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## **EDUCATION**

- 2003 Ph.D. Sociology**  
The University of Iowa, Iowa City  
DISSERTATION: "Strain and Deviant Adaptations: The Conditioning Role of Social and Economic Factors."
- 1998 M.S. Sociology**  
Texas A&M University, College Station  
THESIS: "A Theoretical Development and Empirical Assessment of the Effects of Child Abuse and Neglect on Juvenile Delinquency."
- 1996 B.S. Sociology**  
Kansas State University, Manhattan, Cum Laude  
CONCENTRATION: Criminology

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2014-present Director, Nebraska Center for Justice Research**  
University of Nebraska at Omaha, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- 2012-14 Director, Consortium for Crime and Justice Research**  
University of Nebraska at Omaha, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- 2010-2012 Project Evaluator**  
Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center (MCWIC), The Children's Bureau
- 2010-2012 Research Assistant Professor**  
University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Center on Children, Families and the Law
- 2003-2010 Assistant Professor Sociology/Criminology**  
Kansas State University, Manhattan

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS (\*student author)

- Kowalski, Melissa, Michael Campagna, Emily M. Wright, and **Ryan Spohn**. (Online First). "Understanding Abuse, Mental Health, and Substance Use: The Role of Victimization in a Jail Population." *American Journal of Criminal Justice*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-023-09744-6>
- Kowalski, Melissa, Michael Campagna, Emily M. Wright Steiner, and **Ryan Spohn**. (Online First). "Type of Victimization Exposure, Perpetrator Type, and Timing of Victimization: The Impact on Behavioral Health Outcomes." *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/08862605231203609>
- Krushas, Amber E. \*, Teresa C. Kulig, Emily M. Wright, **Ryan E. Spohn**, and Lynn M. Castrianno. 2023. "Identifying Successes and Barriers to Working with Youth Exposed to Trauma: An Examination of Five Services Areas in a Child Advocacy Center." *Child & Youth Services* 44: 275-299.
- Towne, Katelynn, Michael Campagna, **Ryan Spohn**, and Amber Richey\*. 2023. "Put it in your Toolbox": How Vocational Reentry Programs Support Formerly Incarcerated Persons through Desistance." *Crime & Delinquency* 69: 316-341.
- Butler, H. Daniel., Michael Campagna, **Ryan Spohn**, and Katelynn Towne. 2022. "Understanding Volunteerism: The Role of the Participant in Non-Clinical Correctional Programming." *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation* 61: 357-374.
- Schwartz, Joseph A., Emily M. Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael F. Campagna, Benjamin Steiner, and Ebonie Epinger\*. 2022. "Changes in Jail Admissions Before and After Traumatic Brain Injury." *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*. 38: 1033-1056.  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10940-021-09524-7>
- Wright, Emily, **Ryan Spohn**, and Michael Campagna. 2020. "Responding to Crossover Youth: A Look Beyond Recidivism." *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* 18: 381-394.
- Zavala, Egbert, **Ryan Spohn**, and Leanne Alarid. 2019. "Gender and Serious Youth Victimization: Assessing the Generality of Self-Control, Differential Association, and Social Bonding Theories." *Sociological Spectrum* 39:53-69.
- Butler, H. Daniel, Starr Solomon\*, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2018. "Programming in Restrictive Housing: Considerations for Improving Outcome Evaluations." *Criminal Justice and Behavior* 45:1174-1191.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Abby L. Bjornsen, and Emily M. Wright. 2017. "Factors Associated with Perceptions of Rape Events and Reporting of Rape among College and Non-College Women." *Journal of Aggression, Conflict, and Peace Research* 9:279-289.
- Wright, Emily M., **Ryan Spohn**, Joselyne Chenane\*, and Nicholas Juliano\*. 2017. "The Importance of Interagency Collaboration for Crossover Youth: A Research Note." *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* 15:481-491.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Emily M. Wright and Johanna Peterson\*. 2017. "Rape and Mental Health Outcomes among Women: Examining the Moderating Effects of 'Healthy' Fear Levels." *Violence Against Women* 23:1055-1075.
- Ellison, Jared\* and **Ryan Spohn**. 2017. "Borders up in Smoke: Marijuana Enforcement in Nebraska after Colorado's Legalization of Medicinal Marijuana." *Criminal Justice Policy Review* 28:847-865.

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS, cont.

- Reprinted, Abstract and Summary in the London School of Economics' American Politics and Policy Blog, Urban and Regional Policy, Dec., 2015. London, UK.*
- Spohn, Ryan E.** and Spencer D. Wood. 2014. "Spare the Rod, Endanger the Child? Strain, Race/Ethnicity, and Serious Delinquency." *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice*. 12:159-193.
- Zavala, Egbert and **Ryan E. Spohn**. 2013. "The Role of Vicarious and Anticipated Strain on the Overlap of Violent Perpetration and Victimization: A Test of General Strain Theory." *American Journal of Criminal Justice* 38:119-140.
- Spohn, Ryan E.** 2012. "Delinquent Friends and Reactions to Strain: An Examination of Direct and Indirect Pathways." *Western Criminology Review* 13:16-36.
- Spohn, Ryan E.** and Don Kurtz. 2011. "Family Structure as a Social Context for Family Conflict: Unjust Strain and Serious Delinquency." *Criminal Justice Review* 36:332-356.
- Zavala, Egbert\* and **Ryan E. Spohn**. 2010. "Emotional Abuse and Controlling Behaviors in Heterosexual Relationships: The Role of Employment and Alcohol Use for Women and Their Partners." *Sociological Spectrum* 30: 526-549.
- Griffiths, Elizabeth, Robert D. Baller, **Ryan E. Spohn**, and Rosemary Gartner. 2008. "Is There Such a Thing as Defended Community Homicide? The Necessity of Methods of Triangulation." *Victims and Offenders* 3:228-244.
- Kurtz, Don\*, Travis Linnemann\*, and **Ryan E. Spohn**. 2008. "Investigating Racial Disparity at the Detention Decision: The Role of Informal Control and Respectability." *Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice*. 5:140-157.
- Fitzgerald, Scott F. and **Ryan E. Spohn**. 2005. "Pulpits and Platforms: The Role of the Church in Determining Protest among Black Americans." *Social Forces* 84:1015-1048. (*Equal contribution*)
- Spohn, Ryan E.** 2000. "Gender Differences in the Effects of Child Maltreatment on Criminal Activity over the Life Course." Pp. 207-231 in *Families, Crime and Criminal Justice*, Vol. 2, edited by G. L. Fox and M. L. Benson. New York: Elsevier Science.
- Spohn, Ryan E.** and Howard B. Kaplan. 2000. "Adolescent Substance Use and Adult Health Status: A Critical Analysis of a Problematic Relationship." Pp. 45-65 in *Advances in Medical Sociology*, Vol.7, edited by J. A. Levy, D. Stephens and D. McBride. Stamford, CT: JAI Press.

## PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH NOTES

- Spohn, Ryan.** 2023. "Practitioners, Research Partners, and Technical Assistance Providers: A Promising Collaboration Model for Advancing Practice and Research for PSN." Project Safe Neighborhoods Training and Technical Assistance, October 2023 Newsletter.
- Spohn, Ryan.** 2023. "Practitioners, Research Partners, and Technical Assistance Providers: A Promising Collaboration Model for Advancing Community-Engaged Research and Practice in Criminal Justice." ASC Division on Corrections & Sentencing, Fall 2023 Newsletter.
- Miller, Jennifer, **Spohn, Ryan** and Michael Campagna. 2022. "Innovations in Supervision: Reducing Violence and Recidivism through VRP Aftercare and CBI Open Groups." Bureau of Justice Assistance Smart Suite: Researcher-Practitioner Fellows Community of Practice. [NE Case Study Final May 2022.pdf \(msu.edu\)](#)
- Spohn, Ryan** and Michael Campagna. 2021. "The Continued Importance of Face-to-Face Meetings for Scholar-Practitioner Partnerships in the Digital Age." ASC Division on Corrections & Sentencing, Fall 2021 Newsletter.
- Ebonie, Epinger, Emily M. Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael Campagna, Taylor Claxton, and Benjamin Steiner. 2021. "Examining Risk and Need Factors Among a Midwestern Jail Population." *American Jails* 35(1): 34-38.

## GRANTS AWARDED

- 2020-22 Expanding the Knowledge Base about Child Advocacy Centers**  
*Role:* Secondary Investigator (Principal Investigator, Teresa Kulig)  
*Funding Agency:* National Institute of Justice  
*Funded Amount:* \$566,259
- 2019-23 Reducing Violence and Recidivism through VRP Aftercare and CBI Open Groups**  
*Role:* Research Partner (Principal Investigator, Jennifer Miller)  
*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance  
*Funded Amount:* \$553,445; UNO portion: \$159,997
- 2016-18 Project Safe Neighborhoods**  
*Role:* Research Partner  
*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance  
*Funded Amount:* \$30,000
- 2016-18 A Collaborative Evaluation of the Nebraska Connected Youth Initiative**  
*Role:* Research Partner (Principal Investigator, Anthony Petrosino)  
*Funding Agency:* The Nebraska Children & Families Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$149,714
- 2015-17 Project Safe Neighborhoods**  
*Role:* Research Partner  
*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance  
*Funded Amount:* \$28,989
- 2014-16 Evaluation of the Douglas County Crossover Youth Practice Model**  
*Role:* Co-Principal Investigator (with Emily Wright)  
*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$142,919

## GRANTS AWARDED, cont.

**2014-16 Project Safe Neighborhoods**

*Role:* Research Partner

*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance

*Funded Amount:* \$30,000

**2013-15 Project Safe Neighborhoods**

*Role:* Research Partner

*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance

*Funded Amount:* \$30,000

**2012-14 Project Safe Neighborhoods**

*Role:* Research Partner

*Funding Agency:* Bureau of Justice Assistance

*Funded Amount:* \$8,000

**2005-06 Community Change, Collective Efficacy and Crime.**

*Role:* Co-Principal Investigator (with L. Susan Williams)

*Funding Agency:* Kansas State University Faculty Development Award

*Funded Amount:* \$1,500

## CONTRACTS AWARDED

### Principle Investigator

**2023-25 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

*Funded Amount:* \$334,322

**2022-26 Nebraska Correctional Program Evaluation**

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

*Funded Amount:* \$852,475

**2022-23 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

*Funded Amount:* \$168,116

**2020-23 Evaluation of Douglas Co. Assessment and Case Management Services**

*Funding Agency:* Douglas County Department of Corrections

*Funded Amount:* \$225,000 (with Emily Wright)

**2020-22 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

*Funded Amount:* \$329,571

**2020 COVID First Responders Needs Assessment**

*Funding Agency:* The First Responders Foundation

*Funded Amount:* \$10,000.

**2019 Youth Impact! Cost/Benefit Analysis Update**

*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation

*Funded Amount:* \$4,643

**2018-20 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

*Funded Amount:* \$342,221

**CONTRACTS AWARDED, cont.**

- 2017-18 Douglas County Juvenile Justice Prevention Needs Assessment**  
*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$137,484 (with Emily Wright)
- 2017-19 Evaluation of Douglas Co. Assessment and Case Management Services**  
*Funding Agency:* Douglas County Department of Corrections  
*Funded Amount:* \$312,658 (with Ben Steiner & Emily Wright)
- 2017 Defy Ventures Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$50,162 (with Roni Reiter-Palmon & Joseph Allen)
- 2016-18 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$319,750
- 2016-18 Completely KIDS Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* Completely KIDS  
*Funded Amount:* \$8294
- 2016-18 Juvenile Justice Alternatives to Detention Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* Douglas County/The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$126,808
- 2015-16 Justice Assistance Grant: Strategic Plan 2015**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$38,020 (with Anne Hobbs)
- 2015-16 Douglas County Collective Impact Initiative (Operation Youth Success)**  
*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$108,722
- 2015-16 Douglas County Collective Impact Initiative**  
*Funding Agency:* The Sherwood Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$44,397 (with Emily Wright)
- 2015-16 Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$120,056
- 2015 Parole Validation Study**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Correctional Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$36,000 (with Ben Steiner and Lisa Sample)
- 2014 Justice Assistance Grant: Performance Measure Development**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$4,000
- 2014 Nebraska Coalition of Juvenile Justice: Strengths-Based Assessment**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$2,500
- 2013-14 Completely KIDS: Evaluation of Liberty Elementary Programs**  
*Funding Agency:* Completely KIDS  
*Funded Amount:* \$41,138

## **CONTRACTS AWARDED, cont.**

- 2013 Violence Against Women Act: Strategic Planning**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$7,000
- 2013 Justice Assistance Grant: Strategic Planning**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$1,983
- 2013 Evaluation of Programs Funded by Nebraska's Justice Assistance Grant**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Crime Commission  
*Funded Amount:* \$40,000
- 2012-18 Transformation Project inmate transition program**  
*Funding Agency:* Private donor via University of Nebraska Foundation  
*Funded Amount:* \$150,000-\$250,000 annually
- 2013 Nebraska Sex Offender Registry Study**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska State Patrol/Nebraska State Legislature  
*Funded Amount:* \$60,000
- 2012 Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center Service Provider Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center  
*Funded Amount:* \$1,000

## **Project Evaluator**

- 2023-24 Recovery Therapeutic Community Intensive Outpatient Program (RTC IOP)**  
*Funding Agency:* Douglas County, NE (BJA passthrough)  
*Funded Amount:* \$43,000
- 2020-23 Achieving Change Together, Reentry Program Evaluation.**  
*Funding Agency:* Safer Foundation (BJA passthrough)  
*Funded Amount:* \$100,000
- 2018-19 A Collaborative Evaluation of the Nebraska Connected Youth Initiative**  
*Funding Agency:* WestEd Justice & Prevention Resource Center  
*Funded Amount:* \$10,000
- 2017-19 Douglas County Operation Youth Success Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* The TerraLuna Collaborative  
*Funded Amount:* \$20,000
- 2017-19 Minority Health Initiative Evaluation, Colfax and Platte Counties, NE**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$18,424
- 2016-17 Blue Courage® Police Training Assessment**  
*Funding Agency:* IADLEST  
*Funded Amount:* \$10,000
- 2016-17 Douglas County Operation Youth Success Evaluation**  
*Funding Agency:* The TerraLuna Collaborative  
*Funded Amount:* \$6,984

## **CONTRACTS AWARDED, cont.**

- 2015-17 Minority Health Initiative Evaluation, Colfax and Platte Counties, NE**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$18,423
- 2013-15 Minority Health Initiative Evaluation, Colfax and Platte Counties, NE**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
*Funded Amount:* \$18,424
- 2013-14 2nd Chance Act: Evaluating Best Practice Implemented in Juvenile Reentry**  
*Funding Agency:* Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
*Funded Amount:* \$16,228
- 2011-15 Prevalence of TBI among Youth at Nebraska YRTCs**  
*Funding Agency:* Nebraska Department of Education  
*Funded Amount:* \$2,160

## **CONSULTING**

- 2023-28 An Assessment of Dual System Data and Practices Capacity across Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Systems.** For Cal State-LA/National Institute of Justice. \$9750.
- 2023 Comprehensive Summary of Blue Courage © Evaluation and Research.** For Michigan State University/Bureau of Justice Assistance. \$5,200.
- 2016-18 National Coordinator, Blue Courage © Immersion State Evaluation.** 2018. BJA Award: Smart Suite Training and Technical Assistance Program (RC106668). BJA Award: 2012-DB-BX-K006 to The International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training. \$35,100.

## **RESEARCH REPORTS**

- Employer Perspectives in Hiring and Working with Justice-Involved Individuals: A Special-Topic VLS Evaluation Report.* With Katelynn Towne, Michael Campagna, Laura Dueland, and Baylee Allen. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation Annual Report.* 2022. With Katelynn Towne, Michael Campagna, and Laura Dueland. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Classification & Flow Project. Technical Report: Phases I & II.* With Zachary Hamilton, Alex Kigerl, Baylee Allen, Addison Kobie, John Ursino, Amber Krushas, and Brian Gildea. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Victimization Prior to Jail: The Effect of Physical and/or Sexual Victimization on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder in a Population of Jailed Inmates.* 2023. With Melissa A. Kowalski, Michael Campagna, and Emily Wright. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Evidence-Based Inventory of Criminal Justice Programs in Nebraska.* 2023. Nebraska Center for Justice Research. With Katelynn Towne, Christopher Campbell, Monica Miles-Steffens, Brian Gildea, John Ursino, Zachary Hamilton, Michael Campagna, Addison Kobie, Taylor Claxton, Laura Dueland, and Tara Grell.



## RESEARCH REPORTS, cont.

- Expanding the Knowledge Base about Child Advocacy Centers*. 2022. Omaha, NE: University of Nebraska at Omaha. With Teresa Kulig, Amber Krushas, Lynn Castrianno, and Emily Wright
- Vocational & Life Skills Evaluation Annual Report*. 2021. With Katelynn Towne, Michael Campagna, and Taylor Claxton. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Safer Foundation ACT Program: Process Evaluation Report*. 2021. With Michael Campagna.
- Expanding the Knowledge Base about Child Advocacy Centers, Summary Guide: A Review of Phase I Findings by Data Source and Service Area*. 2021. With Teresa C. Kulig, Emily M. Wright, Lynn M. Castrianno, and Amber E. Krushas.
- Ready & Resilient: Qualitative Findings from Life Story Interviews with Vocational and Life Skills Program Participants*. 2021. For the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. With Katelynn Towne and Michael Campagna.
- Douglas County Youth Impact! Cost/Benefit Analysis: Revised Edition, 2019 Dollars*. 2020. For the Sherwood Foundation.
- Analysis of Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center, 2012-2019: Successful Completions and Recidivism by Youth Level of Service Scores and Race/Ethnicity*. 2020. For the Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center.
- Adult Justice in Nebraska, 2019*. 2020. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Sara Toto, Emily Wright, Michael Campagna, and Katelynn Towne.
- Vocational and Life Skills Annual Report. Grant Cycle Three, Year One: July 2018-June 2019*. With Katelynn Towne and Michael Campagna. Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research.
- Transformation Project: Program Update & Recommendations for the Future*. 2019. For The Sherwood Foundation. With Michael Campagna.
- Adult Justice in Nebraska, 2018*. 2019. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Sara Toto, and Emily Wright.
- Assessing the Effectiveness of ShotSpotter in Omaha: Addendum to Project Safe Neighborhoods 2016 Final Evaluation Report*. 2019. For the Bureau of Justice Assistance. With Justin Nix and Ashley Arnio.
- Immersion State Blue Courage Training Evaluation*. 2019. For the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards & Training (IADLEST)
- Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Annual Report*. 2018. With Sara Toto and Emily Wright.
- Evaluation of the Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) at the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services*. 2018. For the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. With Emily Wright, Joselyne Chenane, and Sara Toto.
- Nebraska Vocational and Life Skills Initiative. Client Perceptions of Program Services and Ability to Reintegrate*. 2018. For the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. With Don Kurtz and Johanna Peterson.
- Defy Ventures Evaluation Plan Report*. 2018. For the Sherwood Foundation. With Eric Scheller, Joseph Allen, Roni Reiter-Palmon, and Joseph Mroz.

## RESEARCH REPORTS, cont.

- Evaluation of Douglas County Assessment and Case Management Services: Year 1 Report.* 2018. For Douglas County and The Sherwood Foundation. With Benjamin Steiner, Emily Wright, Ebonie Epinger, and Nicky Dalbir.
- Alternatives to Detention Evaluation: Final Report.* 2018. For Douglas County and the Sherwood Foundation. With Madison Schoenbeck, Joseph Mroz, Joseph Allen, and Roni Reiter-Palmon.
- Adult Justice in Nebraska, 2017.* 2018 For the Nebraska Legislature. With Joselyn Chenane, Sara Toto, and Emily Wright.
- Defy Ventures Program Theory Report.* 2017. For the Sherwood Foundation. With Eric Scheller, Joseph Allen, Roni Reiter-Palmon, and Joseph Mroz.
- Marijuana Enforcement in Nebraska (2013-2015).* 2017. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Joselyn Chenane, Sara Toto, and Emily Wright.
- Defy Ventures Situational Analysis Report.* 2017. For the Sherwood Foundation. With Eric Scheller, Joseph Allen, Roni Reiter-Palmon, and Joseph Mroz.
- Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Annual Report.* 2017. With Joselyn Chenane, Sara Toto, and Emily Wright.
- Evaluation of the Crossover Youth Practice Model (Youth Impact!): Results Summary.* 2017. For the Sherwood Foundation. With Emily Wright and Joselyn Chenane.
- Alternatives to Detention Evaluation: Year One Report.* 2017. For Douglas County and the Sherwood Foundation. With Madison Schoenbeck, Joseph Mroz, Joseph Allen, and Roni Reiter-Palmon.
- Adult Justice in Nebraska, 2016.* 2017 For the Nebraska Legislature. With Jared Ellison.
- Project Safe Neighborhoods 2014 Grant Final Evaluation Report.* 2016. For the City of Omaha.
- Nebraska Justice Assistance Grant Strategic Plan: 2016-2018.* 2016. For the Nebraska Crime Commission. With Anne Hobbs.
- Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Annual Report.* 2016. With Jared Ellison.
- Operation Youth Success: Developmental Evaluation Final Report.* 2016. For The Sherwood Foundation. With Jennifer Miller.
- Douglas County Youth Impact! Views of Challenges from the Professionals Involved.* 2016. Brief report submitted to the Douglas County Youth Impact! Working Group. With Emily Wright. Funding Agency: Sherwood Foundation.
- Douglas County Youth Impact! Views of Successes from the Professionals Involved.* 2016. Brief report submitted to the Douglas County Youth Impact! Working Group. With Emily Wright. Funding Agency: Sherwood Foundation.
- Douglas County Youth Impact! Recommendations from the Professionals Involved.* 2016. Brief report submitted to the Douglas County Youth Impact! Working Group. With Emily Wright. Funding Agency: Sherwood Foundation.
- Marijuana Enforcement in Nebraska (2009-2014).* 2016. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Jared Ellison.
- Adult Justice in Nebraska, 2015.* 2016. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Jared Ellison.

## RESEARCH REPORTS, cont.

- Project Safe Neighborhoods 2013 Grant Final Evaluation Report.* 2015. For the City of Omaha.
- Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Annual Report.* 2015. With Jared Ellison.
- The Impact of After-School and Family Strengthening Programs on Student Outcomes: The Completely KIDS Liberty Project.* 2015. For Completely KIDS.
- Traumatic Brain Injury Screening: Differences between Youth with and without Juvenile Justice System Involvement in Nebraska.* 2015. For the Nebraska Office of Vocational Rehabilitation at the NE Dept. of Educ. With Jeff Chambers.
- Colorado's Legalization of Medicinal Marijuana: The Effects on Nebraska's Law Enforcement and Local Jail System.* 2015. For the Nebraska Legislature. With Jared Ellison.
- Nebraska Coalition of Juvenile Justice Strength-Based Assessment.* 2015. For the Nebraska Crime Commission.
- Trends in Adult Justice, 2014.* 2015 For the Nebraska Legislature. With Jared Ellison.
- Examining the Effects of Nebraska's Good Time Laws: Research Brief.* 2014. For the Nebraska Legislature
- The Lancaster County Juvenile Reentry Project.* 2014. For Lancaster, County, NE. With Anne Hobbs, Jenna Strawhun, Timbre Wulf-Ludden, Johanna Peterson, and Sommer Fousek.
- Nebraska Minority Health Initiative, 2013-14 Annual Evaluation Report.* For East-Central District Health Department
- The Transformation Project: Post-Hoc Evaluation Report of a Prison Transition Program.* 2014
- Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program: Evaluation Report.* 2013. For the Nebraska Crime Commission.
- Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center Analysis of Outcomes by Services.* 2013. For the Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center (diversion).
- Nebraska Sex Offender Registry Study: Final Report.* 2013. For the Judiciary Committee of the Nebraska Legislature.
- Nebraska Sex Offender Registry Study: Interim Report.* 2012. For the Judiciary Committee of the Nebraska Legislature.
- Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant, Nebraska Strategic Plan, 2012-2015.* For the Nebraska Crime Commission.
- Identification of ICWA Eligible Children and Compliance with ICWA Requirements.* 2011. From Best Outcomes for Indian Children (Wisconsin), MCWIC implementation project. With Cynthia Parry.
- Ohio Regional Forum Report.* 2010. From Partners for Ohio's Families, MCWIC implementation project. With Michelle Graef.
- Reporter Intake Satisfaction Survey Report.* Indiana Department of Child Services: Centralized Intake Unit. 2011. From Centralized Intake Unit (Indiana), MCWIC implementation project.

## POLICY AND RESEARCH BRIEFS

- Kowalski, Melissa A., Michael Campagna, Emily Wright and **Ryan Spohn**. 2023. *Victimization Prior to Jail: The Effect of Physical and/or Sexual Victimization on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder in a Population of Jailed Inmates* (Document # 04-03-002). Omaha: Nebraska Center for Justice Research. [ncjr-research-brief-victimization-prior-to-jail.pdf](https://www.unomaha.edu/ncjr-research-brief-victimization-prior-to-jail.pdf) (unomaha.edu)
- Butler, H. Daniel, Michael Campagna, **Ryan Spohn**, and Katelynn Towne. *Understanding Volunteerism in Vocational and Life Skills Programming*. 2022. Nebraska Center for Justice Research. <https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-public-affairs-and-community-service/nebraska-center-for-justice-research/documents/volunteerism-10-2022.pdf>
- Butler, Leah, **Ryan Spohn**, and Josie Schafer. 2020. *Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Criminal Justice System in Nebraska*. UNO Center for Public Affairs Research [racial-and-ethnic-disparity.pdf](https://www.unomaha.edu/center-for-public-affairs-research/documents/racial-and-ethnic-disparity.pdf) (unomaha.edu)
- Braun, Clara L., Emily M. Wright, and **Ryan Spohn**. *Restricted Housing among Juvenile Populations*. 2017. Nebraska Center for Justice Research. [Microsoft Word - Restricted housing for juveniles -Final.docx](https://www.unomaha.edu/ncjr-research-restricted-housing-for-juveniles-final.docx) (unomaha.edu)
- Moore, Sara, Emily M. Wright, and **Ryan Spohn**. *Status Offenders and the Juvenile Justice System*. 2017. Nebraska Center for Justice Research. [Microsoft Word - Status offenders - Final.docx](https://www.unomaha.edu/ncjr-research-status-offenders-final.docx) (unomaha.edu)

## BOOK REVIEWS

- Spohn, Ryan. 2020. *The Creation of Dangerous Violent Criminals* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) by Lonnie H. Athens. *Symbolic Interaction* 43:184-186.
- Spohn, Ryan. 2007. *Juvenile Delinquency: Causes and Control* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) by Robert Agnew. *Criminal Justice Review* 32: 78-80.
- Spohn, Ryan. 2006. Review of *The Cultural Lives of Capital Punishment* by Sarat, Austin and Christian Boulanger (eds.). *Journal of Political and Military Sociology* 34: 396-397.
- Spohn, Ryan. 2006. Review of *Fathers Under Fire: The Revolution in Child Support Enforcement* by Garfinkel, Irwin, Sara S. McLanahan, Daniel R. Meyer and Judith A. Seltzer (eds.). *Criminal Justice Review* 31: 97-99.

## WEBINARS

- Bilchik, Shay, Michael Umpierre, Amy Latshaw, Monica DeMent, Cara Stirts, D. Rockey, Lawrence Gendler, Emily Wright, and Ryan Spohn. "Crossover Youth Practice Model 101." June 22, 2018. For Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.
- Spohn, Ryan, Nick Juliano, Emily Wright, and Darci Poland. "Douglas County, Nebraska CYPM Cost-Benefit Analysis." April 26, 2018. For Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.
- Coonfare, Shawne Johnson, D. Jackson, Nick Juliano, Ryan Spohn, and Emily Wright. "A Research and Practice Partnership to Improve Outcomes for Crossover Youth: Douglas County, Nebraska's CYPM Evaluation." Feb. 20, 2018. For Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.

## WHITE PAPERS

Wiener, Richard L., Anne Hobbs, and Ryan Spohn. *Evidence Based Practice in Juvenile Justice: Nebraska White Paper*. 2014.

## PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS, 2010-PRESENT

Wright, Emily, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael Campagna, Ebonie Epinger, Mark Foxall. 2023. "Case Management Assessment and Considerations in Jails." American Jail Association Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan**, Alex Kigerl, and Emily M. Wright. 2023. "The Differential Risks and Needs of Justice-Involved Veterans and Non-Veterans in Forecasting Recidivism." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan**. 2023. "Panel: TTA, Crime Analysis, and Evaluation: Examples from Bureau of Justice Assistance Supported Programs." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan**. 2022. "Roundtable: Research in Action: Bureau of Justice Assistance Smart Suite Programs and TTA That Supports Them." American Society of Criminology Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan** and Michael Campagna. 2022. "Mixed Methods for Evaluating Reentry Programs: Findings from Qualitative Research in a Process Evaluation." American Society of Criminology Meetings.

Campagna, Michael and **Ryan Spohn**. 2022. "Meaningful Employment as a Component of Reentry: How Employers Provide More than Wages." American Society of Criminology Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan**. 2022. "The Rural/Urban Differences in the Impact of Individual Hopefulness, Individual Agency, and Community Factors on Fear of Crime." Midwest Criminal Justice Association annual meeting.

Castrianno, Lynn M., **Ryan E. Spohn**, Amber E. Krushas, Teresa C. Kulig, and Emily M. Wright. 2022. "From NCA Standards to Practice: Lessons Learned from Stories in the Field." National Children's Alliance Leadership Conference.

**Spohn, Ryan** and Michael Campagna. 2022. "Face-to-Face, Virtual, and Hybrid Collaboration in Scholar-Practitioner Partnerships in the Digital Age." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

Roig-Palmer, Krystal, Michael Campagna, Katelynn Towne, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2022. "Enhancing the Margins of Reentry: How to Put Responsivity into Explicit Practice." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

Krushas, Amber, Michael Campagna, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2022. "Responsivity or Discrimination? Extralegal Moderators of Relationships between Types of Technical Violations and Revocation." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings

Kowalski, Melissa, Michael Campagna, **Ryan Spohn**, and Emily Wright. 2022. "Understanding Abuse and Mental Health: The Role of Victimization in Jail Returns." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

## PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS, cont.

- Castrianno, Lynn, **Ryan Spohn**, Teresa C. Kulig, Amber E. Krushas, and Emily M. Wright. 2022. "Practitioner-Researcher Collaboration: Evaluating a Child Advocacy Center's Core Services." San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment.
- Spohn, Ryan**. 2021. "Research Partnerships Addressing Re-Entry." (roundtable presentation). American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Krushas, Amber, Teresa Kulig, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, et al. 2021. "Identifying Success and Barriers among a Child Advocacy Center." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Towne, Katelynn, Michael Campagna, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2021. "Reentry Employment During the COVID-19 Era." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Epinger, Ebonie, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael Campagna, and Joseph Schwartz. 2021. "The Intersectionality of Race and Gender in Risk and Need Factors among a Jail Population." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Epinger, Ebonie, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, and Michael Campagna. 2021. "Jails Use Data Too!" American Jail Association Meetings.
- Epinger, Ebonie, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael Campagna, and Benjamin Steiner. 2019. "The Effects of Risk Factors and Criminogenic Needs on Recidivism among a Jail Population." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Michael Campagna, Emily Wright, Joseph Schwartz, **Ryan Spohn**, and Benjamin Steiner. 2019. "Jails Use Data Too! How Internalizing, Externalizing, and Psychopathy Scales Mediate the Relationship between Childhood Factors and Recidivism." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Emily Wright, Michael Campagna, Joseph Schwartz, and Benjamin Steiner. 2019. "Risk Factors and Negative Outcomes for Military Veterans and Non-Veterans in a Jail Population." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Towne, Katelynn, Michael Campagna, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2019. "When There is a Will, the Way is Still Hard: Qualitative Themes of Ex-Offender Reentry." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Kurtz, Don and **Ryan Spohn**. 2019. "The Importance of Social Support at Reentry: Qualitative Work from a Statewide, Multi-Site Reentry Initiative in Nebraska." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Schwartz, Joseph, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, Michael Campagna, and Benjamin Steiner. 2019. Brain Injury as a Risk Factor for Institutional Misconduct and Recidivism: Results from a Sample of Jail Inmates. 2019. American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Cara Stirts, and Douglas F. Johnson. 2019. "Increasing Collaboration While Decreasing costs for Dual-Involved Youth." National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Conference.
- Johnson, Douglas F., Nick Juliano, **Ryan Spohn**, and Marlon Wofford. 2019. "Utilizing Voice and Choice to Improve Outcomes for Crossover Youth and Their Families." Nebraska Juvenile Justice Association annual conference.

## PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS, cont.

- Johnson, Douglas F., Nick Juliano, **Ryan Spohn**, and Emily Wright. 2019. "Achieving Positive Outcomes for Crossover Youth through Youth and Family Engagement." Heartland Juvenile Service Association annual conference.
- Campagna, Michael F., Katelynn Towne, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2019. "Type and Dosage of Reentry Programming: Effects on Racial Disparity in Recidivism and Employment." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Epinger, Ebonie, Emily Wright, Ryan Spohn, and Michael Campagna. 2021. "Jails Use Data Too!" American Jail Association Meetings.
- Towne, Katelynn, **Ryan Spohn**, and Michael F. Campagna. 2019. "Reentry Program Participant Satisfaction and Remaining Challenges". Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Spohn, Ryan**. 2018. "The Nebraska Center for Justice Research: A State/University Partnership to Advance Data, Research, and Evidence-Based Practice." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Brewer, Krista, Emily Wright, Benjamin Steiner, **Ryan Spohn**, Nicky Dalbir, and Ebonie Epinger. 2018. "The Relationship between Prior Victimization and Misconducts among Jail Inmates." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Ebonie Epinger, Benjamin Steiner, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, and Krista Brewer. 2018. "Examining Racial and Gender Differences in Risk and Criminogenic Needs among a Jail Population." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Emily Wright. 2018. "The Process and Results of a Metropolitan University Collaborating with Community Partners to Improve Service to Crossover Youth." Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities Annual Conference.
- Johnson, Doug, Shawne Coonfare, **Ryan Spohn**, and Margaret Vacek. 2018. "Achieving Positive Outcomes for Crossover Youth through Youth and Family Engagement." National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Conference.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Madison Schoenbeck, Joseph Mroz, Joseph Allen, and Roni Reiter-Palmon. 2017. "Addressing Risk but not Needs in Juvenile Intake: An Evaluation of Alternatives to Juvenile Detention." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Arnio, Ashley and **Ryan Spohn**. 2017. "An Exploratory Analysis of ShotSpotter as a Tool for Community Policing." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Roundtable session. 2017. "The Blue Courage © Guardianship Police Training Program: Observations from a Multi-State Implementation and Evaluation." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Wright, Emily, **Ryan Spohn**, and Josylene Chenane. 2017. "Crossover Youth in the Justice System: An Outcome and Cost-Benefit Analysis of the Crossover Youth Practice Model." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Schoenbeck, Madison Gene, Kevin Mitchell, **Ryan Spohn**, Joseph Mroz, Joseph Allen, and Roni Reiter-Palmon. 2017. "Evaluating the System of Alternatives to Youth Detention in Douglas County." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Solomon, Starr, H. Daniel Butler, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2017. "Examining the Relationship Between Misconduct and Restrictive Housing." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.

## **PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS, cont.**

- Chenane, Joselyne, Emily Wright, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2016. "When Helping Crossover Youth Helps the Juvenile Justice System: Reports from Agency Professionals." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, and Joselyne Chenane. 2016. "Enhancing Services for Crossover Youth: Challenges and Recommendations." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Schoenbeck, Madison, Kevin Mitchell, Joseph Mroz, **Ryan Spohn**, Roni Reiter-Palmon, and Joseph Allen. 2016. "Exploring Alternatives to Detention in Douglas County." (Poster) Engagement Scholarship Consortium Conference.
- Miller, Jennifer and **Ryan Spohn**. 2016. "Collaborative Efficacy? Assessing Collective Impact in the Context of Juvenile Justice Reform." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Ellison, Jared M. and **Ryan Spohn**. 2016. "Assessing the Consequences of Colorado's Legalization of Recreational Marijuana on Nebraska." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Butler, H. Daniel, Starr Solomon, and **Ryan Spohn**. 2015. "Programming in Administrative Segregation: An Evaluation of the Transformation Project." American Society of Criminology Meetings.
- Juliano, Nick, Shawne Johnson Coonfare, **Ryan Spohn**, and Emily Wright. 2015. "Implementation of the Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM) in Douglas County: A Unique Public/Private Partnership to Improve the Lives of Youth." Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities Conference.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Anne Hobbs. 2015. "Using Data to Inform Good Agency Practice." Nebraska Justice Alliance Meeting.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Emily Wright. 2015. "Evaluation of Douglas County Youth Impact!" Nebraska Juvenile Justice Association Meeting.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Abby Bjornson. 2015. "Factors Associated with Perceptions of Rape Events and Reporting of Rape among College and Non-College Women." Midwest Sociological Society Meeting.
- Ellison, Jared and **Ryan Spohn**. 2015. "Borders up in smoke: Marijuana enforcement in Nebraska after Colorado's legalization." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meeting.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Kristina Thompson. 2014. "African-American Girls and Serious Delinquency: The Role of Friends' Delinquency, Peer Pressure, and Victimization." Midwest Sociological Society Meetings.
- Zavala, Egbert, **Ryan Spohn** and Leanne Alarid. 2014. "Gender and Victimization: Assessing the Generalizability of Self-Control, Differential Association, and Social Bonding." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meetings.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Don L. Kurtz. 2013. "Perceptions of Respectability and Juvenile Diversion Outcomes by Race in a Midwest Community." American Society of Criminology Meetings.



## PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS, cont.

Peterson, Johanna C., **Ryan Spohn**, and Emily M. Wright. 2013. "The Differential Impact of Fear of Crime on College Women's Mental Health Outcomes." American Society of Criminology Meetings.

**Spohn, Ryan**. 2012. "What They Say or What They Do? Gender Differences in Peer Pressure, Friends' Delinquency, and Serious Delinquency." American Society of Criminology Meetings.

Chambers, Jeff, Sandy Lint, **Ryan Spohn**, and Hannah Dietrich. 2012. "Partnering with Parents for System Change." National Conference on Child Abuse & Neglect.

**Spohn, Ryan** and IC Evaluators. "Findings from 12 Months of Tracking the Salience of Implementation Drivers." Presented at Children's Bureau T/TA Exploration Workgroup Meeting, December 6-8, 2011, Silver Spring, MD

**Spohn, Ryan** and IC Evaluators. "Implementation Centers' Shared Implementation Process Measure." Presented at Children's Bureau T/TA Exploration Workgroup Meeting, December 14-17, 2010, Washington, D.C.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Addressing the Challenges and Criminogenic Needs of Reentering Persons." Presented to Kansas State University's *SOCWK 350: Social Work with Offenders and Victims*, Oct. 20, 2023

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Data, Research, and Careers in Criminal Justice and Corrections." For Dr. Trisha Rhodes' *Criminal Justice Research Methods* (CRIM 251). Oct. 4, 2023.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Community-Engaged Research in Criminal Justice and Corrections." For Dr. Ling Ren's *Criminal Justice Research, Theory, and Methods* graduate seminar (CRCJ 8030). Sept. 11, 2023. University of Nebraska-Omaha.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Researcher/Practitioner Partnerships in the 21st Century." June 6, 2023. Innovations in Supervision Initiative Grantee Convening, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Crystal City, Virginia.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Review of Project Harmony Outcome Measurement System Data with a Focus on Equitable Service Delivery." May 30, 2023. Project Harmony Child Advocacy Center, Omaha, NE.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Corrections and Community Corrections in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Careers, Policy, and Applied Research." April 20, 2023. K-State Criminology Club.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Justice by the Numbers: A Discussion of Data about Incarceration." Aug. 4, 2022. Sponsored by Mathew 25 Churches of the Missouri Valley Presbytery.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "Data on Race for Research and Racial Conversations." March 24, 2022. Movement in Omaha for Racial Equity (MORE).

Kulig, Teresa, **Ryan Spohn**, Amber Krushas, Lynn Castrianno, and Emily Wright. "Expanding the Knowledge Base about Child Advocacy Centers: An Overview of Findings from Phase 1". Feb. 23, 2022. Project Harmony.

**Spohn, Ryan**. "The Color of Justice: Racial and Ethnic Disparity in State Prisons, Nebraska/Iowa." Feb. 9, 2022. Omaha 360 Violence Intervention & Prevention Team.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS, cont.

- Spohn, Ryan.** "The Color of Justice: Racial and Ethnic Disparity in State Prisons, Nebraska/Iowa." Jan. 17, 2022. New Life Presbyterian, First Presbyterian, and West Hills Churches, Omaha.
- Epingler, Ebonie, Emily Wright, **Ryan Spohn**, and Joseph Schwartz. "Jails Use Data Too!" Presentation to the Douglas County, Nebraska, Board of Commissioners. May 11, 2021.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Racial Disparities in Prison Populations: Who is System-Involved and Why?" Presented to the Leadership Omaha Class 43, Jan. 21, 2021.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Role of Social Workers in the Criminal Justice System, Evidence-Based Practices, and Reentry." Presented to Kansas State University *SOCWK 350: Social Work with Offenders and Victims*, Oct. 23, 2020
- Spohn, Ryan.** *RED (Racial and Ethnic Disparities) LIVE! Speaking Truth to Power.* Facebook Live interview by Douglas County, NE, Race and Ethnic Disparities Coordinator, A'Jamal Byndon. Sept. 14, 2020
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Community-Engaged Research and Research-Focused Careers." Presented at Kansas State University, Oct. 25, 2019
- Spohn, Ryan** and Georgetown Capstone Team. "Douglas County RED Georgetown Capstone Presentation." Sept. 27, 2019. Presented to the Omaha community at the Omaha Police Dept. NE Precinct.
- Campagna, Michael and **Ryan Spohn.** "Selection Bias is Ruining My Evaluation! A Comparison of Two Adjustment Models." Presented at the May 2019 meeting of the Omaha Evaluators Group.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "The State of Crossover Youth Research". Youth Impact Annual Meeting: Lincoln, NE. Feb. 1, 2019.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "The State of Crossover Youth Research". Youth Impact Annual Meeting: Omaha, NE. Jan. 15, 2019.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Reentry as a Component of PSN." 2018. National Project Safe Neighborhoods Conference, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Kansas City, MO. Dec. 5&7, 2018.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Violence Reduction through Community Engagement and Partnerships." 2018. National Project Safe Neighborhoods Conference, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Kansas City, MO. Dec/ 5, 2018.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Researcher-Practitioner Challenges: A Discussion and Exercise." PSN FY17 Violent Crime Reduction Workshop, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Omaha, NE. May 17, 2018.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Ken Kanger. "Violence Reduction with Community Engagement: Omaha's Approach." PSN FY17 Violent Crime Reduction Workshop, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Omaha, NE. May 16, 2018.
- Spohn, Ryan**, Ken Kanger, and Michelle Waymire. "Violence Reduction through Community Engagement." Innovations Suite Researcher-Practitioner Fellows Academy, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Chicago, IL. Mar. 1&2, 2018.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS, cont.

- Spohn, Ryan** and Emily Wright. "CYPM Evaluation & Cost/Benefit Analysis." 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Impact! Partner Event. Omaha, NE. Dec/ 6, 2017
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Community-Based Research: Opportunities and Challenges." Campus Compact for the Great Plains Launch Event. Omaha, NE, Nov. 13, 2017
- Wright, Emily and **Ryan Spohn.** "CYPM Evaluation & Cost/Benefit Analysis." 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Impact! Partner Event. Lincoln, NE. Nov. 6, 2017
- Wright, Emily and **Ryan Spohn.** "CYPM Research & Evaluation Considerations." Nebraska Crossover Youth Practice Model All Sites Meeting, Lincoln, NE, Aug. 25, 2017.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Research and Community Engagement Activities." Omaha Community Partnership meeting, June 22, 2017
- Wright, Emily, **Ryan Spohn,** and Joselyne Chenane. "Evaluation of Douglas County Youth Impact!". Presented at the quarterly meeting of the Nebraska Juvenile Services Committee, Lincoln, NE, April 11, 2017.
- Wright, Emily, **Ryan Spohn** and Anne Hobbs. "Justice Initiatives in Nebraska." Presented at Mass Incarceration Criminal Justice Reform, Best Practices Conference in Omaha, NE, Sept. 23, 2016.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Nebraska Center for Justice Research: Research and Community Engagement Activities." Omaha Community Partnership meeting, Feb. 25, 2016
- Spohn, Ryan** and Jennifer Miller. "Developmental Evaluation." Presented at the Aug. 2015 meeting of the Omaha Evaluators Group.
- Chambers, Jeff and **Ryan Spohn.** "Traumatic Brain Injury Screening Differences between Youth with and without Juvenile Justice System Involvement in Nebraska." Nebraska Brain Injury Advisory Council. Lincoln. June 26, 2015.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Homicide, Incarceration, and Race in Nebraska and the U.S." Presented to the UNMC Enhanced Medical Education Track (underserved populations) medical students. Omaha, NE. May 20, 2015.
- Ellison, Jared and **Ryan Spohn.** "Borders up in smoke: Marijuana enforcement in Nebraska after Colorado's legalization." Presented at the March 2015 meeting of the Omaha Evaluators Group.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Rape and Mental Health Outcomes among Women: Examining the Moderating Effects of "Healthy" Fear Levels." Presented at the Department of Sociology & Anthropology, University of Nebraska-Omaha, March 10, 2015.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "Nebraska Center for Justice Research, Creation and Activities." Presented at the Omaha Friends and Families of Inmates meeting, Sept. 27, 2014.
- Spohn, Ryan.** "State Advisory Group Strength-Based Assessment." Presented at the Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Sept. 5, 2014, Boys Town.
- Spohn, Ryan** and Laura Schoenrock. "The Transformation Project." Presented at the UNO/SMSU Restricted Housing Seminar, June 19, 2014, Omaha, NE.
- Spohn, Ryan,** Laura Schoenrock, Nicole Kennedy, and Hank Robinson. "The Transformation Project." Presented at the 2012 Association of State Correctional Administrators Midwest Director's Conference, Omaha, NE.

## **TRAININGS PROVIDED**

*Outcomes and Performance Measures: Training for NDCS Reentry Grantees.* Provided for the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. (6/26/2015)

*Performance Measure Training: 2014 FY JAG Funds.* Funded by the Nebraska Crime Commission (11/03/2014)

*Developing Outcomes for VOCA & STOP (VAWA) Grant Programs.* Funded by the Nebraska Crime Commission. (10/08/2014)

*Measuring Relevant Processes and Outcomes in Violence Prevention Programs.* With Anne Hobbs and Monica Miles-Steffens. Funded by the Nebraska Crime Commission. (6/17/2014)

*Outcomes and Performance Measures: Training for JAG, STOP VAWA, and Cross-Over Youth.* Training provided for Lutheran Family Services. (2/12/2014)

*Evidence-Based Practices.* Training provided for JAG Byrne sub grantees, as requested by the Crime Commission. (6/13/2013)

## **GRANTS SUBMITTED, NOT FUNDED**

Expanding the evidence Base for Child Advocacy Centers' Effectiveness and Equity:Phase 2 Outcome Evaluation

*Role:* Co-Investigator (Principal Investigator, Emily Wright, Urban Institute)

*Funding Agency:* National Institute of Justice

*Requested Funding:* \$579,826; UNO portion: \$127,687

An Outcome Evaluation of Five Service Areas of a Large Child Advocacy Center

*Role:* Primary Investigator

*Funding Agency:* National Institute of Justice

*Funding Requested:* \$768,422

Family Estrangement and the Legal System: Understanding and Reducing the Negative Impacts of Family Estrangement in Legal Contexts

*Role:* Secondary Investigator

*Funding Agency:* Nebraska University System

*Funding Requested:* \$149,973

Spohn, Ryan, Michael Campagna, Mark Foxall, and Bob Houston. "Rural Jails Research & Policy Network." Vera Institute of Justice \$200,000

Project Safe Neighborhoods 2017, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Research partner with City of Omaha (UNO portion: \$30,000)

Local Evaluator (with Johanna Peterson): Re-Start Reentry Program. 2015. Applicant: Center for People in Need. Funding agency: U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services. UNO portion of budget: \$682,329 (5 years)

Research Partner (with Benjamin Steiner): SMART Supervision Program Evaluation. 2015. Applicant: Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. Funding agency: BJA. UNO portion of budget: \$343,792 (3 years)

Co-PI: Assessing the Cost, Benefits, and Utility of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). 2014. Funding Agency: NIJ, \$396,285.

## **GRANTS SUBMITTED, NOT FUNDED, cont.**

- Co-PI: *Police Decision Making in Mental Health Investigations*. 2014. Funding agency: NIJ. UNO portion of budget: \$128,364.
- Research Partner: SMART Supervision Program Evaluation. Applicant: Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. Funding agency: BJA. UNO portion of budget: \$386,240.
- Co-PI. "A Process and Outcome Evaluation of the Crossover Youth Practice Model", National Institute of Justice, \$249,543.
- Co-PI. "Evaluating the Crossover Youth Practice Model", Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, \$ 271,206.
- Co-PI: *Enhancing the Capacity of Rural Problem-Solving Courts through Remote Recovery Technology*, Bureau of Justice Assistance, \$1,144,408
- Co-PI: Pathways and Turning Points: Child Maltreatment, Adolescent Outcomes, and Delinquency Avoidance, Dept. of Health and Human Services, \$74,530
- Co-PI: Pathways and Turning Points: Connecting Co-Occurring Violence and Adolescent Outcomes, Department of Health and Human Services, \$99,228

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Panelist/presenter, *No More Lost Sons: Learning and Healing in the Wake of an Omaha Tragedy*. UNO Departments of Political Science & Black Studies. Oct. 9, 2023.
- Panel Discussant, *Working Together: The Importance of Community-Engaged Research & Evaluation*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, National Criminal Justice Month Webinar. Virtual. March 1, 2023.
- Panel Discussant, *Georgetown Capstone Presentation: Reducing Race and Ethnic Disparities in the Douglas County Juvenile Justice System*. Sept. 27, 2019.
- Subject Matter Expert, Project Safe Neighborhoods Training/Technical Assistance Strategic Planning Collaboration Meeting, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Washington DC, July 19, 2019.
- Panel Discussant, *The Intersection of Disproportionate Minority Contact, Justice, & Law Enforcement*. For the First United Methodist Church of Omaha and Policy Research & Innovation (PRI). Dec. 11, 2018.
- Panel Discussant, *Beyond Police, Courts, and Corrections*. For UNO's School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Feb. 7, 2018.
- Sustainability Panel for the statewide Crossover Youth Practice Model Meeting, Sept. 6, 2016.
- Evidence-Based Practice Panel for the Nebraska Children's Commission Meeting, Jan. 20, 2016.
- Evaluation Panel for Nebraska Minority Health Initiative Technical Assistance Meeting, July 29, 2015
- Panel Discussant, *Into the Abyss*, for Filmstreams' Community Development Program and UNO's Grace Abbott School of Social Work, April 22, 2015.
- Race Matters Conference. Voices for Children. Omaha, NE. Dec. 3-4, 2014.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, cont.**

Evaluation Panel for Nebraska Minority Health Initiative Technical Assistance Meeting, July 30, 2014

Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research (UCARE) Project: *Iowa Department of Human Services Partnering with Parents for System Change Project*, with Shantel Gassman. \$2000 student stipend. (2011-2012)

Midwest Research and Evaluation Exchange, Sept. 15-16, 2011 Kansas City, MO

Improving Implementation Research Methods for Behavioral and Social Science. Sept. 20-21, 2010, Silver Spring, MD

Iowa Parent Partner Summit 2010: Breaking Down Walls to Build Better Futures, May 13-14 2010, Des Moines, IA

Developing Scholar Program, Kansas State University. Involving minority undergraduate students in research project to increase retention. (2004-2006)

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

Affiliate Board Member, Carceral Studies Consortium, University of Oklahoma. (2023-present)

Member, Academy Criminal Justice Agency or Non-Profit Organization Leadership and Innovation Award, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, (2023-24)

Proposal reviewer for the Engagement Scholarship Consortium 2021 conference (2021)

Member, Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2020-22)

Area Chair, Program Committee for annual conference (Juvenile Courts & Legal Issues), Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2019-20)

Sub-Area Chair, Program Committee for annual conference (Institutions, Cultures, and Crime), American Society of Criminology (2017-18)

National Coordinator, Blue Courage © Immersion State Evaluation

Member, Project Safe Neighborhoods Advisory Group, Bureau of Justice Assistance, (2016-2018)

Member, Blue Courage® National Research Advisory Board (2016-17)

Session Chair and Discussant, *Contemporary Issues in Criminal Offending and Victimization*, Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, March 28, 2015

Session Chair, *Rational Choice Theories: New Directions and Applications*, American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Nov. 21, 2014, San Francisco, CA

Coordinator of panel presentation on implementation centers' shared implementation process measure, Children's Bureau T/TA Exploration Workgroup Meeting, December 14-17 2010, Washington, D.C.

Member, Nominations and Elections Committee, Midwest Sociological Society (2007-10)

## **SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, SCHOOL, COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY**

2023-26	UNMC/UNO Institutional Review Board (IRB) Member
2019-20	UNO Social Science Research Commons Steering Committee
2015-16	Search Committee, Director of SCCJ (UNO)
2014-18	CPACS Public Policy Initiative Administrative Team Member
2013-14	SCCJ Executive Committee (UNO)
2012-13	SCCJ Graduate Recruitment and Admissions Committee (UNO)
2010-11	CCFL Vision Group for strategic planning and grant funding (UNL)
2010	MCWIC Regional Forum Planning Committee (UNL)
2006-09	Evaluation Committee (KSU)
2005-09	Assessment Committee (KSU)
2005-09	Undergraduate Awards Committee (KSU)
2006-09	Open-House Committee (KSU)
2003-06	Undergraduate Committee (KSU)
2004-05	Sub-Committee on Student Learning Outcomes (KSU)
2004-05	Sub-Committee on Faculty Promotion (KSU)
2004-05	Faculty Recruitment Committee (KSU)

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION: EVALUATION AND RESEARCH METHODS**

*Evaluability Assessment*, 2-day training, The Evaluators' Institute, March 2020.

*Summer Evaluation Institute*. 3-day training. American Evaluation Association. June, 2019.

*Needs Assessment*, 2-day training, The Evaluators' Institute, September 2017.

*Outcome and Impact Assessment*, 3-day training, The Evaluators' Institute, July 2017.

Minnesota Evaluation Studies Institute (MESI) Spring Training. March 9-11, 2016.

*Developmental Evaluation*, 2-day training, The Evaluators' Institute, July 2015.

*Intermediate Cost-Benefit and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis*, The Evaluators' Institute, July 2015.

*Introduction to Cost-Benefit and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis*, 2-day training, The Evaluators' Institute, July 2014

*The Application of MAXQDA10 for Analyzing Qualitative Data: An Intensive 3-day Hands-On Workshop* (University of Nebraska-Lincoln). Summer 2011.

STAT 725: *Introduction to SAS* (Kansas State University). Fall 2010.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION: OTHER**

*Building a Multidisciplinary Pipeline of Researchers in Child Abuse and Neglect: R25 Training Institute*. January 17-20, 2023. John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York City. Funded by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

Campus Compact's *Equity and Inclusion* micro-credential. 2022.

Racial Equity Institute. 16-hour *Racial Equity Workshop: Foundations in Historical and Institutional Racism*. December 16-17, 2020. Virtual.

Campus Compact of the Midwest Region Engaged Scholars Initiative, 2019-20 cohort.

Development 101: *Developing You*. Sept. 19, 2019.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION: OTHER, cont.**

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY17 Research Partner Orientation Course. April 16-17, 2018. Omaha, NE.

Innovations Suite Researcher-Practitioner Fellows Academy, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Feb. 27-March 2, 2018, Chicago, IL.

*Writing More Competitive Proposals*. UNO's Office of Research and Creative Activity. June 13, 2017. Omaha, NE

*Psychological First Aid*, University of Nebraska Public Policy Center. April 26, 2017. Omaha, NE.

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY16 Research Partner Orientation Course. April 12-13, 2017. Denver, CO.

*Blue Courage: The Heart and Mind of the Guardian*. 16-hour law enforcement training course. Grand Island, NE. April 3-4, 2017.

Smart Suite Fellows Academy, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Feb. 6-10, 2017, Denver, CO. (For Blue Courage).

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY15 Research Partner Orientation Course. April 12-13, 2016. Kansas City, MO.

Smart Suite Researcher Practitioners Academy, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Feb. 2-5, 2016, Washington D.C. (for Project Safe Neighborhoods)

Collective Impact Facilitation Training. Conducted by FSG. Omaha, NE. May 20, 2015.

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY14 Research Partner Orientation Course. March 31-April 1, 2015. Phoenix, AZ.

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY13 Research Partner Orientation Course. June 10-11, 2014. Nashville, TN.

Project Safe Neighborhoods FY12 Research Partner Orientation Course. March 26-27, 2013. Nashville, TN.

BSAD6255CEUA Practical Project Management. 7.0 contact hours. (Southeast Community College, Lincoln, NE). Summer 2011

*Write Winning Grant Proposals*. 1-day training, University of Nebraska at Omaha Office of Research and Creative Activity. Summer 2012.

*Do it Right! Program*. 3-day supervisor training, Silver Stone Group and University of Nebraska at Omaha Office of Human Resources. Summer 2012.

## **TENURE/PROMOTION REVIEWER**

2015      Providence College



## BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

2023-present	Secretary, Nebraska Evaluation Network
2023-present	Kansas State University College of Arts & Sciences Alumni Council
2017-present	The Sherwood Foundation's Coordinated Re-Entry Initiative
2020-22	NE Justice Data Transformation System Research Review Board
2018-21	Greater Omaha First Responders Well and Ready Committee
2017-20	Advisory Group for NDCS Vocational and Life Skills Program
2016-18	Nebraska Children Commission's Evaluation of Programs and Assessment of Youth Workgroup
2016-18	Evaluation Advisory Council, Operation Youth Success, Omaha, NE
2013-15	Omaha Domestic Violence Council Evaluation Committee
2012-14	Douglas County Cross-Over Youth Practice Model Steering Committee
2012-present	Justice Behavioral Health Committee (JBHC)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

2019-20	Cohort Member, Midwestern Region Campus Compact Engaged Scholars Initiative
2019	Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform Fellow
2018	Finalist for Great Plains IDeA-CTR Network's Collaborator of the Year
2011	Finalist for the James L. Maddex, Jr. Paper of the Year Award for the most meritorious paper published in the <i>Criminal Justice Review</i> (Family Structure as a Social Context for Family Conflict: Unjust Strain and Serious Delinquency)
2005	Developing Scholar Program, Kansas State University, Provost James R. Coffman Award of Excellence for Best Project, 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Scholar
2003	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize, American Society of Criminology, Gene Carte Paper Award
1996-97	Texas A&M University Regents Fellow
1992-96	Kansas State University Putnam Scholar
1992-96	State of Kansas Scholar
1992-96	Golden Key National Honor Society

## MANUSCRIPT AND GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEWING

*Victims & Offenders* (Jan. 2022; March 2022; Aug. 2023)  
*PLOS ONE* (Feb. 2023; Aug. 2023)  
*Psychological Trauma* (Dec. 2019; Sept. 2022; Nov. 2022 Aug. 2023)  
*Open Science Journal* (May 2023)  
*Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* (2002; 2003; 2004; 2005; 2017x2; July 2022; Sept. 2022; Oct. 2022)  
*Social Forces* (2005; 2009; 2012; 2013; 2015x2; 2016x2; 2017x2; Feb. 2020; Sept. 2022)  
*Violence Against Women* (July 2019; Aug. 2022)  
*Journal of American College Health* (July 2020; May 2022)  
*Journal of Criminal Justice* (2017; March 2018; Oct. 2019; May 2022)  
*Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency* (Feb. 2022)  
*Violence and Victims* (2016; 2017; June 2021)  
*Sage Open* (April 2020)  
*Metropolitan Universities* (Jan. 2019)  
*Crime and Delinquency* (Oct. 2018)  
*International Journal of Law, Crime, and Justice* (2017)

## **MANUSCRIPT AND GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEWING, cont.**

*Journal of Aggression, Conflict, and Peace Research* (2017)  
National Science Foundation (2014; 2015)  
*Journal of Family Issues* (2008; 2013)  
*Sociological Spectrum* (2013)  
*Western Criminology Review* (2012)  
*Sociology Compass* (2012)  
*Sociological Perspectives* (2010; 2011)  
*Western Journal of Black Studies* (2009)  
*Urban Studies* (2008)  
*American Sociological Review* (2007)  
*Criminal Justice Review* (2006)  
*Encyclopedia of Public Administration and Public Policy* (2006)  
*The Sociological Quarterly* (2000; 2001; 2002; 2003; 2004)  
*The Electronic Journal of Sociology* (2002)

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

<i>Sociology of Social Control</i> (Grad.)	2007,9
<i>Introduction to Sociology</i>	2006
<i>Methods of Social Research</i> (Grad.)	2006-8
<i>Sociology of Law and Punishment</i> (Grad.)	2005,9
<i>Sociology of the Criminal Justice System</i>	2004,8
<i>Criminology</i>	2002-6,8,9
<i>Criminological Theory</i> (Grad.)	2003,5,7,9
<i>Juvenile Delinquency</i>	2001

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## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

2022-present	Midwest Criminal Justice Association
1998-present	American Society of Criminology Section on Corrections & Sentencing Section on Victimization
2013-present	American Correctional Association
2015-present	American Evaluation Association
1996-2009	American Sociological Association Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance
2003-09,14-15,19-20	Midwest Sociological Society