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**EMPLOYMENT and RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS:**

2021 – Current      Assistant Professor, University of Nevada, Reno  
Department of Criminal Justice

2020 – Current      Research Affiliate, River Phoenix Center for Peacebuilding

2018 – 2021          Assistant Professor, University of Florida,  
Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law

2018                  Adjunct Instructor, University of Delaware  
Course taught: The Family (undergraduate)

**EDUCATION:**

2018                  Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Irvine

Dissertation Title: Fathers Behind Bars: A Qualitative Examination of  
Father-Child Relationships During Incarceration

Dissertation Committee:  
Chair: Kristin Turney  
Members: Andrew Penner, Dave Snow, Jodi Quas  
Qualifying Exam Areas: Gender and Family; Criminology

2012                  M.A., Sociology, University of California, Irvine

2010                  B.A., Criminology  
B.A., Psychology  
University of Denver  
(Magna Cum Laude, Distinction in Criminology)

**RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS:**

Incarceration, families, youth, juvenile delinquency, parenting, foster care, developmental and  
life-course criminology, gender, family violence, intimate person violence, public health

**EXTERNALLY FUNDED RESEARCH:**

2021    American Institute for Research and Interagency Working Group for Youth

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Programs with the US Department for Health and Human Services (subcontract).  
“Nothing about us, without us: Amplifying the perspectives of youth with experiences of parental incarceration through youth participatory action research”. *Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Michelle Abraczinskas; Co-I: Dr. Micah Johnson (USF)).*  
*Community partners: River Phoenix Center for Peacebuilding and Project YouthBuild.*  
*Award: \$49,926.*

#### UNDER REVIEW:

**Adams, Britni, L.** “Maintaining Family Ties and Facilitating Father-Child Contact During Jail: The Role of Extended Kin.” Conditionally accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed special issue of *Contemporary Perspectives in Family Research*, “Police, Courts, and Incarceration: The Justice System and the Family.”

**Adams, Britni L.** “Conducting Research with Young Adults Who Have Histories of Family Violence: Strategies, Challenges, and Why We Need Their Perspectives.” In the review process. Manuscript being prepared for article submission at *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

\*Indicates a graduate student

**Adams, Britni L.,** Jennifer W. Applebaum\*, Michelle N. Eliasson\*, Shelby E. McDonald, and Barbara A. Zsembik. 2021. “Child and Pet Care-Planning During COVID-19: Considerations for the Evolving Family Unit.” *Family Relations* 70(3): 1-12.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/fare.12542>

Applebaum, Jennifer W.\*, **Britni L. Adams,** Michelle N. Eliasson\*, Barbara A. Zsembik, and Shelby E. McDonald. 2020. “How Pets Factor into Healthcare Decisions for COVID-19: A One Health Perspective.” *One Health*, 11(100176): 1-6.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.onehlt.2020.100176>

**Adams, Britni L.** 2018. “Paternal Incarceration and the Family: Fifteen Years in Review.” *Sociology Compass*, 12(3): 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1111/soc4.12567>

Helen Milojevich, Jodi Quas, and **Britni L. Adams.** 2017. “Quality of Sibling Relationships in Maltreated Youth Residing in Out-of-Home-Care.” *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 1-27. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0886260517730562>.

Turney, Kristin, **Britni L. Adams,** Emma Conner, Rebecca Goodsell, and Janet Muniz. 2017. “Challenges and Opportunities for Conducting Research on Children of Incarcerated Fathers.” *Sociological Studies of Children and Youth*, Volume 22, 199-221.

**Adams, Britni L.,** Joseph King, Andrew M. Penner, Nina Bandelj, and Aleksandra Mrčela.

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2016. "The Returns to Education and Labor Market Sorting in Slovenia, 1993-2007." *Research on Social Stratification and Mobility*, 4: 55-65. doi:10.1016/j.rssm.2016.06.002

Rafalow, Matthew H. and **Britni L. Adams**. 2016. "Navigating the Tavern: Digitally Mediated Connections and Relationship Persistence in Bar Settings." *Symbolic Interaction*, 40(1):25-42. DOI:10.1002/SYMB.268

Polletta, Francesca, Monica Trigoso, **Britni L. Adams**, and Amanda Ebner. 2013. "The Limits of Plot: Accounting for How Women Interpret Stories of Sexual Assault." *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*, 1(3): 289-320.

### **BOOK CHAPTERS:**

Turney, Kristin, and **Britni L. Adams**. 2016. "Considering Risk and Resiliency among Children of Incarcerated Parents." In L. M. Burton, D. Burton, S. M. McHale, V. King, and J. Van Hook (Eds.), *Boys and Men in African American Families*. New York: Springer.

### **BOOK REVIEWS:**

**Adams, Britni L.** Book review for *Dangerous Masculinity: Fatherhood, Race, and Security Inside America's Prisons*, by Anna Curtis. 2021. *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*, pg: 319- 321.

### **WORKING PAPERS:**

Adams, Britni L. "The Socialization of Parenting: Jailed Fathers' Perspectives on their Family of Origin." In draft form and was presented at American Society of Criminology in San Francisco, November 2019.

Adams, Britni L. "The Accountability of Motherhood: Maternal Maltreatment and Young Adult Outcomes." Awaiting data license renewal.

Adams, Britni L. "'I Can't Do Much Right Now': Young Fathers' Relationships with Their Children While in Jail". In draft form.

Adams, Britni L. "(How) Do Adults Matter?: The Role of Caring Adults in the Lives of Maltreated Youth". In process – part of a mixed-method approach. Awaiting data license renewal.

Adams, Britni L. "Young Adult Perspectives on Familial Relationships After Family Violence". Analyses to begin March 2021.

### **AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS:**

2018            Nominated for a Teaching Award at UF  
2016-2017    UCI Initiative to End Family Violence Fellowship: \$3,500

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- 2016-2017 UCI Graduate Dean Dissertation Fellowship, Two Quarters: \$22,997
  - 2016 UCI President's Dissertation Year Fellowship, Honorable Mention
  - 2015 Travel covered by the RSSM Special Issue Developmental Conference: \$2,100
  - 2012 UCEC Institute for Training in Educational Evaluation: Expenses covered
  - 2012 The Center of the Study of Democracy Affiliate: \$800
  - 2011 The Center of the Study of Democracy Affiliate: \$1,500
  - 2011 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention
  - 2010 Wilbert E. Moore Award for Outstanding Scholarship
  - 2009 Social Science Scholar Award for Outstanding Academic & Creative Excellence
  - 2009 Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Undergraduate Scholar: \$5,000
  - 2009 Alpha Kappa Delta, National Sociology Honors Society
  - 2008 University of Denver: University Summer Research Grant: \$3,400
  - 2006-2010 Dean's List
  - 2006-2010 Hornbeck Scholar
  - 2006 Alpha Lambda Delta, First Year Honors Society

**INVITED LECTURES:**

- S2019 "Jail, Family, and Fatherhood" for Women and Crime course (undergraduate), University of Florida.
- S2018 "Mass Incarceration and the Family" for Introduction to Criminal Justice Course (undergraduate), University of Delaware.

**PRESENTATIONS/CONFERENCES (SELECTED):**

- 2021 "Evolving Familial Relationships as Youth Age and Maltreatment Ends." Presented at American Society of Criminology Annual Conference as part of the thematic panel "The Effects of Victimization Across the Life Course: An Assessment of Risks, Relationships, and Resiliency". November 2021. Chicago, Illinois.
  - 2019 "Learning to Parent: Jailed Fathers' Perspectives About Their Family of Origin." Paper Presentation at American Society for Criminology Annual Conference, Nov. 14, 2019. San Francisco, CA.
  - 2019 "When Mom is Responsible: Maternal Maltreatment Effects on Peer Relationship and Social Skill Development." Presentation at American Society for Criminology Annual Conference, Nov. 13, 2019. San Francisco, CA.
  - 2019 Job Search Panel for Criminology Graduate Students. University of Florida, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law. With Dr. Brenden Beck and Erin Castro.
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- 2018 “Reversed Transitions to Adulthood: Jailed Fathers’ Perspectives on Caregivers in Their Family of Origin.” Paper presentation at Society for the Study of Social Problems, Aug. 10, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 “What Makes a Good Father? Young Fathers’ Perspectives About Parenting from Jail.” Paper presentation at American Sociological Association, Aug. 12-15, Montréal, Québec, Canada.
- 2017 “Consequences of Family Violence: Youth Perspectives as They Transition to Adulthood.” Project presentation for the UCI Initiative to End Family Violence, May 23, 2017.
- 2014 “The Returns to Education and Labor Market Sorting in Transition Economies: The Case of Slovenia, 1993-2007.” Presentation at Population Association of America, May 1-3, Boston, MA.
- 2011 “Work Identity and Passion while Advocating for Juvenile Justice Reform.” Western Society of Criminology Conference, Feb. 3-5, Vancouver, B. C.

#### **MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE:**

- 2021 – Department of Criminal Justice Assessment Committee, Member, University of Nevada – Reno  
Department of Criminal Justice Awards Committee, Member, University of Nevada – Reno  
Department of Criminal Justice Internship Committee, Member, University of Nevada – Reno
- 2020 – 2021 Peer-nominated Member and Chair of the Code of Conduct Committee in the Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida.
- 2020 – 2021 Member for the Graduate Committee in Sociology, University of Florida.
- 2020 – 2021 Member for the Methods Qualifying Exam Committee for Doctoral Students in Criminology, University of Florida.
- 2018 – 2019 Invited Member for American Society for Criminology Annual Conference 2019 Program Committee in San Francisco, CA.
- 2018 – 2019 Junior Faculty Member for Search Committee for a tenure-track faculty in Race, Class, and Gender, University of Florida.
- 2018 First Year Faculty Training Academy and Certification
- 2015 – 2017 Graduate Research Assistant, Project Manager, for Kristin Turney. Jail & Family Life Study. University of California, Irvine.
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**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Society for Criminology, Member  
American Sociological Association, Member  
Sociologists for Women in Society, Member  
Western Society of Criminology, Member  
Southern Criminal Justice Association, Member  
National Council on Family Relations, Member  
The American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, Member

**STUDENT COMMITTEE WORK:**

Current Chair of Graduate Student Committees

1. Clementine Ellis (Sociology PhD Program, MA degree, defended Spring 2021)

Current Member of Graduate Student Committees

1. Ginelle Sukhu (Sociology PhD Program, MA degree, UF, defended Fall 2020)
2. Jenny Applebaum (Sociology PhD Program, PhD, UF)
3. Amanda Lewis (Criminology PhD Program, PhD, UF, defended Fall 2021)

MacKenzie Kushner (Criminology, PhD Program, PhD, UF)

Chair of Senior Thesis

1. Leslie Blanco (Criminology BA Program, UF, graduated with honors in Fall 2020)

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS:**

2015-2017 Graduate Research Assistant, Project Manager, for Kristin Turney. Jail & Family Life Study, University of California, Irvine.

2013-2014 Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Kristin Turney, University of California, Irvine

2011/2012 Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Andrew M. Penner, University of California, Irvine

2009 Intern at the Women's Resource Agency in the InterCept Too Program

**ADDITIONAL RESEARCH TRAINING:**

2021 Atlas.ti software training and certification

2012 University of California Education Evaluation Center, Institute for Training in Educational Evaluation, University of California, Santa Barbara.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

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- Fall 2021 Courses taught – University of Nevada, Reno  
Introduction to Courts and the American Legal System (undergraduate)  
Feminist Jurisprudence: Violence Against Women (undergraduate)
- 2018-2021 Courses taught – University of Florida  
Romantic Relationships & The Family (undergraduate)  
Violence Across the Life Course (undergraduate)
- 2018 Courses taught – University of Delaware  
The Family (undergraduate)
- 2017 Mini-workshop titled “Writing Success Mini-Workshop” presenting on information from the National Center for Development and Diversity, Dissertation Success Program.
- 2014-2015 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine. Courses: Abnormal Psychology, Probability and Statistics, Sociology Majors Seminar
- 2012-2013 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine. Courses: Probability and Statistics, Introduction to Psychology, Personality Theory
- 2011-2012 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine. Courses: Abnormal Psychology, Sociology Majors Seminar, Sports Psychology
- 2010-2011 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine. Courses: Abnormal Psychology, Probability and Statistics, Introduction to Psychology
- Fall 2009 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of Denver. Course: Introduction to Sociology

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

- 2014-2019 Volunteer for StandUp for Kids, Orange County—mentor and street outreach
- 2008-2010 The Bridge Project in Denver, CO. Tutor for youth in disadvantaged schools.
- 2008 & 2009 Project Homeless Connect in Denver, CO at Coors Field
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