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APPOINTMENTS

8/2025– 5/2026 **Postdoctoral Teaching Associate in the School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Northeastern University (NU SCCJ)**

EDUCATION

8/2025 **Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology & Justice Policy, Northeastern University**
Dissertation: *Exploring Entanglements: A Multi-Method Network Perspective on Intimate Partner Violence and Drug Use Among Sexual Minority Men*
Committee: Drs. Carlos Cuevas (Chair), Cassie McMillan & Xavier Guadalupe-Díaz

4/2019 **Master of Science in Criminology & Criminal Justice, Northeastern University**

5/2018 **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice & Psychology, Bridgewater State University**
Minor: History
Honors Thesis: *Cruel and Unusual: A Legal Analysis of Solitary Confinement and the Eighth Amendment*
Advisor: Dr. Jamie L. Huff

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Craig, B. M. (2025). Understanding anti-trans sanctuary harm in domestic violence services: The role of polyvictimization and biographical factors. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 0(0). <https://doi-org.ezproxy.neu.edu/10.1177/08862605251333431>

Drakulich, K., & **Craig, B. M.** (2024). How intersectional threat shapes views of gun policy: The John Wayne solution. *Social Problems*, 71(2), 531-552. <https://doi-org.ezproxy.neu.edu/10.1093/socpro/spac017>

McMillan, C., **Craig, B.**, la Roi, C., & Veenstra, R. (2023). Adolescent friendship, cross-sexuality ties, and attitudes toward sexual minorities: A social network approach to intergroup contact. *Social Science Research*, 114, 102916. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2023.102916>

MANUSCRIPTS

IN PREPARATION

Craig, B. *Network perspectives on intimate partner violence among sexual minority men: A systematic review.* (Dissertation paper; target journal is *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse*).

Craig, B. *Examining patterns of violence-affected intimate partnerships among sexual minority men: An application of egocentric ERGMs* (Dissertation paper).

Craig, B. *Drug use with sex partners among sexual minority men: Assessing the role of intimate partner violence through egocentric ERGMs.* (Dissertation paper).

Gerdes, M.B., **Craig, B.**, & Drakulich, K. Police interactions and comfort with police help-seeking among transgender Americans. (Target journal is *Criminology*).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

5/2024– 8/2024 *Associated Press/USA Today/NU Mass Killing Database*, Research Assistant
PI: Dr. James Alan Fox
NU School of Criminology & Criminal Justice (SCCJ)

1/2023– 8/2023 *Digital Transgender Archive*, Lab Coordinator & Research Assistant

	PI: Dr. K.J. Rawson NULab for Texts, Maps, and Networks, Northeastern University Funding: Council on Library and Information Resources
5/2021– 8/2022	Research Assistant PI: Dr. Cassie McMillan NU SCCJ Funding: NULab Seedling Grant
3/2020– 8/2020	<i>Developing New Tools to Fight the Opioid Epidemic</i> , Research Assistant PIs: Dr. Anthony Braga; Dr. Greg Zimmerman NU SCCJ Funding: Arnold Ventures
9/2019– 3/2020	<i>Forming Better Police-Community Connections: Procedural Justice</i> , Research Assistant PI: Dr. Anthony Braga NU SCCJ Funding: Arnold Ventures
9/2019– 12/2019	Research Assistant PI: Dr. Kevin Drakulich NU SCCJ
9/2018– 8/2019	Research Assistant PI: Dr. Shytierra Gaston NU SCCJ
10/2016– 5/2018	Research Assistant PI: Dr. Janessa Carvalho Neuropsychology Research Lab, Bridgewater State University

PRESENTATIONS

- Craig, B.** (2025). *Mapping Syndemics in Sexual Networks: Exploring Intimate Partner Violence and Drug Use Among Queer Men*. Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Craig, B.** (2025). Paper Session Discussant for *New Applications of Social Network Analysis*. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Craig, B.** (2024). *Intimate Partner Victimization and Drug Use in Queer Men’s Sexual Networks: Applying Exponential Random Graph Models (ERGMs)*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. (Thematic Panel Chair)
- Craig, B.** (2024). *Black Gender Expression, Criminalization, and Survival in the 19th Century: A Case Study of Historical News Narratives*. Paper presented at the Legacy of W.E.B. Du Bois: Crossing Boundaries for Social Justice Conference, Brown University, Providence, RI.
- Craig, B.** (2023). *“Battered but Not Broken”: Intimate Partner Violence and Help-seeking in The Real Housewives of Atlanta*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Gerdes, M., **Craig, B.**, and Drakulich, K. (2022). *Police Interactions and Comfort with Police Help-Seeking Among Transgender Americans*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- McMillan, C., **Craig, B.**, la Roi, C., and Veenstra, R. (2022). *Adolescent Friendship, Cross-Sexuality Ties, and Attitudes Toward Sexual Minorities: A Social Network Perspective of Intergroup Contact*. Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.
- McMillan, C., **Craig, B.**, la Roi, C., and Veenstra, R. (2022). *Adolescent Friendship, Cross-Sexuality Ties, and Attitudes Toward Sexual Minorities: A Social Network Perspective of Intergroup Contact*. Paper presented virtually at the INSNA Sunbelt Social Networks Conference, Cairns, Australia.

- Craig, B.** (2018). *Cruel and Unusual: A Legal Analysis of Solitary Confinement and the Eighth Amendment*. Honors thesis poster presented at the National Conference of Undergraduate Research, Oklahoma City, OK. (Dr. Jamie L. Huff, Mentor).
- Craig, B.** (2018). *Cruel and Unusual: A Legal Analysis of Solitary Confinement and the Eighth Amendment*. Honors thesis poster at the Statewide Undergraduate Research Conference, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA. (Dr. Jamie L. Huff, Mentor).
- Craig, B.** (2018). *Fatal Opioid Overdoses in Barnstable County: Solution Memo and Framework for Evaluation*. Honors project poster presented at the BSU Student Arts and Research Symposium, Bridgewater, MA. (Dr. Mia Ortiz, Mentor).
- Craig, B.** (2017). *Prescription Painkiller Use and Self-rated Pain Tolerance*. Poster presented at the Statewide Undergraduate Research Conference. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA. (Mentor: Janessa Carvalho, PhD).

MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Kuzub, A. (2023). Inside look at the lives of two transgender icons in a new Northeastern digital collection. *Northeastern Global News Magazine*. <https://news.northeastern.edu/2023/06/21/magazine/inside-look-at-the-lives-of-two-transgender-icons-in-a-new-northeastern-digital-collection>

AWARDS

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| Fall 2024 | Nomination: Northeastern University Outstanding Graduate Student Award in Humanics |
| Spring 2018 | Northeastern University Excellence Award (Diversity Fellowship) |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| Fall 2025 | CRIM/WMNS 3110: Gender, Crime & Justice, Instructor of Record
NU SCCJ (cross-listed in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies) |
| | CRIM/AFCS 3120: Race, Crime & Justice, Instructor of Record
NU SCCJ (cross-listed in Africana Studies) |
| | CRIM 3600: Criminal Justice Research Methods (online), Instructor of Record
NU SCCJ |
| Summer I 2025 | CRIM 3010: Criminal Violence (online), Instructor of Record , NU SCCJ |
| Spring 2025 | CRIM 1700: Crime, Media & Politics, Instructor of Record , NU SCCJ |
| Fall 2024 | CRIM 1700: Crime, Media & Politics, Instructor of Record , NU SCCJ |
| Fall 2023 | CRIM 1700: Crime, Media & Politics, Instructor of Record , NU SCCJ |
| Spring 2023 | CRIM 3010: Criminal Violence, Guest Lecturer ("Victimization"), NU SCCJ
Dr. Madison Gerdes |
| Fall 2022 | CRIM 6202: Criminal Justice Process (graduate, online), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ
Dr. Amy Farrell |
| Fall 2022 | CRIM 6202: Criminal Justice Process (graduate), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ
Dr. Chris Bruell |
| Spring 2022 | INSH 5304: Social Network Analysis (graduate), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ
Dr. Cassie McMillan |
| Fall 2021 | CRIM 5900: Youth Crime & Networks (graduate), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ
Dr. Cassie McMillan |
| Spring 2021 | CRIM 4020: Race, Crime & Justice, Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ
Dr. Ramiro Martinez |
| Spring 2021 | CRIM 7202: Criminal Justice Process (graduate, online), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ |

	Prof. Krista Larsen, Esq.
Fall 2020	CRIM 7202: Criminal Justice Process (graduate, online), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ Dr. Natasha Frost
Fall 2019	CRIM 4949: Senior Capstone Seminar, Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ Dr. Simon Singer
Fall 2019	CRIM 7200: Criminology (graduate), Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ Dr. Simon Singer
Spring 2019	CRIM 4020: Race, Crime & Justice, Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ Dr. Shytierra Gaston
Fall 2018	CRIM 4020: Race, Crime & Justice, Teaching Assistant , NU SCCJ Dr. Shytierra Gaston

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2024–	American Sociological Association - Sections: (1) Crime, Law, and Deviance; (2) Decision-Making, Social Networks, and Society; (3) Mathematical Sociology; (4) Sociology of Sex and Gender
2022–	American Society of Criminology - Divisions: (1) Queer Criminology; (2) Victimology
2017–	Psi Chi International Honor Society in Psychology

REFERENCES

Dr. Carlos Cuevas (Dissertation Committee Chair)

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