

Emily Owens

Web Bio

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Biography

Biographical Statement

Emily G. Owens is an assistant professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management. She joined the Cornell faculty in 2007 after receiving her Ph.D. in economics at the University of Maryland, College Park. Her primary area of research focuses on government regulation of criminal activity. This includes studying how government policies affect the prevalence of criminal activity as well as the structure of criminal justice systems.

Professional

Current Professional Activities

In the spring semester of 2012, I will be a visiting research fellow at the Police Foundation, a non-partisan think tank in Washington, DC.

I am also a newly appointed associate editor of the International Review of Law and Economics.

Research

Current Research Activities

Emily G. Owens is currently investigating the relationship between policing and arrest rates, and how local government policies influence crime reporting. She is also conducting research on local economic development affects crime and criminal mobility.

In addition to her work on the criminal justice system, Dr. Owens is conducting research on how changes in the size and composition of the immigrant population in the United States is related to informal economic activity, and the relationship between alcohol prohibition and violence in the late 19th and early 20th century.

Extension

Education

Education

B.A. 2002 - Brown University, Applied Math and Economics
Ph.D. 2007 - University of Maryland, Economics

Courses

Courses Taught

In the Fall of 2011, I taught PAM 2040: Economics of the Public Sector and
PAM 4340: Economics of the Criminal Justice System

Websites

Related Websites

http://www.human.cornell.edu/pam/people/emily_owens.cfm

Administration

Publications

Selected Publications

Evans, W. N. and Owens, E. G. (2007). "COPS and Crime" *Journal of Public Economics* 91(2): 181-201.

Owens, E. G. (2009) "More Time, Less Crime? Estimating the Incapacitative Effects of Sentence Enhancements" *Journal of Law and Economics*, 52(3) 551-579.

Jackson, C. K. and Owens, E. G. (2010) "One for the Road: Public Transportation, Alcohol Consumption, and Intoxicated Driving" *Journal of Public Economics*, 52(1) 106-121.

Owens, E.G. "Are Underground Markets Really That Violent? Evidence from Early 20th Century America," *The American Law and Economics Review*, 2011, 13(1) 1-44.

Freedman, M. L. and Owens, E. G. "Low Income Housing and Crime" *Journal of Urban Economics*, 2011, 70(2-3) 115-131.

Owens, E. G. "Truthiness-in-Punishment: The Far Reach of Truth in Sentencing Laws," *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies: Judgment by the Numbers - Converting Qualitative to Quantitative Judgments in Law*, 2011, 8(S1) 239-261.