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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology. The University of Texas at Austin, 2009.

M.A. Sociology. The University of Texas at Austin, 2006.

B.A. Sociology. The University of Texas at Austin, 2004.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2026- Edith Kinney Gaylord Presidential Professor of Sociology, The University of Oklahoma
PI: SoJAC Lab (Social Justice Activism Lab) in the Department of Sociology
Affiliate Faculty, Women's and Gender Studies; Center for Social Justice; Carceral Studies Consortium; Data Institute for Societal Challenges (DISC); Institute for Community and Society Transformation Affiliate (ICAST)

2019-2026 Professor of Sociology, The University of Oklahoma

2014-2019 Associate Professor of Sociology, The University of Oklahoma

2009-2014 Assistant Professor of Sociology, The University of Oklahoma

CURRENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Creator and Founder, The LGBTQ Research & Engagement Collective, University of Oklahoma
Director and Founder, The Welcoming Project
Director and Founder, The #MeTooMeredith Coalition
Invited Position, Oklahoma Prevention Leadership Committee, Higher Education, Oklahoma State Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control Rape Prevention and Education Program
Invited Position, Data Action Team, Honestly Youth Sexual Health, The Central Oklahoma Teen Pregnancy Prevention Collaboration

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

LGBTQ Stigma; Queer Criminology; Critical Criminology; Victimology; Deviance

TEACHING INTERESTS

Deviance; Sexual Deviance and Society; Queer Criminology; LGBTQ Studies; Sexualities; Gender

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate Level		Graduate Level
Sexual Deviance and Society	Unlearning LGBTQ Negativity	Deviance and Social Control
Sociology of Deviance	Gender and Sexuality in Media	Sociology of Sexualities
Queer Criminology		Pro and Teaching Seminars

SCHOLARLY DISTINCTION

2026 Ranked #5 in Human Sexuality and #9 in Critical Criminology
ScholarGPS "Highly Ranked Scholar" and "Top Scholar" Distinction. *Given to scholars in the top 0.5% of all scholars worldwide based on a strong publication record, high impact, and the notable quality of scholarly contributions.*

2025 Ranked #2 in Human Sexuality, #7 in Social Policy, and #19 in Sociology
ScholarGPS "Highly Ranked Scholar" and "Top Scholar" Distinction

2024 Ranked #1 in Human Sexuality and #5 in Social Policy
ScholarGPS "Highly Ranked Scholar" and "Top Scholar" Distinction

2022 Ranked #7 in Human Sexuality and #13 in Social Policy
ScholarGPS "Top Scholar" Distinction

UNIVERSITY AWARDS

2026 Edith Kinney Gaylord Presidential Professorship Award
Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost
Established to recognize faculty members who excel in all of their professional activities and who relate those activities to the students they teach and mentor.

2026 Award for Recognition of Excellence in Research and Creative Activity
Office of the Vice President for Research & Partnerships
Given in recognition for Scholar GPS Ranking #19 in Sociology, #2 in Human Sexualities, #7 in Social Policy

2021 Community Engagement Award for Scholarship, Research, and Creative Activity,
Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost
Given in recognition for engaged scholarship, research, and creative activity that is conducted in a mutually beneficial community-university partnership that addresses critical community needs.

2016 Jill Irvine Leadership Award, Women's and Gender Studies
Given to a faculty member who exemplifies collaborative spirit, expansive vision, commitment to advancing women's and LGBTQ issues, service to campus, and dedication to leadership.

2013 Irene Rothbaum Award for Outstanding Assistant Professor in the College of Arts and Sciences
Given to a model teacher recognized for dedication, effectiveness and ability to inspire students to high levels of achievement.

2013 Robert D. Lemon Social Justice Award, the Center for Social Justice
Given to a faculty member who demonstrates courage, compassion, and leadership while working to eliminate discrimination, oppression, and injustice locally and globally.

WORKSHOP FACILITATOR/DEVELOPMENT

Dissertation Chairing and Mentorship Workshop
- 2024 University of Central Oklahoma, Forensic Sciences Institute
- 2025 ASC Division of Queer Criminology, Online Teaching Series

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND TEXTBOOKS

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2024. *Interrogating the Use of LGBTQ Slurs: Still Smearing the Queer?* New York: Routledge. *Featured in the Author Meets Critics Panel at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 2024) (Discussants: Doug Meyer, Matthew Mitchell, and Aimee Wodda)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2020. *Queers, Bis, and Straight Lies: An Intersectional Examination of LGBTQ Stigma.* New York: Routledge.
*Findings discussed in *The Gayly* (May 2020)
*Featured in the Author Meets Critics Panel at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 2021) (Discussants: Matthew Ball, Christina DeJong, Vanessa Panfil)
*Reviewed in *Psychology of Sexualities Review* (2021) and *The Gayly* (2020)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2022. *Sexual Deviance and Society: A Sociological Examination, 2nd Edition*. London: Routledge.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2016. *Sexual Deviance and Society: A Sociological Examination*. London: Routledge.

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Grasso, Jordan, Bryan Moore, Stacie Merken, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2026. "Rising Hostility, Rising Harm: Violent Victimization of LGBTQ People Over Time." *Victims & Offenders* DOI: 10.1080/15564886.2026.2761858

Worthen, Meredith G. F. (Forthcoming; Accepted 9/16/2026). "Fempathy? Femmes' Attitudes toward LGBTQ Individuals: A Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." *Archives of Sexual Behavior*

Doyle, Margaret, John Leverso, Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2026. "Scrolling through the Streets: Examining Women's Gang-Related Online Engagements." *Feminist Criminology* DOI: 10.1177/15570851261457945

Wiser, Sally and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2026. "Down with the Patriarchy or Up in Smoke? Gender Differences in Marijuana Use." *Feminist Criminology* DOI: 10.1177/15570851261455886

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Haltom, Trenton and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2026. "Guy Talk, Precarious Masculinity, and Men's Sexual Health: A Qualitative Content Analysis of Men's Magazine Covers." Forthcoming in *American Journal of Men's Health* 21(1):1-12.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026. "Rurality Matters in LGBTQ Slur Use: A Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory and The Queer Adjustment." *Journal of Homosexuality* 73(7):1707-1741.

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Worthen, Meredith G. F., John Leverso, Chris Hess, and Gracie Hedgpeth. 2026. ""Dude, you're a bitch!" Internet Banging Masculinity via Bitch Discourse." *Deviant Behavior* 47(4):803-818.

Tessmer, Abigail, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Cyrus Schleifer. 2026. "Drag Participation and Trans Women's Mental Health." *Journal of Creativity in Mental Health* 21(2):192-206.

Jones, Melissa S. and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2025. "Measuring the Prevalence and Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences in the Lives of LGBTQ Individuals: A Much-Needed Expansion." *Child Abuse & Neglect* 168(1):106560.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Stefan Vogler. 2025. "Who Supports the LGBTQ Movement? Exploring the Roles of Sexual Identity, Gender, LGB Visibility, and Gender Expression." *Sexuality & Culture* 29:2816–2835.

Morgan, Skyler, Christina DeJong, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2025. "Examining Sexual Identity in the Context of General Strain Theory, School-Based Strain, Depression, and Delinquency" *Victims & Offenders* 20(4):748-771.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2025. "*I'm Queer but you're a Fag*: Queer Men's Cisnormativity, Perceptions of Masculinity, and their use of the "Fag/Faggot" Slur using Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." *Sexuality & Culture* 29:38-61.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Cyrus Schleifer. 2024. "#MeToo and Sexual Violence Reporting in the National Crime Victimization Survey." *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* 39(21-22):4215–4259.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2024. "Anti-Femininity or Gender-Nonconformity Prejudice? An Investigation of Femme, Twink, and Butch LGBTQ Victimization using Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." *Critical Criminology, Special Issue: Queer Victimology* 31(3):1-19.

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Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2021. "Why can't you just pick one? The Stigmatization of Non-binary/Genderqueer People by Cis and Trans Men and Women: An Empirical Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." *Sex Roles* 85(5):343-356.

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Jones, Melissa S., Meredith G. F. Worthen, Susan F. Sharp, and David A. McLeod. 2021. "Native American Women Prisoners, Adverse Childhood Experiences, and the Perpetration of Physical Violence in Adult Intimate Relationships." *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* 36(23/24):11058–11087.

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*Findings discussed in *Pink News* (2018, December 6), *Georgia Voice* (2018, December 13), *LGBTQ Nation* (2018, December 10) and *Bisexual.org* (2018, December 24)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2019. "A Rainbow Wave? LGBTQ Liberal Political Perspectives during Trump's Presidency: An Exploration of Sexual, Gender, and Queer Identity Gaps." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 17(2):263-284.

*Findings discussed in *Daily Mail* (2019, July 26), *Metro Weekly* (2019, August 6) and *Norman Transcript* (2019, June 24).

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Jones, Melissa S., Meredith G. F. Worthen, Susan F. Sharp, and David A. McLeod. 2018. "Life as She Knows it: The Effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Intimate Partner Violence Among Women Prisoners." *Child Abuse & Neglect* 85:68-79.

Jones, Melissa S., Meredith G. F. Worthen, Susan F. Sharp, and David A. McLeod. 2018. "Bruised Inside Out: The Adverse and Abusive Life Histories of Incarcerated Women as Pathways to PTSD and Illicit Drug Use." *Justice Quarterly* 35(6):1004-1029.

Jones, Melissa S., Susan F. Sharp, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2018. "Broken Hearts and Battered Lives: Adverse and Abusive Life Histories and Externalized Responses to Anger as Pathways to Illicit Drug Use Among Incarcerated Women" *Women & Criminal Justice* 28(3):167-188.

Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2017. "Applying a General Strain Theory Framework to Understand School Weapon Carrying among LGBQ and Heterosexual Youth." *Criminology* 55(4):806-832.

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Worthen, Meredith G. F., Vittorio Lingiardi, and Chiara Caristo. 2017. "The Roles of Politics, Feminism, and Religion in Attitudes toward LGBT Individuals: A Cross-Cultural Study of College Students in the United States, Italy, and Spain." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 14(3):241-258.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2016. "Hetero-cis-normativity and the Gendering of Transphobia." *International Journal of Transgenderism* 17(1):31-57.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and S. Abby Baker. 2016. "Pushing Up on the Glass Ceiling of Female Muscularity: Women's Bodybuilding as Edgework." *Deviant Behavior* 37(5):471-495.

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Forrest Rodgers and Susan F. Sharp. 2014. "Expanding the Spectrum of Attitudes toward the Death Penalty: How Non-Dichotomous Response Options Affect our Understandings of Death Penalty Attitudes." *Criminal Justice Review* 39(2):160-181.

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Chapple, Constance, Jamie Vaske, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2014. "Gender Differences in Associations with Deviant Peer Groups: Examining Individual, Interactional, and Compositional Factors." *Deviant Behavior* 35(5):394-411.

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*Findings discussed in *The Telegraph* (2018, September 8)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2014. "The Cultural Significance of Homophobia on Heterosexual Women's Gendered Experiences in the United States: A Commentary." *Sex Roles* 71:141-151. (Editor Invited)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2013. "An Argument for Separate Analyses of Attitudes toward Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Men, Bisexual Women, MtF and FtM Transgender Individuals." *Sex Roles* 68(11/12):703-723.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2012. "Understanding College Student Attitudes toward LGBT Individuals." *Sociological Focus* 45(4):285-305.

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Susan F. Sharp, and Forrest Rodgers. 2012. "Gay and Lesbian Attitudes toward the Death Penalty: The Roles of Empathy and Political Beliefs." *Criminal Justice Review* 37(2):239-261.

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Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2012. "Gender Differences in Delinquent Involvement: An Exploration of the Interactive Effects of Friend Bonding and Friend Delinquency." *Sociological Focus* 45(2):103-124.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2012. "Gender Differences in Delinquency in Early, Middle and Late Adolescence: An Exploration of Parent and Friend Relationships." *Deviant Behavior* 33(4):282-307.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2011. "College Student Experiences with an LGBTQ Ally Training Program: A Mixed Methods Study at a University in the Southern United States." *Journal of LGBT Youth* 8(4):332-377.

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REPORTS AND BRIEFS

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ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

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Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2011. Review of "Sex, Dating and Delinquency," by Christopher A. Kierkus. *Criminal Justice Review* 36(1):109-111.

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FUNDED RESEARCH GRANT PROPOSALS

2025 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant for Affirming Multivocal Humanities from The University of Oklahoma Department of Women's and Gender Studies, $985, LGBTQ Research & Engagement Practice Mini Conference, 2026

2025 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant for Affirming Multivocal Humanities from The University of Oklahoma Department of Women's and Gender Studies, $995, *Banned Together* Panel Event

2025 Ed Cline Faculty Development Award, The University of Oklahoma, Faculty Senate, $2500, LGBTQ, Race, Sexuality, and Trans Studies Events featuring Dr. Brandon A. Robinson from the University of California at Riverside

2018 Faculty Investment Program, Vice President for Research, The University of Oklahoma, $15000 *Understanding LGBTQ Stigma: An Intersectional Examination of Hetero-cis-normativity*

2016 Senior Faculty Summer Fellowship, College of Arts and Sciences, The University of Oklahoma, $7500, *Cross-Cultural Attitudes toward LGBT Individuals*

2013/4 Faculty Assistance Program, College of Arts and Sciences, The University of Oklahoma, $600 (2013), $300 (2014), *Obesity and Airline Travel*

2013 Faculty Enrichment Grant, $1200, College of Arts and Sciences; Presidential International Travel Fellowship, $1200, The University of Oklahoma, *Gay Pride in Dublin, Ireland*

2013 Junior Faculty Summer Fellowship, The College of Arts and Sciences, The University of Oklahoma, $7000, *Military Student Opinions about "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"*

2012 Junior Faculty Research Grant, Vice President for Research, The University of Oklahoma, $7000 *Understanding College Student Attitudes toward LGBT Individuals*

2011 Research Council Grant, Vice President for Research, The University of Oklahoma, $2400 *Too Fat to Fly: Attitudes of Airline Passengers toward Stigmatized Bodies*

2010 Junior Faculty Research Grant, Vice President for Research, The University of Oklahoma, $7000 *Gendered Effects of Friendship and Parental Bonding on Juvenile Involvement in Delinquency*

2010 Faculty Enrichment Grant, $1200, College of Arts and Sciences; Presidential International Travel Fellowship, $1100, The University of Oklahoma, *Cross-Cultural Comparative Research: College Student Attitudes toward LGBT Individuals*

2009-2014 U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, $1,000,000
Second Chance Act Grant: Prisoner Reentry Initiative, Mike Connelly, OKDOC
Meredith G. F. Worthen and Tiffany Sanford Jenson (consultants)

2009 Future Faculty Grant Award, Academic Keys Foundation, $1000

RESEARCH AWARDS

2024 Book of the Year Award, ASC Division on Queer Criminology, for single chapter contribution to *Queer Victimology* (Routledge, 2023): "Queer Victims of Violence and Butch, Femme, Bear, and Twink Identities: An Empirical Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory."

2023 Outstanding Scholarly Contribution Award, the ASC Division on Queer Criminology, with co-authors Jace Valcore, Henry Fradella, Xavier Guadalupe-Diaz, Matthew Ball, Angela Dwyer, Christina DeJong, Allyn Walker, and Aimee Wodda. "Building an Intersectional and Trans-Inclusive Criminology: Responding to the Emergence of "Gender Critical" Perspectives in Feminist Criminology." *Critical Criminology* 29:687-706.

2008 Second Place Award, The American Society of Criminology Gene Carte Graduate Student Paper Competition. "Too Thin or Too Fat? The Effects of Body Dissatisfaction on Involvement in Delinquency."

With Students:

2026 Outstanding Sociology Research Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Emily Flesher (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Transgender College Student Experiences with Past Pediatric Care."

2026 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Abby Tessmer (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "LGBTQ Housing Instability and Sleep Safety."

2025-6 Honors College Travel Assistance Program, Yale Undergraduate Research Conference, Emily Flesher (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (advisor). "Transgender College Student Experiences with Past Pediatric Care."

2025 UReCA Summer Fellowship from the University of Oklahoma Office of the Senior Vice President & Provost, Emily Flesher (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (advisor). "Transgender College Student Experiences with Past Pediatric Care."

2025 Bullard Dissertation Completion Fellowship from the University of Oklahoma Graduate College, Lauren Fishel (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (chair). "The Emotional, Physical, Cultural, and Interactional Dimensions of the Embodiment of Survivorship."

2024 Bullard Dissertation Completion Fellowship from the University of Oklahoma Graduate College, Jessie Laljer (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (chair). "There is more to it than Sexual Orientation: Evidence that Romantic Interest Outweighs Sexuality for Asexual-Spectrum Individuals and an Argument on the Position of Asexuality in the Broader LGBTQ+ Spectrum."

2024 Outstanding Sociology Research Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Destiny Reyes (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Sex, Work, Stigma, and the COVID-19 Pandemic."

2024 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Sally Wiser (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "School Mass Shootings."

2024 First Runner-Up, the University of Oklahoma Carceral Studies Consortium Undergraduate Student Work Prize, Destiny Reyes (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Sex, Work, Stigma, and the COVID-19 Pandemic."

2023 Graduate Dean's Distinguished Thesis Prize, the University of Oklahoma Graduate College, Sally Wiser (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (chair). "Illicit Masculinity: Examining Gender Differences in Adolescent Drug Use."

2022 Outstanding Sociology Research Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Ivy Orban (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "LGBTQ Flagging on TikTok."

2021 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Kyle Callen (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Disability and Desire."

2020 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Jessie Laljer (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Asexuality."

2017 First Place Award, the University of Oklahoma Graduate College Student Research and Creativity Day, co-authored with Samantha A. Wallace: "An Intersectional Examination of Rape Survivors' and Those Who Know Rape Survivors' Responses to a Campus Sexual Assault Education Program."

2017 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Samantha Wallace (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Campus Sexual Assault."

2016 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Samantha Wallace (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Intersectionality and Campus Sexual Assault."

2016 First Place Award, the University of Oklahoma Graduate College Student Research and Creativity Day, co-authored with Samantha A. Wallace: "The Importance of Intersectionality in Addressing College Campus Sexual Assault."

2013 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Amanda Fehlbaum (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Sexual Health Education in Textbooks."

2010 Grasmick Summer Fellowship Award, the University of Oklahoma Department of Sociology, Forrest Rodgers (author) and Meredith G. F. Worthen (supervisor). "Death Penalty Attitudes."

INVITED TALKS/INTERVIEWS

Worthen, Meredith G. F. (forthcoming in 2027). "Talking to a Criminologist." In *Criminology: Concepts and Controversies* by Stacy Mallicoat and Denise Paquette Boots. Sage Publications.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. as quoted in "Misogyny is "just one piece of the story" in these midterms, says queer sociology professor" by David Villareal, *LGBTQ Nation*, October 2, 2026.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. (2026). "The Secret Sex Lives of Tyrants." Six part documentary miniseries on the History Channel (UK & Australia) courtesy of Perpetual Entertainment. Episode list: 1 – Idi Amin, 2 – Fidel Castro, 3 – Joseph Goebbels, 4 – Muammar Gaddafi, 5 – Mao Zedong, 6 – Saddam Hussein

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Vollendorf in Oklahoma." Gibbs College Brown Bag Seminar. February 10, 2026.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. as quoted in "It's a Homophobic Slur. What's It Doing in So Much Theater?" by Erik Piepenburg, *The New York Times*, December 1, 2025.

Romero, Isaac and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Internet Gang Banging and Latino Masculinity on Facebook." University of Oklahoma Carceral Studies Event. November 4, 2025.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Banned Together: Screening and Panel Discussion." Panel event hosted by the University of Oklahoma WGS Department. June 17, 2025.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Moving Forward, Together." Guest talk at West Wind Unitarian Church, Norman, OK. June 15, 2025.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "The Impact of Censorship on LGBTQ+ Lives." Panel event hosted by the Woodhull Freedom Foundation. May 22, 2025.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Dissertation/Thesis Chairing & Mentorship Workshop." Invited Speaker for the ASC Division on Queer Criminology Online Teaching Series. February 26, 2025.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "15+ Years of LGBTQ Research." Zoom Presentation for Mathematica Pride ERG. October 24, 2024.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Dissertation/Thesis Chairing & Mentorship Workshop." Invited Speaker for the University of Central Oklahoma, Forensic Sciences Institute. August 6, 2024.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Mindfully Increasing Our Awareness and Tolerance at the Intersection of People, Policy, and Pride." Zoom Panel Presentation for the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Agency. June 27, 2024.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "LGBTQ Issues in Gender Inequality." Invited lecture for hybrid courses at Montclair University and John Jay College of Criminal Justice. April 16, 2024.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. as quoted in "A firebombing in Tulsa highlights gaps in Oklahoma hate crime law," by Ari Fife, *The Frontier*, January 11, 2024.

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Jenny Sperling, and Rachel Schmitz. "LGBTQ+ 101: Affirming and Respecting Pronouns and Gender Diversity." April 29, 2022. Norman Public Schools Get Fit! Conference.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Bi+ Health Awareness: Getting Bi and Social Support." March 2022, Bisexual Resource Center Media Campaign.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "LGBTQ Diversity." Diversity Day, September 17, 2021, Federal Corrections Institution (FCI) El Reno, Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Writing for/as Social Justice using a Queer/Feminist Lens." Roundtable discussion for the Center for Social Justice National Author's Day, November 1, 2018, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "LGBTQ Week." Facilitated discussion for LGBTQ History Month, October 17, 2017, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "LGBTQ and Sexual Assault Issues." Facilitated discussion for the Department of Sociology Faculty, October 20, 2017, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "But I Exist Too! INVISIbiLITY." Facilitated discussion for LGBTQ History Month, October 19, 2016, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "LGBTQ Research." Presented at WGS Graduate Student Colloquium, October 27, 2015 and October 11, 2016, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Looking Back, Moving Forward: LGBTQ Stigma." Presented at LGBTQ History Month Panel Discussion, October 22, 2013, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Feminist Research Methods." Presented at WGS Graduate Student Colloquium, September 24, 2013, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Supporting LGBTQ People in Oklahoma." Presented at West Wind Unitarian Universalist Congregation, June 2, 2013, Norman, OK.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "HIV/AIDS and Social Stigma." Presented at The World AIDS Day Panel Discussion, November 28, 2012, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Social Justice and The Welcoming Project." Presented at The Center for Social Justice, March 15, 2012, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Queer Theatre Through Film: The Laramie Project Student Reactions." Presented at The Laramie Project Discussion, December 2, 2011, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Social Stigma of HIV/AIDS." Presented at The World AIDS Day Panel Discussion, December 1, 2011, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Inspiring LGBTQ Activism from Hate." Presented at The Laramie Project Screening and Panel Discussion, October 19, 2011, The University of Oklahoma.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "College Student Experiences with an LGBTQ Ally Training Program." Presented at Sooner Ally Brown Bag, February 23, 2011, The University of Oklahoma.

BLOG POSTS

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, November 13. "How to Survive the Year's Final Six Weeks." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, October 1. "Do Less and Touch Grass." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, August 26. "Dolly Parton Lived Life with Generosity." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, August 11. "What Are Google Doodles and Why Do They Matter? The importance of queer representation in Google Doodles." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, July 28. "A Healing Meditation Using Internal Family Systems Self-care to unburden stress and anxiety and create pathways toward healing." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, July 27. "Still "Smearing the Queer"? Why the Use of LGBTQ Slurs Persists." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, July 24. "No Evil, No Bad Parts: Sociological Support for IFS." *Psychology Today* blog

Tessmer, Abigail and Meredith G. F Worthen. 2026, July 24. "Yas Queen! Drag and Trans Women's Mental Health." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2026, July 22. "The Gratitude Grab Bag: A simple technique to help celebrate accomplishments and practice self-love." *Psychology Today* blog

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2022, September. "Queer Parenting and Sex Education." Bisexual Resource Center Blog (invited)

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2020. "Inclusivity and Diversity in the LGBTQ+ Community" Leeds Beckett University Carnegie School of Education LGBTQ+ Inclusion Blog (invited)

MANUSCRIPTS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Susan Burke, Rosemary Avance, and Douglas Knutson. "Increasing Support by Broadening the Circle: Discussing Social Support, Mental Health Support, and Advocacy Programming in Oklahoma Public Libraries." To be presented at the Oklahoma Library Association Annual Conference (March 10-12, 2027) Norman, OK.

Grasso, Jordan, Bryan Moore, Stacie Merken, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Rising Hostility, Rising Harm? Violent Victimization of Sexual and Gender Minorities Over Time."

Wiser, Sally and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Survivors help Survivors": Healing from Mass Violence through Collective Identity."

McGee, Tess, Abigail Tessmer, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Trina Hope. "Walking While Trans: Exploring Police Violence and Misconduct Towards Trans People Through Intersectional Subjection."

Tessmer, Abigail, Max Osborne, Bryan C. Moore, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Trans in Transit: Transgender People's Experiences with Harassment on Public Transportation."

Romero, Isaac, John Leverso, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. ""Estas Muy Prieto!" Latino Gang Members' Racial Internet Banging via Spanish Insults."
To be presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 17-20, 2026) Chicago, IL.

Flesher, Emily and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Connected to Both Places': How Community-Building Shapes the Mental Health Care Experiences of Transgender Adolescents and Young Adults" and

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Fempathy? Femme Attitudes toward LGBTQ Individuals."
Presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meetings (August 6-9, 2026) New York City, NY.

Doyle, Margaret, John Leverso, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Scrolling Through the Streets: Exploring Women's Gang-Related Digital Identities." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 12-15, 2025) San Francisco, CA.

Schmidgall, Darci and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Becoming One Flesh, One Name: Exploring Christian Influences on Surnaming Patterns and "Doing Marriage." Presented at The Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings (August 9-11, 2025) Chicago, IL.

Tessmer, Abigail and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Transgender Realities: The Relationship Between Transgender Visibility, Race, and Polyvictimization." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 8-12, 2025) Chicago, IL.

Haltom, Trenton and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Guy Talk, Precarious Masculinity, and Men's Sexual Health: A Qualitative Content Analysis of Men's Magazine Covers." Presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meetings (August 10-13, 2025) Chicago, IL.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Rural Americans and LGBTQ Slur Use: An Empirical Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory."

Vogler, Stefan and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "LGB Police Interactions: Gender and (In)Visibility." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 13-16, 2024) San Francisco, CA.

Alavi-Robb, Roksana and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Iranian LGBTQ Parent and Child Experiences." Presented at the National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference (November 14-17, 2024) Detroit, MI.

Tessmer, Abigail, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Cyrus Schleifer. "Drag Participation and Trans Women's Mental Health." Presented at LGBTQ Research Symposium (June 6, 2024) organized by the University of Kansas and the University of Connecticut.

Alavi-Robb, Roksana and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Iranian LGBTQ Experiences." National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Higher Education (May 28-June 1, 2024) Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Melissa S. Jones. ""Homophobia" in the Country? Rural America and the Stigmatization of LGBTQ People: An Empirical Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." Presented at The Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings (March 20-24, 2024) San Diego, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Anti-Femininity or Gender-Nonconformity Prejudice? An Investigation of LGBTQ Victimization using Norm-Centered Stigma Theory."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Meet the Authors: New Scholarly Work in Queer Criminology, *Interrogating the Use of LGBTQ Slurs: Still Smearing the Queer*."

Wiser, Sally M. and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Illicit Masculinity: Examining Gender Differences in Adolescent Drug Use.:

Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 15-18, 2023) Philadelphia, PA.

Bush, Kenneth, Yu Lu, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Marshall K. Cheney. "Associations Between LGBQ Identity, E-Cigarette Use, and E-Cigarette Dependence in Young Adults." Presented at the Society for Research on Nicotine & Tobacco Annual Meetings (March 2, 2023) San Antonio, TX.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Femmephobia and Victimization: A Queer Criminological Approach to Norm-Centered Stigma Theory"

Leverso, John, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Chris Hess. "Gay Gang Slurs and Misogyny Off the Streets and on Facebook."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "The Future of Queer Criminology."

Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 17-20, 2022) Atlanta, GA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Melissa S. Jones. "Family Support in Gay/Lesbian Individuals' Experiences of Sexual Identity-Based Discrimination, Harassment, and Violence." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 6-10, 2022) Los Angeles, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Norm-Centered Stigma Theory and Queer Criminology: Methods for Examining Intersectionality and LGBTQ Violence."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Division on Queer Criminology Meet the Authors Session: *Queers, Bis, and Straight Lies: An Intersectional Examination of LGBTQ Stigma*."

Jones, Melissa S., Meredith G. F. Worthen, Mackenzie Heim, Susan F. Sharp, and David A. McLeod. "Differences in Adverse Childhood Experiences and Coercive Control Among Native American and Non-Native American Women Prisoners."
Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 17-20, 2021) Chicago, Illinois.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Jessie Laljer. "Are We Even in the Acronym? Asexuals' Attitudes toward LGBTQ Individuals." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 6-10, 2021) Virtual Conference.

Reinert, Audrey, Constance Chapple, Erin Maher, Meredith Worthen, and David Ebert. "Using Social Media Data to Understand Trans and Non-Binary People's Experiences with Dead-Naming." Presented at HICSS Digital and Social Media IGNITE Talks (January 4, 2021) Virtual Conference.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Queer Criminology and Norm-Centered Stigma Theory: Resourceful Tools for Examining Intersectionality and LGBTQ Violence." Accepted for presentation at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 18-21, 2020). Transitioned to Virtual Conference (original location: Washington, D.C.).

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "The Young and the Prejudiced? Millennial Men, "Dude Bro" Disposition, and LGBTQ Negativity in a U.S. National Sample."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Trenton M. Haltom. "Fifty Shades of Leather and Misogyny: An Investigation of Anti-Woman Perspectives among Leathermen."
Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 10, 2020). Transitioned to Virtual Conference (original location: San Francisco, CA).

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "#MeTooMeredith and Survivors' Voices: The Importance of Intersectionality and Diversity."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "#MeTooMeredith and the Importance of Anonymous Platforms for Survivors to Share their Stories."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Paul D. C. Bones. "LGBTQ Violence among Butch, Femme, Leather, Bear, and Twink Individuals: An Investigation of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Deeanna Button. "Neighborhood Violence, Race, Ethnicity, and School Weapon Carrying among LGBQ and Heterosexual Youth: A Intersectional General Strain Theory Approach."

Jones, Melissa, Meredith G. F. Worthen, Susan Sharp, and David McLeod. "Native American and Non-Native American Women Prisoners, Child Adverse Experiences, and the Perpetration of Physical Violence in Adult Intimate Relationships."
Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 13-16, 2019) San Francisco, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Hetero-cis-normativity, Intersectionality, and Lesbian Stigma: An Empirical Investigation of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 9-12, 2019) New York City, New York.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Deeanna Button. "Race, Ethnicity, and School Weapon Carrying among LGBQ and Heterosexual Youth: A Intersectional General Strain Theory Approach." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 14-17, 2018) Atlanta, GA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Samantha A. Wallace. "Surviving Sexual Assault and Knowing Survivors: Responses to a Campus Sexual Assault Education Program." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 11-14, 2018) Philadelphia, PA.

Bones, Paul D. and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Gender Differences in College Student Deviance."
Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Applying a General Strain Theory Framework to Understand School Weapon Carrying among LGBQ and Heterosexual Youth."
Jones, Melissa S., Meredith G. F. Worthen, Susan F. Sharp, and David A. McLeod. "Bruised Inside Out: The Adverse and Abusive Life Histories of Incarcerated Women as Pathways to PTSD and Illicit Drug Use."
Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 15-18, 2017) Philadelphia, PA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Samantha A. Wallace. "Intersectionality and Addressing College Sexual Assault: Examining Gender, Sexual Identity, Race/Ethnicity, Social Class and Group Affiliations." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 12-15, 2017) Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Teaching Queer Criminology: Sexual Deviance and Society."
Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Sex Offenders and Society: A Focus on Sexual Deviance."
Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Queering Criminology: Applying a General Strain Theory Framework to Understand School Weapon Carrying among LGBQ and Heterosexual Youth." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 16-19, 2016) New Orleans, LA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Vittorio Lingiardi, and Chiara Caristo. "Cross-Cultural Comparisons of LGBT Attitudes: A Study of College Students in the US and Europe." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 20-23, 2016) Seattle, WA.

Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "LGBQ and SSB Youth's Experiences with Victimization and Social Isolation: A General Strain Approach." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 18-21, 2015) Washington, D.C.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Hetero-cis-normativity and the Gendering of Transphobia." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 22-25, 2015) Chicago, IL.

Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Understanding LGBQ Youth's Experiences with Weapon Carrying." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 19-23, 2014) San Francisco, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Maturing Out of Crime? A Longitudinal Analysis of Adolescent Romantic Relationship Status."
Button, Deeanna and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Understanding LGBQ Youth Criminality: Beyond "Gendered" Conceptualizations of General Strain Theory."
Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 20-23, 2013) Atlanta, GA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Understanding and Confronting Gay-Related Prejudice through The Laramie Project: A Qualitative Analysis." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 10-13, 2013) New York, NY.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and S. Abigail Baker. "Consent is Sexy? University Student Reactions to a Mandatory Online Sexual Misconduct Training Program." Presented at The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meetings (March 19-23, 2013) Dallas, TX.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Lisa Murphy. "Adolescent Romantic Relationship Status and "Maturing Out" of Crime?"

Chapple, Constance, Paul Bones and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Ecological Correlates of Sex Trafficking." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 14-17, 2012) Chicago, IL.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Lisa Murphy. "Examining Potential Mediators in the Relationship between Adolescent Sexual Behavior and Delinquency." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 16-19, 2011) Washington, D.C.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "College Student Experiences with an LGBTQ Ally Training Program." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 20-23, 2011) Las Vegas, NV.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Lisa Murphy. "Does Adolescent Sexual Behavior Lead to Delinquency? An Exploration of Gender Differences and Parent-Child Bonding." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 17-20, 2010) San Francisco, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Parental Bonding and Delinquency: An Exploration of Gender Differences." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 14-17, 2010) Atlanta, GA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Delinquency and African American Youth Relationships." Presented at The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meetings (February 23-27, 2010) San Diego, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Adolescent Homosexual and Heterosexual Romantic Relationships and Delinquent Involvement." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 4-7, 2009) Philadelphia, PA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and the Effects of Parental Bonds on Friendship and Delinquency." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 8-11, 2009) San Francisco, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Investigating Incarcerated LGBTQ Youth: A Juvenile Justice System Assessment and Reform Initiative." Presented at the Clinton Global Initiative University Meetings (February 13-15, 2009) Austin, TX.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "The Color of Friendship: Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and the Relationships between Friendship and Delinquency." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings (November 12-15, 2008) St. Louis, MO.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Too Thin or Too Fat? The Effects of Body Dissatisfaction on Involvement in Delinquency." Presented at The American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 1-4, 2008) Boston, MA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Testing Criminological Strain Theory: An Exploration of Sexual, Gender, and Racial Identities." Presented at Interdisciplinary Perspectives: A Graduate Student Research Showcase hosted by the Graduate Student Assembly (April 18, 2008) Austin, TX.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Body Dissatisfaction and Delinquency among African American and White Adolescent Women." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings. (November 14-16, 2007) Atlanta, GA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Exploring General Strain Theory in the Context of Sexual, Gender, and Racial Identities." Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 11-14, 2007) New York, NY.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. "Childhood Sex, Unwanted Sex Acts, and Rape Myths." Presented at The American Society of Criminology Annual Meetings. (November 1-4, 2006) Los Angeles, CA.

Worthen, Meredith G. F. 2006. "Gender Bias in the Prosecution and Conviction of Juveniles in Selected Counties in New Jersey and New York, 1992-1993." Presented at Interdisciplinary Perspectives: University of Texas Graduate Student Research Showcase (April 4, 2006) Austin, TX.

Musick, Marc A. and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2004. "The Study of Religion and Health at the Turn of the Century." Presented at the Religion, Family Life, and Health in the United States Conference Sponsored by the Population Research Center (April 22-23, 2004) Austin, TX.

Musick, Marc A. and Meredith G. F. Worthen. 2004. "The Social Underpinnings of Trust in Physicians." Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meetings (August 14-16, 2004) San Francisco, CA.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Laljer, Jessie and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Cut the Romance, Keep the Sex? How Findings from Asexuality and Aromanticism Research Furthers Our Understanding of Differentiated Attractions." Submitted to *Annual Review of Sex Research* (editor invited)

Romero, Isaac, Meredith G. F. Worthen, John Leverso, Chris Hess. "Racialized Internet Banging and Machismo: Exploring Spanish Slurs in Online Gang Conflict." Submitted to *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology*

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Abigail Tessmer. "Transgender People's Experiences with School Bullying, School Expulsion, and Homelessness: A School Harm-to-Homelessness Pipeline." Submitted to *Journal of School Violence*

Wiser, Sally and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Victim to Survivor to Activist: A Pathway to Healing from School-Based Mass Violence Through Collective Identity." Submitted to *Journal of School Violence*

Stearns, Ami, Susan Burke, Darci Schmidgall, Meredith G. F. Worthen, and Kenneth Frantz. "Banned Books, Baiting Hooks: A Sociological Analysis of Frequently Banned and Challenged Books Over the Past 70 Years." Submitted to *Sociological Forum*

Laljer, Jessie and Meredith G. F. Worthen. ""Why Does Society Put Marriage So Far Above Friendship?" Norms, Friction, Squishes, and Asexual Views of Romantic Pairing Behavior." Submitted to *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Darci Schmidgall. "Doing Marriage with Sirs and Surnames: Marital Last Name Patterns by Gender and Sexual Identity." Submitted to *Sex Roles*

Tessmer, Abigail, Max Osborne, Bryan C. Moore, and Meredith G. F. Worthen. "Trans in Transit: Transgender People's Experiences with Harassment on Public Transportation." Submitted to *Violence and Victims*

EXTENDED ABSTRACT ACCEPTED

Avalos, S., Osborn, M., Chen, M., Grasso, J., Merken, S., Morgan, S., & Worthen, M. G. F. "The Necessity of Intersectional Trans Feminism: A Call to Action for Feminist Criminologists." *Feminist Criminology* Special Issue on Reimagining Feminist Criminology for the Future

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREP

Worthen, Meredith G. F. *In prep.* "Fempathy? Femmes' Liberal and Empathic Perspectives and Experiences."

Alavi Robb, Roksana and Meredith G. F. Worthen. *In prep.* "Iranian LGBTQ Experiences."

Haltom, Trenton and Meredith G. F. Worthen. *In prep.* "Panic at the Queer Show? Covering Queerness in 40 years of *GQ* and *Sports Illustrated*."

Vogler, Stefan and Meredith G. F. Worthen. *In prep.* "Visibility and LGBQ Fear of Victimization."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Abigail Tessmer. *In prep.* "Transgender People's Experiences with School Bullying and School Expulsion: A Test of Norm-Centered Stigma Theory."

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Emma Majors, and Cyrus Schleifer. *In prep.* "Rural and Urban Victimization in the NCVS."

Schmidgall, Darci and Meredith G. F. Worthen. *In prep.* "Becoming One Flesh, One Name: Exploring Christian Influences on Surnaming Patterns and "Doing Marriage."

Schmidgall, Darci, Meredith G. F. Worthen, Ami Stearns, Susan Burke, and Kenneth Frantz. *In prep.* "Book Banning Trends and Patterns in the GSS."

Worthen, Meredith G. F., Brandon Andrew Robinson, and Susan Burke. *In prep.* "Rural Libraries as a Source of Social Support for LGBTQ Youth."

Worthen, Meredith G. F. and Martin Zebracki. *In prep.* "Transgender and Rainbow Public Art Erasure in the US Post-2020."

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

<u>Discipline:</u>

<u>American Society of Criminology (ASC)</u>
ASC Division on Queer Criminology (founding member)
Chair, Elections Committee, 2024-Present
Co-Chair, Journal Committee, 2024-Present
Chair, *elected term* 2022-2023
Co-Chair, 2020-2022
Leadership Committee, 2020-2023
Mentoring Committee and Mentor, 2020-Present
Membership Petition Committee, 2020-2021
Workshop Facilitator, Work/Life Balance, 2020

ASC Edwin H. Sutherland Award Committee, 2023-2024
ASC Fellows Committee, 2019-2020
ASC Division of Women in Crime
Senior Executive Counselor, *elected term* 2017-2019
Recycling/Greener Efforts Committee, 2011-2015
Newsletter Committee, 2010-2015

External Reviews
Promotion to Associate Professor Dossier, 2021, 2023(2), 2024
Promotion to Full Professor Dossier, 2018, 2020, 2022, 2026(2)
Full Department Review of Criminology at the University of Northern Iowa, 2018
University of Sharjah, Research Project Review, "The Dichotomy of Shame and Honor: Emirati Women in Nonconforming Roles," 2024

Other External Service
Deviant Behavior, Guest Editor, Special Issue "Exploring Deviance through Norm-Centered Stigma Theory," 2026-2028
OU-OSU Libraries and Community Social Support Working Group, 2026-Present
NCST Working Group, 2026-Present
LGBTQ Grants Working Group, 2023-2025
William T. Grant Foundation Workshop: The Institutional Challenge Grant 2025
University of Central Oklahoma, Forensic Sciences Institute, Dissertation Chairing and Mentorship Workshop, 2023-2024
Book Jacket Endorsement, *Yoga and Resilience*, edited by Danielle Rousseau, 2020
Federal Corrections Institution (FCI) El Reno Diversity Consultant, 2021
Managing Editorial Director, 2007-2009
Intersections: Women's and Gender Studies in Review Across Disciplines
The University of Texas at Austin Graduate Student Journal

The LGBTQ Research & Engagement Collective Sponsored Events
Teaching in the Current Climate – Panel and Workshop, 2025
Painting Pumpkins Community Event, 2025
LGBTQ R&E Student Practice Mini Research Conference, 2025, 2026
True Crime? Queer and Trans Victims and Offenders in Media Panel, 2025
LGBTQIA+ International Voices Panel: Problems and Advances in Queering Research, 2025
Conversations on Black Queer and Trans Theory Panel, 2024
LGBTQ+ Research and Methods Workshop, 2024
LGBTQ Networking 101 Workshop, 2024

The University of Oklahoma:

Service to the University
Students for Reproductive Justice (OU RSO) Advisor, 2026-Present
LGBTQ Ally, 2009-Present
RainbOK Working Group Participant, OU Health Sciences Center, 2023-Present
Search Committee Member, OU School of Social Work, 2023
Mergler and Bullard Dissertation Completion Fellowship Committee, 2019-2023
Advisory Team for NSF Institutional Transformational Grant in the Ethical and Responsible Research (ER2) Program, 2024 (not funded)
Responsible Conduct of Research Working Group, The Office of the Vice President for Research & Partnerships, 2023

Graduate Committee Member, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, 2023-Present
Coordinator, #MeToo Sharing Our Stories Demonstration, 2019
October Domestic Violence Awareness Month, University of Oklahoma
Coordinator, *The Laramie Project Screening and Discussion*, 2011-2018
October LGBTQ History Month, University of Oklahoma
Faculty Advisor, Queer Student Association (QSA; formerly GLBT-F), 2012-2018
Faculty LGBTQ Ally Advisory Board, 2011-2017
Social Justice Committee, Center for Social Justice 2011-2014
College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Marshal, Spring 2010 Convocation, Spring 2013 Commencement
Student Research and Educational Travel Program Awards Committee, 2013-2014
The University of Oklahoma College of Arts and Sciences

Teaching

Understanding and Refusing GenAI in the Classroom (2026), ASC Division on Queer Criminology Teaching Workshop
Graduate College New GTA Orientation Inclusive Teaching Pedagogy Panel Participation, 2023-2024
Beyond Neutrality: Addressing Implicit Bias Through a Social Justice Lens Teaching Workshop, Women's and Gender Studies and Center for Social Justice (2025)
Move Slow and Fix Things: Getting Students to Slow Down in the Era of AI and Chat-bots (2026); Syllabus Consultation and Workshop (2025); Motivate Your Students from Day One: Syllabus Design Workshop (2024); Enhancing Mentoring Workshop (2023); Facilitating Group Discussion Workshop (2023); Center for Faculty Excellence Teaching Series
International Teaching Assistant (ITA) Training, 2011
Gender, Race, Sexuality and Handling Potential Problems in the Classroom
The University of Oklahoma Learning, Teaching & Writing Programs

Department of Sociology, University of Oklahoma

PI: SoJAC Lab (Social Justice Activism Lab)
Undergraduate Assessment Committee Chair, 2014-Present
Faculty Annual Evaluation Committee, 2026-Present
Tenure and Promotion Criteria Committee, 2023-2025
Faculty Search Committee: Chair (Criminology), 2016-2017; Member (Race), 2019; Chair (Criminology), 2023-2026
Faculty Search Committee Workshop, 2023
Graduate Program Committee, 2020-2022
Library Liaison, 2020-2022
Online Course & Overloads Compensation Committee, 2020-2022
Chair's Committee A, *elected term* 2018-2020
Visionary Committee Member, 2019
Department Ranking Committee, 2017-2019
Stratification Comprehensive Exam Construction Committee Chair, 2019-2020
Spring Ceremony Coordinator, 2013-2017
Professor Chat Creator and Coordinator, 2014-2015
Website Committee, 2014-2015
Pro-Workshop Series Creator and Coordinator, 2014
Undergraduate Committee, 2009-2013, 2025-Present

JOURNAL AND PROPOSAL REFEREE *(number of manuscripts/proposals by year)*

	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'24	'25	'26
Bloomsbury Publishing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		1
Bristol University Press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Crime & Delinquency	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal Justice Review	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culture, Health & Sexuality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deviant Behavior	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	2	-	1	-	2	1	1	1	2	2
*Associate Editor, 2014-present																	
Feminist Criminology	-	2	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gender & Society	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Int. J. Sociology & Social Policy	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Int. J. of Transgenderism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Community Psychology	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Contemporary Ethnography	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Gay & Lesbian Social Serv.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Homosexuality	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	3	3	1	2	1	-	-	-	-
J. of Interpersonal Violence	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Lesbian Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
J. of Personality & Social Psych.	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Primary Prevention	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. of Youth Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Justice Quarterly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Law & Social Inquiry	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Science Foundation	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NYU Press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Oxford University Press	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Psychology and Sexuality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Routledge	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	3	-
Qualitative Research	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sage Publications	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sex Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sex Roles	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexuality Research & Social Pol.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Forces	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sociological Focus	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sociological Inquiry	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sociological Insight	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sociological Spectrum	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Social Problems	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Associate Editor, 2024-present																	-
Violence Against Women	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wiley-Blackwell Press	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

STUDENT MENTORING AND ADVISING

Graduate Students, University of Oklahoma

				Current Placement
Baker (Young), Abby[i]	MA	Chair	2013-2014	Asst. Prof University of Virginia
Baroody, Chris	PhD	Member	2026-Present	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
Bones, Paul**	MA & PhD	Member	2010-2015	Assoc. Prof Texas Women's University
Brune, Adrienne	PhD	Member	2011-2014	Assoc. Prof Averett University
Bush, Kenneth	MS - Health Promotion	Member	2020-2022	Health Sciences Professional; University of California, San Diego, CA

Callen, Kyle	PhD	Chair	2022-Present	Asst. Prof Rogers State University
Dickson, Natalie	PhD	Chair	2023-2024	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
		Member	2025-Present	
Doyle, Margot*	MA	Chair	2023-2025	Current PhD Student University of Cincinnati
Fehlbaum, Amanda*	PhD	Chair	2010-2014	Assoc. Prof Youngstown State University
Fishel, Lauren	PhD	Chair	2023-Present	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
Jenson, Tiffany	PhD	Member	2010-2011	Associate Instructional Professor University of Florida
Jones, Melissa**	PhD	Member	2017-2018	Assoc. Prof Brigham Young University
Laljer, Jessie	PhD	Chair	2021-2025	Adjunct Prof. University of Oklahoma
Mallick, Rafia	MA	Member	2020-2021	Current PhD Student Atlanta State University
Majors, Emma	MA	Member	2026-Present	Current MA Student University of Oklahoma
McElroy, Elizabeth	PhD	Member	2022-2024	Post-Doctoral Student Indiana University
McGee, Tess	MA	Member	2022-2023	Private Sector Health Care
Ortiz, Juanita	PhD	Member	2010	Vice-President of Academic Affairs Oklahoma City Community College
Paradis, Paige	MA	Member	2010-2011	Associate Advisor Strategy, Insights, & Analytics, Mary Kay Global
Penkauskas, Marisa	PhD - Comm.	Research Hours	2023-2024	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
Rodgers, Forrest	PhD	Member	2011-2012	Assoc. Prof Framingham University
Romero, Isaac	MA	Chair	2024-2025	
	PhD	Chair	2025-Present	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
Schmidgall, Darci	PhD	Member	2024-2026	Asst. Prof West Virginia University
Stearns, Ami*	MA & PhD	Member	2009-2014	Assoc. Prof Coastal Carolina University
Tessmer, Abby*	MA & PhD	Chair	2022-Present	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma
Thomas, Lauren	MA	Member	2010-2011	Private Sector
Van Gilder, Bobbi	PhD - Comm.	Member	2013-2016	Assoc. Prof Suffolk University
Vann, Jordyn	MA	Chair	2026-Present	Current MA Student University of Oklahoma
Wallace, Samantha	MA	Chair	2016, 2017	Private Sector Health Care
Wiser, Sally	MA & PhD	Chair	2021-Present	Current PhD Student University of Oklahoma

*MA or PhD OU Department of Sociology Outstanding Student of the Year Award Winner
**MA and PhD OU Department of Sociology Outstanding Student of the Year Award Winner

Graduate Students, Outside the University of Oklahoma

			PhD Granting Institution	Current Placement
Hindes, Sophie	2023-2024	PhD – Criminology	University of Melbourne	Research Fellow La Trobe University
Johnson, Nathan	2025- Present	PsyD – Psychology	Wright State University	Current PsyD Student
McCutcheon, Jessica	2018	PhD – Psychology	University of Saskatchewan	Research Scholar University of Saskatchewan
Morgan, Skyler	2022-2023	PhD – Criminology	Arizona State University	Asst. Prof University of California, Long Beach
Spivey, Emily	2023-2024	PhD – Criminology	Texas State University	Asst. Prof University of New Mexico

Undergraduate Students, University of Oklahoma

Majors, Emma. 2026. "NCVS Patterns of Victimization." *Honors Research Project*

Flesher, Emily. 2025. "Transgender College Student Experiences with Past Pediatric Care." *Honors Research Project, UReCA Summer Fellowship Recipient,* funded

Hamilton, Zoe. 2025. "Perceptions and Treatment of LGBTQ Youth in the Juvenile Justice System." *UReCA Summer Fellowship Applicant,* unfunded

Reyes, Destiny C. 2024. "Sex Work and the COVID-19 Pandemic." *Honors Research Project*

Orban, Ivy. 2021/2022. "LGBTQ Flagging on TikTok." *Honors Research Project*

Patterson, Savanah. 2020. "LGBTQ+ Experiences with Title IX." *Honors Research Project*

Puckett, Heather. 2019. "Social Workers and Best Practices for Working with Survivors of Childhood Sexual Violence." *WGS Research Project*

Dino, Arianna. 2017. "Schooled on Date-Rape Drugs: A Longer Exposure to the Environment of College Campuses Affects Knowledge of Rape-Facilitating Drugs." *Honors Research Project*

Zakerion, Sheyda. 2013-2014. "Homeless and Newsworthy: A Content Analysis of Oklahoma's First Newspaper Produced by the Homeless Population." *McNair Scholar Research Project*

Haltom, Trenton and Meredith Worthen. "Understanding How Males Perceive Heterosexual Male Masculinity: Male Ballet Dancers and their Experiences." Poster presented at The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Meetings (November 3-6, 2011) Houston, TX.

Haltom, Trenton. 2011-2012. "Understanding How Males Perceive Masculinity: Male Ballet Dancers and Their Experiences." *Undergraduate Thesis*

Davis, Julianne. 2010. "Child Sex Trafficking in Oklahoma." Women's and Gender Studies Internship with OATH: Oklahomans Against the Trafficking of Humans

COMMUNITY ACTIVISM AND LEADERSHIP

The Welcoming Project, Director and Founder, 2011-Present

The Welcoming Project is a 501c non-profit organization that was created in 2011 to encourage local businesses, organizations, churches/congregations, and healthcare providers across the globe to display rainbow "All Are Welcome" signs for the purpose of making LGBTQ individuals and allies feel welcomed as patrons. To date, 1,500+ places are displaying these signs throughout the world. The Welcoming Project participates in community advocacy for LGBTQ people and offers annual college scholarships to LGBTQ activists at both the undergraduate and graduate level. More information can be found at: www.thewelcomingproject.org.

The #MeTooMeredith Coalition, Director and Founder 2018-Present

#MeTooMeredith is an Instagram platform where survivors of sexual violence and harassment can share their stories anonymously. To date, more than 5,000 followers have flocked to the account and close to 1000 stories have been posted. #MeTooMeredith has been featured in *The Norman Transcript*, KOCO Channel 5, *The OU Daily*, KGOU, and *proFmagazine*.

Other Community Service

Data Action Team, Honestly Youth Sexual Health, The Central Oklahoma Teen Pregnancy Prevention Collaboration, 2023-Present

Oklahoma Prevention Leadership Committee, Higher Education Subcommittee, Oklahoma State Department of Health and CDC Rape Prevention and Education Program, 2023-Present
Norman Public Schools, LGBTQ Consultant, 2021
Federal Corrections Institute at El Reno, OK, LGBTQ Diversity Consultant, 2021
Contributor, *Bi Women Quarterly*
Proofreader, September 2022 Issue
"A Quick Lesson from my Daughter about Queer Parenting." September 2022 Issue
"You Get to Have Your Cake and Eat it Too! Reflections About Light (Stereotypes) and Heavy (Abortion) Topics Post *Roe v. Wade*'s Reversal." March 2023 Issue

COMMUNITY ARCHITECTURAL ENGAGEMENT

RESTORATION

I have participated in the complete interior and exterior restoration of historic homes in Norman to bring them to their original glory and breathe life into the historical properties of Oklahoma.

946 S. Flood Avenue - Art Deco Style (built 1940; restored 2022)
Full renovation of kitchen and bathroom; interior redesign; restoration to Art Deco original style

1008 McFarland Street - Minimal Traditional Style (built 1930; restored 2023)
Full renovation of kitchen and bathroom; interior redesign; enclosure of front patio

1018 Madison Street - Minimal Traditional Style (built 1940; restored 2024)
Restoration of kitchen and bathroom

2518 Acacia Court - Organic Architecture Style (built 1971; restoration complete 2026)
Full renovation of kitchen and bathrooms; interior redesign; enclosure of back patio; restoration to organic architectural mid-century modern style
*This home was featured in *Vollendorf in Oklahoma* at the Gibbs College of Architecture at the University of Oklahoma (2026)

EXHIBITION

Vollendorf in Oklahoma: The Architecture of Dean Bryant Vollendorf brings together highlights from Vollendorf's work in Oklahoma through photographs, architectural drawings, magazine articles, press clippings, and quotes from current homeowners to showcase his extraordinary artistic innovations. In all, seven Oklahoma projects are displayed: the Jischke Residence, the Holbert Residence, the Kelsey Residence, the Nations Residence, the Bernstein Residence (listed on the National Register of Historic Places), String City Searches, and Vollendorf's personal home known as "Mustang." This exhibition showcases how Vollendorf extended the American School legacy of architecture that inspires designers to this day.

Gibbs College of Architecture at the University of Oklahoma
February - March 2026
Curator: Meredith G. F. Worthen