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Dr. Bucerius is a full professor of Sociology and Criminology at the University of Alberta and a recognized award-winning researcher, internationally known for her critical examinations of criminal justice institutions and the people who encounter them. As a crime ethnographer and an expert consultant to multiple levels of government and community organizations, her scholarly work enabled a new understanding of the intricacies of settings that are difficult both to access and to understand: prisons, police organizations, and marginalized street communities. She is also the founder and inaugural Director of the University's Centre for Criminological Research (CCR) at the University of Alberta, which is dedicated to empirical, critical research driving policy changes in Canada. In recognition of her scholarly activities and their impact, in 2020, the University of Alberta named Dr. Bucerius a Henry Marshall Tory Chair, its most prestigious academic chair. In 2016, she founded and has since directed the University of Alberta Prison Project - a multi-year study with over 1000 participants. Her initial work shed light on the intricate relationships between race, drugs, violence, victimization experiences, and radicalization within Canadian correctional facilities. In 2023, Dr. Bucerius signed another extensive research agreement with the Government of Alberta, allowing her to longitudinally examine the re-entry experiences of currently incarcerated people in all eight provincial prisons. Her team surveys over 1000 individuals across the province on their day of discharge and five more times during their first-year post release to identify challenges to re-entry and craft relevant policy proposals.

Dr. Bucerius serves in several leadership positions in national and international research collaborations and with the American Society of Criminology (ASC), on Germany's National Council for Migration, and on Edmonton's Police Research Advisory Council. She is also the co-editor of the Oxford University Press Handbook series in Criminology and on the editorial board for *Crime and Justice, Incarceration*, the *Journal of Criminology*, and the flagship journal *Criminology*. She has attracted more than \$4.2M in funding as PI or co-PI (including a successful application for a \$2.5M SSHRC Partnership Grant as PI).