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EMPLOYMENT

- 2024- Assistant Professor, Syracuse University, Department of Sociology
Research Affiliate, Center for Policy Research
- 2022-24 Assistant Professor, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Department of Criminology &
Criminal Justice
- 2021-22 Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Toronto, Department of Sociology
- 2019-21 Research Associate (Predoctoral Fellow), University of Nottingham (UK), School of
Sociology and Social Policy

EDUCATION

- 2021 Ph.D.
University of Toronto, Department of Sociology
- 2015 M.A.
University of Alberta, Department of Sociology
- 2013 B.A., summa cum laude
Washington State University, Department of Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- Quinn, K., Buck, G. and Tomczak, P. *Emotion, Action and Power in the Penal Voluntary Sector*.
Bristol University Press. [Forthcoming March 2027]

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 2026 Quinn, K. "[The Struggle Over How to Help Incarcerated People: A Field Analysis of the Penal Voluntary Sector](#)." *Social Problems*.
- 2025 Evans, V., Quinn, K., Inzana, V. "[Telling Ghost Stories: Collateral Consequences, Haunting, and a Criminology of Fiction](#)." *Crime, Media, and Culture*.

- 2024 Quinn, K. “[“Bridging Divides or Reinforcing Distance? The Interplay of Individual and Organizational Factors in Shaping Volunteers’ Relationships with Criminalized Women.”](#) *Social Problems* 72(4): 1668-1686.
- 2024 Quinn, K., Buck, G., Tomczak, P. “[“Mobilizing Metaphors in Criminological Analysis: A Case Study of Emotions in the Penal Voluntary Sector.”](#) *British Journal of Criminology*. OnlineFirst.
- 2023 Tomczak, P., Quinn, K., Traynor, C., and Wainwright, L. “[“\(Re\)constructing Prisoner Death Investigations: A Case Study of Suicide Investigations from England and Wales.”](#) *Law & Social Inquiry*. OnlineFirst.
- 2023 Goodman, P., and Quinn, K. “[“The Palimpsest of Outdoor Penal Labor in California, 1915-2000.”](#) *Howard Journal of Crime and Justice* 62(1): 119-141.
★ Winner *Howard Journal of Crime and Justice* Best Article Prize 2023
- 2023 Quinn, K. “[“Dispositions that Matter: Investigating Criminalized Women’s Resettlement through Their \(Trans\)Carceral Habitus.”](#) *Criminology & Criminal Justice* 23(1): 20-38.
- 2022 Quinn, K., and Goodman, P. “[“Shaping the Road to Reentry: Organizational Variation and Narrative Labor in the Penal Voluntary Sector.”](#) *Punishment & Society*. OnlineFirst.
- 2022 Quinn, K., Tomczak, P., and Buck, G. “[“How You Keep Going’: Voluntary Sector Practitioners’ Story-lines as Emotion Work.”](#) *British Journal of Sociology* 73(2): 370-386.
★ *British Journal of Sociology* Top Cited Article 2022-2023
- 2021 Buck, G., Tomczak, P., and Quinn, K. “[“This is How it Feels: Activating Lived Experience in the Penal Voluntary Sector.”](#) *British Journal of Criminology* 62(4): 822-839.
- 2021 Quinn, K., and Tomczak, P. “[“Practitioner Niches in the \(Penal\) Voluntary Sector: Perspectives from Management and the Frontlines.”](#) *Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations* 32(2): 78-89.
- 2020 Tomczak, P., and Quinn, K. “[“Practitioner Emotions in the Penal Voluntary Sector: Voices from England and Canada.”](#) *British Journal of Social Work* 51(7): 2282-2300.
- 2020 Quinn, K. “[“Inside the Penal Voluntary Sector: Divided Discourses of ‘Helping’ Criminalized Women.”](#) *Punishment & Society* 22(2): 161-180.

Book chapters (* denotes equal co-authorship)

- 2026 Quinn, K. "[Possibilities for Generative Justice in the Penal Voluntary Sector.](#)" In *Generative Justice: Crime, Punishment and Solidarity*, edited by F. McNeill, M. Corcoran, and B. Weaver. Bristol University Press.
- 2023 Quinn, K., and Canossini, E. * "[‘Clean Body, Clean Mind, Clean Job’: The Role of Penal Voluntary Sector Organizations in Constructing ‘Good’ Carceral Citizens.](#)" In *Cultures of Citizenship in the Twenty-First Century*, edited by V. Evans and M. Banerjee. Transcript Publishing.
- 2023 Quinn, K. and Schneiderhan, E. "[Leaving the Sequestered Byway: A Forward Look at Sociology’s Morals and Practice.](#)" In *Handbook of the Sociology of Morality*, vol. 2, edited by S. Hitlin, A. Luft, and S. Dromi. Springer.
- 2022 Schneiderhan, E., and Quinn, K. "[Jane Addams and the Return to Settlement Sociology: Inspiration for How to Help Others in the Digital Age.](#)" In *The Oxford Handbook of Jane Addams*, edited by P. Shields, M. Hamington, and J. Soeters. Oxford University Press. OnlineFirst.
- 2020 Quinn, K., and Tomczak, P. "[Emotional Labour in the Penal Voluntary Sector.](#)" Pp. 85–100 in *Emotional Labour in Criminal Justice and Criminology*, edited by J. Phillips, J. Waters, C. Westaby, and A. Fowler. Routledge.
- 2020 Quinn, K., Canossini, E., and Evans, V. "[Carceral Imaginaries in Science Fiction: Toward a Palimpsestic Understanding of Penalty.](#)" Pp. 473–85 in *The Palgrave Handbook of Incarceration in Popular Culture*, edited by M. Harmes, B. Harmes, and M. Harmes. Palgrave Macmillan.

Book reviews

- 2025 Quinn, K. [Review of Rebecca M. Rodriguez Carey’s Birth Behind Bars: The Carceral Control of Pregnant Women in Prison.](#) *Social Forces*.
- 2023 Quinn, K. [Review of Liam Martin’s Halfway House: Prisoner Reentry and the Shadow of Carceral Care.](#) *Punishment & Society*. OnlineFirst.
- 2021 Quinn, K. [Review of François Bonnet’s The Upper Limit: How Low-Wage Work Defines Punishment and Welfare.](#) *Labour/Le Travail* 87(1): 210-212.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

External

- 2023-24 Intersecting Institutions of Criminal Justice and Injustice Partnership - \$15,000 CAD
- 2022 Law and Society Association Early Career Workshop Travel Award - \$1000 USD
- 2020-21 Ontario Graduate Scholarship - \$15,000 CAD

- 2019 American Society of Criminology (ASC) Division on Women and Crime Aruna Jain International Travel Grant - \$2,500 USD
- 2019 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement - \$6,000 CAD
- 2016-19 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship - \$105,000 CAD
- 2018 Carceral Geography Working Group Conference Travel Grant - £250
- 2014-15 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Joseph-Armand Bombardier Master's Scholarship - \$17,500 CAD
- 2013 PAC-12 Conference Postgraduate Scholarship - \$3,000 USD

Internal

- 2025 Syracuse University Appleby-Mosher Fund for Faculty Research - \$2,000 USD
- 2023 University of Missouri-St. Louis Research Award - \$12,500 USD
- 2023 University of Missouri-St. Louis Global Fellowship - \$3,000 USD
- 2022 Early Career Research Network Symposium – Best Presentation - \$500 USD
- 2022 Early Career Research Network Symposium – Best Visuals - \$500 USD
- 2022 University of Missouri-St. Louis Departmental Travel Award - \$500 USD
- 2022 University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Arts & Sciences Travel Award - \$815 USD
- 2022 University of Toronto Mississauga Small Grants Fund - \$2000 CAD
- 2022 University of Toronto Mississauga Postdoctoral Fellow Travel Grant - \$500 CAD
- 2021 Department of Sociology Graduate Program Award - \$500 CAD
- 2017-20 University of Toronto Fellowship - \$23,319 CAD
- 2020 Faculty of Arts & Science Doctoral Completion Award - \$1,000 CAD
- 2020 Faculty of Arts & Science Fellowship - \$2,028 CAD
- 2019 Department of Sociology Graduate Program Award - \$800 CAD
- 2019 University of Toronto Conference Travel Grant - \$1,000 CAD
- 2018 Faculty of Arts & Science Research Grant - \$1,555 CAD
- 2018 University of Toronto Conference Travel Grant - \$250 CAD
- 2016 University of Toronto Outstanding Admissions Award - \$6,000 CAD
- 2015 Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship (Master's Level) - \$5,400 CAD
- 2014 Walter H. Johns Graduate Fellowship - \$5,000 CAD
- 2013 Washington State University Postgraduate Scholarship - \$500 USD

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2026 Quinn, K., Buck, G., and Tomczak, P. "The Stories Not Told in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in New York, NY.
- 2026 Quinn, K., Buck, G., and Tomczak, P. "Narrative Absences in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in San Francisco, CA.

- 2026 McAleese, S., Salole, A., and Quinn, K. "Reimagining CRIMVOL: Shaping the Future of Research About the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of National Conference on Critical Perspectives in Criminology and Social Justice in St. Catherine's, ON.
- 2026 Quinn, K. "Possibilities for Generative Justice in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Spotlight panel at the annual meeting of National Conference on Critical Perspectives in Criminology and Social Justice in St. Catherine's, ON.
- 2025 Quinn, K., Buck, G. and Tomczak, P. "What is Left Unsaid in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the European Society of Criminology in Athens, Greece.
- 2025 Evans, V., Quinn, K. and Inzana, V. "Telling Ghost Stories: Collateral Consequences, Haunting, and a Criminology of Fiction." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Chicago, IL.
- 2024 Quinn, K. "Settler Colonialism in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in San Francisco, CA.
- 2024 Quinn, K., Buck, G., and Tomczak, P. "Mobilizing Metaphors in Criminological Analysis: A Case Study of Emotions in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Denver, CO.
- 2023 Quinn, K. "Possibilities for Generative Justice in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in Philadelphia, PA.
- 2023 Quinn, K. and Canossini, E. "Clean Body, Clean Mind, Clean Job": The Role of Penal Voluntary Sector Organizations in Constructing "Good" Carceral Citizens." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in Philadelphia, PA.
- 2023 Quinn, K. "Prisoner Reentry and the Penal Voluntary Sector: Contested Relationships Between Volunteers and Criminalized Women." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in Philadelphia, PA.
- 2023 Tomczak, P., Quinn, K., Traynor, C., and Wainwright, L. "(Re)constructing Prisoner Death Investigations: A Case Study of Suicide Investigations from England and Wales." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the European Society of Criminology in Florence, Italy.
- 2023 Quinn, K. "Social Distance and Inequality in the Penal Voluntary Sector: Troubling Volunteers' Relationships with Criminalized Women." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2022 Quinn, K. "'Good Intentions Pave Many Roads. Not All of Them Lead to Hell':

Understanding Volunteers' Work with Criminalized Women in Canada." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology Association in Atlanta, GA.

- 2022 Goodman, P., and Quinn, K. "The Palimpsest of Outdoor Penal Labor in California 1915-2000." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2022 Buck, G., Tomczak, P., and Quinn, K. "Lived Experience in the Penal Voluntary Sector." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the British Society of Criminology in Guilford, UK.
- 2021 Quinn, K. "Power and Inequality in the Penal Voluntary Sector: Examining Relationships Between Volunteers and Criminalized Women." Presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association.
- 2021 Quinn, K., Tomczak, P., and Buck, G. "'All of the Bits that Actually Make a Difference': Examining the Voluntary Sector's Capacity for Social Problem Solving in Criminal Justice." Presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association.
- 2020 Quinn, K. "'A Field of Wanting to Help': How Diverse Forms of Expertise are Mobilized in Efforts to Help Criminalized Individuals." Presented virtually at the Annual Meetings of the Criminology Consortium.
- 2020 Quinn, K., and Tomczak, P. "Emotional Labour in Criminal Justice and Criminology." Online panel member at the Annual Meetings of the Criminology Consortium.
- 2020 Quinn, K. "Dispositions that Matter: Investigating Criminalized Women's Resettlement through Their (Trans)Carceral Habitus." Presented virtually at the annual meeting of the European Society of Criminology.
- 2019 Quinn, K., and Tomczak, P. "What We Talk About When We Talk About the PVS." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Quinn, K. "Prison Suicide: What Happens Afterwards?" Panelist for Author Meets Critic Session at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Quinn, K. "Inside the Penal Voluntary Sector: Perspectives on Helping Criminalized Women." Presented at the annual meeting of the European Society of Criminology in Ghent, Belgium.
- 2019 Tomczak, P., and Quinn, K. "Practitioner Emotions in the Penal Voluntary Sector: Voices from England and Canada." Presented at the University of Manchester's Social Work Education and Research Conference in Manchester, UK.

- 2019 Quinn K., Canossini, E., and Evans, V. "Palimpsestic Penalty: The Reconfiguration of Penal Regimes and Logics in Black Mirror." Presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Washington, DC.
- 2018 Quinn, K., Canossini, E., and Evans, V. "Carceral Imaginaries in Science Fiction: Toward a Palimpsestic Understanding of Penalty." Presented at the International Conference for Carceral Geography in Liverpool, UK.
- 2018 Quinn, K. "Constructing Criminalized Subjectivities: A Qualitative Analysis of the Penal Voluntary Sector in Canada." Presented at the XIX ISA World Congress of Sociology meeting in Toronto, ON.
- 2018 Quinn, K., and Rubin, A. "National Context and the International Mobility of Ideas: Conceptions and Theories of Risk Across Borders." Presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Toronto, ON.
- 2016 Quinn, K. "Beyond Litchfield: Examining the Role of Friendship in Women's Narratives of Re-Entry." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Seattle, WA.

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Quinn, K. "The Sociology of Punishment." Syracuse University Project Advance, Upstate Workshop. Syracuse, NY.
- 2024 Quinn, K. "The Sociology of Punishment." Syracuse University Project Advance, Downstate Workshop. New York, NY.
- 2023 Quinn, K., Salole, A., and McAleese, S. "Hidden Figures: A Manifesto for Naming the Penal Voluntary Sector." CRIMVOL: The International Criminal Justice Voluntary Sector Research Network.
- 2023 Goodman, P., and Quinn, K. "Agonism, Palimpsests, and Thinking about Penal Change." Social Analysis of Penalty across Boundaries Workshop Series. The Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research.
- 2021 Tomczak, P., Quinn, K., Traynor, C., Wainwright, L., and Hyde, S. "The Absence of Systemic Contextual Hazards in Prisoner Death Investigations." Prisoner Death Investigations: Improving Safety in Prisons and Societies?
- 2020 Quinn, K., and Goodman, P. "Becoming Ideal: Organizational Variation and the Penal Subject." Centre for Criminological Research at the University of Alberta.
- 2019 Quinn, K. "Theorizing: The Intersections of Theory and Method." Obama Institute for Transnational American Studies, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz, Germany.

- 2018 Quinn, K. "The Politics of Helping: Examining Divergent Practices in the Penal Voluntary Field." Rethinking Crime, Community, and Justice: A Symposium for Practitioners and Volunteers. Sheridan College, Brampton, Ontario.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Syracuse University

Undergraduate

- Criminal Justice (Fall 2024, Fall 2025, Fall 2026)
- Sociology of Law (Fall 2026)

Graduate

- Introduction to Field Research and Interviewing (Spring 2025, Spring 2026)

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Undergraduate

- Crime and Justice in a Globalized World (Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024 online)
- Corrections (Spring 2023, Fall 2023 online, Spring 2024 online)

Graduate

- Crime and Justice in a Globalized World (Fall 2022)

University of Toronto-Mississauga

- Advanced Topics in Criminology, Law and Society: Criminal Justice Non-Profit Organizations (Spring 2022)

Trent University-Durham

- Gender, Crime, and Justice (Spring 2022)
- Applications of Multi-Disciplinary Research (Fall 2021)

Professional Development

- 2022-23 Early Career Research Network, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2021 Teaching Fundamentals Certificate, University of Toronto
2021 Graduate Seminar in Teaching, University of Toronto, Department of Sociology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2020 Research Assistant, Prisoner Reentry Project (Goodman)
2020 Research Assistant, UK Prisons & Probation Ombudsman Project (Tomczak)

2017-18 Research Assistant, International Punishment and Risk Project (Rubin)
 2014 Research Assistant, Somali Diaspora Project (Bucerius)
 2013 Research Assistant, Daughters Day Edmonton (Community Partnership)
 2013 Research Assistant, Palouse Resource Network (Community Partnership)
 2011-13 Research Assistant, WSU Social and Economic Sciences Research Center

SERVICE

Departmental service

2025-26 Executive Committee, Syracuse University
 2023-24 Graduate Committee, University of Missouri-St. Louis
 2023-24 Planning Committee, University of Missouri-St. Louis
 2022-24 Equity Committee, University of Missouri-St. Louis
 2021-22 Ad Hoc Committee on Sexual & Gender Diversity, University of Toronto

University service

2022-24 Global Faculty Ambassador, University of Missouri-St. Louis

Discipline service

2022- Advisory Board, Law and Society Association's Collaborative Research Network 27 (Punishment and Society)
 2017-22 Administrative Assistant, Law and Society Association's Collaborative Research Network 27 (Punishment and Society)
 2019- Member, CRIMVOL: International Criminal Justice Voluntary Sector Research Network

Peer reviewer

American Journal of Sociology
Cogent Social Sciences
Contemporary Justice Review
Crime, Media, Culture
Criminal Justice and Behavior
European Probation Journal
International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice
International Journal of Qualitative Studies on Health and Well-being
Howard Journal of Crime and Justice
Journal of Religion & Spirituality in Social Work
Palgrave Macmillan
PLOS One
Punishment & Society
Theoretical Criminology
Qualitative Sociology

Social Problems
Symbolic Interactionism
Voluntas
World Futures

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology
Law and Society Association