a Foreign Born Community for Community Homicide Levels." University of Washington Institute for the Study of Ethnicity, Race and Sexuality, Conference on Issues Facing the Latino Community.
- Vélez, María B. and Ramiro Martinez. 2007. "Latino Population Growth and Arrest Rates in a New Gateway: An Analysis of Iowa." Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network Summer Workshop.
- Heimer, Karen and Vélez, María B. 2005. "Bringing in Gender and Race: Moving Toward Inclusiveness in Criminology." American Sociological Association. Special Panel to celebrate 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Criminology.
- Vélez, María B. 2003. "Toward an Explanation of the Race-Crime Link: The Role of City Resources," sponsored by the University of Iowa's Center for Criminology and Sociological Studies.
- Vélez, María B. 2002. "Heightened Levels of Crime in Latino Neighborhoods: The Role of Inequality in the Distribution of City Resources." Latinos – Ignored No Longer: Contemporary Social Science Research on Latino Populations, sponsored by the Council on the Status of Latinos, University of Iowa.

## **SERVICE**

### **1. Profession**

Reviewer for *American Sociological Review*, *Criminology*, *Journal of Research in Crime*

*and Delinquency, Sociological Focus, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Criminal Justice Review, Sociological Quarterly, Social Science Quarterly, Substance Abuse Treatment, Prevention, and Policy*

Steering Committee Member for Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice (2006 to present)

Program Committee Member for American Society of Criminology 2005 Annual Meetings

Program Committee Member for American Society of Criminology, 2007 Annual Meetings

Chair, Minority Affairs Committee, American Society of Criminology, 2009

Lead Guest editor for Special Issue, “Between Black and White: A Further Understanding of Criminological Processes”, for the *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* (with Rod Brunson and Jody Miller), 2011

## **2. Department**

Coordinator, Sociology/Criminology Internship (2007 – present)

Criminology Task Force (2007 – present)

Undergraduate Committee (2007-2008)

Graduate Committee (2008 – 2009)

## **3. College**

## **4. University**

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Center for Health Policy, Fellowship Selection Committee (2009)

Mellon Foundation Advisory Committee (2007 to present)

## REFERENCES

Professor Ruth D. Peterson  
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