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Current Position

Associate Professor, Ohio University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2009–Present

Previous Positions

Visiting Research Scholar, American Bar Foundation, June 2010 – August 2011
Assistant Professor, Ohio University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2003–09

Other Affiliations

Center for Law, Justice, and Culture
Jewish Studies Certificate Program
Political Communication Certificate Program
War and Peace Studies Program
Women's and Gender Studies Program

Education

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Washington (2004)

Dissertation: *The Cultural Power of Law: The Criminalization, Mobilization, and Organization of Direct-Entry Midwifery*. Committee: Katherine Beckett (chair); Robert C. Crutchfield, Gary Hamilton; Debra Minkoff. Edwina Uehara, Graduate School Representative.

M.A., Criminal Justice, Indiana University (2000)

B.A., Honors, Philosophy, History, Certificate in Jewish Studies, Indiana University (1995)

Distinctions

2008: College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Outstanding Teaching Award, Ohio University
2001: Fellow, University of Washington Center for Comparative Law and Society Studies
1998: Teaching Excellence Recognition Award, Indiana University Board of Trustees

Research and Teaching Interests

Criminology; International Justice & Transnational Activism; Law and Society; Mass Atrocity and Genocide; Science Studies; Social Movements; Social Theory

Articles

Duschinski, Haley, and Bruce Hoffman. 2011. "On the Frontlines of the Law: Legal Advocacy and Political Protest by Lawyers in Contested Kashmir." *Anthropology Today* 27 (5): 8-12.

Duschinski, Haley, and Bruce Hoffman. 2011. "Everyday Violence, Institutional Denial, and Struggles for Justice in Kashmir." *Race & Class* 52: 44-70.

Hoffman, Bruce. 2009. "Conquest Traditions, Conflict Transformation, and the Cultural Boundaries of Criminology: Rigoberta Menchú and Criminological Science." *Contemporary Justice Review* 12: 171-89.

Hoffman, Bruce. 2008. "Minding the Gap: Legal Ideals and Strategic Action in State Legislative Hearings." *Law & Social Inquiry* 33: 89-126.

Hoffman, Bruce. 2008. "The Science and Politics of Reducing Child Victimization." *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* 24: 103-13.

Beckett, Katherine, and Bruce Hoffman. 2005. "Challenging Medicine: Law, Resistance, and the Cultural Politics of Childbirth." *Law & Society Review* 39: 125-70.

Book Chapters

Hoffman, Bruce, and Michelle Brown. 2010. "Staging an Execution: The Media at McVeigh." In K. Hayward and M. Presdee, eds., *Framing Crime: Cultural Criminology and the Image*. London: Routledge-Cavendish Press.

Hoffman, Bruce, and Thomas Vander Ven. 2007. "Mother Blame and Delinquency Claims: Maternal Responsibility and Juvenile Delinquency in Expert Discourse." In M. D. McShane and F. P. Williams, eds. *Youth Violence and Delinquency Interventions*, pp. 159-75. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc.

Reviews

Hoffman, Bruce. 2011. "Review of *Fictions of Justice: The International Criminal Court and the Challenge of Legal Pluralism in Sub-Saharan Africa* by Kamari Maxine Clarke." *British Journal of Criminology*.

Hoffman, Bruce. 2009. "Mobilizing Criminology: The Boundaries of Criminological Science and the Politics of Genocide — Review of *Darfur and the Crime of Genocide* by John Hagan and Wenona Rymond-Richmond." Review Symposium in *Theoretical Criminology*.

Edited Volumes

Hoffman, Bruce, and Ashley Demyan, eds. 2008. *Teaching and Learning about Deviance: A Resource Guide*. Sixth Edition. Washington, D.C., American Sociological Association.

Research Grants Awarded

- 2008: “Architectures of Justice Research Project.” PACE Research Assistance Grant (Program to Aid Career Exploration), Ohio University (\$2100). Awarded.
- 2004: “The Revolution Will Not Be Medicalized: Law, Culture, and the Development of Independent Midwifery in California, Oregon, and Washington.” Ohio University Research Committee, Ohio University (\$6250). Awarded.

Other Research Support Received

- 2010: Faculty Fellowship Leave, Ohio University, September 2010 – June 2011.
- 2008: Research Challenge Award, Ohio University, for Multiyear NSF Grant Application (\$5000)
- 2007: Research Challenge Award, Ohio University, for Multiyear NSF Grant Application (\$5000)
- 2007: International Travel Fund Award, University International Council, Ohio University
- 2004: International Travel Fund Award, University International Council, Ohio University
- 2002: Dissertation Support Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Washington
- 2001: Grant for Documentary Film Production, University of Washington (\$4000)

Papers Presented and Panels Organized

Hoffman, Bruce. “Criminology and its Histories.” To be presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Washington, DC: November 2011).

Hoffman, Bruce. Chair and Organizer. “Self-Reflective Criminology: Historical and Contemporary Issues.” Panel at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Washington, DC: November 2011).

Hoffman, Bruce. “Human Rights and Home Birth: Natural Birth Activism, Midwifery Expertise and Transnational Human Rights Discourse.” To be presented at the Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (Cleveland, OH: November 2011).

Duschinski, Haley, and Bruce Hoffman. “Shopian: Law, Violence, and Jurisdictions of Justice.” Presented at the Annual Conference of South Asia (Madison, WI: October 2011).

Hoffman, Bruce. “The Humanitarian Dilemma: Tensions between Humanitarian Aid Provision and Human Rights Intervention.” Invited Presentation to Jammu and Kashmir Association of Social Workers, Human Rights Workshop, Centre for Law and Development (Srinagar, Kashmir: December 2009).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Mobilizing Criminology: The Boundaries of Criminological Science and the Politics of Genocide." Presented at Author meets Critic Panel for John Hagan and Winona Rymond-Richmond's *Darfur and the Crime of Genocide* at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Philadelphia, PA: November 2009).

Hoffman, Bruce. Discussant. "Conceptualizing Crime, Criminology, and the State." Panel at American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Philadelphia, PA: November 2009).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Drafting Law's Future: Justice Architects and the Courthouse Design Process." Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (St. Louis, MO: November 2008).

Brown, Michelle, Bruce Hoffman, Christopher Kast, and Thomas Vander Ven. "An Examination of Theoretical Trends and Patterns in *Criminology* from 1964 to Present." Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (St. Louis, MO: November 2008).

Hoffman, Bruce. "The Material Construction of Justice: The Design Process of Legal Architecture." Presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Montreal, QC: May 2008).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Modeling Justice: Inventing and Implementing the 'Criminal Justice System' (on the 40th Anniversary of the 1967 President's Commission)." Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA: November 2007).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Modeling Justice: Inventing and Implementing the 'Criminal Justice System.'" Presented at the Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (Montreal, QC: October 2007).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Evidence-Based Activism: Adoption and Adaptation of Medical Science by Independent Midwives." Presented at the Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (Vancouver, BC: November 2006).

Hoffman, Bruce. Chair and Organizer. "Science: Above and Below the Law." Panel at the Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (Vancouver, BC: November 2006).

Hoffman, Bruce. "The Central Problem of Culture for David Garland's Thought." Presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD: July 2006).

Hoffman, Bruce. Discussant. "Domestic and International Constructions of Criminal Offenses and Defenses." Panel at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD: July 2006).

Hoffman, Bruce, and John Gilliom. "Law, Solidarity, and Social Movements in the Lives of Midwives and Welfare Mothers." Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Las Vegas, NV: June 2005).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Institutionalizing Midwifery's Red Guard: Mobilizing and Legalizing Independent Midwifery in Washington State." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Nashville, TN: November 2004).

Brown, Michelle, and Bruce Hoffman. "Who Are We?: What C.S.I. Teaches Us About Criminology." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Nashville, TN: November 2004).

Funderburk, Brent, Michelle Brown, Bruce Hoffman, and Thomas Vander Ven. "Tracing the Historical Trajectory of Criminological Theory, 1964 to Present." Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Nashville, TN: November 2004).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Establishing Expertise in Legislative Settings: Scientific Boundary-Work between Midwives and Public Representatives." Paper presented at the special joint meetings of the Society for Social Studies of Science and The European Association for the Study of Science and Technology (Paris, France: August 2004).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Legal Ideals and Strategic Action in State Legislative Hearings." Paper presented at the Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL: May 2004).

Hoffman, Bruce, and Michelle Brown. "Who Are We? Representations of Crime, Science, and Criminology in C.S.I." Paper presented at the Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL: May 2004).

Hoffman, Bruce, and Michelle Brown. "Staging an Execution: The Media at McVeigh." Public Film Showing and Discussion, Ohio University (Athens, OH: November 2003).

Hoffman, Bruce. "The Constitutive Power of Law: The Criminalization, Mobilization, and Organization of Independent Midwifery." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Denver, CO: November, 2003).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Back to Basics: Service Learning as Civic Engagement." Paper presented at The International Conference of Civic Education Research (New Orleans, LA: November 2003).

Hoffman, Bruce. Panel Chairperson and Discussant. "Civic Education and the University." The International Conference of Civic Education Research (New Orleans, LA: November 2003).

Hoffman, Bruce. "The Courtroom and the Hearing Room: How Legislative Committee Hearings Shape Authoritative Knowledge." Paper presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Pittsburgh, PA: June, 2003).

Hoffman, Bruce. Panel Co-Organizer (with Katherine J. Curtis) and Discussant. "Place Represented: Spatial and Symbolic Conceptualizations." The Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting (Vancouver, BC: April, 2002).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Approaches and Issues to the History of Criminology: An Exercise in the Sociology of Science." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Toronto, Ontario. November, 1999).

Hoffman, Bruce. "'How Should We Do the History of Criminology?' History, Sociology, and Philosophy in the Writings of David Garland." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C. November, 1998).

Hoffman, Bruce. "'Natural' Crime Prevention? Gender, Place, and Environmental Criminology." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C. November, 1998).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Cultural Tradition, Historical Experience, and Active Resistance: Mayan Transformations of Guatemala's Culture of Conflict." Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting (Albuquerque, NM: March, 1998).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Challenges to the Justification of Human Rights: Universality, Consensus, and Narrative." Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting (Albuquerque, NM: March, 1998).

Hoffman, Bruce. "The Rise and Fall of Alfred Blumstein's 'Total Criminal Justice System': Systems Analysis, Information Technology, and the Concept of Criminal Justice as a 'System.'" Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (San Diego, CA: November, 1997).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Why Criminologists Need—and Need to Move Beyond—Foucault: Foucault's Historical Method and Contemporary Criminological Practice." Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting (San Diego, CA: November, 1997).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Systems Theory, Cybernetics, and the Modeling of the Criminal Justice 'System.'" Paper presented at the Edwin H. Sutherland Colloquia, Indiana University (Bloomington, IN: November, 1997).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Theoretical and Methodological Difficulties of Observational Data Sets: A Critical Assessment of Recent Studies of the Effect of Citizen Demeanor on the Arrest Decision." Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting (Louisville, KY: March, 1997).

Hoffman, Bruce. "Resistance and the Moral Self: David Garland's Critique of Foucault." Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting (Louisville, KY: March, 1997).

Teaching Experience

Ohio University currently employs the quarter system. Our department houses four degrees: sociology, sociology-criminology, sociology pre-law, and anthropology for a total of approximately 450 majors. Two-thirds of our students are sociology-criminology majors. I ordinarily teach two intro-level service courses (200 students total) and three upper-level and/or graduate courses (80-100 students total) annually.

Soc 101: Introduction to Sociology

Soc 261: Deviant Behavior

Soc 362: Criminology

Soc 464: Law in Societies

Soc 406: Sociology of Science (Senior Capstone in Sociology)

Soc 406A, Soc 484: Crimes against Humanity (406A as Senior Capstone in Criminology)

Soc 564: Law in Societies (Graduate Section)

Soc 603: Seminar in Crime and Deviance (Graduate Seminar in Contemporary Criminology)

Soc 611: Seminar in Human Rights, International Justice, and Transnational Activism (Graduate Seminar)

Hist 269U: Introduction to Jewish Civilization and Culture (Contribute lectures on Jewish thought and cultural responses to the social changes of modernity)

Honors Tutorial Instructor: Teach quarter-long tutorials on “Criminal Justice,” “Criminological Theory,” “Introduction to Sociology,” “Law, Family, Society,” and “Social Theory”

Computer Instructional Support:

Present: Design and maintain www.crimetheory.com, an educational resource for the learning, researching, and teaching of theoretical criminology. Averaging 100,000 hits yearly to its home page, the site is widely cited in criminology textbooks and course syllabi.

1986: Authored *Talisman*, internationally distributed computer game teaching ancient history.

Professional Memberships and Service

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Law & Society Association (LSA)

Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)

Journal Referee for *Criminal Justice*

Journal Referee for *Criminology*

Journal Referee for *Teaching Sociology*

Journal Referee for *Theory, Culture, and Society*

Journal Referee for *Theoretical Criminology*

National Science Foundation Proposal Reviewer, Science, Technology, & Society Program

Law & Society Association, Best Article Prize Committee

American Society of Criminology, Election Committee, Critical Criminology Division

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Kenen-Flagler Business School, Red Team Review

Filmography

Staging an Execution: The Media at McVeigh (30:00). 2004. With Michelle Brown. What 1400 media asked—and didn't ask—in the absence of expected protests at the execution of Timothy McVeigh. Original footage shot in Terre Haute, Indiana, including interviews with local, state, national, and international media. Funded by a grant from the Center for Comparative Law and Society Studies at the University of Washington.

MedTV (3:00). 2003. Montage of medical representations of pregnancy.

The Wheel (9:30). 2001. Cityscape of Paris, in the tradition of early social documentarians Walter Ruttmann, Dziga Vertov, and Jean Vigo.

Department Service

Criminology Committee (2003-Present)
Curriculum Committee (2003-Present)
Sociology Committee (2003-Present)
Department Web Coordinator (2005-09; 2011-Present)
Criminology Search Committees (2011-12; 2008-09; 2004-05)
Curriculum Committee Chair (2009-10)
Quarters to Semesters Sociology Coordinator (2008-10)
Alpha Phi Sigma Assistant Director (2007-10)
Faculty Handbook Editor (2005-09)
Technology Committee (2003-09)
Budget and Merit Committee (2005-08)
Graduate Committee (2005-06)
Alpha Phi Sigma Awards Speaker (2005)
Honors Tutorial Director (2004-05)
Planning and Leaves Committee (2004-05)
Library Committee (2003-04)

University Service

Center for Law, Justice, and Culture, Web Site Designer, Coordinator (2009-Present)
Kohan Program Fund Committee, Faculty Arts and Sciences Representative (2008-Present)
Political Communication Certificate Program (2008-Present)
Jewish Studies Certificate Planning Committee (2006-Present)
Faculty Project Advisor, University Research and Creative Activities Expo (2006-Present)
Bachelor of Special Studies Advisor (2005-Present)
Ohio Up Close Participant (2005-Present)
Tutor, Honors Tutorial College, Ohio University (2004-Present)
Faculty Affiliate, Women's and Gender Studies (2004-Present)
Center for Law, Justice, and Culture, Executive Committee (2009-10)
Center for Law, Justice, and Culture, Curriculum Coordinator (2009-10)
Office for Nationally Competitive Awards, Marshall Scholarship, Rhodes Scholarship, and Truman Scholarship Selection Committees (2008-09)

Jewish Studies Schusterman Post Doctorate Teaching Fellowship Search Participant (2007-08)
Undergraduate Majors Fair Participant (2004-06; 2008)
Office for Nationally Competitive Awards, Emerson Fellowship Selection Committee (2007-08)
Ohio University-Zanesville Sociology Search Committee (2007-08)
Bachelor of Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (2005-06)
African American Studies Search Participant (2005)
Friends of the Library Reading Day Participant (2005)
Service Learning Workshop Participant (2004)
Faculty Mentor, New Faculty Orientation (2004)
Preview Day for future students, representing Anthropology and Sociology (2004)
University Common Book Day, Discussion Leader (2004)