

# Sarah R. Lazzari

---

## Professional Address and Contact Information

Heidelberg University  
Psychology & Criminology Department  
Aigler Building  
310 E. Market St.  
Tiffin, OH 44883

Office Phone: (419) 448-2897

Email: [slazzari@heidelberg.edu](mailto:slazzari@heidelberg.edu)

---

## Education

Ph.D.	Portland State University (Social Work and Social Research), 2019 <i>Dissertation Title:</i> Support From Inside Out: Exploring Whether Various Social Supports Assist in Reducing Prison Rule Violations
M.S.	Portland State University (Criminology and Criminal Justice), 2012
B.A.	University of Washington (Independent Arts and Sciences; Criminal Justice), 2010

## Academic Appointments

2019-Present	Assistant Professor Heidelberg University, Criminology and Sociology
2014-2016	Adjunct Faculty Portland State University, School of Social Work and Criminology and Criminal Justice
2014-2015	Adjunct Faculty Washington State University, Criminal Justice

## Teaching Experience

### Heidelberg University

Across Campus	Aim Hei: Advise, Inspire, & Mentor
Criminology Courses	Research Methods Intro to Criminology and Criminal Justice Intro to Criminal Justice Corrections Juvenile Justice

	Victimology
	Independent Studies:
	<i>A Test of Social Disorganization Theory: Does Neighborhood Conflict Lead to Poor School Outcomes for Juveniles?</i> (Fall 2020), 2021 Hammel Award first place winner.
	<i>Impact of Covid-19 on the Loneliness of Collegiate Athletes</i> (Fall 2020), 2021 Hammel Award Finalist
	<i>Perceptions of Police</i> (Fall 2020)
Sociology Courses	Introduction to Sociology
	Sociology of Deviance
	Special Topic: Ethical Leadership in Criminal Justice
	Special Topic: Death Penalty
	Contemporary U.S. Social Issues
Guest Lectures	School of Education- <i>Secondary Prisonization: Dialogue with future teachers about working with students whose parents are incarcerated</i>
<u>Portland State University</u>	
School of Social Work (graduate)	Research Methods for Social Work
	Data Analysis in Social Work Research
Guest Lectures in School of Social Work	Research Methods for Social Work Advance Standing Students
	Chi-Square and Correlations
Crim & CJ Courses	Ethical Leadership in Criminal Justice
	TA: Careers in Crime
	TA: Crime Myths
	TA: Theories of Crime and Justice
<u>Washington State University</u>	
CJ Courses	Corrections

## Research Experience

2021-ongoing

Primary Investigator: *Covid-19, Quarantines, and Incarceration: Exploring the Resiliency of Individuals and Families Who Have Experienced Incarceration*. Collection of new data and also supervising one graduate student and three undergraduate students. We have submitted our work for publication.

2014-2015

Primary Investigator: Developed survey and focus group protocol for Key Performance Measure for Oregon Department of Corrections. The identified customer are Visitors. I will be surveying individuals who visit Adults in Custody throughout all 14 Institutions throughout the state of Oregon (Summer of 2015).  
Primary Investigator: Developed focus group protocols, trained facilitators, and worked with communities in developing recommendations for the Governor's

Reentry Council. Insights around how and individual's Families, Communities, and Support Networks are impacted by periods of incarceration. Presented findings to the Governor's Reentry Council on June 4, 2015.

2012-2014

*Primary-Investigator: "Through a Child's Eyes: Encouraging Positive Behavior among Inmate Mothers through a Special Child Visitation Event."* Data was collected for the first time, examining the impacts of special visitation events at Oregon's women's prison.

*Graduate Research Assistant/Project Supervisor:* Regional Research Institute-Portland State University. The My Life Project; Primary Investigator: Sarah Geenen.

2012-2103

*Research Assistant:* Oregon Correctional Enterprises Assessment Team. A team from PSU evaluated business practices and effects on recidivism for inmates involved.

2011-2013

*Intern Research Assistant,* Oregon Social Learning Center, Project Home  
*Co-Investigator: "Prison and Re-entry Volunteers: An Overlooked, Creative, and Cost Effective Source of Human Capital for Desistance."* Examining data from Oregon Department of Corrections.

*Research Assistant:* Dissertation research: *"The effects of stigma on probationers/parolees."*

2010-2012

*Graduate Research Assistant:* The Hatfield School of Government, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Portland State University

## Service

### Heidelberg University

University	10/28/21	Guest Lecture in EDU 346: Adv Conc/Research Methods; Lecture about the IRB and what reviewers consider when making decisions about research proposals
	10/26/21	Guest Lecture: EIS 320: Family and Social Systems; Lecture about the impact of parental incarceration
	2021-Present	Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Presidential Committee
	September 14, 2021	Facilitator: Hype Session—Careers in Criminal Justice
	Fall 2021	Co-Facilitator of Series of Faculty Development Workshops: Inclusive Classroom Practices. Three sessions Throughout Fall 2021
	Fall 2021-Present	Chair, Institutional Review Board
	2021-2022	Winner of Flatworld Textbook Scholarship. I won free textbooks for all students in my Introduction to Sociology courses for the 2021-2022 school year.

	4/13/21	Facilitator, Student Research Conference
	4/8/21	Facilitator of Panel Session. Careers in Criminal Justice
	3/25/21	Facilitator, Hype Day Session. Crossroads: Examining Intersecting Oppressions—Race, Gender, and Class
	2/23/21	Facilitator, Hype Day Session. Communication with Outside Agencies. Discussion with Michigan Justice Advocacy
	2/23/21	Facilitator, Hype Day Session. Overcoming Implicit Bias
CRM Department	2021-Present	Member, Coordinated Community Response Team
	2020-Fall 2021	Member, Institutional Review Board
	2020-2021	Member, Shared Communication Committee
	2020-Present	Faculty Marshall, Events and Planning Committee
	Fall 2020	Facilitator, Showing up for Racial Justice Dialogues
Community	2019-Present	Advisor, Alpha Phi Sigma (Honorary Society)
		Advisor, Writers in Residence
		Coordinator, Criminology Internships
	3/4/21	Panelist, Lourdes University Career Talk
	March 2021	Donation Drive for Seneca County youth Detention Center. The CJ Honorary specifically focused on addressing the personal hygiene needs of youth of color.
	2021-Present	Board Member, Sisters in Shelter
	2020-Present	Member, Nonviolent Tiffin
<u>Portland State University</u>		
University	2012-2013	Member, Faculty Search Committee
	Spring 2013	Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee
State	2011-2012	Intern, Oregon Department of Corrections
	2013-2014	Volunteer, Oregon Department of Corrections, Facilitator of Insight Development Group
	2012-2013	Committee Member: Multnomah County Family Engagement Team
	2011-2013	Volunteer, Oregon Department of Corrections, Family Visitation Events at multiple prisons

## Professional Experience

2014-2015	Chair, Oregon Department of Corrections Research Committee
2014-2015	Research Analyst 3, Oregon Department of Corrections
2012-2014	Lead Facilitator, Parenting Inside Out and Pathfinders (CBT)

## Published Scholarly Works

**Lazzari, S.R.** (2019). Support from inside out: Exploring whether various social supports assist in reducing prison rule violations. *Dissertations and Theses*. Paper 5335.

<https://doi.org/10.15760/etd.7208>

**Lazzari, S.R.** (2012). The influence of parental gender on the type of communication between incarcerated parents and their children. Retrieved from ETDS Dissertations and Theses:

[http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/open\\_access\\_etds/805](http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/open_access_etds/805)

**Lazzari, S.R.,** Miller, K.M., Lee, J. (2019). Opening the “Black Box”:

Exploring an enhanced visitation event at a women’s prison. *Journal of Social Service Research*.

Miller, K.M., Eddy, M.E., Borja, S., & **Lazzari, S.R.** (2017). Variations in the life histories of incarcerated parents by race and ethnicity. *Smith College Studies in Social Work*, 87, 59-77.

## Film Reviews

**Lazzari, S.R.** (forthcoming). Tre Maison Dasan [Review of the media *Tre Maison Dasan* by Denalli

Tiller, Passion River Films, Documentary]. *Tre Maison, Dasan*, 2020.

## Oregon Department of Corrections Publications

**Lazzari, S.R.** (2015). *Snake River Correctional Institution’s Kids’ Camp: Providing opportunities for adults in custody to be fathers*.

## Selected Presentations

Lazzari, S.R., Franz, B., Wright, Hawk, A., & McWeeney, S. (March 2022-frothcoming). *Covid-*

- 19, Quarantines, and Incarceration: Exploring the Resiliency of Individuals and Families Who Have Experienced Incarceration.* Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences National Conference, Las Vegas, NV. Original Research Presentation.
- Leotti, S., & **Lazzari, S.R.** (June 16, 2021). *Anti-oppressive practice behind bars? Rethinking social work with criminalized populations.* National Organization of Forensic Social Work (60 Minute Round-table Discussion).
- Lazzari, S.R.** (May 17, 2021). Parenting Behind Bars. A 90 minute telehealth webinar workshop with women incarcerated in New Mexico Department of Corrections.
- Lazzari, S.R.** (February 23, 2021). Implicit Bias. Heidelberg University's Hype Day. Fifty Minute Presentation for Students, Faculty, and Staff.
- Lazzari, S.R.** (February 23, 2021). Michigan Justice Advocacy: Collaborations between Universities and Community Partners. Fifty Minute Presentation for Students, Faculty, and Staff.
- Kim-Appel, D., Henry, D., & **Lazzari, S.R.** (February 5, 2021). Post 2020 classroom. Heidelberg University's Faculty Research Symposium. Thirty Minute Round-Table Discussion.
- Lazzari, S.R.**, McWeeney, S., Hawk, A., Wright, K., & Franz, B. (February 3, 2021). Conducting Research with Students & Initial Results: Exploring the Resiliency of Those Who Have Experienced Incarceration. Heidelberg University's Faculty Research Symposium. Thirty Minute Research Presentation.
- Lazzari, S.R.** (November 5, 2020). Utilizing Google Slides for In Class Activities. Heidelberg University's 2020 Tech Slam. Ten Minute Zoom Presentation.
- Lazzari, S.R.** (chosen to present on June 19, 2020, but was cancelled—COVID; plan to present

in 2021). “Connections Behind and Beyond Prison Walls: The Influence of Social Supports on Prison Rule Violations.” National Organization of Forensic Social Work (60 minute research presentation).

Leotti, S., & **Lazzari, S.R.** (chosen for a roundtable on June 18, 2020, but was cancelled—COVID; plan to present in 2021). “Anti-oppressive practice Behind Bars? Rethinking Social Work with Criminalized Populations.” National Organization of Forensic Social Work (60 Minute Round-Table Discussion).

**Lazzari, S.R.** (March 27, 2019). “The Role of Incarcerated Mothers as Primary Caregivers and the Challenges Communities and Families Face Resulting from Mass Incarceration and Undue Criminalization.” Coalition for the Children of the Incarcerated, University of Washington Tacoma. Was going to be a twenty-minute presentation, with two other presenters. Co-presenters canceled, on the day of the conference. I presented for an hour.

Lloyd, C.D., **Lazzari, S.R.**, & Serin, R.C. (2015, March). “What makes an affective agent of change? Correctional volunteers’ perceptions of training programs describing evidence-based risk and strength approaches. American Psychology—Law Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA Poster Presentation on March 18, 2015.

Miller, K.M., & **Lazzari, S.R.** (2014, March). “Intersection between child welfare and criminal justice systems in mental health, academic achievement, and quality of life outcomes for children of color.” Society for Research on Adolescence Annual Meeting, Austin, TX Paper Presentation on March 22, 2014.

**Lazzari, S.R.**, Vanderhoff, R., & Salisbury, E.J. (2013). “Through a Child’s Eyes: Encouraging Positive Behavior Among Inmate mothers Through a Special Child Visitation Event.” Policy Presentation to Executive Committee, Oregon Department of Corrections.

O'Connor, T., Lehr, J.M.E., **Lazzari, S.R.**, & Duncan, J. (2011, November). "Prison and Re-Entry Volunteers: An Overlooked, Creative, and Cost Effective Source of Human Capital for Desistance." 2011 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. Paper Presentation on November 17, 2011.

O'Connor T., Duncan, J., **Lazzari, S.R.**, & Lehr, J.M.E. (2011, October). "Prisoners, Chaplains, and Volunteers in Oregon: Diverse and Widespread Human, Social, and Spiritual Capital for Desistance." 2011 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. Paper Presentation November 18, 2011.

## Trainings Conducted

### Heidelberg University

University	September 14, 2021	Navigating HU's IRB—Students
	August 12, 2021	Navigating HU's IRB—Faculty & Students
	January 28, 2021	Navigating HU's IRB—Faculty & Students
	November 5, 2020	Tech Slam: <i>How to utilize Google Slides in Creating Engaging Online Class Activities.</i>

### Portland State University

State	September 13, 2014	Governor's Reentry Council Project: <i>How To Run/Facilitate Focus Groups</i>
	June 18, 2012	Oregon Department of Corrections: <i>Home for Good in Oregon Mentor Program Interview Training</i> at Columbia River Correctional Institution.

## Trainings Attended

### Heidelberg University

University	11/30/20-12/4/20	International Teaching and Learning Cooperative, Online Conference.
	June 2020	Learning Online Teaching and Learning (five week course)
Community	July 15, 2019	Operation Street-smart, Franklyn County Sherriff's Office
National	May 5, 2021	Disrupting Whiteness: Talking with the White People in Our Lives (webinar)



	February 17, 2021	Black Minds Matter: Addressing Disproportionate School Suspensions of Black Children and Youth (webinar)
<u>Portland State University</u>		
State	June 2012	Oregon Department of Corrections: Oregon State Penitentiary Access Training Oregon Department of Corrections: Oregon State Penitentiary Contractor Training.

## **Funding**

Summer '21	Heidelberg University Student/Faculty Summer Research Program: \$5,500 awarded for summer research. Funding supports faculty and students.
Spring '21	National Criminal Justice Honorary Society, Alpha Phi Sigma <u>Chapter Grant</u> : \$250 Awarded to Chapters that are actively pursuing community engagement projects.

## **Awards**

2021	Nominated as the Best Advisor for a Campus Group
2015	Portland State University's <u>Dean's Community Engagement Award</u> : For outstanding collaborating with outside community agencies
2013	Portland State University's <u>Dean's Community Engagement Award</u> : For outstanding collaborating with outside community agencies.

## **Fellowships**

2017-2018	2018 Portland State University's School of Social Work Shireman Doctoral Fellowship
-----------	---