

DANIEL ABAD

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

PhD	Criminal Justice – Michigan State University	2016 - Present
MCJ	Criminal Justice – Boston University	2014 - 2016
BS	Business Administration – Bryant University Concentration: Finance, Minor: Psychology Cum Laude	2008 - 2012

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Interests include youth based violence and victimization, school safety, juvenile justice, interpersonal violence and relationships, peer dynamics, criminal justice policy, mixed methods research, social network analysis (SNA).

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

1. **Abad, D.**; Almanza, M.; Melde, C.; Cobbina, J.; & Heinze, J. A Modified Approach to In-School Victimization, Authoritative School Climate, and Student Feelings of Safety. *Journal of Crime and Justice*. Accepted July 31, 2020.
2. Li, C.; Almanza, M.; **Abad, D.**; & Melde, C. Are Different Explanations Necessary to Explain Low and High Rate Adolescent Weapon Carrying? *Victims & Offenders*. Accepted July 19, 2020.

Book Chapters

1. Galasso, M.; **Abad, D.**; Almanza, M.; Melde, C.; Cobbina, J.; & Heinze, J. (2020). Youth Perspectives on Gangs, Violence, and Social Media in a High Crime City. In C. Melde & F. Weerman, *Gangs in the Era of Internet and Social Media*. (pp. 135-153). Springer Nature Switzerland AG

Manuscripts in Preparation

1. Cunningham, M.; Cobbina, J.; Melde, C.; **Abad, D.**; Almanza, M.; Goldstick, J.; Zimmerman, M.; & Heinze, J. Attitudes towards police and weapon carrying among adolescents.
2. Melde, C.; **Abad, D.**; Galasso, M.; Almanza, M.; Cobbina, J.; & Henize, J. Students' Perceptions of School Safety and the Transition to High School: Is there a Honeymoon Effect?
3. **Abad, D.** The Effect of Underage Internal Possession Laws: A Matched Pair Examination.

Reports

1. Melde, C.; Henize, J.; Cobbina, J.; Cunningham, M.; **Abad, D.**; & Almanza, M. (2017) "Safe School Transitions Project: Fall 2017 Report to Schools. Perceptions and Attitudes about School, Crime, and Violence among 5th through 7th Grade Students in the Flint Community School District." Michigan State University School of Criminal Justice.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2016 – Present **Research Assistant, Michigan State University – Dr. Chris Melde**
Projects:
- ***Safe School Transitions Project (SSTP)***: administered student surveys, conducted in-person student interviews, managed research team schedules for school visits, data entry/management, report writing, and community presentations.
NIJ Award No. 2015-CK-BX-0003
 - ***Understanding School Climate Project***: survey design, managed relationships with school district partners, data entry/management, in charge of graduate & undergraduate student entry team (i.e. scheduling, questions, etc.), progress reports and other updates.
 - ***National Center for School Safety***: literature review and annotated bibliography, online training video content, and group meetings.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2020

Michigan State University

Online*, undergraduate instructor for *CJ 292 – Methods of Criminal Justice Research*

*Course was supposed to be in-person (Covid-19)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 **Abad, D.**; Melde, C.; Almanza, M.; Galasso, M.; Cobbina, J.; & Heinze, J. The Role of Friends of Feelings of Safety during School Transitions. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Galasso, M.; **Abad, D.**; & Almanza, M. Inner-City Youths on Gangs, Violence, and Social Media. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 **Abad, D.** The Effect of Underage Internal Possession Laws: A Matched Pair Examination. Midwestern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL.
- 2018 **Abad, D.**; Galasso, M.; Almanza, M.; Cunningham, M.; Cobbina, J.; Heinze, J.; & Melde, C. Students' Perception of School Safety and the Transition to High School: Is there a honeymoon effect? – A qualitative analysis. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA.
- 2018 Melde, C.; **Abad, D.**; & Almanza, M. On the ir(rational) choice to join a gang: Lessons from decision sciences. Eurogang Program of Research Meeting, hosted by Erasmus University, Almen, The Netherlands.
- 2018 **Abad, D.** & Almanza, M. A Modified Approach to In-School Victimization, Authoritative School Climate, and Student Feelings of Safety. Midwestern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL.

AWARDS AND FUNDING

Awards

- 2019 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper (Honorable Mention) – Midwestern Criminal Justice Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL
Paper Title: The Effect of Underage Internal Possession Laws: A Matched Pair Examination.

2018 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper (Winner) – Midwestern Criminal Justice Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL – \$150
Paper Title: A Modified Approach to In-School Victimization, Authoritative School Climate, and Student Feelings of Safety (Co-author: Matthew Almanza)

Funding

2020 MSU College of Social Sciences Research Scholars Award - \$2,714.00
Summer Research Fellowship, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$2,000.00

2019 Huff Travel Award, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$469.00
Conference Travel Award, MSU Council of Graduate Students - \$300.00
Summer Research Fellowship, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$3,000.00

2018 Huff Travel Award, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$355.00
Summer Research Fellowship, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$3,000.00

2017 Summer Research Fellowship, MSU School of Criminal Justice - \$3,000.00

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2018 – 2019 **Michigan State University – School of Criminal Justice: Graduate Committee**
- Served as the graduate student member on committee responsible for the formulation, review, and recommendations concerning the graduate degree offerings, the quality of graduate education, and the quality of graduate admissions.

2018 **Michigan State University – Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP) – Student Mentor**
- Served as a mentor to one student who was participating in SROP. Assisted student with research project (data management, quantitative analysis, presentation).

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2018 – Present American Society of Criminology (ASC)
2018 – Present Midwestern Criminal Justice Association (MCJA)
2020 – Present Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)