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Education

2015 Ph.D., Sociology, Pennsylvania State University
2009 M.S., Criminology, Florida State University
2005 B.A., Criminology, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Academic Positions

2020 – present Associate Professor, Department of Sociology (& Criminology), University of New Mexico
2014 – 2020 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of New Mexico

Publications

Journal Articles

Ragan, Daniel T. Peer influence on adolescent alcohol use: Developmental change and the role of initiation. Forthcoming, *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.

Ragan, Daniel T., and Wade C. Jacobsen. Friendship network integration and peer deviance: Revisiting the mechanisms connecting juvenile arrest with subsequent offending. Forthcoming, *Criminology*.

2023 **Ragan, Daniel T.**, D. Wayne Osgood, and Derek A. Kreager. Impulsivity, peers, and delinquency: A dynamic social network approach. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*, *39*(3), 735-768.

2022 Osgood, D. Wayne, **Daniel T. Ragan**, Jenna L. Dole, and Derek A. Kreager. Similarity of friends versus nonfriends in adolescence: Developmental patterns and ecological influences. *Developmental Psychology*, *58*(7), 1386-1401.

2022 Jacobsen, Wade C., **Daniel T. Ragan**, Mei Yang, Emily L. Nadel, and Mark E. Feinberg. Arrested friendships? Justice involvement and interpersonal exclusion among rural youth. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, *59*(3), 365-409.

2022 **Ragan, Daniel T.**, D. Wayne Osgood, Nayan G. Ramirez, James Moody, and Scott D. Gest. A comparison of peer influence estimates from SIENA stochastic actor-based models and from conventional regression approaches. *Sociological Methods & Research*, *51*(1), 357-395.

2021 Hoeben, Evelien M., Kelly L. Rulison, **Daniel T. Ragan**, and Mark E. Feinberg. Moderators of friend selection and influence in relation to adolescent alcohol use. *Prevention Science*, *22*(5), 567-578.

2020 **Ragan, Daniel T.** Similarity between deviant peers: Developmental trends in influence and selection. *Criminology*, *58*(2), 336-369.

2019 Copeland, Molly, Sonja E. Siennick, Mark E. Feinberg, James Moody, and **Daniel T. Ragan**. Social ties cut both ways: Self-harm and adolescent peer networks. *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, *48*(8), 1506-1518.

2017 Siennick, Sonja E., Alex O. Widdowson, and **Daniel T. Ragan**. New students' peer integration and exposure to deviant peers: Spurious effects of school moves? *Journal of Early Adolescence*, *37*(9), 1254-1279.

2016 Kreager, Derek A., **Daniel T. Ragan**, Holly Nguyen, and Jeremy Staff. When onset meets desistence: Cognitive transformation and adolescent marijuana experimentation. *Journal of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology*, *2*(2), 135-161.

2016 **Ragan, Daniel T.** Peer beliefs and smoking in adolescence: A longitudinal social network analysis. *The American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse*, *42*(2), 222-230.

2015 Osgood, D. Wayne, Mark E. Feinberg, and **Daniel T. Ragan**. Social networks and the diffusion of adolescent problem behavior: Reliable estimates of selection and influence from 6th through 9th grade. *Prevention Science*, *16*(6), 832-843.

2014 **Ragan, Daniel T.** Revisiting "what they think": Adolescent drinking and the importance of peer beliefs. *Criminology*, *52*(3), 488-513.

2014 **Ragan, Daniel T.**, D. Wayne Osgood, and Mark E. Feinberg. Friends as a bridge to parental influence: Implications for adolescent alcohol use. *Social Forces*, *92*(3), 1061-1085.

2013 Osgood, D. Wayne, **Daniel T. Ragan**, Lacey Wallace, Scott D. Gest, Mark E. Feinberg, and James Moody. Peers and the emergence of alcohol use: Influence and selection processes in adolescent friendship networks. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, *23*(3), 500-512.

2013 Osgood, D. Wayne, Mark E. Feinberg, Scott D. Gest, James Moody, **Daniel T. Ragan**, Richard Spoth, Mark Greenberg, and Cleve Redmond. Effects of PROSPER on the influence potential of prosocial versus antisocial youth in adolescent friendship networks. *Journal of Adolescent Health*, *53*(2), 174-179.

2010 **Ragan, Daniel T.**, and Kevin M. Beaver. Chronic offenders: A life-course analysis of marijuana users. *Youth & Society*, *42*(2), 174-198.

Book Chapters

2024 McMillan, Cassie, **Daniel T. Ragan**, and Alana Colindres. "Variation in network processes across community and school district contexts." In *Teen Friendship Networks, Development, and Risky Behavior*, edited by Mark E. Feinberg and D. Wayne Osgood. New York: Oxford University Press.

2024 **Ragan, Daniel T.**, and D. Wayne Osgood. "Teen friendships, networks, and substance use." In *Teen Friendship Networks, Development, and Risky Behavior*, edited by Mark E. Feinberg and D. Wayne Osgood. New York: Oxford University Press.

Professional Presentations

Invited Presentations

2025 "Propinquity in adolescent friendship networks: Implications for health and well-being." Maryland Population Research Center Seminar Series, College Park, MD.

2021 "Meta-analysis of SIENA stochastic actor-oriented model estimates." Social Networks and Health Workshop, Duke Network Analysis Center, Durham, NC.

Selected Conference Presentations

2025 Ragan, Daniel T., Sarah M. Chilenski, and Mark E. Feinberg. "Friendship networks, community context, and substance use: An integrated approach." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

2025 Ragan, Daniel T., Sarah M. Chilenski, and Mark E. Feinberg. "Friendship networks, community context, and adolescent health: An integrated approach." International Network for Social Network Analysis Sunbelt Conference, Paris, France.

2023 Ragan, Daniel T., and Wade Jacobsen. "Consequences of juvenile arrest for social integration and subsequent outcomes." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2019 Ragan, Daniel T., Lisa Broidy, Hayden Foley, and Brian Soller. "Arrest networks and the spread of violent victimization." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2018 Ragan, Daniel T. "Peer selection and delinquency: Theory, evidence, and future directions." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

2017 Ragan, Daniel T. "Developmental changes in peer influence and selection: The roles of initiation and retention." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2015 Ragan, Daniel, D. Wayne Osgood, and Sonja Siennick. "The magnitude of peer influence: An instrumental variable analysis." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

2014 Ragan, Daniel T., D. Wayne Osgood, and Derek A. Kreager. "Revisiting the connections between self-control and peers: A longitudinal social network analysis." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2014 Ragan, Daniel T., D. Wayne Osgood, James Moody, and Scott D. Gest. "Clarifying peer selection and influence processes for adolescent delinquency and alcohol use: A comparison of three analytic approaches." Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Austin, TX.

2013 Ragan, Daniel T. "Changes in the effects of peer beliefs and behavior during adolescence: A longitudinal social network analysis." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

2012 Ragan, Daniel T., D. Wayne Osgood, and Mark E. Feinberg. "The social transmission of delinquency: Revisiting the importance of peer attitudes." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2011 Ragan, Daniel T., D. Wayne Osgood, Scott Gest, and Kelly L. Rulison. "A longitudinal social network analysis of peer influence on delinquency." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

2010 Ragan, Daniel T., D. Wayne Osgood, Sonja Siennick, Michael Cleveland, and Mark Feinberg. "Context effects of friends' parents and friends' unstructured socializing on delinquency." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2009 Ragan, Daniel T., and Kevin M. Beaver. "The role of selection effects in the drug-crime relationship: A propensity score matching approach." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2008 Ragan, Daniel T., and Kevin M. Beaver. "Sexual involvement, drug use, and physical attractiveness: An exploratory study." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.

2007 Ragan, Daniel T., and Kevin M. Beaver. "Chronic offenders: A life-course analysis of marijuana users." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Honors, Awards, and Professional Development

Supplemental Travel Program recipient
Spring 2025. College of Arts & Sciences Office of Research, University of New Mexico

WeR1: Investing in Faculty Success Faculty Scholarship Time (FaST) awardee
Spring 2025. Office of the Vice President for Research, University of New Mexico

Fostering Research Expansion in the Social Sciences & Humanities (FRESSH) participant
2023 – 2024. Office of the Vice President for Research, University of New Mexico

ECURE Implementation Fellow
2022. Office of the Provost, University of New Mexico

WeR1 Summer Research for Faculty (SuRF) Program awardee
2022. Office of the Vice President for Research, University of New Mexico

Social Networks & Health Fellowship
2018. Duke Network Analysis Center, Duke University

Second Place, Graduate Exhibition, Social & Behavioral Sciences category
2014. Pennsylvania State University

Alumni Association Dissertation Award
2014. Pennsylvania State University

RGSO Dissertation Support Grant
2013. College of the Liberal Arts Research and Graduate Studies Office, Pennsylvania State University

First Place, Gene Carte Student Paper Competition
2013. American Society of Criminology

C2LS Summer Supplement Award
2013. Center for Life Course and Longitudinal Studies, Pennsylvania State University

Best Working Paper, Crime, Law, and Justice Graduate Student Paper Competition
2013. Pennsylvania State University

Best Working Paper, Crime, Law, and Justice Graduate Student Paper Competition
2012. Pennsylvania State University

Richard L. Rachin Fellowship
2008 – 2009. College of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Florida State University

Teaching Experience

[*] *denotes graduate course*

University Of New Mexico

Causes of Crime and Delinquency
Criminological Theory[*]
Drugs, Crime, and Social Control
Introduction to Research Methods
Methods of Social Research[*]
Peers, Groups, and Gangs/Social Networks and Crime

Pennsylvania State University

Criminology
Delinquency and Juvenile Justice

Academic Service

Program Committee, 2018, American Society of Criminology
Student Awards Committee, 2015, 2016 (Chair), American Society of Criminology

Editorial Board Member

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency
Journal of Research on Adolescence
Journal of Youth and Adolescence

Ad Hoc Reviewer

Addictive Behaviors, *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, *The American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Child Development*, *Contemporary Sociology ("Briefly Noted")*, *Crime & Delinquency*, *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, *Criminology*, *Demography*, *Development and Psychopathology*, *Deviant Behavior*, *Journal of Adolescence*, *Journal of Adolescent Health*, *Journal of Drug Issues*, *Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology*, *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*, *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Legal and Criminological Psychology*, *Social Forces*, *Social Networks*, *Social Problems*, *Social Science Research*, *Sociological Methods & Research*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *Sociology of Education*, *Socius*, *Substance Abuse*, *Tobacco Prevention & Cessation*, *Victims & Offenders*