

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in Criminal Justice 2015
The Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY), US
Dissertation: *Dangerous Spaces: The Structural Context of Violence against Foreign Nationals in South Africa* (Supervisor: Diana Gordon)
- M.Phil. in Criminal Justice 2014
The Graduate Center, CUNY, US
- M.Sc. in Investigative Psychology 2007
The University of Liverpool, UK
Areas of concentration: Risk assessment of incidents of domestic violence;
Serial sexual crime
- B.A. in Psychology 2004
Deree College, Athens, GR
Area of concentration: Eyewitness memory

ACADEMIC POSITIONS & SERVICE

- Assistant Professor Present
Department of Criminal Justice
California State University Stanislaus
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow 2015 – 2017
[African Centre for Migration & Society](#), University of the Witwatersrand, SA
- Elected Doctoral Student Teaching Representative 2011
Criminal Justice Doctoral Student Association
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
- Student Representative, Doctoral Student Admissions Committee 2010
Criminal Justice Program, The Graduate Center, CUNY

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- Visiting Researcher Sept. - Oct. 2016
Centre of African Studies, University of Edinburgh, UK
[Security at the Margins](#) (SeaM)
'Exploring strategies used to negotiate forms of marginality in urban South Africa.'

Co-Principal Investigator 'Combatting Drivers of Xenophobic Violence in South Africa: National Crowd Sourced GIS-Based Early Warning System for Xenophobic Violence.'	<i>April 2016 – June 2017</i>
Project Manager, International Research Collaboration between The Graduate Center, CUNY & The Institute for Security Studies, SA	<i>Aug. 2011- May 2015</i>
Visiting Researcher Justice, Crime and Governance Division Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria, SA	<i>July 2012-Aug. 2012 & June 2010-Aug. 2010</i>
Project Manager Women's Leadership Initiative, Georgetown University 'Estimating the Scope and Scale of the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area Commercial Sex Market'	<i>June 2011 – Sept. 2011</i>
Researcher United States Extremist Crime Database John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The City University of New York	<i>Jan. 2011 – June 2011</i>
Researcher Center for International Human Rights, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The City University of New York	<i>Aug. 2009 – Jan. 2011</i>
Intern Serial Sex Offender Rehabilitation Program Mersey Forensic Psychiatry Service, Merseycare NHS Trust, Liverpool, UK	<i>August 2006</i>

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Assistant Crime Analyst Serious Crime Analysis Section (SCAS) National Policing Improvement Agency, Bramshill, Hampshire, UK <i>Responsibilities:</i> Serial sexual crime data input and management, personnel and police training.	<i>Jan. 2007 - Aug. 2008</i>
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PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

Hiropoulos, A. & Porter, J. (2014). Visualising property crime in Gauteng: Applying GIS to crime pattern theory. *South African Crime Quarterly*, 47.

Articles in Progress:

Hiropoulos, A., Solis, C. & Metla, V. (forthcoming). Gendered perceptions of the South African Police Service: An application of critical race and feminist theory to South African women's views of ideal police.

Hiroopoulos, A. & Porter, J. (forthcoming). Social structures and violence: An examination of the relationship between violent crime and social disorganization in the Republic of South Africa.

Hiroopoulos, A. & Cooper-Knock, S.J. (forthcoming). When raising the gate won't work: The dangers of applying environmental criminology in the Republic of South Africa.

Hiroopoulos, A. & Lancaster, L. (forthcoming). Xenophobic violence and public protests in Gauteng, South Africa: Hotspots and predictors (tentative title).

Book Chapters:

Hiroopoulos, A. (2019). Africa, migration and xenophobia. In C. Mejivar, M. Ruiz & Ness, I. (Eds) *The Oxford Handbook of Migration Crises*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Hiroopoulos, A., Freilich, J.D., Chermak, S.M., & Newman, G.R. (2013). Cigarette smuggling and terrorism financing: A script approach. In B. Leclerc & R. Wortley (Eds.) *Cognition and Crime*. New York: Routledge.

Public Reports:

Hiroopoulos, A. (2017) Migration and detention: A Review of the application of the legal framework on arrest and detention and its impact on non-nationals in South Africa. African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum, October, 2017.

Hiroopoulos, A. & Landau, L. (2015). [Categories and criminality: How police claims about immigrants and crime are misleading](#). African Centre for Migration and Society Brief, September, 2015.

GRANT ACTIVITY

Co-Principal Investigator, Freedom House, *Combatting Drivers of Xenophobic Violence in South Africa: National Crowd Sourced GIS-Based Early Warning System for Xenophobic Violence, 'Xenowatch'*. Co-PI: L. Landau (\$184,329.00), 2016

Principal Investigator, The Graduate Center, CUNY Doctoral Student Research Grant Competition #8. *Dangerous Spaces: The Structural Context of Violence against Foreign Nationals in South Africa* (\$1,100)

Enhanced Chancellor's Fellowship, CUNY Graduate Center (\$20,000/year, tuition remission) (2009-2014)

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

Hiroopoulos, A., Panel Presentation

American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, November, 2016

“Do Not Come to Europe”: The Experience of Migration to Greece at the Height of the European Union's Crisis'

Hiropoulos, A., Porter, J., & Metla, V., Panel Presentation
American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, November, 2016
'A Test of the Effects of Social Disorganization on Property Crime in South Africa's Most Urbanized Province'

Hiropoulos, A., Panel Presentation
American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., November, 2015
'The Structural Context of Violence against Foreign Nationals in South Africa.'

Hiropoulos, A., Panel Presentation
Institute for Security Studies International Conference, Johannesburg, October, 2015
'Dangerous Spaces: The Structural Context of Violence against Foreign Nationals in South Africa.'

Hiropoulos, A., Panel Presentation
New York Law School, Twenty Years of South African Constitutionalism, NYC, Nov 2014
'Migrants' Rights in Policy and Practice'

Hiropoulos, A., Panel Moderator
Institute for Security Studies International Conference, Johannesburg, August, 2013
'Violence against Foreign Nationals in the Republic of South Africa: Conditions, Context and Causes.'

Porter, J. & Hiropoulos, A., Panel Presentation
American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Chicago, November, 2012
'A Test of Ecological Theories of Criminal Offending in South Africa: Analyzing Spatial Variation of Property Crime.'

Hiropoulos, A. & Porter, J., Panel Presentation
Institute for Security Studies International Conference, Johannesburg, October 2012
'Exploring the Relationship between Social Disorganization and Crime in South Africa.'

Hiropoulos, A. & Freilich, J.D., Panel Presentation
Institute for Security Studies International Conference, Johannesburg, October 2012
'Cigarette Smuggling and Terrorism Financing: A Script Approach to Organized Crime.'

Hiropoulos, A. & Porter, J., Panel Presentation
John Jay College International Conference, New York City, June 2012
'The Ecology of Property Crime and Policy Considerations in the Case of Gauteng, South Africa.'

Invited Presentations

Seminar, African Centre for Migration & Society, Wits University, SA *June, 2017*
'Practical and Theoretical Engagement with Geo-Spatial Data on Xenophobia'

Seminar, Centre for African Studies, Oxford University, UK *October, 2016*
'Advantages and Pitfalls of Geo-Spatial Analysis in South Africa'

Seminar, Centre for African Studies and Anthropology, University of Edinburgh, UK *October, 2016*
'Research Methods in Migration Studies in Southern Africa'

Seminar, African Centre for Migration & Society, Wits University, SA
'The Structural Context of Violence against Foreign Nationals in South Africa' August, 2015

Seminar, New York Law School, US
'Mapping Xenophobic Violence in South Africa' May, 2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

California State University Stanislaus Fall 2017
Assistant Professor

Department of Criminal Justice, 'Introduction to Criminal Justice',
'Race, Ethnicity and the Criminal Justice System',
'Community and Problem-Oriented Policing'

University of the Witwatersrand, SA Spring 2016
Co-Lecturer

African Centre for Migration & Society Graduate Programme
'The Logics and Methods of Migration Research'

John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY, US
Lecturer Spring 2014-Spring 2015
Department of Political Science, 'Comparative Criminal Justice Systems' & Fall 2010-Spring 2012

Lecturer Fall 2014-Spring 2015
Department of Sociology, 'Criminology' & Fall 2011

Lecturer Fall 2014
Department of Sociology, 'Migration and Crime'

Lecturer Fall 2014
Department of Sociology, 'Advanced Sociological Methodology'

Lecturer Fall-Spring 2012
Department of Sociology, 'International Criminal Justice'

Teaching Assistant Fall 2012
Department of Criminal Justice, Graduate Program & Spring 2011
'Issues in Criminal Justice'

Teaching Assistant Fall 2010
Department of Sociology, Honors Program, 'Criminological Theory'

Deree College, GR Spring 2003
Teaching Assistant
Department of Psychology, 'Experimental Psychology'

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Sub-Editor, South African Crime Quarterly, University of Cape Town, SA 2016-Present

MEDIA & OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Comment, Africa Check, January 31 2017
[‘Mapping, Understanding and Preventing Xenophobic Violence in South Africa’](#)

Interviewed for News Deeply / Refugees Deeply, August 27 2016
[‘South Africa to crowdsource reports of xenophobic violence’](#)

Interviewed on *Power Talk with Iman Rappetti*, Power FM, August 16. 2016
‘Xenophobic violence in South Africa and Xenowatch’

Interview for CNBC Africa, *Power Lunch*, August 12 2016
‘Launch of Xenowatch’

Blog, Africa at the London School of Economics (LSE) 2016
African Perspectives on Migration Series
[‘Foreign nationals’ prospects of a year without victimisation in 2016 South Africa’](#)

Interviewed for Eyewitness News 2015
[‘Crime stats: Figures Show Increase in the Crimes South Africa Fears Most’](#)

Comment, [Africa Check](#) & Opinion Piece, [Eyewitness News](#) 2015
‘Stats Needed to Shed Light on South Africa’s Xenophobic Violence’

Op-Ed, The Daily Maverick, Hiropoulos, A. & Landau, L. 2015
[‘Fighting Crime or Using Immigrants as Scapegoats?’](#)

Interviewed for *Breakfast Beat*, *The Voice of the Cape*, September 25. 2015
‘Stats needed to shed light on South Africa’s xenophobic violence’.
<http://iono.fm/e/213004?autoplay=1>

Interviewed by John Perlman, *Today with John Perlman*, Kaya FM, October 08. 2015
‘How important is it to know the racial and national identity of perpetrators of crime?’

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Criminology

Member, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) 2015-2017
Southern Africa Protection Working Group (PWG) & Team Leader,
Task Team on Xenophobic Violence