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EDUCATION

- 2018 **Ph.D., Criminology and Criminal Justice**
Washington State University
Pullman, WA
- 2016 **Master of Arts, Criminology and Criminal Justice**
Washington State University
Pullman, WA
- 2001 **Bachelor of Arts, Administrative Management**
University of International Relations
Beijing, China

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2018- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology
Present University of Utah
- 2018- Faculty Affiliate, Asian Studies Program
Present University of Utah
- 2010- Visiting Scholar, School of criminology, Politics and Social Policy
2011 Ulster University, Northern Ireland

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Criminology/Criminal Justice, Policing, Criminal Justice policy, and criminological theory

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

23. **Wu, G.**, & Willits, D. (2022). The impact of recreational marijuana legalization on simple assault in Oregon. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/08862605221076169>
22. **Wu, G.**, Maskaly, J., Kang, W., Makin, D. A., & Kutnjak Ivković, S. (2022). Testing the Theoretical Relationship Between the Role of the Society at Large and the Willingness to Adhere to the Police Code of Silence. *Asian Journal of Criminology*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11417-022-09363-w>
21. **Wu, G.**, Li, Y., & Lang, X. E. (2022). Effects of recreational marijuana legalization on clearance rates for violent crimes: Evidence from Oregon. *International Journal of Drug Policy*, 100, 103528. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2021.103528>
20. **Wu, G.**, & Liu, J. (2021). Extending the Procedural Justice Theory to the Chinese Context: The Role of Collective Efficacy. *The British Journal of Criminology*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/bjc/azab115>
19. Hill, T. D., Wen, M., Ellison, C. G., **Wu, G.**, Dowd-Arrow, B., & Su, D. (2021). Modeling recent gun purchases: A social epidemiology of the pandemic arms race. *Preventive Medicine Reports*, 24, 101634. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pmedr.2021.101634>
18. **Wu, G.**, Wen, M., & Wilson, F. A. (2021). Impact of recreational marijuana legalization on crime: Evidence from Oregon. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 72, 101742. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2020.101742>
17. **Wu, G.**, Liu, J., Boateng, F., Cui, S. & Shuai, H. (2021). Do social bonds matter? Social control theory and its relationship to desistance from substance abuse. *Journal of Drug Issues*, 51(1), 50-67. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022042620957020>
16. **Wu, G.** & Makin, D. (2021). The differential role of stress on police officers' perceptions of misconduct. *Asian Journal of Criminology*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11417-020-09324-1>
15. **Wu, G.**, Boateng, F. & Lang, X. (2020). The spillover effect of recreational marijuana legalization on crime: Evidence From neighboring states of Colorado and Washington State. *Journal of Drug Issues*. 50(4), 392-409. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022042620921359>
14. Stanton, D., Mei, X., Kim, S., Willits, D., Stohr, M., Hemmens, C., **Wu, G.**, Lu, R., Makin, D., & Lovrich, N. (2020). The effect of marijuana legalization on jail populations in Washington State. *The Prison Journal*. 100(4), 510-530. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0032885520939313>
13. Stohr, M., Makin, D., Stanton, D., Hemmens, C., Willits, D., Lovrich, N., Meize, M., Snyder, J., Lu, R. & **Wu, G.** (2020). An evolution rather than a revolution: Cannabis legalization implementation from the perspective of the police in Washington State. *Justice Evaluation Journal*. 1-26. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24751979.2020.1756378>

12. Liu, J., **Wu, G.**, & Boateng, F. D. (2020). Does procedural fairness matter for drug abusers to stop illicit drug use? Testing the applicability of the process-based model in a Chinese context. *Psychology, Crime & Law*, 26(5), 507-526. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1068316X.2019.1696802>
11. **Wu, G.**, & Boateng, F. (2019). Police perception of citizens and its impact on police effectiveness and behavior: A cross-cultural comparison between China and Ghana. *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies and Management*. 42(5), 785-797. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-07-2018-0099>
10. **Wu, G.**, & Makin, D. (2019). The quagmire that is an unwillingness to report: Situating the code of silence within the Chinese police context. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*. 46(4), 608-627. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0093854819831732>
9. **Wu, G.**, & Wen, M. (2019). Predicting three dimensions of police officer stress: does rural or urban setting matter?. *Policing: An International Journal*. 43(3), 435-449. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-03-2019-0042>
8. Lu, R., Willits, D., Stohr, M., Makin, D., Synder, J., Lovrich, N., Meize, M., Stanton, D., **Wu, G.** & Hemmens, C. (2019). The Cannabis Effect on Crime: Time-Series Analysis of Crime in Colorado and Washington State. *Justice Quarterly*. 1-31. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2019.1666903>
7. Makin, D., Willits, D., **Wu, G.**, DuBois, K., Lu, R., Stohr, M., Koslicki, W., Stanton, D., Hemmens, C., Snyder, J., & Lovrich, N. (2019). Marijuana legalization and crime clearance rates: Testing proponents' assertions in Colorado and Washington State. *Police Quarterly*. 22(1), 31-55. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1098611118786255>
6. Boateng, F. & **Wu, G.** (2019). Perception of police officer effectiveness in China: Does organisational support matter?. *The Police Journal: Theory, Practice and Principles*. 93(3), 229-247. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0032258X19862015>
5. Abboud, M., **Wu, G.**, Pedneault, A., Stohr, M., & Hemmens, C. (2018). Educator sexual misconduct: A statutory Analysis. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0887403418806564>
4. **Wu, G.**, Makin, D., Li, Y., Boateng, F., & Gassan, A. (2018). Police integrity in China. *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management*. 41(5), 563-577. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-01-2017-0008>
3. Boateng, F., & **Wu, G.** (2018). Effect of organizational support on police effectiveness and behavior: A cross-cultural comparison. *Asian Journal of Criminology*. 13(4), 311-328. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11417-018-9272-2>
2. Boateng, F. D., Makin, D. A., Abess, G., & **Wu, G.** (2018). Speaking out: Officers speaking about police misconduct in Ghana. *The Police Journal: Theory, Practice and Principles*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0032258X18768384>

1. **Wu, G.**, Boateng, F., & Yuan, Y. (2016). In the eyes of gatekeepers: Insights of Chinese police officers' perceptions of the public. *The Police Journal: Theory, Practice and Principles*. 89(4), 269-289. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0032258X16646406>

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021 Junior Faculty Research Leave Award, CSBS, University of Utah

2010 Distinguished Scholarly Paper Award, Liaoning Society of Criminology, China

MEDIA COVERAGE

Riches, Sam (2021, November): Police clearance rates for violent crimes improves after cannabis legalization: Study. *Vancouver Sun*: <https://vancouversun.com/cannabis-news/police-clearance-rates-for-violent-crimes-improves-after-cannabis-legalization-study/wcm/5ea3b816-4f17-4868-ad19-fe2846d01bfa/amp/>

Riches, Sam (2021, November): Police clearance rates for violent crimes improves after cannabis legalization: Study. *Calgary Herald*: <https://calgaryherald.com/cannabis-news/police-clearance-rates-for-violent-crimes-improves-after-cannabis-legalization-study>

Kuang, Jeanne (2021, September). What happens to crime where recreational marijuana is legal? Here is what we know. *The Kansas City Star*: <https://www.kansascity.com/news/politics-government/article254382163.html>

Smith, Alissa (2020, August): Study finds lower crime rates after legalization. *Colorado Springs Independent*: https://www.csindy.com/food_and_culture/cannabis/cannabiz-study-finds-lower-crime-rates-after-legalization-more/article_28e402ce-4048-543f-87a1-ca59373d7ea0.html

Ingraham, Christopher (2018, July): Does legal weed make police more effective? *Washington Post*: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2018/07/18/does-legal-weed-make-police-more-effective/?noredirect=on>

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Wu, Guangzhen. The spillover effect of recreational marijuana legalization on crime: Evidence from neighboring states of Colorado and Washington State. Department of Geography, The University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT. November 2019.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

24. **Wu, G.**, Li, Y., & Lang, X. The effects of recreational marijuana legalization on clearance rates for violent crimes in Oregon. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* in Las Vegas, March 2022.

23. **Wu, G.** Predicting police code of silence in China: Does stress matter?. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in Chicago, November 2021.
22. **Wu, G.,** & Liu, J. Extending the procedural justice theory to the Chinese context: The role of collective efficacy. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in Chicago, November 2021.
21. **Wu, G.** Predicting police code of silence in China: Does rural or urban setting matter?. Presented at the 1st Online Conference of *The Association of Chinese Criminology and Criminal Justice in the United States*, January 2021.
20. Makin, D., Willits, D., **Wu, G.**, Dubios K., Lu, R., Stohr, M., Koslicki, W., Stanton, D., Hemmens, C., & Lovrich, N. (2020). Marijuana legalization and crime clearance rates: Testing proponent assertions in Colorado and Washington State. Presented at the *APPAM (Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management)* 42nd Annual Fall Research Conference (virtual), November 2020.
19. **Wu, G.**, Maskaly, J., Kang, W., Makin, D., & Ivković, S. K. A comparison of police integrity in China and South Korea. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in San Francisco, November 2019.
18. Hu, E., & **Wu, G.** Exploring the disparities in police stress between metropolitan and non-metropolitan police officers in China. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in San Francisco, November 2019.
17. **Wu, G.**, Liu, J., & Boateng, F. Does social bonds matter? Social control theory and its relationship to desistance from illicit drug use for Chinese drug users. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in San Francisco, November 2019.
16. **Wu, G.** Exploring the impact of working overtime on police stress in China *Guangzhen Wu, University of Utah*. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting* in Baltimore, March 2019.
15. **Wu, G.** Exploring variations in police integrity between urban and rural police in China. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in Atlanta, November 2018.
14. **Wu, G.**, & Makin, D. Exploring the demographic determinants of police integrity. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting* in New Orleans, February 2018.
13. Lu, R., Deighton, A., Stanton, D., Stohr, M., Willits, D., Makin, D., **Wu, G.**, Snyder, J., Lovrich, N., & Hemmens, C. The impact of legalizing recreational marijuana on police work—a focus group study. Presented the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting* in New Orleans, February 2018.
12. **Wu, G.**, & Makin, D. The effects of police stress on police integrity within the context of China. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in Philadelphia, November 2017.

11. **Wu, G.**, Willits, D., Stohr, M., Makin, D., Lu, R., Hemmens, C., & Lovrich, N. Cannabis legalization in Washington State. Presented at the *WSU Marijuana and Health Seed Grant Workshop* in Pullman, October 2017.
10. **Wu, G.**, & Boateng, F. Police officers' attitudes toward the public: A cross-cultural comparison. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in Philadelphia, November 2017.
9. **Wu, G.**, Lu, R., Makin, D., Willits, D., DuBois, K., Stohr, M., Koslicki, W., Stanton, D., Hemmens, C., Snyder, J., & Lovrich, N. Marijuana legalization and crime clearance rates in Colorado and Washington. Presented at the *Western Association of Criminal Justice* annual meeting in Spokane, October 2017.
8. Lu, R., Willits, D., Makin, D., Stohr, M., **Wu, G.**, DuBois, K., Hemmens, C., Stanton, D., Snyder, J., & Lovrich, N. Marijuana legalization and crime in Washington: Making the case for rigorous empirical work via an early analysis of crime rates. Presented at the *Western Association of Criminal Justice* annual meeting in Spokane, October 2017.
7. Abboud, M., **Wu, G.**, Pedneault, A., Stohr, M., & Hemmens, C. Educator sexual misconduct: A statutory analysis. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* annual meeting in Kansas City, March 2017.
6. Boateng, F., & **Wu, G.** Effect of organizational support on police performance: A cross-cultural comparison. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* annual meeting in Kansas City, March 2017.
5. Boateng, F., & **Wu, G.** Is organizational support an essential ingredient for police performance in China? A test of the organizational support theory in the Chinese society. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology* annual meeting in New Orleans, November 2016.
4. **Wu, G.**, & Boateng, F. In the eyes of Gatekeepers: Insights of Chinese police officers perceptions of the public. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* annual meeting in Denver, March 2016.
3. **Wu, G.**, Makin, D., Boateng, F., & Abbess, G. Police integrity in China. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* annual meeting in Denver, March 2016.
2. Boateng, F., Abbess G., Makin, D., & **Wu, G.**, Police integrity in Ghana. Presented at the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences* annual meeting in Denver, March 2016.
1. Abboud, M., **Wu, G.**, Stohr, M., & Hemmens, C. A statutory analysis of teacher sexual misconduct. Presented at the *Western Association of Criminal Justice* in Coeur d'Alene, October 2015.

STUDENT MENTORSHIP

UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program) Student Researchers Supervised

Anya Biskupiak, Spring 2022
Annie Sánchez, Fall 2021 & Spring 2022
Roarke Cullenbine, Fall 2020 & Spring 2021

CSBS Solution Scholars Program Student Researchers Supervised

Anya Biskupiak, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, & Spring 2022
Peyton Kosman, Spring 2021, Fall 2021 & Spring 2022
Annie Sánchez, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, & Spring 2022

TEACHING

Assistant Professor, University of Utah, 2018 - present

Courses Developed and Taught

CRIM 3111 Research Methods (for Criminology)
CRIM 1010 / SOC 1111 Introduction to Criminal Justice
SOC 3563 Good Cop, Bad Cop: Policing in the US
Gen-2 Online Course (developed in FY21): Introduction to Criminal Justice

Individual Research Courses Taught

PSY 4800-013, Spring 2022 (units: 3.0), enrolled student: Anya Biskupiak
CRIM 3950-001, Fall 2021 (units: 3.0), enrolled student: Annie Sánchez
PSY 4800-021, Fall 2021 (units: 3.0), enrolled student: Anya Biskupiak

Instructor, Washington State University, 2013 - 2018

Courses Taught

CRMJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRMJ 201 Introduction to Criminological Theory
CRMJ 311 Research Methods for Criminal Justice
CRMJ 321 Quantitative Methods for Criminal Justice

SERVICE

Department Service (U of U)

Member, Graduate Committee, 2020 - present
Member, Criminology Committee, 2018 - present
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2018, 2019, 2020

Secretary, Career-line Faculty Review Committee, 2021, 2022
Member, Faculty Hiring Committee, 2011, 2022
Discussant, Department's graduate Professional Development Forum panel on Teaching, 2021
Presenter, The Department of Sociology Brownbag Presentation, 2019, 2020

Discipline Service

Asian Criminological Society – Executive Board
Member (2022-2024)
Asian Journal of Criminology – Editorial Board Member 2022-
The Association of Chinese Criminology and Criminal Justice in the U.S. – Annual Conference
Organizing Committee Member (2020-2021)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) – Annual Conference
Panel Chair (2022)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) – Annual Conference
Section Chair (police behavior and decision-making, 2019)

Reviewer for:

Journal of Experimental Criminology, 2022
Crime & Delinquency, 2021
International Criminology, 2021, 2022
Journal of Criminal Justice, 2021
American Journal of Criminal Justice, 2021
Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment, 2021
Applied Geography 2022
The Professional Geographer, 2021, 2022
Criminal Justice Policy Review, 2021
Journal of Health and Social Behavior, 2021
Oxford Journal of Policing, 2020
PLOS ONE, 2020, 2021
International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice, 2020
China Quarterly, 2019, 2020
International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, 2019, 2020
Criminal Justice and Behavior, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022
Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies and Management, 2018, 2019, 2020
Asian Journal of Criminology, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society of Criminology (ASC)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)
American Sociological Association (ASA)
The Association of Chinese Criminology and Criminal Justice in the United States (ACCCJ)