Curriculum Vitae

Kayla Freemon

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Department of Criminology
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

DePaul University – Department of Criminology 2025-present Associate Chair 2023-present Assistant Professor

RESEARCH EXPERTISE

justice system accountability; applied policy and program evaluation; data-driven methodologies; violence prevention; jail experiences; crime and justice in the Caribbean

EDUCATION

2022

2017

2023	Ph.D. Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University
	Dissertation: Understanding the relative impact of police-led programs as mechanisms of
	accountability on patrol officer misconduct

Committee: Charles Katz (chair), Danielle Wallace, Beth Huebner

• Certificate in Social Science Research Methods

2019 M.S. Justice, Law, and Criminology, American University

• Certificate in Analytics and Management

2013 B.S. Criminal Justice and Criminology, Loyola University Chicago

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-2023	Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University
2017-2019	International Affairs Specialist United States Department of Justice, Office of International Affairs

Hotline Advocate, National Human Trafficking Hotline (Polaris)

2015-2016 Community Education Promoter, Peace Corps Guyana

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Cheon, H. Migration status and its relationship with delinquency, drug use, and gang membership in the English-speaking Caribbean. *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice.* (Online First)
- Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Uchida, C. D. The validity and reliability of body-worn camera meta-data and its utility for understanding policing. *Justice Quarterly*, 1-24. https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2025.2451310 (Online first)
- Freemon, K. R., Montes, A. N., Morgan, S. J., & Cochran, J. C. Reporting sexual victimization: A national-level assessment of formal reporting in jails. *Crime & Delinquency*, 71(5), 1435-1461. https://doi.org/10.1177/00111287221150421
- 2025 Katz, C. M., Cheon, H., Freemon, K., & Wallace, D. Evaluating the effectiveness of a police early intervention system: From the predictive validity of officer identification to the impact of intervention. *Police Quarterly*, 1-34. (Online First)
- Freemon, K. (2024). Police accountability and officer misconduct: moderation effects by officers' gender and race for body-worn cameras and an early intervention system. *Policing: An International Journal*, 47(6), 1179-1204. https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-02-2024-0018
- Freemon, K. (2024). Privatized jails: Comparing individuals' safety in private and public jails. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 90, 1-9. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2023.102134
- Freemon, K. R., Cheon, H., Katz, C. M., & Nuño, L. E. (2023). Differences between incarcerated and nonincarcerated youth in the English-speaking Caribbean. *International Criminal Justice Review*, *33*(3), 281-301. https://doi.org/10.1177/10575677221124
- Freemon, K., Herrera, V., Cheon, H., & Katz, C. M. Family structure and delinquency in the English-speaking Caribbean: The moderating role of parental attachment, supervision, and commitment to negative peers. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice, 21*(2), 149-171. https://doi.org/10.1177/154120402211321
- 2023 Cheon, H., Freemon, K., & Katz, C. M. Legal socialization, police, and delinquency in three Caribbean nations. *Island Studies Journal*, 18(1), 30-51. https://doi.org/10.24043/isj.407
- Cheon, H., Katz, C. M., & Freemon, K. Assessing social control, self-control, and social learning in a sample of youth across nine English-speaking Caribbean nations: A validation study of theoretical constructs. *Crime & Delinquency*, 1-26. https://doi.org/10.1177/0011128723119740 (Online first)

- Huff, J., Freemon, K., & Katz, C. M. (2024). A mixed-methods evaluation of the Phoenix Crime Gun Liaison Program: Leveraging patrol officers for investigations. *Justice Evaluation Journal*, 7(1), 80-103. https://doi.org/10.1080/24751979.2023.2232437
- 2023 Katz, C. M., Cheon, H., & Freemon, K., & Nuño, L. Delinquency, drug use, and gang membership in the English-speaking Caribbean. *Children and Youth Services Review, 114*, 1-13. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2022.106758
- Freemon, K. R., Gutierrez, M. A., Huff, J., Cheon, H., Choate, D., Cox, T., Katz, C. M. Violent victimization among immigrants: Using the National Violent Death Reporting System to examine foreign-born homicide victimization in the United States. *Preventative Medicine Reports*, 26, 1-7. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pmedr.2022.101714
- 2021 Katz, C. M., Walcott, J., Freemon, K., & delMistro, P. Enhancing the capacity for datadriven decision making on citizen security in the English-speaking Caribbean: A case study of CariSECURE. *Caribbean Journal of Criminology*, 3(1), 93-123.
- Freemon, K. R., Nuño, L., & Katz, C. M. The status of youth incarceration in the Caribbean. *Caribbean Journal of Criminology*, *2*(1), 48-74.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Freemon, K. Capítulo 7. Relación del personal penitenciario con las personas privadas de libertad en el sistema penitenciario del Caribe: uso de datos para mejorar la vida y el trabajo en prisión. In Villa-Mar, K. & Cedillo, B. (Eds.), Hacia una mejor gestión penitenciaria en ALC: Resultados de un Bien Público Regional Penitenciario. Inter-American Development Bank (IDB-TN-3179). https://publications.iadb.org/es/hacia-una-mejor-gestion-penitenciaria-en-america-latina-y-el-caribe-resultados-de-un-bien-publico
- 2025 Mitchell, R., Finch, H., Chang, D., Freemon, K., Haastrup, O., ul Hasan, R. *Project 250: Operation Safe Escape.* Statistics Without Boarders.
- 2024 Freemon, K. Assessment of Recovery Capital (ARC) scale validation. Cook County Adult Probation Department.
- 2024 Alderden, M., & Freemon, K. Final report on the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership's The Road Home Reentry Navigation Initiative: Outcome evaluation findings. Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- Seepersad, R., Freemon, K., & Katz, C. M. Eastern and Southern Caribbean Criminal Dynamics Study: Gangs in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Latin America and Caribbean Learning and Rapid Response (LACLEARN).

- Seepersad, R., Katz, C. M., & Freemon, K.. Eastern and Southern Caribbean Criminal Dynamics Study: Gangs in Saint Kitts and Nevis. United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Latin America and Caribbean Learning and Rapid Response (LACLEARN).
- Seepersad, R., Katz, C. M., & Freemon, K. Eastern and Southern Caribbean Criminal Dynamics Study: Gangs in the Caribbean, Regional Final Report. United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Latin America and Caribbean Learning and Rapid Response (LACLEARN).
- 2023 Freemon, K. Prison staff misconduct in the English-speaking Caribbean: Using data to improve living and working experiences in prison. Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).
- Freemon, K., Katz, C., & Uchida, C. D. The validity and reliability of body-worn camera meta-data and its utility for understanding policing. CNA Corporation.
- 2023 Katz, C. M., Zheng, Y., Cheon, H., Wallace, D., & Freemon, K. *Predicting out-of-policy police behavior for early intervention systems through machine learning.* Phoenix Police Department.
- 2023 Cheon, H., Katz, C. M., Wallace, D., & Freemon, K. A data-driven Receiver Operator Characteristic (ROC) curve approach to selecting indicators and thresholds to predict out-of-policy behavior for police early intervention systems. Phoenix Police Department.
- 2023 Katz, C. M., Cheon, H., Freemon, K., & Wallace, D. Baseline evaluation of the Phoenix Police Department's Early Intervention System. Phoenix Police Department.
- 2023 Freemon, K., & Katz, C. M. Report for the provision of technical assistance to improve domestic and sexual violence reporting in Suriname. Inter-American Development Bank.
- 2022 Freemon, K., Cox, T., & Katz, C. M. AZ-SUDORS: Quarterly report, January 2019-July 2021. Center for Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Arizona State University.
- 2022 Katz, C. M., Huff, J., & Freemon, K. A randomized control trial of the Phoenix Crime Gun Liaison Program. Phoenix Police Department.
- Freemon, K. R. Employer consensus report: Reducing stigma and barriers to employment for formerly incarcerated individuals. Valley Leadership's Impact Makers Jobs & the Economy Team.
- 2021 Freemon, K., Gutierrez, M., Cox, T., & Katz, C. M. *AZ-SUDORS: Quarterly report, July 2019-December 2020.* Center for Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Arizona State University.
- 2021 Freemon, K., Gutierrez, M., Cox, T., & Katz, C. M. AZ-SUDORS: Quarterly report, July 2019-June 2020. Center for Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Arizona State University.
- 2021 Katz, C. M., Cheon, H., Zheng, Y., Wallace, D., & Freemon, K. Examining the predictive validity and thresholds of the indicators used for the Phoenix Police Department's Early Intervention System: An interim report. Phoenix Police Department.

- 2020 Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Choate, D. SUDORS report: Characteristics of drug overdose deaths involving opioids and stimulants in Arizona, July-December 2019. Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety.
- 2020 Freemon, K. R., Gutierrez, M. A., Huff, J., Cheon, H., Choate, D., Cox, T., & Katz, C. M. Foreign-born homicides in the United States. Congressional Research Service.
- 2020 Ellis, G., Freemon, K., Palmero, S., Sullivant, S., & Wade, K. Community Safety Action Teams: A catalyst for improving community-police relations in Kosovo. U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. https://www.justice.gov/criminal-icitap/file/1295436/download

BOOK CHAPTERS

2024 Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Seepersad, R. *A primer on street gangs in the Eastern and Southern Caribbean.* (Wendell C. Wallace, Ed.) The Palgrave Handbook of Caribbean Criminology.

GRANTS

- Principal Investigator. Does cost or effectiveness hold more sway for U.S. public support for correctional accountability practices? A survey experiment. DePaul University's University Research Council's (UCR) Competitive Research Grant [\$4,938]. Co-PI: Yong-Chan Rhee.
- Principal Investigator. Design of a professional development class for criminology students. DePaul University's Quality of Instruction (QIC) Summer Stipend [\$3,500].
- 2024 Principal Investigator. *Undergraduate research assistant support*. DePaul University's University Research Council's (UCR) Undergraduate Research Assistant Program Grant [\$2,370].
- 2024 Principal Investigator. *Criminology study abroad to Jamaica preparation*. DePaul University's Quality of Instruction (QIC) Competitive Instructional Grant [\$2,725]. (not funded)
- 2024 Principal Investigator. *Undergraduate research assistant support*. DePaul University's University Research Council's (UCR) Undergraduate Research Assistant Program Grant [\$1,185].
- Principal Investigator. Application to travel to the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) in Ann Arbor, Michigan for data analysis. ASU's Graduate and Professional Association (GPSA) Fall 2022 Independent Research Grant Program [\$476].

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2025 National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) New Investigator Award [\$6,500], U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and American Public Health Association (APHA)
- 2023 Research Conference Travel Scholarship, National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

2023 Doctoral Fellow, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)

CONSULTANTSHIPS

2023 Inter-American Development Bank

INVITED TALKS

- Freemon, K. Roundtable on Inside-Out teaching, scholarship, and evaluation. Irwin W. Steans Center, DePaul University. Faculty Community Immersion Institute. June 18, 2025.
- 2023 Freemon, K. Prison staff misconduct in the English-speaking Caribbean: Using data to improve living and working experiences in prison. Inter-American Development Bank. November 13, 2023.
- Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Uchida, C. Body-worn camera meta-data and its utility to police agency decision-making. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Body-worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program Webinar. October 19, 2023.

PRESENTATIONS

- Freemon, K., & Perez, X. A quasi-experimental impact evaluation of a jail-based Inside-Out program. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2025 Alderden, M., Freemon, K., Perez, X. Evaluation of the Road Home Reentry Navigation Institute. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2025 Freemon, K. Discussant: Caribbean Journal of Criminology Roundtable. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2024 Freemon, K. Using departmental indicators and machine learning to predict early-career patrol officer retention. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.
- 2024 Alderden, M., & Freemon, K. Officer use of deadly force in domestic-related incidents: A comparative analysis. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.
- 2024 Freemon, K. Preliminary analyses using machine learning to predict early-career patrol officer retention. AI in Healthcare and Scientific Discovery Symposium, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2024 Freemon, K. Police accountability programs and officer misconduct: The (lack of a) moderating effect by officers' gender and race for body-worn cameras and an early intervention system. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2024 Freemon, K. Private jails: Comparing individuals' safety in private and public jails. Western Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Long Beach, California.

- Freemon, K. Prisons and prison management in Latin America and the Caribbean. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2023 Freemon, K. Gang structure in the English-speaking Caribbean: The association between group organization and individual delinquency, substance use, and victimization. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2023 Freemon, K., Katz, C. M., & Uchida, C. Body-worn camera meta-data and its utility to police agency decision-making. American Society of Evidence-Based Policing Annual Meeting, Los Vegas, Nevada.
- 2023 Freemon, K. Jail interventions and recidivism: A meta-analysis. Western Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia.
- Freemon, K. The link between immigration and delinquency in the Caribbean. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2022 Freemon, K. R., Katz, C. M., & Cheon, H. Police misconduct and the 2020 U.S. election: Comparing officer gender and race differences. Western Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 2021 Freemon, K. R., Katz, C. M., Cheon, H., & Nuño, L. Who actually serves time? Comparing incarcerated and non-incarcerated in the English-speaking Caribbean. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DePaul University (Undergraduate)

- Community Corrections (CRIM 285, in person) 2024 Winter
- Introduction to Criminal Justice (CRIM 101, in person) 2025 Spring, 2025 Winter
- Introduction to Criminal Justice (CRIM 101, online) 2025 Summer
- Professional Development for Criminology (CRIM 210, online) 2025 Autumn
- Research Methods in Criminology (CRIM 301, in person) 2025 Autumn, 2025 Winter, 2024 Autumn, 2024 Winter, 2023 Autumn
- Statistics in Criminology (CRIM 302, in person) 2024 Spring, 2023 Autumn

Arizona State University (Graduate)

- Policy and Program Evaluation (CRJ 510, Session A, online) 2023 Summer
- Seminar on Violence (CRJ 520, Session B, online) 2024 Fall

Arizona State University (Undergraduate)

- Introduction to Criminology (Session A, Barrett Honors College, in person) 2022 Summer
- Introduction to Corrections (CRJ 240, Session A & B, online) 2020 Summer
- Police Accountability (CRJ 409, Session B, online) 2023 Summer

Millikin University (Undergraduate)

• Community Policing (CJ 318, synchronous online) – 2022 Spring, 2021 Spring

American University (Undergraduate, Teaching Assistant)

• Introduction to Political Research (GOVT 310), Elizabeth Suhay – 2019 Spring

Other Facilitated Trainings:

2019-2020 Trainer, UNDP Crime Analysis Course

Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety, Arizona State University

Funded by: United Nations Development Program

Conducted 22 hours of training to crime analysts across 10 Caribbean nations

PROFESSIONAL & INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

DePaul University

Department

2023-present Internship Coordinator

2024-present Chair, Program Assessment Committee

2023-present Member, Criminology Scholarship Committee (Chair: 2024-2025)

2025-present Member, Curriculum Committee

2023-2024 Member, Creating Knowledge Review Committee

Job Search Ad-Hoc Committees: 2 tenure-track line (2026-2027; 2025-2026), 1 instructor line (2024)

College

2025-present Member, Liberal Arts and Sciences Committee on Undergraduate Research

University

2024-present Member, University Research Council

2025-present Member, Scholarship Learning Community (Topic: Open Science in Practice: Tools

and Workflows for Transparent, Reproducible Research)

Arizona State University

2019-2021 Member, Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Committee

2019-2020 Member, Distinguished Scholar Committee, School of Criminology and Criminal

Justice

Profession

2023-present Member, Graduate Fellowship Committee, Division on International Criminology,

American Society of Criminology

2023-present Member, Student Paper Award Committee, Division on Corrections and Sentencing,

American Society of Criminology

Community

2023-present Member, Young Professional Board, John Howard Association of Illinois

(independent prison oversight)

2025-present Institutional Review Board (IRB) Member, Illinois Criminal Justice Information

Authority (ICJIA)

2025	Volunteer, Statistics Without Borders
	Project: Operation Safe Escape (domestic violence service provider)
2017-2023	Volunteer, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
2020	Volunteer, Champaign County Jail Library

Ad-Hoc Manuscript Reviewer

Policy Press; Justice Quarterly; Journal of Experimental Criminology; Journal of Criminal Justice; Crime & Delinquency; Policing Practice and Research: An International Journal; Caribbean Journal of Criminology; Small States & Territories; Psychology, Crime, and Law

STUDENT MENTORSHIP

Faculty Mentor, Undergraduate Research Assistant Program

- Amanda Operana (January June 2025)
- Margaret Jemain (June November 2024)

Faculty Sponsor, Creating Knowledge DePaul Student Journal

• Yashal Yousaf (2025)

Research Mentor - Undergraduate

- Ariana Rosales (January 2025 present)
- Elizabeth Gullixon (January 2025 present)
- Emma Anderson (March 2025 June 2025)
- Dalaney Stanford (January 2025 June 2025)

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & DEVELOPMENT

Software Proficiencies: Excel, STATA, R, Python, SPSS, SQL, ArcGIS, QGIS

Research Focused

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2025	Enhancing measurement quality in social sciences through measurement theory and item
	response theory, Yi Zheng, PhD, Arizona State University
2024	Machine Learning for Social Science, Udemy
2024	Meta-analysis, David Wilson, Statistical Horizons
2024	Introduction to Grant Writing, Office of Research Services, DePaul University
2023	Quantitative Tools for Program Evaluation, Robert Apel, PhD, Rutgers University-
	Newark
2022	Introduction to Meta-Analysis, Cornell Statistical Consulting Unit
2022	MySQL for Data Analysis, John Pauler, Udemy
2022	Qualitative Methods 101, Abigail Henson, PhD, Arizona State University
2021	Social Networks "Crash Course", Jacob Young, PhD, Arizona State University
2021	Stata Bootcamp, Danielle Wallace, PhD, Arizona State University
2021	Cognitive Interviewing, Gordon Willis, PhD, National Cancer Institute – NIH
2021	Intermediate Python Programming for Non-Programming Social Scientists, Eric Shook,
	PhD, University of Minnesota
2021	Mediation and Moderation in Stata, Meghan Cain, Senior Statistician, StataCorp

	of Minnesota
2020	Grounded Theory: The Basics, Amber Wutich, PhD, Arizona State University
2020	R Workshop, Jacob Young, PhD, Arizona State University
2019	Atlas.ti Workshop, Danielle Rudes, PhD, George Mason University
Teach	ing Focused
2025	DePaul Online Teaching Series (DOTS), Center for Teaching and Learning, DePaul
	University
2025	Reckoning with Mental Health and Neurodiversity in Higher Education, Center for
	Teaching and Learning, DePaul University
2025	Transform Presentations with Microsoft Copilot, Center for Teaching and Learning, DePau
	University
2025	Teaching in Conflict: Facilitating Constructive Conversations, Center for Teaching and
	Learning, DePaul University
2025	AI-Aware Assignment Design, DePaul University
2025	Fundamentals of D2L Quizzes, DePaul University
2024	Teaching and Learning Certificate, Center for Teaching and Learning, DePaul University
2024	Community-based Service Learning Certificate, Irwin W. Steans Center, DePaul University
2024	Flex Instruction Training Winter 2024, DePaul University
2024	ChatGPT: Integrating LLMs into your Pedagogy, DePaul Teaching Commons
2020	Teaching 101 and Establishing Instructor Presence, Arizona State University

Python Programming for Non-Programming Social Scientists, Eric Shook, PhD, University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2020

2018-present American Society of Criminology

Division on Corrections and Sentencing Division on International Criminology Division on Policing