

# Christopher Wildeman

## Web Bio

### Information

### Biography

#### Biographical Statement

Christopher Wildeman is an Associate Professor of Policy Analysis and Management (PAM) in the College of Human Ecology at Cornell University, where he is also a faculty fellow at the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research (BCTR), the Center for the Study of Inequality (CSI), Court-Kay-Bauer Hall, and the Cornell Population Center (CPC). Since 2013, he has also been a Visiting Fellow at the Bureau of Justice Statistics in Washington, D.C.

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## **Teaching**

### **Teaching and Advising Statement**

PAM3610: Mass Incarceration and the Transformation on Urban America

## **Professional**

## **Research**

### **Current Research Activities**

Christopher's current research emphasizes the prevalences, causes, and consequences of parental incarceration and child welfare contact for families.

## **Extension**

## **Education**

### **Education**

B.A. Philosophy, Sociology, and Spanish, Dickinson College (2002)

M.A., Sociology and Demography, Princeton University (2006)

Ph.D., Sociology and Demography, Princeton University (2008)

## **Courses**

### **Courses Taught**

PAM 3160: Mass Incarceration and the Transformation of Urban Life (Fall 2014)

## **Websites**

### **Related Websites**

Google Scholar page:

<http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=3fGaHzsAAAAJ&hl=en>

## **Administration**

## **Publications**

## Selected Publications

### Books

Wildeman, Christopher, Vesla Weaver, and Jacob S. Hacker, eds. 2014. *Detaining Democracy? Criminal Justice and American Civic Life*. Special Issue of the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*. 653.

Wakefield, Sara, and Christopher Wildeman. 2013. *Children of the Prison Boom: Mass Incarceration and the Future of American Inequality*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

### Articles

Wildeman, Christopher, and Kristin Turney. 2014. "Positive, Negative, or Null? The Effects of Maternal Incarceration on Children's Behavioral Problems." *Demography* 51:1041-1068.

Wildeman, Christopher, and Jane Waldfogel. 2014. "Somebody's Children or Nobody's Children? How the Sociological Perspective Could Enliven Research on Foster Care." *Annual Review of Sociology* 40:599-618.

Wildeman, Christopher, Natalia Emanuel, John M. Leventhal, Emily Putnam-Hornstein, Jane Waldfogel, and Hedwig Lee. 2014. "The Prevalence of Confirmed Maltreatment Among US Children, 2004-2011." *JAMA Pediatrics* 168:706-713.

Wildeman, Christopher, and Natalia Emanuel. 2014. "Cumulative Risks of Foster Care Placement for American Children, 2000-2011." *PLOS ONE* 9:e92785.

Wildeman, Christopher, Signe Hald Anderson, Hedwig Lee, and Kristian Bernt Karlson. 2014. "Parental Incarceration and Child Mortality in Denmark." *American Journal of Public Health* 104:428-433

Wang, Emily A., Jenerius A. Aminawung, Christopher Wildeman, Joseph S. Ross, and Harlan M. Krumholz. 2014. "High Incarceration Rates Among Black Men Enrolled in Clinical Studies May Compromise Ability to Identify Disparities." *Health Affairs* 33:848-855.

Turney, Kristen, and Christopher Wildeman. 2013. "Redefining Relationships: Explaining the Countervailing Consequences of Paternal Incarceration for Parenting Quality." *American Sociological Review* 78:949-979.

Lee, Hedwig, and Christopher Wildeman. 2013. "Things Fall Apart: Health Consequences of Mass Imprisonment for African American Women." *Review of Black Political Economy* 40:39-52

Wildeman, Christopher, and Christopher Muller. 2012. "Mass Imprisonment and Inequality in Health and Family Life." *Annual Review of Law and Social Science* 8:11-30.

Wildeman, Christopher, Jason Schnittker, and Kristin Turney. 2012. "Despair by Association? The Mental Health of Mothers with Children by Recently Incarcerated

Fathers.” *American Sociological Review* 77:216-243.

Wakefield, Sara, and Christopher Wildeman. 2011. “Mass Imprisonment and Racial Disparities in Childhood Behavioral Problems.” *Criminology and Public Policy* 10:791-817.

Wang, Emily A., and Christopher Wildeman. 2011. “Studying Health Disparities by Including Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Individuals.” *JAMA* 305:1708-1709.

Wildeman, Christopher. 2010. “Paternal Incarceration and Children’s Physically Aggressive Behaviors: Evidence from the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study.” *Social Forces* 89:285-310.

Wildeman, Christopher 2009. “Parental Imprisonment, the Prison Boom, and the Concentration of Childhood Disadvantage.” *Demography* 46:265-280.

Western, Bruce, and Christopher Wildeman. 2009. “The Black Family and Mass Incarceration.” *ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 621:221-242.