

Curriculum Vitae
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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor (Continuing Track)

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware
Fall 2009-present

Assistant Professor (fixed-term)

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware
Fall 2007-Spring 2009

Instructor (fixed-term)

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware
Fall 2005-Spring 2007

Research Center Affiliations

Policy Fellow

Center for Community Research and Service, University of Delaware, [CCRS](#)
Spring 2017-present

Faculty Affiliate/Investigator

Delaware Environmental Institute, University of Delaware, [DENIN](#)
Winter 2012-present

Faculty Affiliate

Disaster Research Center, University of Delaware, [DRC](#)
Fall 2015-present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology	May 2007	University of Delaware
M.A. Sociology	May 2002	University of Delaware
B.S. Sociology	August 1999	Towson University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assigned Undergraduate Courses

Introduction to Sociology [Honors and non-Honors]
(in-person and online) (3 credits, 200-level, required)
[Summer 2003 to present]

Introduction to Sociological Research

(in-person and online) (4 credits with computer statistics lab, 300-level, required)
[Fall 2005 to Fall 2013; Summer 2016]

Sociology of Risk

(3 credits, 300-level)
[Spring 2016]

Fads and Fashions [Honors and non-Honors]

(3 credits, 400-level)
[Fall 2015]

Social Deviance

(3 credits, 300-level)
[Summer 2004]

Assigned Graduate Courses

Data Collection and Analysis

(3 credits with computer statistics lab, 600-level, required)
[Fall 2011]

Undergraduate Courses Created by Perez at UD

Environment and Health - SOCI 335

(3 credits, 300-level)
Sociology major/health concentration elective; College and Arts and Sciences breadth option
[Fall 2014; Fall 2016]

Sociology of Diagnosis - SOCI 375

(3 credits, 300-level)
Sociology major/health concentration elective; College of Arts and Sciences *and* University
breadth options
[Spring 2013; Spring 2015]

Introduction to Mapping Social Issues - SOCI 2XX

(3 credits; 200-level)
[not yet taught]

TEACHING AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT GRANTS AWARDED

Innovative Transformation Grant from the Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning/Academic Technology Services (UD). Awarded \$6,000 to develop the undergraduate course “Introduction to Mapping Social Issues” (initially titled “Introduction to Spatial Thinking and Visualization in Sociology”). The grant supported curriculum development “to transform education with the support of innovative uses of technology.” [Summer 2014]

Integrative Curriculum Development Grant from the Center for Science, Ethics, and Public Policy (UD). Awarded \$3,000 to develop and integrate an ethics component into the course “Environment and Health.” [Summer 2013]

INVITED TEACHING PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION

University of Delaware

I have been nominated three times for the University of Delaware’s *Excellence in Teaching Award* (2004, 2008, 2009)

“Online Mobilization and the Growth of an International Environmental Justice Global Movement: The Burgeoning Role of Global EJ Mapping.” Invited lecture for ARSC 300 course *Issues in Global Studies*. [Spring 2017]

“Integrating Social and Environmental Justice into STEM Research: Becoming “Socio-Scientific.” Invited lecture for CHEM/PLSC 608 course *Environmental Soil Chemistry*. [Spring 2017]

“Integrating Social and Environmental Justice into STEM Research: Becoming “Socio-Scientific.” Invited lecture for CIEG 437 course *Water and Wastewater Quality*. [Spring 2017]

“EJ Communities and Climate Change: Why *Place* Matters.” Invited guest lecture for UAPP 406/GEOG 434 course *Planning Sustainable Communities and Regions*. [Spring 2017]

“Environmental (In)Justice and Environmental Racism.” Invited guest lecture for Lambda Pi Chi Sorority. [Spring 2016]

“EJ Communities and Climate Change: Why *Place* Matters.” Invited guest lecture for DISA 680 *Disaster Science and Management Seminar*. [Spring 2016]

“Issues of Academic Honesty and Discipline in the Classroom.” Graduate course *Teaching in the Social Sciences* SOCI 698. [Spring 2016]

“EJ Communities and Climate Change: Why *Place* Matters.” Invited guest lecture for UAPP 406/GEOG 434 course *Planning Sustainable Communities and Regions*. [Spring 2016]

“Environmental (In)Justice and Environmental Racism.” Invited guest lecture for undergraduate course SOCI 201 *Introduction to Sociology*. [Fall 2015]

“Environmental (In)Justice and Environmental Racism.” Invited guest lecture for undergraduate course SOCI/CRJU 345 *Sociology of Law*. [Fall 2015]

“The Geography of Environmental Justice.” [Presentation](#) on using PolicyMap in the classroom. Summer Faculty Institute. [Summer 2015]

“Working with the Course Instructor: Being Part of an Instructional Team.” Annual conference for graduate student teaching assistants. Sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning. [Summer 2013]

“From Degenerate to Diseased and Back Again: The Circular Trajectory of Mental Illness as Medical Deviance in Sociology.” Invited lecture for graduate course *Theories and Approaches to Social Deviance* SOCI 621. [Fall 2012]

“Teaching Quantitative Methods and Statistics to Sociology and Criminal Justice Majors.” Graduate course *Teaching Sociology and Criminology* SOCI 667. [Spring 2012]

“Face-to-Face Subject Recruitment and Online Surveys.” Graduate student research methods brown bag presentation. [Fall 2010]

“Organizing Group Projects and Other Unconventional Teaching Strategies.” Graduate course *Teaching Sociology and Criminology* SOCI 667. [Spring 2010]

I gave no fewer than six presentations on teaching for the Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning at the University of Delaware in the years 2005 and prior. Activities are available upon request.

Local

Delaware Technical Community College. “Encouraging Climate Change and Environmental Awareness in Environmental Justice Communities: Increasing Empowerment and Decreasing Maladaptation.” Invited guest lecture for SCI 107 course. [Spring 2016]

Delaware Technical Community College. “Resident Knowledge and Concern for Sea Level Rise and Contaminant Mobility in South Wilmington.” Invited guest lecture for undergraduate course *Explorations on the Delaware Bay* SCI 107. [Spring 2015]

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute – University of Delaware. “Statistics, Uncertainty, and the News Media Construction of Cancer Clusters in Delaware.” Invited guest lecture for Osher program. [Fall 2013]

National

PolicyMap [webinar](#). “PolicyMap in the Classroom: A Tool for Public Health and Sociology Courses.” [Spring 2017]

Drexel University – Pennoni Honors College. “A Prospectus on the Global Community in Cyberspace: Virtual Popular Epidemiology.” Invited lecture for the *Great Works Symposium: Disease and the Global City*. [Spring 2011]

PUBLISHED CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEACHING (NON-REFEREED)

Perez, Victor W. 2015. “The Geography of Environmental (In)Justice.” Pp.7-8, *Teaching/Learning Matters: ASA’s Newsletter for the Section on Teaching & Learning*. Vol. 44(3), *Connecting the Classroom to the Community*.

DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY, AND NATIONAL SERVICE RELATED TO TEACHING

Department

Invited lunch discussion participant at the 10th annual Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice (UD) Graduate Student Conference: “Social Inequalities: Methodological Implications.” [Spring 2017]

Co-presenter (with Andrea Kelley) of “An Examination of Triggers and Trigger Warnings in the Practice of Teaching.” Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice (UD) Brown Bag colloquium. [Spring 2016]

Committee member for the undergraduate health and health services concentration and the graduate-level medical sociology/health comprehensive exam. Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice at the University of Delaware. [Fall 2011-present]

Undergraduate Policy Committee member. Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice at the University of Delaware. [Fall 2012-Spring 2015]

Panel member at the new graduate student seminar “Choosing a Faculty Mentor and Thesis Topic.” Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice (UD). [Fall 2013]

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice co-liaison to the UD Honors Program and incoming Honors sociology major advisor. [Fall 2009-present]

University

Panel member at the annual conference for graduate student teaching assistants (UD) discussing “Faculty Expectations of Teaching Assistants.” Sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning. [Summer 2015]

Environmental Humanities Minor development committee member (UD). [Fall 2011-Spring 2012]

Presented information about Honors Introduction to Sociology to potential students and their parents at the annual “Delaware Decision Day.” [Summer 2014]

National

Reviewer for the SAGE/American Sociological Association journal *Teaching Sociology*. [2011]

UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP/THESIS AND RESEARCH MENTORSHIP
Benjamin McLuckie Award Winners I Mentored and Nominated (Department [Award](#) for Outstanding Sociology Senior)

Melisa Soysal (2016)
Marissa Personette (2014)
Jacquelyn Knee (2011)
Robyn Mello (2009)

Undergraduate research mentor for Melisa Soysal. Projects included: surveying a local environmental justice (EJ) community on perceptions of sea level rise and environmental pollution/contamination; developing a study of the thresholds for self-migration in a local EJ community; and a report on inequitable brownfield revitalization in the state of Delaware. [Summer 2014 to Fall 2016]

Undergraduate research mentor for Meghan Lenahan. Project involved surveying a local, socially disadvantaged community on perceptions of mosquitoes as a nuisance and mosquito control efforts (use of pesticides) by the state. [Summer/Fall 2016]

Committee member: BS senior thesis by Meghan Lenahan. Thesis title: “Responsible Mosquito Management in Southbridge.” [Fall 2015-Spring 2016]

Internship advisor for Jennifer Azevedo. Internship at the Delaware Division of Family Services. [Fall 2015]

Faculty mentor and advisor for William Lescas, DENIN/EPSCoR Summer Scholar. Project involved studying an environmental/health social movement in Delaware City, DE that opposed the local oil refinery. Using a mixed-methods approach, Will studied the community’s activities in response to the refinery’s potential impact on human and environmental health. [Summer 2014]

Roundtable discussant for the Delaware Environmental Institute’s “Environmental Scholars Winter Retreat.” Killens Pond Nature Center in Felton, DE. [Winter 2014]

Mentor for Paulina Knotts, DENIN Environmental Scholar. She assisted studying environmental justice issues (brownfield legacy contaminants) in a local, impoverished, African-American community in Wilmington, DE. The mixed-method approach involved observations, content analysis, and a focus group. [Fall 2013-Spring 2014]

Mentor for Marissa Personette, undergraduate research assistant, who helped develop rapport at a local autism organization and pre-tested an online survey of vaccine risk perception of parents in the organization. I also mentored Marissa as President of the Sociology and Criminal Justice Club. [Fall 2013-Spring 2014]

Outside reader for undergraduate senior thesis by Kate Chiseri. Thesis title: “HIV Communication Mechanisms and Effectiveness among Young Adults.” [Fall 2012-Spring 2013]

Mentor for Shaivi Patel, undergraduate research assistant, for an independent study on pedagogical effectiveness and innovation in teaching introductory sociology. [Fall 2012]

Mentor for Rachel Bacon, undergraduate research assistant, collecting newspaper articles and doing qualitative analysis for DE cancer cluster project. [Fall 2011-Spring 2012]

I have also mentored several other students through independent studies, in which they assisted me on my ongoing research projects during the regular semester.

MA THESIS AND PHD DISSERTATION COMMITTEES AND MENTORSHIP

Supervising data analysis and report writing by Virginia (Ginger) Berndt. Ginger is currently analyzing my 2015 survey research data on how a local, environmental justice community perceives sea level rise and adaptation options. [Spring 2017-present]

Mentor for Melissa Archer on relocation and planned migration of environmentally burdened communities in Delaware. [Spring 2016-present]

Committee member: MA thesis by Christine Beste. Thesis examines factors impacting host community reception of residents in NJ displaced by Hurricane Sandy. [Summer 2016-present]

Committee member: Doctoral dissertation by Matthew Manierre. Dissertation title: "Pathways to Success: Measuring and Explaining Successful Aging." [Fall 2015-Spring 2016]

Committee member: MA thesis by Mei Johnson. Thesis title: "An Analysis of Two After-Action Reports Published by the Tennessee Valley Authority Following the 2008 Kingston Coal Fly Ash Slurry Spill in Kingston, Tennessee." [Fall 2014-Spring 2015]

Committee chair: MA thesis by Matthew Manierre. Thesis title: "Examining the Relationship Between Flexible Resources and Health Information Source Selection." [Fall 2011-Spring 2012]

Committee member: MA thesis by Melody Cotterill. "Skating the Metaphorical Edge: An Ethnographic Study of Female Roller Derby Athletes." [Fall 2009-Spring 2010]

HIGHLIGHTED TEACHING ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES AT UD

Summer and Winter Faculty Institutes (multiple years)

Documenting Teaching Effectiveness

Improving Student Learning through Writing

Getting More Out of Student Writing While Assigning Less

The Virtual Classroom and the Virtual Syllabus

Using Twitter in the Classroom

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (UD)

Senate, Committee, and Group Advising Work

University Faculty Senate Senator. [Fall 2014-Spring 2015]

College of Arts and Sciences Senator. [Fall 2011-Spring 2013]

Department Colloquium and Brownbag committee member and chair. [Spring 2015]

Search committee member for advanced statistics tenure-track position. [Fall 2014]

Faculty advisor for the graduate student Sociology Art Show. [Fall 2009-Spring 2011]

Faculty advisor to the undergraduate Sociology and Criminal Justice Club.
[Fall 2008-Fall 2015]

Other Service

Representative for the department at Major Mania (for undeclared undergraduates). [Fall 2015]

Presentation to the undergraduate Sociology and Criminal Justice Club: “What Can You Do with Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology?” [Fall 2009-Spring 2013]

I also performed considerable service to the department as an Instructor and as a graduate student since the year 2000. Activities are available upon request.

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE AND RECOGNITION

University Recognition

Exemplary Achievement in Community Service. DuPont Interdisciplinary Science Learning Laboratories, University of Delaware. [Spring 2015]

University-Wide Service

Institutional Review Board committee member. [Summer 2015-present]

Faculty advisor for the UD chapter of Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority Inc. [Fall 2015-present]

Search committee member for Associate Director of the Honors Program. [Fall 2013]

Career Services Center “Networking Night” planning committee member.
[Spring 2013-Spring 2016]

I have given presentations to graduate students for the Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning on various issues in academia, including (links provided to videos of the presentations below). [2010]

[Academic Job Interviews](#)

[Cover Letters](#)

[Non-Tenure Track Positions](#)

Presented “Strategies of the Academic Job Search in a Weak Academic Market.” UNIV 603 graduate course *Academic Job Search*. [Presented January 2009, 2010, and 2011]

Invited Discussions and Other Service

Interviewed for implicit bias documentary or Zeya Luo and the Blue Hen Leadership Program. [April 5 2017]

Invited discussion leader for the [Lights, Camera, EARTH! Film Series: Two Square Miles](#). Co-sponsored by DENIN and the College of Arts and Sciences Environmental Humanities Program. [Spring 2017]

Invited presentation at the Chronic Illness Open Forum to discuss chronic illness and self-identity on UD's campus. Invitation from the resident student organization Chronic Illness Advocates. [Fall 2016]

Moderator for a discussion on free speech and safe spaces regarding the appearance of Milo Yiannopoulos on UD's campus. Discussion orchestrated by the Honors Program diversity group MOSAIC. [Fall 2016]

PITCH: 90 judge for the Delaware Environmental Institute. Judges evaluate 90-second presentations from undergraduate students competing for research awards to support novel, socially relevant science and engineering research projects. [Fall 2016]

Moderator for three discussions of the #UD Black Lives Matter movement for the Honors Program diversity group MOSAIC. [Spring and Summer 2015; Spring 2016]

Practice interviewer for Marshall/Mitchell/Rhodes Scholarships. Honors Program at the University of Delaware. [2010, 2011, 2015, 2016]

Latino/Hispanic Heritage Caucus advisory board member. [Fall 2011-Summer 2015]

Inaugural invited speaker for the University of Delaware Honors Program *Coffee Talk* on "Cyborgology." [Fall 2013]

Catalyzed, planned, and executed an invited discussion with noted environmental journalist and MIT Press author Steve Lerner. Mr. Lerner's discussion of his book *Sacrifice Zones* was co-sponsored by the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy and the Disaster Research Center and was a success in bringing university and community groups together to discuss the issues of environmental justice and toxic exposure. [Spring 2011] Video of the talk linked [here](#).

Discussant at the CAA Undergraduate Research Conference "The Wide World of Research: Discovery in Academia and Beyond." Sponsored by the Undergraduate Research Program. [2004]

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION OF SOCIOLOGY

Journal Article and Grant Reviews

The Elsevier journal *Social Science & Medicine*. [2016]

The Taylor & Francis journal *International Journal of Environmental Health Research*. [2016]

North Carolina State University grants. [2015]

The Wiley/Foundation for the Sociology of Health & Illness journal *Sociology of Health & Illness*. [2015, 2016]

The Taylor & Francis/North Central Sociological Association journal *Sociological Focus*. [2014]

The SAGE/Florida State University *Journal of Drug Issues*. [2012]

Professional Organization and Other Committee Work

Committee member/reviewer for the Brent K. Marshall Graduate Student Paper Award. Environment and Technology Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems. [2016 and 2017]

Committee member of the American Sociological Association Task Force on Contingent Faculty. [March 2016-present]

Committee member on the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship for the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. [Fall 2011]

Other Service to the Profession

Organizer and Presider of Session 105 “CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Applications in Environmental Studies and Narratives on Interdisciplinary Research.” Section on Environment and Technology. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* annual conference. [August 2017]

Organizer and Presider of Session 26 “CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Interdisciplinarity and Environmental Studies.” Section on Environment and Technology. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* annual conference. [August 2016]

Presider over Session 52 “Environmental Justice: Conflict, Communities, and Collective (In)Action.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems* annual conference. [August 2015]

Presider over Session 344 “Environmentalism and Sustainability: Individual and Collective Action.” *Eastern Sociological Society* annual conference. [February 2015]

Discussant for Regular Paper Session 41 on Race and Mental Health at the *Eastern Sociological Society* annual conference. [February 2011]

Discussant for Roundtable 80 on Gender and Crime at the *Eastern Sociological Society* annual conference. [February 2003]

FUNDED RESEARCH GRANT

Delaware EPSCoR: Meeting Delaware's 21st Century Water and Energy Challenges through Research, Education and Innovation [2014]

Principal Investigator: Donald L. Sparks

Co-Principal Investigator for state of DE: Victor W. Perez

NSF Proposal Number: 1301765

Total budget: \$24 M (NSF-\$20M, the State of Delaware-\$4M)

CURRENT RESEARCH EFFORTS

I am currently involved in several research efforts that are ongoing, planned and ready to execute, or being formulated. Currently, I maintain a presence in the South Wilmington discussions on ongoing flooding and environmental hazard mitigation, while analyzing data from prior survey efforts funded by EPSCoR (NSF proposal number 1301765). Additionally, this summer I will collect data on South Wilmington, DE residents' perceptions of drinking water quality with Kent Messer of UD's Center for Experimental and Applied Economics. Lastly, I am formulating studies to examine how local Wilmington and New Castle, DE residents understand the possibility of relocation due to climate change and environmental issues.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

Perez, Victor W. and Jennifer Egan. 2016. "Knowledge and Concern for Sea level Rise in an Urban Environmental Justice Community." *Sociological Forum* 31(S1):885-907.

Citation count: 2

Perez, Victor W., Joel Best, and Rachel Bacon. 2015. "Cancer Clusters in Delaware? How One Newspaper Turned Official Statistics into News." *Numeracy* 8(1): Article 7.

Downloads as of March 2017: 1,396

Perez, Victor W. 2005. "The Relationship Between Seriously Considering, Planning, and Attempting Suicide in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey." *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior* 35(1):35-49.

Citation count: 13

Saum, Christine A., Frank R. Scarpitti, Clifford A. Butzin, **Victor W. Perez**, Druretta Nichols-Jennings and Alison R. Gray. 2002. "Drug Court Participants' Satisfaction with Treatment and the Drug Court Experience." *Drug Court Review* 4(1):39-82.

Book Chapters and Other Scholarly Publications (Refereed and Non-Refereed)

Perez, Victor W. 2016. "The (Differential) Pace of Interdisciplinary Environmental Justice Research and Other Factors Impacting Successful Collaboration." Pp.6 and 8, *SSSP Division of Environment and Technology, Fall 2016 Newsletter*.

Perez, Victor W. 2014. "Connections: Mental Illness as Degeneracy, Disease, and Genetics." Pp. 197-206 in *Understanding Deviance: Connecting Classical and Contemporary Perspectives*, edited by Tammy L. Anderson. New York: Routledge.

Perez, Victor W. 2012. “The Movement Linking Vaccines to Autism: Parents and the Internet.” Pp. 71-89 in *Making Sense of Social Problems: New Images, New Issues*, edited by Joel Best and Scott R. Harris. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers.

Perez, Victor W. 2010. “The Rhetoric of Science and Statistics in Claims of an Autism Epidemic.” Pp. 203-221 in *Advances in Medical Sociology*. Vol. 11, *Understanding Emerging Epidemics: Social and Political Approaches*, edited by Ananya Mukherjea. United Kingdom: Emerald Group Publishing.

Citation count: 1

Perez, Victor W. 2010. [Book Review] *Conceiving Risk, Bearing Responsibility: Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and the Diagnosis of Moral Disorder*, by Elizabeth M. Armstrong (2003). In *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter* 41(1):14-17.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION

“Predicting Concern for Sea Level Rise in an Urban EJ Community Using Latent Environmental and Health Factors.” (in preparation)

INVITED RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Southern Sociological Society annual meeting *Diversities: Inclusion, Equality, Resistance* in Greenville, SC. Presented “A Report on the ASA Taskforce on Contingent Faculty: Why the ASA Must Advocate for Faculty Off the Tenure-Stream.” [March 2017]

Union of Concerned Scientists and the Environmental Justice Health Alliance. “Science, Democracy, and Environmental Justice” forum working group member (invited). St. Paul, MN. [September 2016]

University of Delaware. “Examining the Role of Online Social Networking in Health Social Movements: Autism, Parents, and the Internet.” Geography Seminar Series, Department of Geography. [Fall 2015]

University of Delaware. “Sea Level Rise, Pollution, and Environmental Justice Communities.” Earth, Equity, and Environment Speaker Series, sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences and the Delaware Environmental Institute. [Spring 2015] Link to the presentation [here](#).

University of Delaware. “Resident Knowledge and Concern for Sea Level Rise and Contaminant Mobility in South Wilmington.” Carnegie Foundation Elective Community Engagement Classification Celebration. [Spring 2015]

Delaware Technical Community College. Presentation of ongoing research on contaminant mobility and perceptions of sea level rise and environmental pollution in Southbridge. Part of the “Engaging Students in the Right Environment” faculty workshop. Sponsored by EPSCoR. [Fall 2014]

Presented on scientific misconduct and the standards of science at the EPSCoR Summer Scholars seminar. [Summer 2014]

Panelist at the Second Annual DENIN Research Symposium on interdisciplinarity in environmental and health research. [Winter 2012]

Presenter and facilitator at the “Responsible Conduct of Research” 2-day course sponsored by the Office of Research and Graduate Studies. [Summer 2008]

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Perez, Victor W. “Predicting Concern for Sea Level Rise in an Urban EJ Community Using Latent Environmental and Health Factors.” Session 161 of the annual meeting of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Montreal, Canada. [August 2017]

Perez, Victor W. “Knowing Your Place? An Examination of How Scholar-Activists Align with Different Groups in an EJ Community.” Session 30 of the annual meeting of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Montreal, Canada. [August 2017]

Perez, Victor W. “The (Differential) Pace of Interdisciplinary Environmental Justice Research: Issues for Knowledge Sharing with the Community.” Annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Seattle, WA. [August 2016]

Perez, Victor W. “Prioritizing Environmental Justice Communities for Sea Level Rise Remediation.” Annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago, IL. [August 2015]

Perez, Victor W., Donald Sparks, and Josh LeMonte. “Sea-Level Rise, Pollution, and Environmental Justice Communities.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY. [February 2015]

Perez, Victor W. and Joel Best. “Statistics, Uncertainty, and the News Media Construction of Cancer Clusters in Delaware.” Annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Las Vegas, NV. [August 2011]

Perez, Victor W. and Ray J. Maratea. “Social Movement Formation in Cyberspace: The Online Network of the Autism Collaboration.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA. [March 2010]

Perez, Victor W. and Ray J. Maratea. “How Individual Web Spaces Create a Social Movement: Mapping the Network of the Autism Blogosphere.” Annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, CA. [August 2009]

Perez, Victor W. “Stability of Correlates of Suicidal Thought and Behavior in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD. [March 2009]

Perez, Victor W. “The Implications of Medicalization and Risk for the Prevention Movement in the Social Sciences.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY. [February 2008]

Perez, Victor W. “Perceived Risk of Harm and Disapproval as Mechanisms of Social Control in Youth Marijuana Use.” Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY. [August 2007]

Saum, Christine A., Frank R. Scarpitti, **Victor W. Perez** and Alison R. Gray. “Success in Drug Court: Does Criminal History Matter?” Annual meeting of the American Criminal Justice Society, Las Vegas, NV. [March 2004]

Perez, Victor W. “Tattoo Removal: How Modern Laser Treatment Has Influenced Exiting the Deviant Career.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY. [February 2004]

Perez, Victor W., Christine A. Saum, Alison R. Gray and Frank R. Scarpitti. “The Influence of Drug Court Participation on Exiting the Criminal Career: A Comparison of Drug Court and Treatment-Only Participants with Criminal Histories.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY. [February 2004]

Gray, Alison R., Christine A. Saum, Frank R. Scarpitti, **Victor W. Perez** and Clifford A. Butzin. “Drug Court Treatment Programs: Predictors of Successful Completion.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Denver, CO. [November 2003]

Perez, Victor W. “The Influence of Gender Role Socialization on the Relationship between Forced Sexual Intercourse and Deviant Behavior.” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA. [February 2003]

Saum, Christine A., Frank R. Scarpitti, Clifford A. Butzin and **Victor W. Perez.** “Drug Court Project: Client Satisfaction Survey.” Annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. [November 2002]

Perez, Victor W. “Measuring Suicidal Ideation Using Risk Behaviors.” Annual meeting of the American Association of Suicidology, Bethesda, MD. [April 2002]

PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Johns Hopkins University. Department of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine. Statistical/methodological assistant for patient/proxy quality of life study. [May-July 2005]

University of Delaware. Center for Drug and Health Studies. Research assistant for drug court study, and Delaware school survey team leader. [January 2001-May 2004]

Westat. Research assistant on NIAAA and NHTSA funded research projects examining the efficacy of ignition interlocks. [November 1999-August 2000]

Towson University. Research assistant examining attitudes of Honors students on university curriculum. [Summer 1999]

SELECTED CREATIVE WORK, MEDIA COVERAGE, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Creative Work

UD's [Faculty Commons](#) did a short video feature on their full range of multimedia services available for faculty to record online courses. My course Introduction to Sociological Research (SOC1 301) was taught fully online for the first time in the summer 2016 using the Faculty Commons recording studio. [January 2017]

I interviewed Professor Adam Rome about the third annual Lights, Camera, Earth! film festival on WVUD 91.3 FM (at the University of Delaware). Link to the radio interview [here](#). [April 2016]

WVUD radio interview on the Black Lives Matter protests on campus at UD. I contributed to the discussion by showing how, as a faculty member, I understand the protest and related issues on the campus of the University of Delaware. Link to the audio [here](#). [2015]

Media Coverage

Yale Environment 360 did a [feature story](#) on flooding and climate change issues in Southbridge, Wilmington, where I was noted for my work examining perceptions of climate change in the community. [January 2017]

My Summer Faculty Institute [presentation](#) on using PolicyMap to teach environmental justice was featured on PolicyMap's website. [October 2016]

My co-authored publication on knowledge and concern for sea level rise in a local environmental justice community was mentioned in UD's [For the Record](#). [July 2016]

Featured in the University of Delaware Faculty Commons Newsletter for my use of PolicyMap in the classroom. [February 2016]

Interviewed for Al Jazeera America news article on sea level rise in South Wilmington, DE entitled "Rising Seas Overwhelm Delaware Tide Gates." [AlJazeera](#) [October 2015]

UDaily article on my ongoing environmental justice research in South Wilmington, DE. Link to article [here](#). [2015]

WVUD radio interview on anti-vaccine rhetoric. I gave a radio interview regarding my work on the anti-vaccine and anti-science rhetoric found online. Link to the audio [here](#). [2014]

WVUD radio interview on cancer cluster research. I gave a radio interview regarding my recent work on the news media coverage of Delaware cancer clusters. Link to the audio [here](#). [2013]

[Interviewed](#) by Collette O'Neal for the student newspaper *The Review* on winning a Center for Science, Ethics, and Public Policy (CSEPP) award to integrate ethics into my Environment and Health course. [2013]

Publicity for my innovative uses of technology and teaching. I was featured in a series of videos on my use and promotion of innovative teaching techniques and technology at the University of Delaware. Several selected videos are provided below:

[On creating course content using PolicyMap](#)

[On using a tablet to teach statistics](#)

[On using a tablet to teach statistics 2](#)

[On embodying the sociological imagination at IKEA](#)

I have also been featured in a handful of student newspaper columns and have given several interviews for the paper (i.e., *The Review*) over the years, and was interviewed for two student documentary films on environmental justice and health epidemic issues that were screened to the university and general public in 2014 and 2015.

Public Service

As a community-based scholar in Wilmington, I serve as a core member of the [South Wilmington Planning Network](#) (SWPN). [Fall 2015-present]

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND OTHER DISTINCTIONS

I have been a member and participant of the American Sociological Association, the Society for the Study of Social Problems, and the Eastern Sociological Society for approximately 15 years. I am also a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and the Alpha Kappa Delta Honors Society.

I was awarded instructorships, fellowships, and assistantships while a graduate student at the University of Delaware. As an undergraduate, I was honored with Towson University's *Most Distinguished Scholar in Sociology* in 1999.