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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- 2021(Exp.) Ph.D., Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University
Dissertation: *An Examination into the Covariates Surrounding Children and Teen
Firearm Homicide Victimization*
Dissertation Committee Chair: Jesenia M. Pizarro, Ph.D.
- 2020 Certificate, Social Science Research Methods, Arizona State University,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Advisor: Danielle Wallace, Ph.D.
- 2017 M.S., Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University
Master's Thesis: *Motivation to Kill: The Relationship between Motive and
Weapon Choice in Homicide*
Chair: Jesenia M. Pizarro, Ph.D.
Committee: Scott H. Decker, Ph.D.; Cody Telep, Ph.D.
- 2015 B.S., Sociology focusing in Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of
Rhode Island
Magna Cum Laude
- 2015 B.A., Psychology, University of Rhode Island
Magna Cum Laude
- 2015 B.A., Philosophy, University of Rhode Island
Magna Cum Laude
- 2015 Certificate, Behavioral Analysis, University of Rhode Island - Feinstein

RESEARCH RELATED POSITIONS

2020- Present

AmeriCorps Member, Survivor Link, AmeriCorps & Arizona State University, School of Social Work

Faculty Supervisor: Jill M. Messing, MSW, Ph.D.

2019- Present

Project Manager, Arizona Intimate Partner Homicide Study, Arizona State University, School of Social Work & School of Criminology and Criminal Justice

Faculty Supervisor: Jesenia M. Pizarro, Ph.D., Jill T. Messing, MSW Ph.D.

Funding Sources:

2020-2022 A Comparison of Firearm-Related Intimate Partner Homicide in Missouri and Oregon: Prevalence, Risk, and the Effect of Firearm Regulations. Funded by National Collaborative on Gun Violence Research, \$1,334,200. Principal Investigators: J.T. Messing (ASU), R. Campbell (JHU). Investigators: J.M. Pizarro (ASU), A.M. Zeoli (MSU), T.L. Bloom (Mizzou).

2020-2022 An Examination of Risk Factors for Intimate Partner Homicide in Arizona. Arizona State University, College of Public Service and Community Solutions, C4C Internal Grant, \$160,000. Principal Investigators J.T. Messing (ASU) and J.M. Pizarro (ASU).

2018-2020 An Examination of Risk Factors for Intimate Partner Homicides in New Jersey. Funded by Everytown for Gun Safety, \$300,000. Principal Investigators: J.T. Messing (ASU), R. Campbell (JHU), and J.M. Pizarro (ASU).

2019- Present

Trainee, Firearm Safety Among Children & Teens Consortium (FACTS), University of Michigan

Faculty Supervisor: Jesenia M. Pizarro, Ph.D.

2018-2019

State/Site Administrator, Arizona Violent Death Reporting System, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Arizona State University

Faculty Supervisor: Charles Katz, Ph.D.

2018-2019

Data Abstractor & Report Writer, Arizona Violent Death Reporting System, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University

Faculty Supervisor: Charles Katz, Ph.D.

2016-2017

Interviewer, The Lone Star Project, University of Colorado at Boulder, Sam Houston State University, & Arizona State University.
Faculty Supervisor: Scott Decker, Ph.D.

2016-2017

Graduate Research Assistant, Arizona State University
Faculty Supervisor: Shi Yan, Ph.D.

2016-2017

Analyst, Public Safety Clinic, Arizona State University, Arizona State University Police, & Tempe Police.
Faculty Supervisor: Michael Scott, J.D.

SCHOLARSHIP

Articles (Peer-Reviewed Journals)

Pelletier, Karissa R., and Jesenia M. Pizarro. (2019). "Homicides and Weapons: Examining the Covariates of Weapon Choice." *Homicide Studies*, 23(1), 41-63.

Pizarro, Jesenia M., Karen Holt, and **Pelletier, Karissa R.** (2019) "An Examination of the Situated Transactions of Firearm Homicides." *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*, 42(4), 613- 625.

Pizarro, J.M., Zgoba, K.M., & **Pelletier, Karissa R.** (2020). "Firearm Use in Violent Crime: Examining the Role of Premeditation and motivation in weapon choice." *The Journal of Primary Prevention*, 1-15.

Under Review (Peer-Reviewed).

Messing, J.T., AbiNader, M.A., Pizarro, J.M., Campbell, J.C., Brown, M.L. and **Pelletier, Karissa R.** "The Arizona Intimate Partner Homicide (AzIPH) Study: A Step Toward Updating and Expanding Risk Factors for Intimate Partner Homicide." at the *Journal of Family Violence*. Currently under R&R.

Book Chapters & Encyclopedia Entries (Non-Peer Reviewed)

Pelletier, Karissa R. (forthcoming). "Arrests." In Jeff Bumgarner & Carla Lewandowski (Eds). *Criminal Justice in America: The Encyclopedia of Crime, Law Enforcement, Courts, and Correction*. ABC-CLIO.

Pizarro, J. M, **Pelletier, Karissa R.**, Zeoli, A. M., & Corbin, A.M. (forthcoming). "Using Evidence-Based Practices to Prevent Firearm Violence." In Jon Gould & Pamela R. Metzger (Eds). *Big Ideas in Criminal Justice: An Evidence-Based Agenda for Reform*.

NYU Press.

Research Reports (Non-Peer-Reviewed)

Katz, C. M. & **Pelletier, Karissa R.** (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Arizona, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Chandler, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Cochise County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Coconino County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Flagstaff, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Gilbert, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Glendale, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Lake Havasu City, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Maricopa County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Mesa, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Navajo County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Mohave County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Phoenix, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Pima County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Pinal County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Scottsdale, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Surprise, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Tempe, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Tucson, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Yavapai County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Yuma County, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.
- (2019). Arizona State University's 2016 Annual Report on Suicide in Yuma, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

Katz, C. M. & **Pelletier, Karissa R.** (2018). Legal Interventions in Arizona for 2015 & 2016: Arizona Violent Death Reporting System, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2018). Arizona Violent Death Reporting System: Annual Suicide Report 2015, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2018). Arizona Violent Death Reporting System: Annual Suicide Report 2016, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona Violent Death Reporting System: Annual Homicide Report 2015, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

-- (2019). Arizona Violent Death Reporting System: Annual Homicide Report 2016, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University: Phoenix, Arizona.

Manuscripts in Progress

Pelletier, Karissa R., Pizarro, J.M., Messing, J., & AbiNader, M. "Firearm Use in Intimate Partner Homicide: A Comparison"

Pelletier, Karissa R., Pizarro, J. M., Holt, K., Zeoli, A.M., "An Examination of the Situational Dynamics of Multiple Victim Homicides"

Pelletier, Karissa R. "An Examination of the Impact of Situational Factors and Child Fatalities: The Role of Firearms"

Pelletier, Karissa R. & Pizarro, Jesenia M. "The Situational Attributes of Latinx Homicides"

Presentations

Pelletier, Karissa R.

2020 "An Examination into the Covariates Surrounding Children and Teen Firearm Homicide Victimization" Consortium on Preventing Firearm Injuries Among Children and Teens, Firearm Safety Among Children & Teens Consortium (FACTS), Virtual Meeting, September 2020.

Pelletier, Karissa R., Pizarro, J.M., Messing, J., & AbiNader, M.

2020 "Firearm Use in Intimate Partner Homicide: A Comparison" accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Homicide Research Working Group in Excelsior Springs, Missouri (CANCELLED).

Pelletier, Karissa R.

2019 "The Impact of Environment on Homicide and the Situational Characteristics of

Homicide” Presented at the American Society of Criminology’s Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Pelletier, Karissa R., Rosenthal, Jessica & Allen, Savanna

2019 “An Examination of the Impact of Situational Factors on Juvenile Fatalities: The Role of Firearms.” *Poster*, Presented at the Consortium on Preventing Firearm Injuries Among Children and Teens: The State of the Science, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Pelletier, Karissa R.

2019 “A Qualitative Look at the Situational Transactions of Homicides.” Presented at the Western Society of Criminology’s Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Pelletier, Karissa R.

2018 “Juvenile and Young Adult Victims of Homicide and Suicide: Data from the Arizona Violent Death Reporting System.” Presented at the American Society of Criminology’s Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Pelletier, Karissa R. & A Johannes Bottema

2018 “Race, Gender and the Death Penalty: An Examination into Racial Disparity in Requests for the Death Penalty.” Presented at the Western Society of Criminology, Long Beach, California.

Pelletier, Karissa R. & Jesenia M. Pizarro

2017 “Decision to Kill: Relationships between Weapon Choice and Dynamic Factors in Homicide.” Presented at the American Society of Criminology’s Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

Grants Funded:

2020 – Arizona State University Graduate Fellowship for \$2,000

2020 - ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Individual Travel Grant for \$50

2020 - ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Individual Travel Grant for \$950

2019 - ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Individual Travel Grant for \$950

2019 – Arizona State University Graduate Fellowship for \$2,000

Grants Applied For - Not Funded:

2020 - The National Collaborative on Gun Violence Research, Dissertation Award: \$25,000

2020 - Association of Doctoral Programs in Criminology and Criminal Justice, Student Research Funding Opportunity: \$3,000

2020 – National Institute of Justice, Graduate Research Fellowship: \$25,000

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Graduate

Seminar on Violent Crime CRJ 520 (Online)

Seminar on Gangs and Crime CRJ 522 (Online)

Undergraduate

Violence in America CRJ 422 (Online)

Curriculum Development

Graduate

Seminar in Violence CRJ 520 (Online)

Undergraduate

Gangs and Crime CRJ 462 (Online)

Courses Assisted

Corrections (University of Rhode Island)

Advanced Criminological Theory (Online)

Neighborhoods and Crime (Online)

Sex Crimes (Online)

International Terrorism (Online)

Domestic Terrorism (Online)

Violence in America (Online)

Gangs (Online)

Force in Law Enforcement (Online)

Seminar in Criminal Justice (Masters Level Course, Online)

SERVICE

- 2018-Present: Graduate Student Representative, University Hearing Board, *Arizona State University*.
- 2017-Present: Mentor to M.S. Students, *Arizona State University*
- 2016-Present: Day of Service, *Arizona State University*
- 2019: Visiting Graduate Student Volunteer, *Arizona State University*
- 2019: Demystifying the Thesis Workshop, Presenter, *Arizona State University*
- 2018: Visiting Graduate Student Volunteer, *Arizona State University*
- 2018: Volunteer Assistant for RAND Corporation's Testing of Time-Use Application for Probation Officers, *Arizona State University, RAND & Pinal County Probation*
- 2017: Volunteer at Division of Corrections and Sentencing Outreach Table, *American Society of Criminology*
- 2017: Organizer for CV Workshop, *Arizona State University*
- 2014-2015: Facilitator, *Friend's Way (Child Bereavement Center)*
- 2015: Intern, *Groden Center (School for Children with Disabilities)*
- 2013: Intern, *Rhode Island Department of Corrections*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2018-Present: Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- 2017-Present: Homicide Research Working Group
- 2016-Present: American Society of Criminology