

Francesca Spina

Curriculum Vitae

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACT

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Criminal Justice and Criminology, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2014
Dissertation: “Environmental Justice and Regulatory Enforcement in the United States”
M.A., Criminal Justice, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2013
Graduate Certificate in Forensic Criminology, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2013
B.A., Economics, Trinity College, CT, 2000
Minor in Formal Organizations, Trinity College, 2000

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2020-Present Associate Tenured Professor of Criminal Justice, Springfield College
2019-Present Chair, Criminal Justice Department, Springfield College
2017-2019 Chair, Social Sciences Department, Springfield College
2015-2019 Coordinator of Criminal Justice Program, Springfield College
2014-2020 Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, Springfield College

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Sturgeon, W.P., & **Spina, F.** (2023). *Think Like a Terrorist to Combat Terrorism and Radicalization in Prison*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.
Boyd, L.M., & **Spina, F.** (2019). *Massachusetts's Criminal Justice System*. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press.

Academic Journal Articles

Spina, F. (forthcoming 2023). "The Importance of Mindfulness Meditation in Correctional Settings," in *Journal of Correctional Education*.

Spina, F., McCormack, Philip, D., Clarke, K., & Walfield, S. (2019). "Exploring how Latino Political Representation Influences Environmental Enforcement," in *Sociological Perspectives*, 62(3), 308-324.

Spina, F. (2015). "Environmental Justice and Patterns of State Inspections" in *Social Science Quarterly*, 96(2), 417-429.

Book Chapters

Accordino, M., **Spina, F.**, & Clark, D. (under contract). "Improving Residential Treatment Programs for Adjudicated Males with Disabilities," in *Corrections and Rehabilitation*. Boston, MA: Aspen Publishing.

Fullmer, L., Greco, C., & **Spina, F.** (under contract). "Introduction," in *Corrections and Rehabilitation*. Boston, MA: Aspen Publishing.

Clericuzio, A., **Spina, F.**, & Rosati, A. (2020). "Italy," in *Gender and Identity around the World*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

McCormack, P., & **Spina, F.** (2017). "Justice Francis X. Spina" in *Trends in the Judiciary: Interviews with Judges from Around the Globe*, Vol. 3. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Book Entries

Spina, F. (2021). "Marital Violence," in *Sexual Harassment and Misconduct: An Encyclopedia*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Spina, F. (2021). "National Sex Assault Awareness and Prevention Month," in *Sexual Harassment and Misconduct: An Encyclopedia*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Spina, F. (2019). "Females and Law School," in *The Encyclopedia of Women and Crime*. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons.

Spina, F. (2019). "Mary Kay Letourneau," in *The Encyclopedia of Women and Crime*. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons.

Connor, D., & **Spina, F.** (2018). "Protective Pairings in Men's Prisons," in *American Prisons and Jails: An Encyclopedia of Controversies and Trends*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Spina, F. (2017). "Amadou Diallo," in *The Use and Abuse of Police Power in America*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO/Greenwood/Praeger.

Spina, F. (2017). "Variations in Law Enforcement Attitudes about Gun Control Laws," in *The Use and Abuse of Police Power in America*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Greenwood/Praeger.

Web-Based Publications

Spina, F. (2020). "Gender and Crime." Oxford Bibliographies in Sociology. New York: Oxford University Press.

Spina, F. (2015). "*Orange is the New Black*: Examining the Life of a Female Inmate" in *Crime Magazine*.

Spina, F. (2012). "Salaries and Prospects for Careers in Criminal Justice" in *Criminology.net*.

Book Reviews

Review of *Troubled Water: What's Wrong with What We Drink*, by Seth M. Siegel, *New York Journal of Books*, 2019.

Review of *Consent on Campus: A Manifesto*, by Donna Freitas, *New York Journal of Books*, 2018.

Review of *Wisconsin Sentencing in the Tough-on-Crime Era: How Judges Retained Power and Why Mass Incarceration Happened Anyway*, by Michael O'Hear, *New York Journal of Books*, 2017.

Review of *To Protect and Serve: How to Fix America's Police*, by Norm Stamper, *New York Journal of Books*, 2016.

Review of *Rampage Nation: Securing America from Mass Shootings*, by Louis Klarevas, *New*

York Journal of Books, 2016.

Manuscripts in Progress

“Reducing Recidivism in Adjudicated Delinquent Males”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“A 20-Year Review of Prosecutorial Declination,” annual meeting of the Academic of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2019 (McCormack, P., Clarke, K., & **Spina, F.**).

“Explaining Crime Clearance through Routine Activities Theory and Departmental Variation: A Hierarchical and Longitudinal Approach,” annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, 2016 (Clarke, K., McCormack, P., & **Spina, F.**).

“Sustainability in Prison: Saving ‘Green’ by Going Green and Returning to a Correctional Framework,” annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2016 (McCormack, P., **Spina, F.**, & Connor, D.).

“Visualizing Wrongful Convictions and Reform Strategies,” annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, 2015 (Clarke, K., McCormack, P., & **Spina, F.**).

“The Effects of Mass Incarceration on Children,” African and African-American Education, Research and Training Institute (AADERT) Conference, 2015 (Spina, F.).

“The Effects of Political Representation in Environmental Justice for Latinos,” annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2015 (McCormack, P., **Spina, F.**, & Clarke, K.).

“Routine Activities Theory and Crime Clearance,” annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2015 (**Spina, F.**, Clarke, K., & McCormack, P.).

“*Orange is the New Black*: Examining the Life of a Female Inmate,” Northeast Popular/American Culture Association fall conference, 2014 (Spina, F.).

“Environmental Justice and Patterns of State Enforcement,” annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2014 (**Spina, F.** & McCormack, P.).

“Police Organization, Economics, and Victim-Offender Characteristics: A New Test of Racial Threat,” annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, 2013 (McCormack, P.).

& Spina. F.).

INVITED TALKS

“Book Talk: Think Like a Terrorist to Combat Terrorism and Radicalization in Prison,”
Berkshire Athenaeum, Pittsfield, MA, 2023.

“Heterosexual Privilege,” 2016 LGBT Pride Event, Federal Medical Center, Devens, 2016.

AWARDS

Excellence in Teaching, Division of Online and Continuing Education, UMass Lowell, 2014

Outstanding Ph.D. Student Award, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2014

Outstanding Graduate Student Award, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2013

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Summer Faculty Grant, Springfield College, 2016

Doctoral Fellowship, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 2012-2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Springfield College, 2014-Present

Corrections

Criminal Justice Research Methods

Criminology

Gender, Race, and Crime

Internship Supervision

Introduction to Criminal Justice

Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice

Social Research and Program Evaluation

Springfield College Seminar

UMass Lowell, Division of Online and Continuing Education, Adjunct, 2013-Present

Violence in America (via Blackboard Learn)

UMass Lowell, School of Criminology & Justice Studies, Teaching Fellow, 2012-2014

Instructor of Record

Gender, Race, and Crime

Violence in America

Teaching Assistant

Research Methods

Statistics

Weapons of Mass Destruction

DEPARTMENTAL AND COLLEGE SERVICE

Academic Advising Task Force, Member, 2023-Present

New Faculty Mentor, 2021-Present

Faculty Workload Group, Member, 2021-Present

First-Year Seminar Committee, Member, 2020-Present

Advisor for Criminal Justice Students, 2014-Present

Career Advisory Board, Member, 2014-Present

Screening Committee, Criminal Justice Department, Chair, 2022-2023

COVID-19 Academic Implementation Committee, Member, 2020-2022

Committee on Public Safety Policies, Practices, and Training, Co-Chair, 2020

Alpha Phi Sigma, Advisor, 2019-2020

NECHE Working Group (Standard 4: The Academic Program), Co-Chair, 2019-2020

Criminal Justice Club, Advisor, 2014-2019

Screening Committee, Academic Success Coach, Member, 2019
Faculty Senate, College Curriculum Committee, Chair, 2018-2019
Faculty Senate, Member, 2015-2019
College Curriculum Committee, Member, 2015-2019
Screening Committee, Social Sciences Department, Chair, 2017-2018
Faculty Senate, Secretary, 2016-2018
Center for Teaching and Learning Working Group, 2016-2017
Constructing Kings Male Youth Summit, Volunteer, 2017
Humanics in Action Day, 2014-2017
Career Olympics, Judge, 2016
Screening Committee, Social Sciences Department, Member, 2014-2015

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Taught seminar through Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Berkshire Community College,
“Think Like A Terrorist To Combat Terrorism and Radicalization In Prison,” 2023
Special Commission to Study the Funding of MA DOCs and HOCs, Executive Office of Public
Safety & Security, Member, 2019-2022
Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Social Forces*
Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Policy Studies Journal*
Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Sociological Perspectives*
Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Social Science Quarterly*

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Scoring Team Leader, Cognia, July 2022-Present
Scoring Specialist, Cognia, May 2022-Present
Freelance Subject Matter Expert in Criminal Justice, Graphic World, Inc., 2020-Present

Research Assistant (under Andrew Harris), “Law Enforcement and Sex Offender Registration and Notification,” School of Criminology & Justice Studies, UMass Lowell, 2014

Probation Intern, West Roxbury District Court, MA, 2011

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of University Professors, 2017-Present

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2014-Present

Teaching, Learning, Scholarship Section, 2017-Present

Critical Criminal Justice, 2018-Present

American Society of Criminology, 2013-Present

COMPUTER SKILLS

Microsoft Office, SPSS, R, ArcGIS