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EDUCATION

Rutgers University Ph.D. Criminal Justice	Newark, New Jersey Expected May 2026
Rutgers University – Newark M.A. Criminal Justice Summa Cum Laude	Newark, New Jersey May 2022
Jersey City University B.S. Criminal Justice Summa Cum Laude	Jersey City, New Jersey May 2019

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Introduction to Criminal Justice, policing, courts, punishment, gun violence, and sociological theories.

RESEARCH & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Rutgers University, School of Criminal Justice Introduction to Criminal Justice, Teaching Assistant (TA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assistant to Dr. Colleen Berryessa in a ninety-six (96) student class.• Facilitate as a guest lecturer on policing and public perception.• Conduct midterm and final reviews.• Facilitate weekly office hours and proctored midterm and final exams.• Grade assignments and provide feedback.• Read and provide feedback on class material.	Newark, NJ Spring, 2023
Rutgers University, School of Criminal Justice Juvenile Gangs, Teaching Assistant (TA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assisted Dr. Elizabeth Griffiths in a ninety-five (95) student class.• Facilitate as a guest lecturer on policing and public perception.• Conduct midterm and final reviews.• Facilitate weekly office hours and proctored midterm and final exams.• Grade assignments and provide feedback.• Read and provide feedback on class material.	Newark, NJ Fall, 2022

Rutgers University, School of Criminal Justice
(*In collaboration with the Center for Guaranteed Income Research, UPenn*)
Research Assistant (RA) / Research Fellow

Newark, NJ

2023 - 2024

- Collaborate with the research team to collect qualitative data.
- Conduct qualitative interviews.
- Engage with research participants through phone and email.

Stanford University, Department of Sociology
Research Assistant (RA)

Stanford, CT

2023

- Develop and review strategies for data transcription with PI.
- Collaborate with PI to identify and address issues in the archival data.
- Read and transcribe archival data.
- Data entry – track ethnographic data in Microsoft Excel.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS & UNDER REVIEW

Brown, Ryan. An Objective Strategy: Weighing Trial Objections in Appellate Review of Plain Error Cases (Empirical Paper). *In Progress*.

Brown, Ryan. Rebirth of the Social Conscience: A Philosophical Approach to Heterogeneity, Institutional Violence, and the Policing Question (Dissertation). *In Progress*.

Brown, Ryan. The Constitution and the Power of Collective Will: “The People” and Utility of Supreme Constituent Power. *In progress*.

PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL WORKS

Elizabeth Griffiths, Heather L. Scheuerman, and Ryan Brown. Types of Appellate Review and the “Harmlessness” of Prosecutorial Misconduct in New Jersey.

<https://policylab.rutgers.edu/types-of-appellate-review-and-the-harmlessness-of-prosecutorial-misconduct-in-new-jersey/>

Ryan Brown, Elizabeth Griffiths, and Heather L. Scheuerman. December 2, 2025. An Objective Strategy: Weighing Trial Objections in Appellate Review of Plain Error Cases.

<https://policylab.rutgers.edu/an-objective-strategy-weighing-trial-objections-in-appellate-review-of-plain-error-cases/>

Heather Scheuerman, Elizabeth Griffiths, and Ryan Brown. October 10, 2024. Prosecutorial Errors: Determining “Harmless” vs. “Not” at the Appellate Level.

<https://policylab.rutgers.edu/prosecutorial-errors-determining-harmless-vs-not-at-the-appellate-level/>

Elizabeth Griffiths, Ph.D., Heather L. Scheuerman, Ph.D., and Ryan Brown. August 29, 2024. Appellate Court Policing of Prosecutorial Misconduct.

<https://policylab.rutgers.edu/appellate-court-policing-of-prosecutorial-misconduct/>

LEADERSHIP/TEAM EXPERIENCE

Rutgers University, School of Criminal Justice
Board, Student Government Association

Newark, New Jersey
2020-2021

Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Program
Reviewer

Newark, New Jersey
2022-2023

TALKS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

American Society of Criminologists

Philadelphia, PA 2023

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Rutgers School of Criminal Justice - Newark

2025 – Present SCJ - Graduate Student Association (GSA), Research and Professional Development - Chair

2019-2020 SCJ - Graduate Student Association (GSA), master's student representative

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & AFFILIATIONS

2025 – Present International Association of Chiefs of Police

2023 – Present American Society of Criminology