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Associate Professor/Internship Director
Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice
University of Texas at Arlington

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Juvenile Justice. College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology, Prairie View A&M University, 2007.

M.S. in Criminal Justice. Department of Criminal Justice, University of Texas-Pan American, 2003.

B.S. in Police Administration. Department of Criminal Justice, University of Texas-Pan American, 1998.

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, 2013-Present.

Internship Director, Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, 2016-Present.

Associate Chair, Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, 2013 – 2016

Board Member, Center for Mexican-American Studies (CMAS), University of Texas at Arlington, 2014 – Present.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice, Texas A&M Commerce, 2019 – Present.

Gang Consultant/Expert: Denial of immigration visa, 18th street gang tattoo, San Francisco, CA2014.

Gang Consultant/Expert: Multiple Gang Homicide Case, Harris, County, TX 2012- 2014.

Dallas County Juvenile Probation. Dallas County, Diversity Training Specialist, 2012-2015.

Assistant Professor. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, August 2007-2013.

Security Contract Supervisor. SAFE Management. National Football League – Super Bowl Event. November 2010-February 2011.

Associate Researcher. Center for Mexican-American Studies, University of Texas at Arlington, August 2007-2009.

Adjunct Faculty. College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology, Prairie View A&M University, August 2006-2007.

Instructor. College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology, Prairie View A&M University, August 2005-December 2005.

Teaching/Research Assistant of Criminal Justice. College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology, Prairie View A&M University, January 2004-2005.

Interviewer, National Institute of Justice, ADAM Project. October, 2003-December 2003.

Teaching/Research Assistant of Criminal Justice. Department of Criminal Justice, University of Texas-Pan American. September 2000-May 2003.

Internship. Texas Youth Commission, Evins Regional Juvenile Center. August 1998-December 1998.

GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIPS

Faculty Senate Travel Fund Award (2016). UT- Arlington **\$500 funded**.

Mentor: Peel, S. (2014). “Opinions of Law Enforcement Among UT-Arlington CRCJ Students” Honors College Undergraduate Research Fellowship, **\$2,750, funded**.

Co-Investigator: UT-System Police Promotional Assessment Process, **\$10,000, funded**.

Co-Investigator: College of Liberal Arts Interdisciplinary Collaborative Seed Grant. Race, Criminal History, and Employment Opportunities, **\$10,000, Rejected**.

Co-Investigator: Sub-Grantee, TAPS Academy - OJJDP FY 2012 Multi-State Mentoring Initiative, **\$176,000, Rejected**.

Primary Investigator, College of Liberal Arts Interdisciplinary Collaborative Seed Grant. Research on Transnational Gangs on the Texas/Mexico Border. **\$10,000, funded**.

Researcher, National Institute of Justice (2008). Research on Crime Prevention and Control with Arlington Police Department: Focus on Gang Eligibility. **Unspecified Amount, Rejected.**

Prairie View Student Organizations Grant (2007). Prairie View A&M Ph.D. Students Association. Awarded to assist Ph.D. student association with travel expenses to conferences and operating expenses. **\$1000, Awarded.**

Interviewer, National Institute of Justice (2003). ADAM-Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring Project. **Awarded Hourly Rate.**

Research Assistantship (2005-2006) Prairie View A & M University. **\$18,000, funded.**

Research Assistantship (2004-2005) Prairie View A & M University. **\$18,000, funded.**

Hispanic Scholarship Fund Recipient/Lilly Endowment (2001-2002) University of Texas-Pan American. **\$2,500, funded**

Hispanic Scholarship Fund Recipient/Lilly Endowment (2000-2001) University of Texas-Pan American. **\$2,500, funded.**

Student Travel Award, (2000-2001) University of Texas-Pan American. **\$500, funded.**

AREAS OF SPECIALTY

Criminology & Criminal Justice Education	Gangs
International/Comparative Justice Systems	Juvenile Justice
Latinos in the CJS	Race & Class
Security Threat Groups	Transnationalism

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL

Austria	Belgium	Canada
Croatia	Czech Republic	England
France	Germany	Greece
Lithuania	Mexico	Morocco
Poland	Scotland	Slovenia
Spain	Switzerland	United States

COURSES TAUGHT

Community Corrections	Comparative Criminal Justice Sys.
Crime in America	Criminal Justice Seminar
Criminal Justice Org. Theory	Criminology
Gangs	Internship in Criminal Justice
Intro to Criminal Justice	Legal Aspects of Corrections

Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement Graduate Practicum
Proseminar Research Methods
Statistics Theories & Development of Juvenile

Peer Reviewed Publications

- Beneby, D. R., Siddique, J. A., Rodriguez, F. A., & **Rodriguez, J. J.** (in-press). Variation in staff and administrator support for community based probation. *Journal of South Texas*
- Rodriguez, J.J.** & Lee, S. (2018) A theoretical observation for the causation of police corruption: An examination of the Panama Unit Case Study of South Texas. *Journal of South Texas*, 31, 2. 130-141.
- Jeong, S., Davis, J., **Rodriguez, J.J.**, & Han, Y. (2016). What makes them more vulnerable than others? Obesity, negative emotion, and peer victimization.” *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 60, 1690-1705.
- Rodriguez, J. J.**, Eve, R., & del Carmen, A. (2014). Transnationalism: Law enforcement’s perception of gang activity on the Texas/Mexico border. *Journal of Gang Research*, 21, 1-15.
- Belshaw, S., Siddique, J., **Rodriguez, J. J.** & Ramos, V. (2013). The relationship between drug type and suicidal behaviors in a national sample of adolescents. *Journal of Knowledge and Best Practices in Juvenile Justice* 7, 29-34.
- Osho, S., Simon, S. Belshaw, S. & **Rodriguez, J. J.** (2011). An empirical analysis of correlates between adult and adolescent female gender pathways to delinquency. *International Journal of Crime, Criminal Justice, and Law*.
- Rodriguez, J.J.**, & Belshaw, S. (2010). General Strain Theory: A comparative analysis of Latino & White youths. *Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice*, 7, 138-158.
- Belshaw, S., & **Rodriguez, J. J.** (2010). The relationship between race and suicide ideation in delinquent females in the Texas Juvenile Justice System. *Journal of Knowledge and Best Practices in Juvenile Justice*, 4, 25-32.
- Belshaw, S., **Rodriguez, J. J.**, & Osho, G.S. (2009). Does color matter? An empirical analysis of the impact of race on homicides, *International Journal of Crime, Punishment and the Law*, 2, 71-81.

del Carmen, A., J., Dobbs, R., Smith, R., **Rodriguez, J** Butler, R., & Sarver, R., (2009). In their own words: A study of gang members through their own perspective, *Journal of Gang Research*, 16, 57-76.

Snell, C., Sorensen, J., **Rodriguez, J. J.**, & Kuanliang, A. (2009). Gender differences in research productivity among criminal justice and criminology scholars, *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 37, 288-295.

Rodriguez, J. J., Pirtle, D., & Henderson, H. (2008). Crime and Delinquency: Latinos in the United States. *International Journal of Crime, Criminal Justice, and Law*, 3, 19-29.

Rodriguez, J.J. (2008). The applicability of General Strain Theory to the Latino Population. *Journal of Knowledge and Best Practices in Juvenile Justice and Psychology*, 2, 43-52.

Rodriguez, J.J., & Cintron, M. (2008). Mara Salvatrucha: A historical perspective. *International Journal of Crime, Punishment, and the Law*, 1, 47-48.

Sorensen, J., Snell, C., & **Rodriguez, J. J.** (2006). An assessment of criminal justice and criminology journal prestige. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 17, 1-26.

Peered Reviewed Articles Submitted

Vasquez, A., Barbieri, N., & **Rodriguez, J.J.** (Submitted) Taggers, Deterrence, & Deterrability: Examining Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. *Youth & Society*.

Seungmug Lee, Hye-rim Kwon, & **Rodriguez, J.J.** (Submitted) Structural Equation Analyses of Police Officers' (Un)ethical Behaviors in South Korea. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*.

Peered Reviewed Articles in-Progress:

Rodriguez, F.A., Sorensen, J., **Rodriguez, J.J.** (in-progress) Conduct Violations among Juveniles in an Adult Prison System.

Bing, R., Suvantol, L. & **Rodriguez, J.J.** (in-progress). An examination of the development and Impact of sentencing guidelines in the US, England, & Wells.

Lehman, Z., & **Rodriguez, J.J.** (in-progress). Gang crime and violence a regional analysis.

Rodriguez, J.J. & Lee, S. & Davis, J., (in-progress) International Drug Trafficking: Police Corruption on the US/Mexico Border.

Rodriguez, J.J., Davis, J., & Saavedra, C. (Submitted). The initiation process and factors involved in adolescent female gang membership, *Feminist Criminology* {not accepted due to overwhelming submissions of special edition}.

NON-PEERED PUBLICATIONS

Rodriguez, J.J., Rodriguez, F.A., Dorsett, V., & Vasquez, A. (Accepted) U.S. Ethical Issues and Consideration as it relates to Immigration. In K. Elvey & Mackey (Eds.) *Society, Ethics, & the Law: A Text/Reader*. Jones & Bartlett.

Rodriguez, F.A., Dorsett, V., & **Rodriguez, J.J.** (Accepted) Undocumented Latino Youth and the US Child Welfare System. In E. Trejos, & N Trevino (Eds.), *Handbook of Foster Youth*. Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group.

Rodriguez, J.J. (2017). Latin American Prison Gangs. In K.R., H.Copes, S.De Li, J. Lane, & S.F. Sharp (Eds.), *The Encyclopedia of Corrections*. Wiley-Blackwell.

Rodriguez, J. J. (2008). An introduction to gangs. *The Justice Chronicle*, 1, 4-7.

Rodriguez, J. J. (2008). Buford Pusser. In J. Bumgarner (Ed.) *Icons of crime fighting*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group.

del Carmen, A., **Rodriguez, J. J.**, Dobbs, R., Smith, R., Butler, R. R., Sarver, R. (2008). In their own words: A study of gang members through their perspective. Fort Worth, TX: Safe City Commission Inc.

Rodriguez, J. J. (2007). Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. In C.L. Bankston III (Ed.) *Great lives from history: Notorious lives*. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press.

TECHNICAL REPORT

Del Carmen, A., **Rodriguez, J. J.**, Phillips, S. J., Fowler, S., Bing, R., Gould, L., Butler, R.,(2010) Community perceptions of the extent of gang activity in Arlington, TX.

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

“A look at sentencing guidelines and their impact at European Countries” 16th Annual European Society of Criminology, **Muenster, Germany**, September 2016.

“Gang presence in social media: A content analysis” 14th Annual European Society of Criminology, **Prague, Czech Republic**, September 2014.

“U3 (Undocumented, Unaccompanied, and Undetected) Youth on the United States/Mexican Border: A Qualitative Study” Gangs, Trafficking, and Insecurity: Empowering the Community, 17th World Congress of Criminology (ISC), **Monterrey, MX**, August 2014.

“Proliferation of gang sentiment in social media: A grounded theory approach” International Conference, The rule of law in an era of change: Security, social justice, and inclusive governance, **Athens, Greece**, June 2014.

“The gang as a family: Findings from a qualitative study in Madrid, Spain” The 13th Annual European Society of Criminology, **Budapest, Hungary**, September 2013.

“Mi Familia: Examining The Gang as a Family” Preliminary Findings. Eurogang XIII, **Canterbury, England**, June 2013

“Health Care and Imprisonment” The 12th Annual Conference of European Society of Criminology, **Bilbao, Spain**, September 2012

“The Trans-Atlantic Latino” The 11th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, **Vilnius, Lithuania**, September 2011.

“The Impact of Transnationalism: Mara Salvatrucha and a Found Identity” The 10th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, **Brussels, Belgium**, September 2010.

“Police perceptions of transnational gangs on the Texas/Mexico Border” Societies in Transition: Balancing Security, Social Justice and Tradition, **Marrakesh, Morocco**, June 2010.

“Transnationalism: Law enforcement’s perception of gang activity on the Texas/Mexico border” The 9th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, **Ljubljana, Slovenia**, September 2009.

“In their own words” The 8th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, **Edinburgh, Scotland, UK**, September 2008.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

“An assessment of two qualitative research undertakings on clandestine populations” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Denver, Co, March, 2016.

“Female gang members: An exploratory study” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, Fl, March 2015.

“Undocumented Hispanic youth in America” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Dallas, TX, March 2013.

“United States Citizenship and Immigration Services: An Examination of the Militarization and the plight of Drug and Gang Violence on the U.S./Mexico Border” American Society of Criminology, Chicago, Ill, November 2012

“Latinos in Criminology & Criminal Justice” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New York, NY, March 2012.

“Rejuvenating Neighborhoods: The effect of Weed and Seed Program of North Texas Area Experiment” American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC. November 2011.

“Vulnerable Youth: Collateral Consequences of US Immigration Policies and Practices” American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC, November 2011.

Poster Session, “Neutralization Techniques: An examination of street taggers” American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC, November 2011

“Addressing the Mexican Border Gang Problem” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA, February 2010.

Poster Session, “Police perceptions of transnational gangs on the Texas/Mexico Border” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA, February 2010.

“Police perceptions of transnational gangs on the Texas/Mexico Border” Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Laredo, TX, October 2009.

“Gangs in Asia and the Americas” Panel Chair, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Cincinnati, OH, March 2008.

“Mara Salvatrucha: A historical perspective” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Cincinnati, OH, March 2008.

“In their own words: A study of gang members through their own perspective” Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice-University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, April 2008.

“Mara Salvatrucha: A historical perspective” Center for Mexican-American Studies-University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, April 2008.

“Mara Salvatrucha: The Beginning” Academic Theater-University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2007.

“Mara Salvatrucha: The Beginning” Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Corpus Christi, TX, October 2007.

“In Their Own Words” A preliminary study of gang members through their own perspective, Gang and Youth Violence Education and Awareness Conference, Arlington, TX, October 2007.

“Applicability of General Strain Theory to Latinos” Visions for the Future, Excellence in Research Symposium, Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View, TX, April 2007.

“Strain Theory: The Presentation of Negative Stimuli and the Latino Population” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Seattle, WA, March 2007.

“Bilingual Workforce Needs in Texas” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Seattle, WA, March 2007.

“The Applicability of General Strain Theory to the Latino Population” Southwestern Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Fort Worth, TX, September 2006.

“Transnationalism: Impact of US/Mexico’s Border Relations” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Baltimore, MD, February 2006.

“An Assessment of Criminal Justice and Criminology Journal Prestige” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Chicago, IL, March 2005.

“Coverage and Relevance of Juvenile Justice Topics in *Introduction to Criminal Justice* Textbooks” Roundtable, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Chicago, IL, March 2005.

“Death Penalty: An Interrupted Time-Series Analyses” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Chicago, IL, March 2005.

“International Drug Trafficking: Police Corruption on the US/Mexico Border” Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Sciences, Houston, TX, October 2004.

“Does a negative demeanor influence an officer’s discretion when making an arrest?” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Washington DC, April 2001.

GANG TRAININGS:

National Gang Crime Research Center Participant, Intermediate Level Training Program, Chicago, Ill. August, 2018.

National Gang Crime Research Center Participant, Intermediate Level Training Program, Chicago, Ill. August, 2017.

National Gang Crime Research Center Participant, Gang Profile Analysis, Chicago, Ill. August, 2017.

“Gangs: A regional, national and international discussion” 107th Annual Truancy, dropout, and delinquency prevention conference, San Antonio, TX October 2014.

“An examination of historical and contemporary street and institutional gangs” Texas Association of Certified Investigators (TALI), Corpus Christie, TX, August, 2013.

“Working with Law Enforcement” Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November, 2010.

“Gangs and Sexual Violence” Tarrant County Sexual Abuse Advisory Council, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, September 2010.

“Modern hieroglyphics: Deciphering gang graffiti” Gang & Youth Violence Education and Awareness Conference: Building a Culture of Nonviolence, Arlington, TX. September, 2009.

“Mara Salvatrucha” Correctional Management Institute of Texas Gangs Conference, Austin, TX, July, 2009.

“Arlington City Council Gang Presentation” Arlington City Hall, Arlington, TX, February, 2009.

“Gangs & Drugs: The dangers facing migrant students” Veterans Middle School Donna Independent School District, Donna, TX, February, 2008.

“Gangs & Drugs: Even the AVID students are in danger” Donna High School, Donna Independent School District, Donna, TX, February, 2008.

“International Crime: An introduction to the MS 13 Street Gang” One Book & Conversations, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November, 2008.

“Gang Study: In their own words” 3rd Annual Gang and Youth Violence Education and Awareness Conference: Building a Culture of Nonviolence, Arlington, TX. October, 2008.

“Mara Salvatrucha” 3rd Annual Gang and Youth Violence Education and Awareness Conference: Building a Culture of Nonviolence, Arlington, TX, October, 2008.

“In their own words: A study of gang members through their own perspective” OJJDP National Gang Symposium, Atlanta, GA, June, 2008.

“Discipline and Gangs” 2nd Annual Future Teachers of Texas Workshop, Tarrant County Community College, Arlington, TX, May, 2008

NON-PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

“Gangs, Guns, & Cartels” Invited Guest Speaker (via Skype). University of Kentucky, February, 2017.

“Making a Difference” Donna ISD Migrant Program. Donna, TX December, 2017.

“Policy Governance: Proposition 86” Sigma Lambda Beta South District Conference, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK, September 2009.

“Leadership that Changes the World: Brick by Brick” University of Texas at Arlington, Glenn Lake Camp and Retreat Center, Glenn Rose, TX, August 2009.

“Gangs in the City of Arlington” School of Social Work, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, March 2009.

“Bilingual Workforce Needs in Texas’ Juvenile Justice System” Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, February 2009.

“Sigma Lambda Beta District Governor’s Retreat” American Airlines Training and Conference Center, Arlington, TX, February 2009.

“Latino Gangs” Department of History, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2008.

“Graduate Seminar on Gangs” Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, October 2008.

“Latino Leaders: Moving forward” SLB South District Conference, Texas A & M University – Kingsville, Kingsville, TX, September 2008.

“Leadership Roles in Latino Greeks” SLB District Governor Retreat, Chicago, IL, September 2007.

“Latino Leaders: What the Future Holds” SLB District Conference, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, August 2007.

“Latinos and Higher Education: ¡*Adelante!*” SLB South District Conference, Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View, TX, January 2006.

“Minority Children & Education” Commencement Speaker, Brazos School For Inquiry & Creativity, Houston, TX, May 2005.

MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS

“Franklin Covey Seminar” American Management Association, Dallas, TX, July, 2013

“On the Road to Arlington, Texas” LGBT Conference on Safe Schools and Communities, Attorney General of the United States, Eric Holder & Senior Advisor to President Obama, Valerie Jarrett, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, March 2012.

“The Making of the Documentary Narco Cultura: A Conversation with Shaul Schwarz” The War Next Door Series, Shaul Schwartz, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2011.

“The War Next Door” The War Next Door Series, John Burnett, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, October 2011.

“Life and Death in the Northern Pass” The War Next Door Series, Dominic Bracco II, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, August 2011.

“Open Heart, Open Mind” Mavericks Speakers Series, Lisa Ling, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2010.

“Independencias, Revoluciones, and Revelations” Colloquium on Mexican Literature and Culture, Drs. Conway, Elliot, Rueda-Acedo, & Ruiz-Perez, Department of Modern Languages, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, October 2010.

“MS PowerPoint 2007: Level II” Office of Information Technology, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, September 2009.

“MS PowerPoint 2007: Level I” Office of Information Technology, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, September 2009.

“Sigma Lambda Beta Alumni Retreat” Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc., San Antonio, TX, August 2009.

“Sigma Lambda Beta Undergraduate Retreat” Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, June 2009.

“Soldado Razo: War and the Changing Nature of a Nation in U.S. Latino War Literature of the Cold War Years by Dr. William Arce” Center for Mexican-American Studies, University of Texas at Arlington, February 2009.

“Latino Faculty Luncheon” University Center, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, February 2009.

“The North Texas Fulbright Festival: Celebrating International Exchange and Understanding” North Texas Fulbright Association, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2008.

“Peer Review Process, Grant Writing for Success and Strategies for Success” Grant and Contract Services, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, November 2008.

“Community Summit on Gang Intervention Strategies” Arlington Independent School District, Arlington, TX, May 2008.

“Public hearing on gang intervention: Gangs in Arlington” Arlington Independent School District, Arlington, TX, May 2008.

“Graduate School Open House” Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX, April 2008.

PAPERS REVIEWED

Blind Reviewer: (2018). *The Internet of Things: Transnational Organized Crime & Gangs*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers

Armanta, M.F. & Gomez-Martinez L. (2014). *Juvenile Justice in Mexico*. *Laws*, Published.

Double-Blind (2014). “Reviewing the contours and minimalist penal approach of juvenile justice in India: Need for adopting a differential approach.” *Springer*. Published.

PANEL CHAIR

“Criminal Justice System: Substance and Procedure” Gangs, Trafficking, and Insecurity: Empowering the Community, 17th World Congress of Criminology (ISC), Monterrey, MX, August, 2014.

THESES COMMITTEES

Hernandez-Garcia, Gabriela (in-progress). Does mental health illness as a juvenile affect offending in adulthood?

Mendoza-Valles, Lorenzo Antonio (2018). Does the Death Penalty Deter Homicides? **Successfully Defended.**

Denysschen, Illandra (2018) Mental Health Screening for Prisoners upon Entrance to State Prisons. **Successfully Defended**

Chair: Saavedra, C. (2015). The initiation process and factors involved in adolescent female gang membership. **Successfully Defended.**

Chair: Nash, Z. (2015). Gang crime and violence a regional analysis. **Successfully Defended.**

Wadas, A. (2013). Child Abuse. **Successfully Defended.**

Brown, C. L. (2012). Fear of DNA exonerees. **Successfully Defended.**

Khodayari, M. K. (2012). A closer look at race, capital, and sentencing: An examination of race and death penalty post-Furman and Gregg decisions from 1977-2011. **Successfully Defended.**

Chair: Abraham, R. (2011). Perceptions of Terrorism Regarding Fear of Victimization. **Successfully Defended.**

McIntire, P. R. (2011). Law enforcement's perception on whether or not criminal street gangs are a potential threat. **Successfully Defended.**

Bozer, B. A. (2011). Behaviors and attitudes related to youth runaway behaviors. **Successfully Defended.**

Shaw, A. N. (2010). Perceptions of police officers towards law enforcement hiring practices as they pertain to minority candidates while controlling for gender. **Successfully Defended.**

Downey, S. (2010). Adolescent dating violence. **Successfully Defended.**

Horton, J. (2009). Animal welfare: Societal perspectives and the path to permanent change. **Successfully Defended.**

Rodriguez, M. B. (2008). Perceptions towards airport security as it relates to terrorism: An analysis of Criminology/Criminal Justice majors and non-majors. **Successfully Defended.**

Fisher, D. G. (2007). Privatization in municipal law enforcement. **Successfully Defended.**

GRADUATE STUDENT POLICY PAPERS

Advisor: Gross, Nicholas (2018) A great way to fix GREAT: Future Implications for the GREAT Program. **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Douthitt, Gary (2017) "Creation of an Unmanned Aerial System Policy" **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Alanis, Marti (2017) "Civil Gang Injunctions: A Nebulous Technique?" **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Ede, Kimberley (2017) Reentry Programs for Ex-Offenders. **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Vernier, James (2015). Marijuana cite and release implementation in Tarrant County. **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Aguirre, Octavio (2015). Police check points and the need for legislative action in Texas. **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Daniels, Jesse (2015). Gang Policy Paper. **Successfully Defended.**

Advisor: Kelly, M.R. (2015). Defining Gangs: A lexical analysis. **Successfully Defended.**

HONORS THESES COMMITTEES

Chair: Peel, S. (2015). Opinions of Law Enforcement. **Successfully Defended.**

Chair: Cervantes, I. (2014). The impact between education of sex trafficking and cases being reported. **Successfully Defended.**

Chair: Lowe, L. (2009). Child Abuse: The cycle of violence. **Successfully Defended.**

Chair: Dean, A. (2009). Media perceptions of Mara Salvatrucha.

MEDIA

"Professor Reacts to Starbucks Training" Shorthorn Newspaper. 2018

“Capture of El Chapo” Univision,, 2014.

“Arms Trafficking in DFW” Telemundo, 2013

“Capture of Miguel Angel ‘Z-40’ Trevino Morales” Univision, 2013

“Capture of Miguel Angel ‘Z-40’ Trevino Morales” Telemundo, 2013

“Gangs in Dallas Texas” The Art Institute of Dallas, Art and Film Production, December 2010.

“These occupations should endure – even in tough times” The Shorthorn Interview, February 2009.

“Gang Study Symposium” Press Release Texas Wesleyan University, Fort Worth, TX, May 2008.

“Immigracion y el congress de Mexico: Las leyes para el trato a los inmigrantes indocumentados” Telemundo Interview, May 2008.

“A view from the other side: Study from gang members perspective” The Short-Horn Interview, April 2008.

“Arlington specialist in gang culture has boyhood ties to cops and criminals” Arlington Star-Telegram Interview, April 2008.

“Greater Arlington Juvenile Improvement Team” Arlington Police Department, Arlington, TX, April 2008.

HONORS

Honoree: Faculty Creative Works reception and exhibit, 2014

Tenured Award Reception, 2013

Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice Research Award 2009

Leadership Council Outstanding Student Organization Award, APS 2007-2008

The National Honor Society 2006

Alpha Phi Sigma National Honors Society Criminal Justice 2003

COMMITTEES/SERVICE

Western Society of Criminology 2019

DARE Invited Guest Speaker 2019

NGCRC Invited Guest Speaker 2017/2018

Journal of Gang Research Editorial Board 2018- present

International Organized Crime & Gang Investigators Association Member 2018 - Present

Fort Worth ISD Career Day 2018-2019

Internship Director 2016-Present

UTA – Police Department Advisory Committee 2016-Present
CRCJ Department Executive Committee 2017-Present
Advisory Committee on Tenure & Promotion (ACTP) 2016-Present
Trio Pre-College Program Lecture 2017
College of Liberal Arts (COLA) Test Drive Program 2014-Present.
UT-Arlington Police Department Training Advisory Committee, 2016-Present
Senior Academic Excellence Day (SAED), 2014
Information Security Officer 2011-2012
Differential Workload Committee 2011-2012
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice: Best/Brightest Student
Nominations Committee 2011
Asian Journal of Criminology Reviewer/Editor 2010-2012
Journal of South Texas - Texas A&M Kingsville Editor/Reviewer-2013
Faculty Search Committee 2010-Present
REP/FDL Committee 2010-Present
Scholarship Committee 2010-Present
Graduate Advisor 2010-2016
Cohort Graduate Advisor 2010-2016
Third Year Policy Review Committee (Chair) 2010
Comprehensive Question Committee (Chair) 2010-2015
Faculty Search Committee (Chair) 2009-Present
Editorial Committee Member: The Justice Chronicle 2008-2015
Alpha Phi Sigma CJ Honor Society Graduate Advisor 2009-2011
Faculty Senate 2008-2011
Ph.D. Research Committee 2008-2010
GRA Selection Committee 2008-2010
Committee on Graduate Studies August 2007-Present
Sigma Lambda Beta-Chi Alpha Chapter Advisor-UT-A, August 2007-2010
Sigma Lambda Beta Regional Board of Director 2007-2010
Alpha Phi Sigma CJ Honor Society Undergraduate Advisor 2007-2008

MEMBERSHIPS

Program of Academic Exchange (Parent) 2011-2012
Faculty-to-Faculty Mentoring Program 2009-2010
Teaching Circles: New Faculty Discussion Group 2009-2010
European Society of Criminology 2008-Present
Sociedad Mexicana De Criminologia Capitulo Nuevo Leon A.C. 2008-Present
Greater Arlington Juvenile Improvement Team (GAJIT) 2008-Present
American Society of Criminology 2006-Present
Ph.D. Student Council By-Laws Committee 2006-2007
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice 2001-Present
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences 2001-Present
Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity 2000-Present
International Student Association 2000-2003

COMMUNITY

Leadership Arlington 2008-Present

Dallas Area Chapter of the American Red Cross 2008-Present

Vice-President- Westchester Homeowners Association 2006-Present

Adopt-A-Highway 2000-2005

Mujers Unidas 2000-2004

United Farm Workers 2000-2004

Boys and Girls Club of America 1996-1998