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Education

Ph.D. Criminology, University of Texas at Dallas - May 2018

M.S. Criminology, University of Texas at Dallas - May 2015

B.S. Criminal Justice, University of North Texas - May 2012

Employment

Associate Professor, California State University, San Bernardino, August 2023 - present

Assistant Professor, California State University, San Bernardino, May 2018 - August 2023

Dean's Fellow for Faculty Development, January 2023 - present

Teaching Associate, University of Texas at Dallas, August 2016 - May 2018

Adjunct Lecturer, University of North Texas, January 2016 - June 2017

Teaching Assistant, University of Texas at Dallas, August 2014 - July 2016

Research Interests

Policing; Police Accountability; Administrative Burden; Police misconduct; Public Policy; Trust in Police

Research Profiles

Google Scholar profile

OrcID profile

ResearchGate profile

Publications

Journal Articles

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† denotes student co-author.

Wu, Sishi and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2025. "Legitimacy, Brutalization, and the Acceptability of Violence: Evidence from the Death Penalty and Fatal Officer-Involved Shootings". *Deviant Behavior*. doi: 10.1080/01639625.2025.2573416

Powell, Zachary A. and Rebecca L. Fix. 2025. "'We Have a Long Ways to Go': The Growing Pains of a Consent Decree in a Municipal Police Department." *Police Quarterly*. doi: 10.1177/10986111251320919

Powell, Zachary A. and Sishi Wu. 2025. "Supreme Court Decisions and Fatal Officer-Involved Shootings." *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. doi: 10.1093/police/paaf008

Powell, Zachary A. and Joshua Chanin. 2024. "Reforming 'Pattern-or-Practice' Reform: What Works, What Does Not, and Where We Need to Go." *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. doi: 10.1093/police/paae114

Fix, Rebecca L. and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2024. "Policing Stress, Burnout, and Mental Health in a Wake of Rapidly Changing Policies." *Journal of Police and Criminal Psychology*. doi: 10.1007/s11896-024-09671-0

Brunet, Nicolas M., Caitlin Beant†, Natalya Marsh†, and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2023. "Trust in the Police and Affective Evaluations of Police Faces: A Preliminary Study." *Frontiers in Psychology: Emotion Science*. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2023.1258297

Powell, Zachary A.. 2023. "Did California Act to Save Lives? AB 392 and Fatal Officer-Involved Shootings." *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. doi: 10.1093/police/paado73

Powell, Zachary A.. 2023. "Body-worn Cameras and Police Settlements." *Justice Evaluation Journal*. doi: 10.1080/24751979.2023.2267651

Powell, Zachary A. 2023. "De-policing, Police Stops, and Crime". *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*. 17: doi: 10.1093/police/paaco70

DeShay, Rashaan A., Lynne M. Vieraitis, Heith Copes, **Zachary A. Powell**, and Justine Medrano. 2021. "Managing Courtesy Stigma: Women and Relationships with Men in Prison." *Criminal Justice Studies*. 34(3): 251-267. doi:10.1080/1478601X.2021.1966628

Powell, Zachary A. and John L. Worrall. 2021. "Willingness-to-Pay for Police Reform". *Criminal Justice Policy Review*. 32(6): 567-591. doi: 10.1177/0887403420988310

Powell, Zachary A., Jessica M. Craig, Alex R. Piquero, Michael Baglivio, and Nathan Epps. 2021. "Delinquent Youth Concentration and Juvenile Recidivism." *Deviant Behavior*. 42(7): 821-836. doi: 10.1080/01639625.2019.1701622

Powell, Zachary A., Jonathan R. Grubb, and Matt Nobles. "A Near Repeat of Examination of Economic Crimes". 2019. *Crime & Delinquency*. 65(9): 1319-1340. doi:10.1177/0011128718811927

Bunte, Jonas B., Nadine M. Connell, and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2019. "War Abroad and Homicides at Home: Evidence from the United States." *Social Forces*. 97(4): 1839-1863. doi: 10.1093/sf/soy100

Cohn, Ellen G., Amaia Iratzoqui, David P. Farrington, Alex R. Piquero, and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2018. "An Analysis of the Most-Cited Articles and Authors in *Crime and Justice* Between 1979 and 2015." *Crime and Justice* 47(1): 475-508. doi: 10.1086/695397

Meldrum, Ryan C., Alex R. Piquero, Turgut Ozkan, and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2018. "An Examination of the Criminological Consequences and Correlates of Remorselessness During Adolescence." *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice* 16(3): 279-298. doi:10.1177/1541204017700713

Powell, Zachary A. 2018. "Burnin' Down the House: The 2007 Recession and the Impact on Arson." *Deviant Behavior* 39(5): 541-553. 10.1080/01639625.2016.1269554

Powell, Zachary A., Michele Bisaccia Meitl, and John L. Worrall. 2017. "Police Consent Decrees and Section 1983 Civil Rights Legislation." *Criminology & Public Policy* 16(2): 575-605. doi: 10.1111/1745-9133.12295

Hickman, Matthew J., **Zachary A. Powell**, Alex R. Piquero, and Jack R. Greene. 2016. "Exploring the Viability of an Attitudes Towards Ethical Behavior Scale in Understanding Police Integrity Outcomes." *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management* 39(2): 319-337. doi: 10.1108/PIJPSM-11-2015-0130

Hickman, Matthew J., Alex R. Piquero, **Zachary A. Powell**, and Jack R. Greene. 2016. "Expanding the Measurement of Police Integrity." *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management* 39(2): 246 - 267. doi: 10.1108/PIJPSM-09-2015-0104

* Rated as a Highly Commended paper by the editorial staff of *Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management*.

Vieraitis, Lynne M., Heith Copes, **Zachary A. Powell**, and Ashley Pike. 2015. "A Little Information Goes a Long Way: Expertise and Identity Theft." *Aggression and Violent Behavior* 20: 10 - 18. doi: 10.1016/j.avb.2014.12.008

Textbooks and Book Chapters

Gaines, Larry K., Victor E. Kappeler, and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2022. *Policing in America, Ninth Edition*. Routledge: Philadelphia, PA. ISBN-13: 978-0323311489

Encyclopedia Entries

Powell, Zachary A. and John L. Worrall. 2019. "Consent Decrees and Police Reform." *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. edited by H. Pontell. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Powell, Zachary A. 2017. "Work-Release Programs." *The Encyclopedia of Corrections*. edited by K. Kerley. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

Reports

Powell, Zachary A., Nicole L. Collier, and Christine Famega. *Report to California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) Police Department: Fall 2022 Campus Police Survey*.

Works in Progress and/or Under Review

Journal Articles

Powell, Zachary A. "When Victims Don't Call: Police-Cited Nonreporting in the NCVS, 1992-2023." under review at *Police Quarterly*

Powell, Zachary A. "Racial Differences in Crime Reporting During Periods of Police Critique: Evidence from the NCVS, 1992-2023." in progress.

Powell, Zachary A. "

Powell, Zachary A. and Sishi Wu. "Recognizing and Reporting Police Misconduct." in progress.

Grants and Other Awards

External Grants

Awarded

Wu, Sishi and **Zachary A. Powell**. 2025. "Can AI-Powered Photo Lineups Reduce Eyewitness Misidentification: A Virtual Reality Experiment." Social Science Research and Instructional Council (SSRIC). Awarded.

Submitted/In progress

Powell, Zachary A. (PI). "The Administrative Burden of Police Complaints." 2024. submitted to the National Science Foundation - Accountable Institutions and Behavior Program

Powell, Zachary A. (PI), Nicolas Brunet (Co-PI), Frank Gomez, and Sara Kassis. 2023. "Exploring Fear, Distrust, and Stress in Police-Civilian Interactions." submitted to the National Science Foundation - Law & Science Program

Internal Funding

Awarded

Powell, Zachary A. and Yan Zhang. Spring 2024. "The Bureaucratic Reputation of Police Departments: A Longitudinal Analysis Using Social Media Data." Mini-Grant. **Total amount: \$5,000**

Giuffre, Andrea, **Zachary A. Powell**, and Sishi Wu. Spring 2024. "The Role of Emotions During Parole Board Hearings." Mini-Grant. **Total amount: \$5,000**

Brunet, Nicolas (PI) and **Zachary A. Powell (Co-PI)**. Awarded April 2023. "Visual Trust Perceptions of Law Enforcement." College of Social Behavioral Sciences Interdisciplinary Collaborative Research Grant **Total amount: \$10,000**

Giuffre, Andrea (PI) and **Zachary A. Powell (Co-PI)**. "Establishing Community Partnerships to Understand Inland Empire Police Training Needs." Office of Community Engagement **Total amount: \$3,000**

Awards

Outstanding Service Award - College of Social and Behavioral Sciences (2024)

Most Valuable Professor - California State University, San Bernardino (2018, 2022)

Doctoral Summit Participant - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2017)

Presentations

Giuffre, Andrea, **Zachary A. Powell**, Sishi Wu, and Andrew S. Denney. "Expanding Understanding of Parole Decisions Using Public Hearings." Presented at the 2025 meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, Seattle, WA

Powell, Zachary A. "The Psychological Costs of Filing a Police Complaint." Presented the 2024 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

Powell, Zachary A. "Did California Act to Save Lives? AB 392 and Fatal Officer-Involved Shootings." Presented at the 2024 meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, Long Beach, CA

Powell, Zachary A. "The Compliance Costs of Police Complaints." Presented at the 2023 meeting American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.

Powell, Zachary A. "Body-worn Cameras and Settlements." Poster presented at the 2023 Criminal Justice Research Fair, San Bernardino, CA.

Powell, Zachary A., Nicole L. Collier, and Christine Famega. "Community Views of a Police Department." Poster presented at the 2023 Criminal Justice Research Fair, San Bernardino, CA.

Powell, Zachary A. "Body-worn Cameras and the Police Settlements: A Natural Experiment." Presented at the 2023 meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Science, National Harbor, MD.

Powell, Zachary A. "Foreign Direct Investment, Institutional Anomie, Crime, and Incarceration." Poster presented at the 2018 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

Galvan, Anthony M. and **Zachary A. Powell**. "Police Use of Force Post Ferguson: Evidence from Dallas, Texas." Poster presented at the 2017 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.

Powell, Zachary A. "Economic Distress, Labor Markets, and White-Collar Crime." Presented at the 2017 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.

Powell, Zachary A. "Exploring the Temporal Dynamics of Economic Indicators and Homicide." Presented at the 2017 meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Kansas City, MO.

Powell, Zachary A., Matthew J. Hickman, Alex R. Piquero, and Jack R. Greene. "Expanding the Measurement of Police Integrity." Presented at the 2016 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, LA.

Powell, Zachary A., Ellen G. Cohn, David P. Farrington, Amaia Iratzoqui, and Alex R. Piquero. "Citations of Articles in *Crime and Justice*: An Analysis Across the Life Span of a Journal." Presented at the 2016 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, LA.

Connell, Nadine M., **Zachary A. Powell**, and Jonas B. Bunte. "The Brutalization Effect: Examining the Role of State Sponsored Violence on National Homicide Trends." Poster presented at the 2016 meeting of the International Society for Research on Aggression, Sydney, Australia.

Powell, Zachary A. "Burnin' Down the House: The 2007 Housing Crisis and the Effect on Arson." Presented at the 2016 meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Denver, CO.

Powell, Zachary A., Michele Bisaccia Meitl, and John L. Worrall. "The Effects of Department of Justice Police Consent Decrees on Section 1983 Civil Rights Litigation." Presented at the 2015 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.

Vieraitis, Lynne M., Heith Copes, **Zachary A. Powell**. "Identity Theft, Self-Efficacy, and Accounting for Failure: A Qualitative Approach." Presented at the 2015 meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.

Professional Development

Certificate in Effective Instruction - Association of College and University Educators

Quality Learning & Teaching Certificate, Introduction

Quality Learning & Teaching Certificate, Advanced

ASPIRE Teacher Scholar Certificate

Data Driven Curriculum Design Faculty Learning Community

Student Analytics

CSU AI in Teaching

Teaching Experience

California State University, San Bernardino

Introduction to the Criminal Justice System - UG

Policing and Police Systems - UG

Research Methods in Criminal Justice - UG

Theories of Crime and Delinquency - UG

Seminar in Policing - G

Statistics in Criminal Justice - UG

Crime and the American Dream - UG

University of Texas at Dallas

Crime and Civil Liberties - UG

Introduction to Crime and Criminology - UG

Youth Crime and Justice - UG

University of North Texas

Diversity Issues in Criminal Justice - UG

Police Systems - UG

Criminology (online) - UG

Research Methods in Criminal Justice - UG

Service

Professional

Grant Reviewer - National Science Foundation

Executive Counselor - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Policing Section: 2023-present

National Criminal Justice Month Committee Member - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences: 2023-present

Managing Editor, *Police Quarterly*, August 2015 - May 2018

Reviewer for:

Asian Journal of Criminology

Crime & Delinquency

Criminal Justice Policy Review

Criminal Justice Review

Deviant Behavior

International Criminal Justice Review

International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology

International Journal of Comparative Sociology

Journal of Experimental Criminology

Journal of Criminal Justice

Journal of Human Security

Journal of Research in Crime & Delinquency

Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice & Criminology

Justice Evaluation Journal

Legal and Criminal Psychology

Police Practice and Research: An International Journal

Police Quarterly

Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice

Policing & Society

California State University, San Bernardino

Community Outreach and Engagement

Curriculum review/Subject Matter Expert for San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

Panel participant for Conversations on Race and Policing (x3)

Interview with NBC Palm Springs

Interview with the *Chicago Tribune*

Interview with the *Associated Press*

Interview with WalletHub

Interview with *USA Today*

Interview with WDRB in Louisville, KY

Interview with *The Stranger* in Seattle, WA.

Interview with *The San Bernardino Sun*

University

Vice Chair, Faculty Senate, 2024-present

University Budget Advisory Committee, 2024-present

Elections Committee (Chair), 2024-present

Executive Director, Budget and Resources Search Committee, 2025

Office of Student Research Faculty Grant Review Committee, 2025

AI Steering Committee, 2025

CSUSB PD Police Chief Search Committee, 2023

CSUSB PD Police Captain Search Committee, 2024

Strategic Plan Implementation Planning Committee, 2024-2025

Strategic Plan Implementation Committee, 2023-2024

Faculty Hearing Committee Member, Fall 2023

CSUSB Faculty Needs Assessment, Spring 2023, Principal Investigator

Strategic Plan (2023-2028), Faculty and Staff Success Subcommittee

Police Advisory Committee, 2021-present

Student Perceptions of Teaching (SPT) Pilot Test Committee (chair), 2021-2024

Office of Student Research Awards Committee

CSUSB Student Research Competition

Meeting of the Minds Judge

Faculty/Student Grant Awards Committee

Presenter at Workshop for "How to Submit FAR Using Interfolio"

Office of Student Research Awards Committee

College

College Evaluation Committee, 2023-2025
SBS College Scholarship Committee, 2023
Faculty Senate Representative, 2023-present
College of Social & Behavioral Sciences Needs Assessment, Spring 2023, Principal Investigator
Perseverance Award Committee, 2022-2024
CSUSB Research Slam Judge
Honors Paper/Thesis Awards Committee
Library Committee: 2020-2022
Outstanding Undergraduate and Graduate Student Award Committee

Department

Center for Criminal Justice Faculty Advisory Board, 2022-2024
Criminal Justice Graduate Equity Scholarship
Department Chair Search Committee, 2019, 2024
Faculty Hiring Committee: 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2022-2023 (chair)
Lecturer Evaluation Committee: 2020-2023
Theory Consistency Committee
Statistics Consistency Committee
Faculty Co-Advisor for Criminal Justice Club
Center for Criminal Justice Faculty Advisory Board Member: 2022-present

University of Texas at Dallas

Department

Vice President, Criminology Graduate Student's Association, May 2016 - August 2017
Social Coordinator, Criminology Graduate Student's Association, August 2015 - May 2016

Professional Affiliations

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
American Society of Criminology