

Bert Useem
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Professional Employment

- 2006-Current Professor, Department of Sociology, Purdue University
- 2010-2015 Department Head
- 1993-2006 Professor, Department of Sociology, University New Mexico
- 1999- 2006 Director, Institute for Social Research (ISR), University of New Mexico.
- 1990-1993 Director, Public Safety Research Center, Urban Research Institute, University of Louisville
- 1981-1989 Assistant to Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago

Education

- 1981 Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan, Social Policy Training Program, National Institute of Mental Health
- 1980 Ph.D., Department of Sociology, Brandeis University
- 1975 M.A., Department of Sociology, Boston University
- 1970 B.A., Western Michigan University (Political Science)

Publications

Books

Bert Useem and Anne Morrison Piehl. 2008. *Prison State: The Challenge of Mass Incarceration*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Bert Useem, Camille Camp, and George Camp. 1996. *Resolution of Prison Riots: Strategy and Policies*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Bert Useem and Peter A. Kimball. 1989. *States of Siege: U.S. Prison Riots, 1971-1986*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Articles

Bert Useem, Dan Pacholke, and Sandy Felkey Mullins. 2016, "Case Study – The Making of an Institutional Crisis: The Mass Release of Inmates by a Correctional Agency" *Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management*, First Published November, 2016.

Bert Useem, 2016, "Prison Riots" in John Wooldredge and Paula Smith (eds), *Oxford Handbook on Prisons and Imprisonment*, New York: Oxford University Press.

George M. Camp and Bert Useem, 2012. "Prison Governance: Correctional Leadership

in the Current Era.” In Joan Petersilia and Kevin R. Reitz (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Sentencing and Corrections* New York: Oxford University Press.

Bert Useem. 2012. “U.S. Prisons and the Myth of Islamic Terrorism,” *Contexts* 11: 34-39.

Jack A. Goldstone and Bert Useem. 2012. “Putting Values and Institutions Back into the Theory of Strategic Action Fields,” *Sociological Theory*. 30: 37-47,

Anne Morrison Piehl and Bert Useem. 2011. Pp. 532 – 558 “Prisons” in James Q. Wilson and Joan Petersilia (eds.) *Crime and Public Policy*. Oxford University Press.

Bert Useem. 2010. “Right-Sizing Corrections in New York,” *Justice Research and Policy* 12(1): 89 – 112.

Bert Useem and Obie Clayton. 2010. “Making Prisons Safer: Policies and Strategies to Reduce Extremism and Radicalization among U.S. Prisoners.” Pp. 353 – 363 in Natsha A. Frost, Joshua D. Freilich, and Todd Clear, (eds.) *Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice Policy: Policy Proposals from the American Society of Criminology Conference*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth.

Bert Useem and Obie Clayton. 2009. “Radicalization of U.S. Prisoners,” *Criminology and Public Policy*, 8: 561-592.

Bert Useem, 2008. “Editorial Introduction: Corrections under Pressure” *Criminology and Public Policy*. 7:113-116

Raymond Liedka, Anne Morrison Piehl, and Bert Useem. 2006. “The Crime-Control Effect of Incarceration: Does Scale Matter.” *Criminology and Public Policy*. 5:245-275

Bert Useem and Anne Morrison Piehl. 2006. “Prison Buildup and Disorder.” *Punishment and Society*. 8:87-115

Bert Useem, Raymond Liedka, and Anne Piehl. 2003. “Popular Support for the Prison Buildup.” *Punishment and Society*. 5:5-32

Bert Useem and Jack A. Goldstone. 2002. “Forging Social Order and Its Breakdown: Riot and Reform in U.S. Prisons.” *American Sociological Review*. 67:499-525 (Prizes for “best essay” of 2002 from both the Political Sociology and the Social Movements/Collective Behavior sections of the ASA.)

Bert Useem. 2000. “Reinventing the Federal Emergency Management Agency: Gains and Limits of the Newest “New Federalism.” Pp. 129-144 in Van R. Johnston (ed.), *Entrepreneurial Management and Public Policy*. Huntington, NY: Nova Science Publishers.

- Jack A. Goldstone and Bert Useem. 1999. "Prison Riots as Revolutions: An Extension of State-Centered Theories of Revolution." *American Journal of Sociology*. 104:985-1029.
- Bert Useem and Michael Reisig. 1999. "Collective Action in Prisons: Protests, Disturbances, and Riots." *Criminology*. 37:735-759.
- Anne M. Piehl, Bert Useem, and John J. DiIulio. Jr., September, 1999. *Right-Sizing Justice: A Cost-Benefit Analysis of Imprisonment in Three States*. A Report of the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research Center for Civic Innovation.
- Bert Useem. 1998. "Breakdown Theories of Collective Action." *Annual Review of Sociology*. (Palo Alto: Annual Reviews) 24:215-238.
- Bert Useem. 1997. "The State and Collective Disorders: The Los Angeles Riot/Protest of April, 1992." *Social Forces*. 76(2):357-374.
- Bert Useem. 1997. "Choosing a Dissertation Topic." *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 30:213-216
- Bert Useem, Camille Camp, and George Camp. 1995. "Resolution of Prison Riots," *Research in Brief*, National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice.
- Mark Rodeghier, Robert Hall, and Bert Useem. 1991. "The Effect of Education on Attitude toward Protest: A Further Test." *Sociological Quarterly*. 32:277-288.
- Bert Useem. 1990. "Non-Reformist Prison Reform." Pp. 223-248 in John J. DiIulio, Jr. (ed.) *Courts, Corrections and the Constitution: The Impact of Judicial Intervention on Prisons and Jails*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Bert Useem. 1990. "The New Old Penology and The Old New Penology." *Corrections Today* (February).
- Bert Useem and Peter A. Kimball. 1987. "A Theory of Prison Riots." *Theory and Society*. 16:87-122.
- Mayer N. Zald and Bert Useem. 1987. "Movement and Countermovement Interaction: Mobilization, Tactics, and State Involvement." Pp. 247-272 in Mayer N. Zald and John McCarthy (eds.) *Social Movements in an Organizational Society*. New Brunswick: Transaction Publishing.
- Robert L. Hall, Mark Rodeghier, and Bert Useem. 1986. "The Effects of Education on Attitude to Protest." *American Sociological Review*. 51:564-573.

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Bert Useem. 1984. "Center-Periphery Conflict: Elite and Popular Involvement in the Boston Anti-Busing Movement." Pp. 271-293 in Richard Ratcliff (ed.) *Research in Social Movements, Conflict and Change*, Greenwich, Connecticut: JAI Press.

Bert Useem and Mayer N. Zald. 1982. "From Pressure Group to Social Movement: Organizational Dilemmas of the Effort to Promote Nuclear Power." *Social Problems* 30:144-156.

Bert Useem. 1982. "Trust in Government and the Boston Anti-Busing Movement." *Western Political Quarterly*, 35:81-91.

Bert Useem. 1981. "Models of the Boston Anti-Busing Movement: Polity/Mobilization and Relative Deprivation." *Sociological Quarterly*, 22:263-274.

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Bert Useem. 1980. "The Workers' Movement and the Bolivian Revolution." *Politics and Society*, 9:447-469.

Bert Useem and Michael Useem. 1979. "Government Confidence and Political Stability." *Social Forces*, 57:840-852.

Bert Useem. 1977. "Peasant Involvement in the Cuban Revolution." *Journal of Peasant Studies*, 5:99-111.

External Grants

National Institute of Justice/RAND Corporation, "Responding to Fiscal Challenges in State Correctional Systems: A National Study of Prison Closings and Alternative Strategies" \$107,718, Bert Useem

National Institute of Justice, "Correctional Response to Terrorism: Organizational Change and Strategies." \$30,000, 2005-2006, Bert Useem

Department of Homeland Security/START/University of Maryland. "Correctional Response to Terrorism: Organizational Change and Strategies." \$15,000, 2005-2006, Bert Useem

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Science Program. "The Transformation of

Iraqi Criminal Justice System under U.S. Peacekeeping Authority.” \$12,175. Bert Useem. 2003. (Note: Project cancelled because of security issues.)

Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation. “Cross-National Study of Prisons and Crime Control.” \$27,197. Bert Useem, Anne M. Piehl, and Raymond V. Liedka. 2000-2001

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Science Program. “Prisons and Crime Control.” \$148,079. Bert Useem, Anne M. Piehl, and Raymond V. Liedka. 1999-2002

National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice. “Prisons and Crime Control.” \$21,555, Bert Useem, Anne M. Piehl, and Raymond V. Liedka. 1999.

Center for Excellence in Teaching, Eastern New Mexico University. “New Models of Student Participation in Large Enrollment Courses.” \$2,300. Bert Useem, 1997.

National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Bureau of Prisons. "Resolution of Prison Riots." \$188,785. Bert Useem. 1990-1991.

National Science Foundation, Sociology Program. "Prison Riots." \$64,045. Bert Useem, 1985-1986.

National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice. "Collective Action in Prisons." \$37,208, Bert Useem. 1982-1983.

Engagement and Professional Activities

Report prepared for the Nebraska Department of Corrections, “Riot at Tecumseh State Correctional Institution: Causes, Course, and Change,” co-author, Dan Pacholke. August 15, 2015

Testimony, U.S. House Committee on Homeland Security, “Prison and Terrorism,” June 15, 2011

Consultant, Indiana Department of Corrections, Implementation of the Indiana Justice Model

Member, University Senate, Purdue University;
Member of Faculty Affairs Committee of Senate

Seminar for State Police in Training for Hostage Negotiations, “Resolution of Prison Riots,” Indiana State Police, Indianapolis, March 18, 2010

Conference on Prison De-radicalization. International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation and Political Violence, Kings College. Contributed a conference paper, “De-Radicalization in US Prisons,” London, England, November 23-24, 2009

Member, "Task Force on Indicators of Radicalization." Department of Homeland Security and the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START). Contributed a conference paper, "Radicalization in Prison." Philadelphia, PA, October 15-16, 2009

Selection Committee, Fellows, American Society of Criminology, 2009

Journal editorial board: *Mobilization*, 2008-current

Participant in conference, "Human Rights versus Public Safety in NATO's Countries: Coping with Radicalism and Terror Activities among Inmates," Eilat, Israel, December 3, 2007.

Member of Hindelang Award Committee, Law and Crime Section, American Sociological Association, 2006.

Participant, Sandia National Laboratory, Advanced Concepts Group, 3-day seminar on Security and Social Capital. October, 2005.

Member, James Short Award Committee, ASA Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance, 2003

Consultant to United States Air Force, Project on Crowd Control Modeling and Simulation, 2003 (project located at Brooks City Air Force Base, Texas)

Consultant to the Provost, Michigan State University, concerning the University's response to student disturbances on campus. April, 1999.

Consultant and Seminar Leader, Scottish Prison Services, "Collective Disorders in Prison," Edinburgh, Scotland, August, 1998.

Member, Public Safety Advisory Board, City of Albuquerque, 1995 -1998 (Appointed by the Mayor, confirmed by the City Council, to advise on issues related to police, corrections, and fire agencies).

Consultant to the A&E television production, *American Justice*. Wrote outline for program on the Los Angeles Police Department; on-camera interview for program on prison riots.

Committee on Committees, American Sociological Association, 1997.

Selected Academic Presentations

Wilton Park conference "Tackling the Threat of Violent Extremism in Prisons"
July 18, 2011

“Making Prisons Safer; Policies and Strategies to Reduce Extremism and Radicalism among U.S. Prisoners,” American Society of Criminology, November 13, 2009 (with Obie Clayton)

“Radicalization of U.S. Prisoners,” American Society of Criminology, November 15, 2008

“Prison Buildup and Disorder.” Paper presented at the American Sociological Association, August 15, 2004 (With Anne Morrison Piehl)

“Prison Riots and Social Order: Administration, Prediction, and Control.” Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology, November 16, 2000 (with Jack A. Goldstone).

“Causes of Prison Riots.” Conference on “Mock Prison Riot, 2000,” Office of Law Enforcement Technology Commercialization, National Institute of Justice. Moundsville, West Virginia.

“Prisons and Crime Control.” American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Canada. November 1999. (with Raymond Liedka and Anne Piehl)

“Prisons and Crime Control: A Preliminary Analysis.” American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL. August 1999. (with Raymond Liedka and Anne Piehl).

"FEMA and the Future of Federalism." American Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada, August 1997.

"Future of Community Corrections," Arizona Probation Association, Key-Note Speaker, September 1996.

"Resource Mobilization on the Other Side: State Response to Mass Disorders." American Sociological Association Meetings, Washington, D.C. August 1995.

"Collective Violence in Prisons: Politics by Other Means." American Sociological Association Meetings, Los Angeles, August 1994.

"Resolution of Prison Riots." American Sociological Association Meetings, Miami, August 1993.

"Quasi-Correctional Role of the Courts." American Society of Criminology, November 1992.

"Control and Prevention of Riots." Public Leadership and Management Skills Program, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Public Leadership and Management Skills Program." Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University. April

1991.

"Corrections Research: Its Past and Future." Kentucky Council on Crime and Delinquency, Lexington, KY. June 1991.

"Corrections, Order and Conflict." Keynote address to the annual meeting of the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan, Bellaire Michigan. September 1990.

"New Old Penology and the Old New Penology." Keynote address to West and Central Wardens and Superintendents Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. June 1989.