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**EDUCATION**

**University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL**  
PhD student in Criminal Justice  
Dissertation Chair: Dennis Rosenbaum

**Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL**  
MA in Criminal Justice, May 2000

- Merit Scholarship Recipient
- Thesis: *Attitudes and Practice: Healthcare Practitioners and Mandatory Reporting* (Examined physicians' knowledge and practice surrounding domestic violence)
- Graduate Scholars Program in Women's Studies

**Northwestern University, Evanston, IL**  
BA in Psychology, June 1997

**RESEARCH & EVALUATION EXPERIENCE**

**Research Programs Coordinator**

*Center for Research in Law and Criminal Justice*, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL,  
January 2004 – present

- Drafted an innovative new measurement tool being tested on the web to better connect citizen/community and police.
- Collaborate with and advise the citizen web-based survey group with pilot testing.
- Perform a process evaluation of a Chicago Police Department-wide initiative to integrate the departmental data and better link community and police.

**Research Specialist/ Data Analyst**

*Chicago Project for Violence Prevention*, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL, July 2000 – present

- Analyze and synthesize survey and crime data using SPSS, ArcView GIS, and Excel.
- Design survey instruments and create measures for outreach and community activity tracking.
- Interact with and assist community-based organizations with gathering and understanding pertinent data.
- Facilitate the development of an outreach personnel web-based client tracking system.
- Oversee and coordinate research assistants' projects.
- Present and discuss evaluation updates and findings with community partners, steering committee members, and board members.
- Disseminate information about the Project's progress via conferences and papers.

- Draft progress reports for funders.
- Assist the grant writing staff with requests for proposals.

### Research Assistantships

*Sex offender probation study*, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL, March 2000 – June 2000

- Summarize the content of convicted sex offenders' probation case files in three Illinois counties for analysis and comparison.

*Emergency department evaluation*, Northwestern University Memorial Hospital, Chicago, IL, August 1999 – May 2000

- Reviewed and coded medical records of women admitted to a hospital emergency department. Analyzed and presented a subset of the data collected in Master's thesis.

*Judicial Misconduct Study*, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL, October 1998 – July 1999

- Interviewed participating U.S. states' judicial regulating offices of in a judicial misconduct and sanction study. Processed all pertinent misconduct data using SPSS for analysis.

*Illinois Academy of Criminology*, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL, September 1998 – May 1999

- Performed archival literature research for the fiftieth anniversary of the Illinois Academy of Criminology publication.

### Needs Assessment Coordinator

*Great Lakes Technology Transfer Center (GLATTC)*, Chicago, IL, June 1999 – November 1999

- Coordinated and conducted field interviews with key informants in the substance abuse field. Summarized interviews for the authors' of the final report.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Research Methods 261**, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL Fall Semester 2003

- Introduced qualitative and quantitative research methods through applied examples and demonstrations of research methods in action. Taught criminal justice research issues and general research methodology.

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

**Stephens, C.** *Community-based Violence Prevention: Increasing the role of Faith Leaders in Violence Prevention.* Paper presented at the Illinois Public Health Association Conference, Springfield, IL, April 2003.

Skogan, W., Steiner, L., Hartnett, S.M., Dubois, J., Bennis, J., Rottinghaus, B., Van, K., Kim, S.K., Rosenbaum, D.P., **Stephens, C.** et al. *Community Policing in Chicago, Years Eight and Nine; An Evaluation of Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) and Information Technology*

*Initiative*. Paper published by the Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, December 2002.

**Stephens, C.**, Shipinski, S., & Ring, M. *Visualizing Life Course Trajectories: Disruptive Beginnings: 'Stanley' (The Jack-Roller), Charles Manson, and Willie Bosket*. Paper presented at the annual American Society of Criminology meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2002.

Quintana, E. & **Stephens, C.** *Using Evaluation to Enhance Violence Prevention Efforts in Chicago*. Paper presented at the annual Homicide Research Working Group, St. Louis, MO, May 2002.

Struckhoff, D. with **Stephens, C.** et al. *Annual Editions: Juvenile Delinquency 2000/2001*, Executed literature and periodical searches to obtain a variety of juvenile delinquency articles for the publication.

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

### Volunteer

*Chicago Abused Women's Coalition*, Chicago, IL, February 1999 – September 2002

- Completed 40-hour domestic violence education and intervention training. Gave emotional and administrative support to women and children living in the shelter. Coordinated children's activities.

### Peer Educator

*Sexual Assault Peer Educator*, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, September 1996 – June 1997

- Completed 25-hour sexual assault training and facilitated discussions with new students.