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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of Wisconsin-Madison Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare Concentration in Criminal Justice Social Work Advisor: Dr. Lawrence Berger	In Progress
M.S.W.	University of Wisconsin-Madison Master of Social Work Specialization in Child, Youth, and Family Welfare Field Units in Juvenile and Criminal Justice & Policy and Administration	In Progress
B.S.	University of Wisconsin-Madison Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Studies with Distinction Education and Educational Services Certificate Honors Thesis: <i>Jailed parents and their young children: Residential instability, homelessness, and behavior problems</i>	September 2013 – May 2017
	National University of Ireland, Galway School of Political Science and Sociology	2015

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Mass incarceration, community reentry, children of incarcerated parents, and criminal justice-related intervention and policy; social policy, social welfare, and poverty; family well-being, family instability, and fatherhood; intervention and prevention science.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Institute for Research on Poverty	Graduate Research Fellow	2018-Present
Institut national d'études démographiques	Research Affiliate	2019-Present
Society for Social Work and Research	Student Member	2019-Present
Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management	Student Member	2019-Present
StartingBlock Madison	Social Impact Initiative Cohort	2019

AWARDS AND GRANTS

University of Wisconsin-Madison Student Research Travel Grant	2019
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Lab Manager, Project Assistant

School of Social Work

Supervised by Dr. Pajarita Charles

November 2017 – Present

Madison, Wisconsin

Assisting with the development, implementation, and evaluation of a feasibility study for a community-based intervention for fathers recently released from prison. Performing justice system-related quantitative and qualitative analyses for professional presentation and manuscript submission. Overseeing lab meetings, administrative tasks (e.g., IRB protocols), and team members (2 masters students, 3 undergraduate students).

Research Assistant

Institut national d'études démographiques

(French National Institute of Demographic Studies)

Supervised by Dr. Lidia Panico, Dr. Anne Solaz, & Dr. Lawrence Berger

June 2019 – Present

Paris, France

Collaborating with a cross-national team on a nationally representative, longitudinal birth cohort study of 18,000 French children. Managing datasets, conducting analyses, and presenting findings on family instability in France and related child health, cognitive, and socio-emotional outcomes. Affiliate with the Economic Demography and Fertility, Families, & Couples research groups.

Project Assistant

Institute for Research on Poverty

Supervised by Dr. Lawrence Berger & Dr. Kristen Shook Slack

September 2017 – August 2018

Madison, Wisconsin

Worked on a large-scale quantitative randomized control intervention study exploring how financial subsidies reduce instances of Child Protective Services involvement for families. Composed memorandums on a broad array of social welfare topics for local, state, and federal policy stakeholders. Attended weekly seminars at the Institute for Research on Poverty.

Research Assistant

School of Human Ecology

Supervised by Dr. Julie Poehlmann-Tynan

May 2014 – June 2017

Madison, Wisconsin

Assisted on a multi-tiered observational study with jailed parents, non-incarcerated caregivers, and young children and a multi-site randomized efficacy trial of educational materials for justice-involved families. Analyzed and presented on quantitative and qualitative data in regard to a breadth of child and family outcomes linked to parental incarceration.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. Charles, P., Muentner, L., & Kjellstrand, J. (2019). Parenting and incarceration: Perspectives on father-child involvement during reentry from prison. *Social Service Review*, 93(2), 218-261.
2. Muentner, L., Holder, N., Burnson, C., Runion, H., Weymouth, L., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2019). Jailed parents and their young children: Residential instability, homelessness, and behavior problems. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 28(2), 370-386.

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MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

1. **Muentner, L.** & Charles, P. (Under review). A qualitative exploration of reentry service needs: The case of fathers returning from prison. Revise and resubmit to *Child and Family Social Work*.
2. **Muentner, L.**, Kapoor, A., Weymouth, L., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (Under review). Getting under the skin: Young children's physiological stress and behavioral responses to witnessing fathers' crime, arrest, and sentencing. Initial submission to *Psychoneuroendocrinology*.
3. Poehlmann-Tynan, J., Cuthrell, H., Weymouth, L., Burnson, C., Frerks, L., **Muentner, L.**, Holder, N., Milavetz, Z., Lauter, L., Hindt, L., Cohen, D., Davis, L., Schubert, E., & Shlafer, R. (Under review). Multisite randomized efficacy trial of Sesame Street's educational materials for young children with incarcerated parents. Initial submission to *Development and Psychopathology*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

1. Charles, P., **Muentner L.**, Gorman-Smith, D., Schoeny, M., Tolan, P., & Henry, D. (In progress) Criminal behavior among fathers: Child outcomes and the mediating role of parenting quality.
2. **Muentner, L.**, Shlafer, R., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (In progress). Young children's feelings about their incarcerated parent.
3. Panico, L., Solaz, A., **Muentner, L.**, & Berger, L., (In progress). Family instability and child well-being in France.
4. Pritzl, K., Milavetz, Z., Cuthrell, H., **Muentner, L.**, & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (In progress). Context matters: Behavioral implications of visits between children and their jailed parents.
5. **Muentner, L.**, Premo, E., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (In progress). Parental incarceration and child development: Investigating the role of frequency & duration.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (^ indicates upcoming)

1. ^ **Muentner, L.** & Charles, P. (2019, November). *A qualitative exploration of reentry service needs: The case of fathers returning from prison*. Symposium presentation: Assessing and Building the Evidence Base on Reentry: What's Known, What's Needed, and What's Next?. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management fall research conference, Denver, CO.
2. ^ Pritzl, K., Milavetz, Z., Cuthrell, H., **Muentner, L.**, Watson, S., Asher, A., Zhou, L., Brown, J., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2019, August). *Context matters: Behavioral implications of visits between children and their jailed parents*. Poster presentation. 2019 American Psychological Association annual convention, Chicago, IL.

3. ^ Grendziak, A., Warzewick, S., Zhou, L., Lavender, A., Asher, A., Watson, S., Brown, J., Fanning, K., Pritzl, K., **Muentner, L.**, & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2019, August). *Evaluation of a summer camp for children with imprisoned mothers*. Poster presentation. 2019 American Psychological Association annual convention, Chicago, IL.
4. **Muentner, L.**, Poehlmann-Tynan, J., Kapoor, A., & Weymouth, L. (2019, April). *Getting under the skin: Young children's physiological stress and behavioral responses to witnessing fathers' crime, arrest, and sentencing*. Poster presentation. 2nd Annual Children of Incarcerated Parents National Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
5. Poehlmann-Tynan, J., Grendziak, A., Fanning, K., Pritzl, K., Lavender, A. **Muentner, L.**, Warzewick, S., Zhou, L., & Brown, J. (2019, April). *Evaluation of child-friendly visits at a summer camp for children with imprisoned mothers*. Paper symposium. 2nd Annual Children of Incarcerated Parents National Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
6. Premo, E., **Muentner, L.**, & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2019, March). *Collateral consequences of parental incarceration: Exploring the role of frequency & duration on child development*. Poster presentation. 2019 Society for Research on Child Development biennial meeting, Baltimore MD.
7. Fanning, K., **Muentner, L.**, & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2019, March). *A comparative case study of risk and resilience for children experiencing homelessness and parental incarceration*. Poster presentation. 2019 Society for Research on Child Development biennial meeting, Baltimore, MD.
8. Poehlmann-Tynan, J., Grendziak, A., Fanning, K., Cuthrell, H., Pritzl, K., Lavender, A., **Muentner, L.**, Milavetz, Z., & Shlafer, R. (2019, March). *Observational measurement of children's reactions to visits with parents incarcerated in jail or prison*. Paper Symposium. 2019 Society for Research on Child Development biennial meeting, Baltimore, MD.
9. Moore, G., Charles, P., & **Muentner, L.** (2019, January). *The benefits of qualitative pilot studies in social work research: The case of fathers in reentry from prison*. Poster presentation. 2019 Society for Social Work and Research annual conference, San Francisco, CA.
10. Charles, P. & **Muentner, L.** (2018, November). *Reentry revisited: Father's perspectives on program needs to promote positive father involvement*. Symposium presentation: Smart Decarceration: Self-Identified Needs and Services to Increase the Likelihood of Successful Reentry. 2018 American Society of Criminology Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
11. Poehlmann-Tynan, J., **Muentner, L.**, Milavetz, Z., Peterson, A., Davis, L., & Shlafer, R. (2018, May). *Young children's feelings about their incarcerated parents*. Poster Presentation. 2018 World Association for Infant Mental Health, Rome, Italy.

12. Grendziak, A., Vigna, A., Gerstein, E., Weymouth, L., Burnson, C., Aubel, G., Frerks, G., Haese, D., Johnson, N., Milavetz, Z., **Muentner, L.**, O'Neil, S., Peterson, A., Pritzl, K. Zahn-Waxler, C., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2017, November). *Cognitively based compassion training for parents of young children*. Poster presentation. 2017 National Council on Family Relations annual convention, Orlando, FL.
13. Johnson, N. **Muentner, L.**, Runion, H., & Poehlmann-Tynan, J. (2017, April). *Family drawings and attachment in young children with jailed parents*. Poster presentation. 2017 University of Wisconsin-Madison Undergraduate Research Symposium, Madison, WI.
14. Poehlmann, J., Runion, H., Frerks, A., Johnson, N., Milavetz, Zoe., **Muentner, L.**, & Nestler, A. (2016, November). *Family drawings: Children of incarcerated parents*. Poster presentation. 2016 National Council on Family Relations annual convention, Minneapolis, MN.
15. **Muentner, L.** & Nestler, A. (2016, April) *Substance abuse, co-parenting, and jail visits*. Presented at the 2016 University of Wisconsin-Madison Undergraduate Research Symposium, Madison, WI.
16. **Muentner, L.** & Tucker, C. (2015, April) *Child distress levels after witnessing parent's arrest and crime*. Poster presentation. 2015 University of Wisconsin-Madison Undergraduate Research Symposium, Madison, WI.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

September 2019 – Present

Human Development and Family Studies 535: A Family Perspective on Policy Making

School of Human Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Advanced fifteen-week seminar for 50 undergraduate students

Explores the relationship between family functioning and public/private policies at the local, state and federal levels and examines different avenues for influencing policy development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Social Work Intern

September 2018 – May 2018

Madison-area Urban Ministry

Madison, Wisconsin

Supported individuals recently released from jail or prison with securing housing, employment, social services, transportation, and treatment to aid in their successful community reentry. Met with clients individually to conduct strengths-based needs assessments, identify intervention plans, and track progress of self-determined goals and as a group to facilitate social support and peer-led problem-solving. Assisted with organizational strategic planning, marketing rebranding, and business model development.