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Educational Background

Ph.D., Criminology, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC8/2014

Dissertation: *The backcloth of sexual assault: The consequences of contextual factors on sex crime outcomes*

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC): Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada

Graduate Scholarship; \$105,000 over three years (2010-2013)

President's Ph.D. Scholarship (interdepartmental); \$6,250 (2014)

Dr. E. A. Fattah Graduate Scholarship in Criminology; \$2,350 (2012-2013)

Graduate fellowships; \$6,250 each (2012, 2013)

C.D. Nelson Memorial Entrance Scholarship; \$18,000 (2010-2011)

Travel awards

Research assistantships (Centre for Research on Sexual Violence)

Teaching assistantships

M.A., Criminology, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC9/2010

Thesis: *Reactions to resistance: The role of contextual factors in sex offending*

Graduate fellowship; \$6,250 (2009)

Travel awards

Research assistantships

Teaching assistantships

B.A. with Highest Honours, Criminology and Criminal Justice, concentration in Psychology, minor in Biology,

Carleton University, Ottawa, ON 6/2008

Undergraduate Thesis: *Attitudes towards violence: An analysis of implicit and explicit cognitions*

Dean's List status 2004-2008; full academic scholarship; \$16,000 over four years (2004-2008)

Senate Medal for Outstanding Academic Achievement (2008)

Honours Award for Service (2008)

Pearson Education Forensic Psychology Thesis Award; \$400 (2008)

Honours diploma, Office Administration, Loyalist College, Belleville, ON6/2004

Graduated with Honours from North Hastings High School, Bancroft, ON.....6/2003

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Dierenfeldt, R. & Balemba, S. (2021). Male sexual victimization: Examining variation in the probability of weapon use and victim injury. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 36(11-12), NP5892-NP5920.

Balemba, S. & Beaugard, E. (2019). What leads victims to resist? Factors that influence victim resistance in sexual assaults. *Journal of Criminal Psychology*, 9(3), 122-137.

Wong, J. S. & Balemba, S. (2016). The effect of victim resistance on rape completion: A meta-analysis. *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse*, 19(3), 352-365.

Wong, J. S. & Balemba, S. (2016). Resisting during sexual assault: A meta-analysis of the effects on injury. *Aggression and Violent Behavior*, 28, 1-11.

Balemba, S., Beaugard, E., & Martineau, M. (2014). Getting away with murder: A thematic approach to solved and unsolved sexual homicides using crime scene factors. *Police Practice & Research: An International Journal*, 15(3), 221-233.

Balemba, S., & Beauregard, E. (2013). Where and when? Examining spatio-temporal aspects of sexual assault events. *Journal of Sexual Aggression, 19*(2), 171-190.

Balemba, S., Beauregard, E., & Mieczkowski, T. (2012). To resist or not to resist? The effect of context and crime characteristics on sex offenders' reaction to victim resistance. *Crime and Delinquency, 58*(4), 588-611.

Balemba, S., & Beauregard, E. (2012). Reactions to resistance: The role of contextual factors in sex offending. *Violence and Victims, 27*(2), 148-165.

Professional Grants and Awards

Montana University System TRAILS Open Educational Resources (OER) Grant - \$930 (2021)

Montana University System TRAILS Open Educational Resources (OER) Grant - \$3,720 (2020)

Culture of Respect Collective, Cohort 3, Rape Prevention Education (RPE) - \$10,000 (2019)

Presidential Summer Award, Office of Research and Engagement, University of North Georgia - \$10,000 (2016)
Proposal: *Is Orange the New Black? Predictors and consequences of prisonization among female inmates*

Professional Organization Memberships (Current)

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)

Conference Presentations

Balemba, S. (2023). Victim vulnerability: How disabilities affect likelihood, characteristics, and outcomes of sexual assault. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, National Harbor, MD.

Balemba, S. (2021). Victim vulnerability over a twelve-year period: How disabilities affect likelihood, characteristics, and outcomes of sexual assault. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.

Balemba, S. (2019). Victim vulnerability: How disabilities affect the likelihood, characteristics, and outcomes of sexual assault. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

Balemba, S. (2018). A case study of a serial sex offender: Examining fantasies and their effects on decision-making. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA.

Balemba, S. (2018). How fantasies affect decision-making: An examination of a serial sex offender. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA.

Balemba, S. & Hayes, T. (2017). Post-victimization use of services for victims of violent crime: A rural-urban comparison. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Kansas City, MO.

Balemba, S. & Hayes, T. (2015). Factors that affect violence victims' use of services across the rural/urban divide. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC.

Balemba, S. (2015). Fantasies and decision-making: A case study of a serial sex offender. *Criminal Justice Association of Georgia Annual Conference*, Morrow, GA.

Balemba, S., & Beauregard, E. (2015). What affects sexual assault outcomes? The impact of victim, offender, and situational factors. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Orlando, FL.

Balemba, S., & Beauregard, E. (2014). Outcomes of sexual assault: The effect of victim, offender, and situational factors on rape completion and victim injury. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

- Balembe, S., Beaugard, E., & Martineau, M. (2014). The one that got away: Offense typologies related to detection avoidance in sexual homicides. *Criminal Justice Association of Georgia Annual Conference*, Kennesaw, GA.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2013). Sexual assault as a criminal event: The relevance of victim, offender, and situational factors to the outcomes of sexual assault incidents. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA.
- Balembe, S., Beaugard, E., & Martineau, M. (2013). Getting away with murder: A thematic approach to detection avoidance in sexual homicides. *Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Annual Research and Treatment Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- Balembe, S., Beaugard, E., & Martineau, M. (2012). Detection avoidance: A thematic approach to solved and unsolved sexual homicides. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.
- Balembe, S., Beaugard, E., & Martineau, M. (2012). Avoiding detection in sexual homicide: A typological approach. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, New York, NY.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2011). Spatio-temporal components of sexual assaults: Where and when do crimes occur? *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2011). Where and when? Examining spatio-temporal aspects of sexual assault events. *Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Annual Research and Treatment Conference*, Toronto, ON.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2011). An examination of the spatio-temporal components of sexual assaults. *Think Again! Graduate Student Society Interdisciplinary Conference*, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2010). Reactions to resistance among sex offenders: Distinguishing rapists and child molesters. *Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Annual Research and Treatment Conference*, Phoenix, AZ.
- Beaugard, E., Balembe, S., & Mieczkowski, T. (2010). The effect of context and crime characteristics on sex offenders' reaction to victim resistance. *Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Annual Research and Treatment Conference*, Phoenix, AZ.
- Wong, J., Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2010). A meta-analysis on the effect of resistance on victim injury level during sexual crimes. *Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Annual Research and Treatment Conference*, Phoenix, AZ.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2010). Reactions to resistance: The role of contextual factors in sex offending. *Modelling of Complex Social Systems (MoCSSy) Graduate Student Seminar Series*, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC.
- Balembe, S., & Beaugard, E. (2009). To resist or not to resist: The effect of context and crime characteristics on sex offenders' reaction to victim resistance. *The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA.
- Nunes, K. L., Balembe, S., Staddon, M., Dupuis, M., Babchishin, K. M., Sewell, R., & Hermann, C. (2009). Implicit and explicit attitudes towards violence. *Canadian Psychological Association Annual Convention*, Montreal, PQ.

Instructor and Teaching Experience

Associate Professor of Criminal Justice (Tenured), Montana State University – Northern (MSUN); Fall, 2021 to present

- CJUS 494: CJ Seminar – Moral panics (online)
- CJUS 494: CJ Seminar – Sex Offenders (online)
- CJUS 492: Online Child Predation (in-person independent study)
- CJUS 427: Deviance & Social Control (multiple sections, lecture and online)

CJUS 356: Sociology of Violence (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 CJUS 335: Victimology (lecture and online)
 CJUS 236: Introduction to Research Methods (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 CJUS 125: Fundamentals of Forensic Science (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 PSYX 491: Psychology of Fear (online)
 PSYX 382: Forensic Psychology (online)
 SOCI 211: Introduction to Criminology (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 SOCI 101: Introduction to Sociology (multiple sections, lecture and online)

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, Montana State University – Northern (MSUN); Summer, 2016 to Summer, 2021

CJUS 494: CJ Seminar – Moral Panics (multiple sections, online)
 CJUS 494: CJ Seminar – Homicide (lecture)
 CJUS 491/494: Special Topics/CJ Seminar – Sex Offenders (multiple sections, online)
 CJUS 335: Victimology (online)
 CJUS 236: Introduction to Research Methods (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 CJUS 427: Deviance and Social Control (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 CJUS 125: Fundamentals of Forensic Science (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 CJUS 121: Introduction to Criminal Justice (online)
 SOCI 211: Introduction to Criminology (multiple sections, lecture and online)
 SOCI 101: Introduction to Sociology (multiple sections, lecture and online)

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, University of North Georgia (UNG); Fall, 2014 to Spring, 2016

CRJU 3002: Research Methods & Statistical Analysis in CJ (multiple sections each semester, lecture)
 CRJU 2004: Criminology (multiple sections each semester, lecture)
 CRJU 4590 OLA: Special Topics – Sex Offenders (online)

Sessional Instructor, Simon Fraser University (SFU); Fall, 2012 to Summer, 2014

CRIM 220: Research Methods in Criminology; Spring, 2014, Summer, 2014
 CRIM 316: Sexual Offenders and Sexual Offences; Fall, 2012, Spring, 2013

Guest Lecturer

“Typologies and Sexual Homicide”, CRIM 2251: Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour, Douglas College; March 25 & April 1, 2014
 “Sex Offenders 101”, “Typologies in Policing”, “ANOVA II and ANCOVA”; varied courses within School of Criminology, Simon Fraser University, 2010-2012

Teaching Assistant, Simon Fraser University (SFU); Fall, 2008 to Fall, 2013

CRIM 220: Research Methods in Criminology; Fall, 2013
 CRIM 316: Sexual Offenders and Sexual Offences; Fall, 2009, 2011, 2013
 CRIM 135: Introduction to Canadian Law and Legal Institutions; Summer, 2013
 CRIM 101s: Introduction to Criminology; Summer, 2012
 CRIM 251: Introduction to Policing; Spring, 2012
 CRIM 320: Quantitative Research Methods in Criminology; Spring, 2010
 CRIM 355: The Forensic Sciences; Spring, 2009
 CRIM 104: Sociological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour; Fall, 2008

Professional Development

“Montana Library Association Annual Conference”, MLA conference in Missoula, MT. Attended as a Havre-Hill County Library Board member and gained much information about best practices for library boards, issues facing local libraries across the state, and how libraries in correctional facilities benefit inmates. Aug 3-4, 2022

“QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training”, Learning how to question, persuade, and refer someone who may be suicidal, myths about suicide, and warning signs; February 5, 2021.

“NASPA Strategies conference”, NASPA: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education virtual conference. Gained valuable information regarding the prevention of sexual violence on college campuses as well as relevant Culture of Respect Collective (CORE) information and new mental health/substance use/violence prevention programs; January 12-15, 2021

“NASPA Strategies conference”, NASPA: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education conference in New Orleans, LA. Gained valuable information regarding the prevention of sexual violence on college campuses as well as implementation and effectiveness of the Culture of Respect Collective (CORE), which MSUN joined the previous year; January 15-18, 2020

“Empower Montana”, Leadership workshop that dealt with issues of inclusion/exclusion and how to build a climate of respect and inclusion on our campus; October 5, 2019.

“Sexual Violence Prevention”, Contractor Training regarding information on “Gen Z” students, assessing gaps in campus sexual misconduct policies, drafting preventions policies, and infusing prevention into policy; August 5-6, 2019.

“Safe Zone Training”, Training to increase knowledge and awareness of LGBTQ issues and become an ally on campus, for students in particular, provided by the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs
 Module 1 – “Awareness and Education”, completed January 8, 2018
 Module 2 – “Ally Development”, completed January 8, 2018
 Module 3 – “Heterosexism”, completed February 28, 2018

“NASPA Strategies conference”, NASPA: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education conference in Portland, OR. Gained valuable information regarding the prevention of sexual assault on campus as well as possible strategies for student retention, student safety, and grant opportunities; January 18-20, 2018

“Bringing in the Bystander – Training the Trainer”, Training to become a Bringing in the Bystander trainer, which is an initiative to reduce sexual assault on college campuses, focusing on bystander intervention, Regional Training, Topeka, KS; completed August 1, 2017

“Title IX Deputy”, Training to become Title IX faculty representative (investigates and addresses issues of sexual misconduct and harassment), delivered by Title IX Coordinator, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA; completed January, 2016

“FLOC: Facilitating Learning Online Certification”, Online training course to develop online teaching skills and increase effectiveness of distance learning, delivered online via Desire2Learn, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA; completed February 2, 2015

“FOI 101” Freedom of Information Workshop, delivered by the BC Freedom of Information and Privacy Association (FIPA) and The Law Foundation of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC; July 25, 2013.

“Assessing Risk for Sexual Violence Using the RSVP and SVR-20” Essential Skills Workshop, delivered by Proactive Resolutions, Vancouver, BC; April 14-15, 2010.

“Assessing Psychopathic Personality Disorder Using the PCL-R and PCL: SV” Essential Skills Workshop, delivered by Proactive Resolutions, Vancouver, BC; April 12-13, 2010.

Employment and Volunteer Experience

Associate Professor (Tenured), Department of Criminal Justice, Montana State University – Northern, Havre, MT
 – 8/21 to present

Similar duties to Assistant Professor (below), with the addition of a greater variety of courses (e.g., Sociology of Violence, Psychology of Fear, Forensic Science, Forensic Psychology) and increased service involvement; highest ranking member of CJ department

Community Theatre Actor, Montana Actors Theatre, Havre, MT – 9/21 to present

Soccer Head Coach Volunteer, Havre Youth Soccer Association, Havre, MT – 8/22 to 9/22

Assistant Professor, Department of Criminal Justice, Montana State University – Northern, Havre, MT – 7/16 to 8/21

Regularly teach deviance & social control, criminological theory, and sociology (general education) courses, plus other related courses; includes face-to-face (F2F) and fully online courses; multiple lectures for F2F classes each week, six office hours per week, and all paper, assignment, and exam creation and grading; academic advising duties as well as departmental and university - level service; scholarship and publication requirements; departmental duties include making program/curriculum amendments as well as providing assessment data for the CJ department

Rape Prevention Education Grant Coordinator and Culture of Respect Team Lead – MSU-Northern, Havre, MT – 3/18 to 1/22

Lead our campus sexual violence prevention efforts; contracted on grant funding from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services; has included campus speakers, trainings, events, and campaigns, bystander intervention training, monthly reporting, contract amendments, and annual contractor training; since 1/19, includes participation in the Culture of Respect Collective, which focuses on large-scale organizational/policy changes to end campus sexual violence

Assistant Professor, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA – 8/14 to 5/16

Taught research methods/statistics and criminological theory courses; multiple lectures for each section of each class per week, six office hours per week, and all paper, assignment, and exam creation and grading; academic advising duties as well as departmental and university-level service; scholarship and publication requirements

Research Assistant/Affiliated Researcher, Centre for Research on Sexual Violence, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC – 5/09 to 12/21

Conduct analyses and complete subsequent empirical papers; collected data for ongoing studies, including home visits, child assessments, and observation of parental discourse; involved in multiple projects, including one longitudinal study

Sessional Instructor, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC – 9/12 to 8/14

Taught courses on sexual offenders and sexual offences and research methods; created and delivered lectures each week, ran weekly tutorials, and created and distributed syllabi, reading lists, research assignments, and exams

Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA) Volunteer/Circle Leader, Vancouver, BC – 2/09 to 7/14

Trained to join/lead a circle to help a released sex offender (core member) successfully reintegrate into society; main goal is to prevent recidivism; weekly meetings with core member and intervention on an as -needed basis

Graduate Student Society (GSS) Representative, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC – 9/09 to 7/14

Elected to represent Criminology Graduate Student Caucus; monthly meetings, annual general meetings, and bi-weekly committee meetings; served on Executive Committee for one year, Governance Committee for two years

Small Animal Rescue Society Volunteer, Aldergrove, BC – 2/12 to 7/14

Teaching Assistant, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC – 9/08 to 12/13

Taught tutorials for quantitative methods, criminology theory, sex offender research, policing, law, and forensic science undergraduate courses; graded papers and exams; guest lectures

Kickboxing Instructor, Sport Kickboxing Academies, Burnaby, BC – 9/12 to 5/13

Program Assistant, Shad Valley Enrichment Program, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON – 5/08 to 7/08

Student, Brockville Psychiatric Hospital – Secure Treatment Unit, Brockville, ON – 9/06 to 4/07

Criminology Field Placement through Carleton University

ESL (English as a Second Language) Instructor, Fujian Fly Dragon Chinese and English School, Fuqing, Fujian, China – 5/06 to 9/06

Officer Cadet, Canadian Forces, St. Jean Garrison, St. Jean, PQ – 7/03 to 9/03