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Education

Ph.D. Virginia Commonwealth University, 2007 Public Policy & Administration
Dissertation: Determinants of College Students' Felon Voting Opinions: A Political Socialization Approach

MS University of Louisville, 2001 Administration of Justice
Professional Paper: Racial Profiling: Historical Origins, Current Issues & Future Implications

BA Western Kentucky University, 2000 Journalism and Sociology

Academic Experience

2011-Present Associate Professor
Department of Justice Administration
University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky

2010 to 2011 Chair/Associate Professor (with Tenure)
School of Public Administration, Social Work and Criminal Justice
Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky

2009 to 2010 Chair/Assistant Professor
School of Public Administration, Social Work and Criminal Justice
Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky

2007 to 2009 Assistant Professor
Department of Correctional and Juvenile Justice Studies
Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Kentucky

2005 to 2007 Assistant Professor
School of Public Administration, Social Work and Criminal Justice
Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky

2004 to 2005 Criminal Justice Program Coordinator/Instructor
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

2002 to 2004 Assistant Professor
Department of Social Work, Sociology and Criminal Justice
Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia.

Professional Experience

1999-2001 Victim Services Coordinator
Exploited Children's Help Organization, Louisville, Kentucky.

Responsibilities included: coordinating and facilitating the Kids In Court program for child witnesses in criminal trials; fostering a close relationship with the Louisville Division of Police Crimes Against Children's Unit; establishing working relationships with other community agencies; developing and implementing the Family Court Children's Waiting Room Program; maintaining computer records for victim services programs; recruiting, training and coordinating volunteers; and obtaining and developing annual evaluation data on victim services programs.

1998-1999 Probation Aide
Georgia Corrections Corporation, Gray, Georgia.

Responsibilities included: attending court and performing initial intake proceedings; scheduling community service work, reporting sessions, and jail time; tracking delinquent accounts, receiving payments and making large deposits; and preparing necessary paperwork such as warrants, hearing notices and delinquent letters.

Awards

2011 Commissioned by Governor Beshear as a [Kentucky Colonel](#)
2003-2004 Doctoral Fellow, Virginia Commonwealth University (declined)
2002-2003 Doctoral Fellow, Virginia Commonwealth University
1994-1998 "Regents and Room" Full Scholarship Recipient, Western Kentucky University

Professional Memberships and Boards

2011 Member, [Leadership Kentucky](#) Class of 2011
June 2010 Assessor, Kentucky State Police Captain Promotion Board
2010-Present Chair, [ACLU-KY](#) Board of Directors
March 2010 Member, Open Doors Project Committee, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association
2010-Present Editorial Board Member, *Kentucky Journal of Sociology and Anthropology*
February 2010 Member, DMC Summit Planning Committee
2010-Present Member, SEJAY Executive Committee
2010-Present Workgroup Chair, Community Alliances Team (SEJAY)
June 2009 Assessor, Kentucky State Police Captain Promotion Board
2009 American Correctional Association (ACA)
2008-Present Member, Nominating Subcommittee (JJAB)
2008-Present Member, [SEJAY](#) Subcommittee (JJAB)
2008-2012 Appointee, Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Board ([JJAB](#))
June 2008 Assessor, Kentucky State Police Lieutenant Promotion Board
2008-Present National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice (NABCJ)
2007-Present Southern Criminal Justice Association (SCJA)
2007-Present Board Member, ACLU-KY Board of Directors
2007 Kentucky Voting Rights Coalition Executive Committee
June 2007 Assessor, Kentucky State Police Sergeant Promotion Board
2006 Citizens for a Just Kentucky
2006-2007 Restoration of Voting Rights Campaign (ROVRC) Coalition Member
2005 Lambda Alpha Epsilon, National Criminal Justice Association
2001 Alpha Phi Sigma, National Criminal Justice Honor Society
2000-2001 4-H Zone Committee
1999-2001 Child Protection Community Council
1999-2001 Blue Ribbon Campaign Committee

Scholarship

Grants:

EKU Service Learning grant. Grant Name: "Empowering Women Through Social Support". Grant to support the development of a service learning course that connects students with women reentering the community from community supervision. (\$13,740 - FUNDED).

Pay It Forward mini-grant. Grant to support the development of a service learning course that connects students with youth who are at-risk of becoming part of the School-to-Prison Pipeline. (\$5,500/semester; \$12,000 total renewable - FUNDED).

Subcommittee of Equity & Justice for All Youth (SEJAY) funding. Funding to pilot the Kentucky State University Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Juvenile Justice (DMC) Internship Program. (\$4,725 - FUNDED).

National Geospatial Intelligence Agency IC CAE Program. Grant Title: "Bluegrass State Intelligence Studies Centers of Academic Excellence". Grant to support the development of a consortium for intelligence studies program across the Bluegrass Region of Kentucky. (\$1,995,431.00 total; Kentucky State University portion: \$247,877.00 – UNDER REVIEW).

Peer Reviewed Articles/Book Chapters:

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2011). Politics, Policy and DMC Communities: The Cyclical Impact of Community Political Disempowerment on DMC. In N. Parsons-Pollard (Ed). *Disproportionate Minority Contact*. Carolina Academic Press; Durham, NC.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Wilderness Programs. In R. Ruddell and M. Thomas (Eds). *Juvenile Corrections*. Newgate Press: Richmond, KY.

Minor, K.I., Dawson-Edwards, C., Wells, J.B., & Griffith, C. (2009). Understanding staff turnover in corrections. *Professional Issues in Criminal Justice* 4 (2), 43-57.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2008). Enfranchising convicted felons: Current research on opinions towards felon voting rights. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 46 (3/4). [Reprinted in D. Phillips, Ed., *Probation and parole: Current issues*. New York: Routledge, 2008].

Lowe, N. C., Dawson-Edwards, C., Minor, K. I., & Wells, J. B. (2008). Understanding the decision to pursue revocation of intensive supervision: A descriptive survey of juvenile probation and aftercare officers. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 46, 137-170. [Reprinted as pp. 129-161 in D. Phillips, Ed., *Probation and parole: Current issues*. New York: Routledge, 2008].

Encyclopedia Entries:

Walton, I. & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Brown v. Mississippi. In H. Taylor Green and S. Gabbidon (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Race and Crime*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Walton, I. & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Ethnoracial Prison Ghetto. In H. Taylor Green and S. Gabbidon (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Race and Crime*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Published Book Reviews:

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2008). [Review of *Criminological Perspectives of Race and Crime* (2007) by Shaun Gabbidon]. In the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*.

Conference Proceedings:

Dawson-Edwards, C., Robinson, C. & Workman, B. (2011). Culturally Responsive Education and the STPP. Presented at the Paine College Conference on the Black Experience, Augusta, GA.

Dawson-Edwards, C., & Walton, I. (2010). Student Philanthropy for Social Justice: Integrating Service Learning Pedagogy into the Criminal Justice Classroom. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Clearwater, Florida.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2010). Felon Voting Restrictions: The Cyclical Impact on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System. Presented at the Fourth Annual Conference on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.

McCauley, L., & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2010). Effective Strategies for Statewide DMC Subcommittees. Presented at the Fourth Annual Conference on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.

Dawson-Edwards, C., Walton, I., & Parsons-Pollard, N. (2010). An Analysis of the Clery Act, Campus Safety and College Choice Among African-American Students. Research Showcase Exhibit presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, San Diego, California.

Dawson-Edwards, C., & Ramirez, M.E. (2010). Felon Voters: A Policy Analysis of Permanent Disenfranchisement in the Midwest. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, San Diego, California.

Dawson-Edwards, C., & Walton, I. (2010). Cycles of Exile: An Examination of the School-to-Prison Pipeline. Research Showcase Exhibit presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, San Diego, California.

Matthews, B., & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Service Learning in Corrections: Empowering Women Through Social Support. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Charleston, South Carolina.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). The Jeanne Clery Act: An Analysis of College Policies and Compliance. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Charleston, South Carolina.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Pipeline to the workforce: Training corrections' future through service and learning. Presented at the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice Annual Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Cycles of exile: The School-to-Prison Pipeline as a collateral consequence of the Prison Industrial Complex. Presented at the Third Annual Conference on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.

Minor, K.I., Dawson-Edwards, C., Wells, J.B., & Griffith, C. (2009). Understanding staff turnover in corrections. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, Boston, Massachusetts.

Chase, T., Wells, J.B., Minor, K.I., & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Employee job satisfaction in juvenile corrections: A comparison of facility and organizational levels. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dawson-Edwards, C., & Walton, I. (2009). Cycles of Exile: An Examination of the School-to-Prison Pipeline. Poster presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, Boston, Massachusetts.

Walton, I., & Dawson-Edwards, C. (2009). Examining Crime and Victimization Rates at HBCU's. Poster presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual meeting, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2008). Knowledge and Attitudes towards Felon Voting Rights: The Untapped Perspectives of HBCU Students. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2008). Perspectives on Campus Safety & Victimization. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice

Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2008). Felon Voting Restrictions: A Back End Mechanism for Diminishing African-American Political Power. Presented at the Regional Conference of Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.

Dawson-Edwards, C., Walton, I., Grant, P., & Benders, D. (2008). The Collateral Consequences of Mass Incarceration of African-American Communities. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Lowe, N. C., Dawson-Edwards, C., Minor, K. I., & Wells, J. B. (2008). Understanding the decision to pursue revocation of intensive supervision: A descriptive survey of juvenile probation and aftercare officers. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dawson-Edwards, C. & Walton, I. (2007). Same Thing With a Different Name? The Convict Lease System versus the Prison Industrial Complex. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, Georgia.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2007). Convict Leasing vs. the Prison Industrial Complex: The Similarities Between the Effects of Post Civil War Crime Policy on African Slaves and 20th Century Drug War Policies on African-Americans. Presented at the Southern Interdisciplinary Roundtable on African Studies, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Dawson-Edwards, C. (2004). Felony Disenfranchisement: The History, Law and Politics of Restoring Felon Voting Rights. Social and Behavioral Sciences Annual Seminars Series. Elizabethtown Community & Technical College, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Works in Progress:

Dawson-Edwards, C. (in progress). Race and Felony Disenfranchisement. In A. Miller and D. McDonald (Eds). *Race, Gender and Criminal Justice: Equal Justice for All?*

Dawson-Edwards, C. (in progress). Knowledge & attitudes towards felon voting rights: An examination of the untapped perspectives of HBCU college students.

Dawson-Edwards, C. & Walton, I.N. (in progress). Perspectives on campus crime & victimization.

Research and Teaching Interests

Research:

Juvenile Justice
Offender Reentry/Collateral Consequences
Public Policy and the Criminal Justice System
Felon Disenfranchisement
Disproportionate Minority Contact

Teaching:

Corrections (Community & Institutional)
Criminal Justice Administration
Legal Aspects of Corrections
Correctional Theory/Criminology
School to Prison Pipeline-Service Learning

Courses Taught

Introduction to Criminal Justice; Police Systems/ American Law Enforcement; Criminal Investigations (traditional and online); Criminal Law; Criminal Procedures; Issues and Ethics in Criminal Justice; Drugs, Crime and Criminal Justice; Introduction to Corrections; Institutional Corrections (traditional and online); CJ Administration; Research Methods in CJ; Community Relations & CJ; Community Corrections (traditional and online), Probation & Parole; Legal and Ethical Issues in Adult Corrections & Juvenile Justice Studies; Foundations of Correctional & Juvenile Justice Practice (traditional and online); Administration of Correctional & Juvenile Justice Studies (graduate online); Law and Ethics in Correctional & Juvenile Justice Studies (graduate traditional and online); Adult Corrections (graduate); Fundraising and Grantsmanship (graduate); Organizational Development (graduate); and Social Equity & Justice in Public Administration (graduate).

Professional, Academic and Community Service

University

Distance Learning Advisory Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
Constitution Day Program - Keynote Speaker, Kentucky State University
Joint Enrollment/Admissions Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
Head Women’s Basketball Coach Search Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
Athletics Compliance Committee - Member, Kentucky State University
Credit for Life Experience Taskforce - Member, Kentucky State University
Head Men’s Basketball Coach Search Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
EKUCast – Host, <http://www.mpc.eku.edu/ekucast/>
ADA Compliance & Awareness Committee – Member, Eastern Kentucky University
Research Infrastructure in Minority Institutions Grant Preparation Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
Social Work Faculty Search Committee – Member, Kentucky State University
Showcase of HBCU’s – KSU Exhibitor, Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center
Criminal Justice Curriculum Committee – ECTC Representative, Kentucky Community & Technical College System
Policies, Procedures & Communications Committee - Division Representative, Elizabethtown Community & Technical College
Distance Learning Committee - Division Representative, Elizabethtown Community & Technical College
Judicial Affairs - Faculty Panel Member, Virginia State University
Creative Collages: School of Liberal Arts Newsletter - Faculty Representative, Virginia State University

College

Spring 2008-2009 Investor, Justice and Safety Residential Learning Community
March 2008 Panelist, Color of Justice & Safety Program
Fall 2007 – 2009 College Grievance Committee
Fall 2007 – 2009 College Institutional Review Committee
Fall 2007 – 2009 College Academic Integrity Committee

Departmental

Fall 2010-Present KSU MPA Graduate Association, Advisor, Kentucky State University
Spring 2010-Present KSU Criminal Justice Club, Advisor, Kentucky State University
Spring 2009 Department of CJJS Graduate Program Committee
Fall 2008 CJJS Thesis Committee Member – Tamika Chase
Spring 2008 Youth & Violence Project, Advisor, Eastern Kentucky University
March 2008 National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice, Founder/Advisor, Eastern Kentucky University
Fall 2007-2009 Department Academic Practices Committee
2005- 2007 KSU Criminal Justice Club, Advisor, Kentucky State University
May 2005 Lambda Alpha Epsilon – Advisor, Chapter Founder, Elizabethtown Community & Technical College

2002-2004 Criminal Justice Club – Co- Advisor, Virginia State University
2004 Alpha Phi Sigma - Advisor, Chapter Founder, Virginia State University

Professional

November 2010 Panel Moderator, “Access and Fairness in Kentucky Courts”. Kentucky Human Rights Conference, Louisville, Kentucky.
April 2010 Panel Chair, Fourth Annual Conference on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.
February 2010 Panel Chair, “Reentry and Rehabilitation”. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA
April 2009 Panel Chair, Third Annual Conference on Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Criminal Justice System, Petersburg, Virginia.
March 2009 Facilitator, Showcase of HBCU’s, Louisville, KY

March 2009	Panel Chair, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Boston, MA
September 2008	Panelist, ACLU Youth Conference, Lexington, KY
November 2007	Served on the Executive Director Search Committee for the ACLU-KY
September 2007	Panel Chair, "Convict Leasing, Contemporary Slavery and Illegal Immigrants." Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA
August 2007-2008	Professional Advisor, Kentucky State University Criminal Justice Club
March 2007	Facilitator, Race to Execution Film & Discussion, Louisville Free Public Library
April 2006	Panel Chair, Southern Interdisciplinary Roundtable on African Studies, Frankfort, KY
March 2006	Panelist, ACLU Freedom Files: Voting Rights, Louisville Free Public Library

Community Service

Spring 2011	Team Manager, YMCA Youth Sport 4-5 year old Basketball
Fall 2010	Volunteer, The Kings Center
Spring/Fall 2010	Head Coach, YMCA Youth Sports 3, 4-5 year old Soccer
Fall 2008	Member, Shining Star Awards Ceremony Committee, Presbyterian Community Center
2007	Volunteer, Every 1 Reads, Chancey Elementary School
November 2005	Speaker, ECHO Teens Keeping Kids Safe Program, Central High School
March 2005	Speaker, ECHO Teens Keeping Kids Safe Program, Central High School
September 2004	Speaker, Career Day, Meadowview Elementary
February 2004	Keynote Speaker, Shining Star Awards Ceremony, Presbyterian Community Center
2003 – 2004	Tutor, AP Hill Elementary School - Math Buddies
2003-2004	Public Relations Committee Member, VCU African-American Graduate Student Association
August 2003	Volunteer, VSU Freshman Move-In Day
Summer 2001	Camp Counselor, 4-H Camp
2001	Instructor, Junior Achievement
2000 – 2001	Child Advocate, CASA - Court Appointed Special Advocates
2000-2001	Judge, 4-H Communications Events