

# Stefan W. Vaughn, Ed.D.

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## Curriculum Vita (Abbreviated Version)

### Education

**Doctor of Education: Curriculum & Instruction** 2018  
Specialization: Diversity Studies  
University of West Florida

*Dissertation:* An Examination of Ethnocultural Empathy in Campus Policing

**Education Specialist: Curriculum & Instruction** 2016  
University of West Florida

**Master of Science: Administration** 2014  
Specialization: Public Administration  
University of West Florida

**Bachelor of Applied Science: Project Management** 2011  
Specialization: Public Service Management  
Northwest Florida State College

**Associate of Applied Science: Criminal Justice Technology** 2003  
Okaloosa-Walton Community College

**Certificate: Law Enforcement Officer Basic Recruit** 1998  
Okaloosa-Walton Community College

**Certificate: Correctional Officer Basic Recruit** 1998  
Okaloosa-Walton Community College

### Professional Employment: Non-Academic

**Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners** 2013-2019  
Okaloosa County, FL

*Public Safety Director*  
*Director of Corrections*  
*Major of Jail Operations*  
*Security & Operations Captain*

**Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office** 1999-2013  
Okaloosa County, FL

*Court Security/Detention Sergeant*  
*Criminal Investigator*  
*Patrol Deputy*

**Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners** 1998-1999  
Okaloosa County, FL

*Correctional Officer*

## Professional Employment: Academic

**Texas A&M University- Commerce** 2020-present  
College of Innovation and Design

*Full-Time Faculty-Instructor*

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension (TEEX)** 2020  
Infrastructure Training and Safety Institute

*Instructional Designer II*

**University of West Florida** 2014- 2020  
Department of Educational Research and Administration

*Adjunct Instructor*

- Primary instructor for the following doctoral courses:
  - EDF 8931: Doctoral Seminar- Background Paper
  - EDF 8935: Dissertation Inquiry-Preproposal

**University of West Florida**  
Department of Educational Research and Administration

*Graduate Teaching Assistant for the Doctoral Support and Quality Assurance Center*

- Assisted in online courses (doctoral level) with student correspondence and grading duties for the following courses:
  - EDF 7990: Seminar in Scholarly Writing and Research
  - EDF 8937: Research Applications

**University of West Florida**  
Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

*Graduate Teaching Assistant to Dr. Kathrine Johnson*

- Assisted in online courses (masters and undergraduate levels) with student correspondence and grading duties for the following courses:
  - CJL 3510: Courts
  - CCJ 6704: Research Methodology
  - CCJ 5006: Criminal Justice Administration

**Northwest Florida State College** 2009-2011  
Department of Public Safety

*Adjunct Law Enforcement and Corrections Academy Instructor*

- CJK 0012: Legal
- CJK 0077: Criminal Investigations
- CJK 0078: Crime Scene Procedures
- CJK 0305: Communications

## **Professional Development**

<b>Certified Public Manager Program (CPM Designation)</b>	<b>2016</b>
• Florida Center for Public Management at FSU	
<b>Chief Executive Seminar (Class 49)</b>	<b>2015</b>
• Criminal Justice Executive Training Institute at FDLE	
<b>Senior Leadership Program (Class 17)</b>	<b>2014</b>
• Criminal Justice Executive Training Institute at FDLE	
<b>Leadership Okaloosa Program</b>	<b>2006</b>
• Okaloosa-Walton Chambers of Commerce	

## **Public & Community Service**

<b>Career &amp; Technical Education Advisory Committee</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
• Advisory Member	
<b>Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission</b>	<b>2017-2019</b>
• Commissioner	
<b>Department of Juvenile Justice Circuit Advisory Board</b>	<b>2016-2019</b>
• Board Member	
<b>Common Ground/Southern Poverty Law Center Committee</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
• Planning Member	
<b>Public Safety Coordinating Council</b>	<b>2012-2019</b>
• Sheriff's Office Representative	
• Okaloosa BCC- Statutory Council Member	
<b>Center for Lifelong Learning</b>	<b>2009-2015</b>
• Guest Speaker	
<b>Kiwanis Club of Destin &amp; Fort Walton Beach</b>	<b>2005-2013</b>
• Participating Member	
<b>Emerald Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc.</b>	<b>2003-2005</b>
• Board of Directors/Member	

## **Professional Commendations**

<b>Leadership Initiative Award</b>	
• Chamber of Commerce Leadership Okaloosa	<b>2006</b>
<b>Life Saving Award</b>	
• Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office	<b>2003</b>
<b>Life Saving Award</b>	
• Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners	<b>1999</b>

### Other Published Work

- Vaughn, S. & Johnson, K. (2019). Ethnocultural empathy and diversity training: The case of campus policing. Submitted to *Police Practice and Research: An International Journal*.
- Goulette, N., Johnson, K., & Vaughn, S. (2018). Exploring judicial discretion and correctional policy in the practice of violation of probation holds in one unique county facility in Northwest Florida. *Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research*.  
doi.org/10.1080/23774657.2018.1547889
- Vaughn, S. (2015). Research and razor wire: A primer on ethical research protections for prison populations. *Journal of Research and Advanced Studies*, 2(3), 41- 44.

### Dissertation Committee Service

- Doctoral and Comprehensive Examination Committee **2020**  
Methodologist  
University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL  
Student: Carrie Devaney  
**Title:** Phenomenological Study of Non-English Speaking Students Immersed in Elementary School Classrooms, where English is the Primary Language of Instruction and Socialization
- Doctoral and Dissertation Committee **2020**  
Content Expert  
University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL  
Student: Rachel B. Conway  
**Title:** Students' Perceptions of Diversity Programs at a Southeastern University
- Doctoral and Comprehensive Examination Committee **2020**  
Content Expert  
University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL  
Student: Bright Da-Costa Aboagye  
**Title:** "Exploring Brand Reputation in the Enrollment Sustainability of a Public American University"

### Academic Associations

- Phi Delta Kappa, International (PDK)** **2015-2017**  
Northwest Florida, Chapter 1312
- Phi Kappa Phi, Collegiate Honor Society** **2013-present**  
University of West Florida, Chapter 146

### Service Programs

- PSA for Americans with Disabilities Act/Disability & Business Assistance Center **2010**
- Co-founded Lock-Take-Hide burglary prevention campaign in Okaloosa County **2009**

## **Other Professional Coursework**

Leadership Reboot	<b>2013</b>
Discipline Process: Ethics & Internal Affairs	<b>2011</b>
Financial Investigative Techniques	<b>2010</b>
Mortgage Fraud Investigations	<b>2008</b>
Child Abuse Investigations	<b>2007</b>
Internet Investigations	<b>2007</b>
Advanced Report Writing	<b>2007</b>
Criminal Interrogations	<b>2006</b>
Elder Sexual Abuse	<b>2005</b>
Incident Command (IS-100)	<b>2005</b>
Basic Incident Command (IS-200)	<b>2005</b>
National Incident Command (IS-700)	<b>2005</b>
Sex Crime Investigation	<b>2005</b>
Narcotic Investigations	<b>2005</b>
General Instructor Techniques	<b>2004</b>
Interview and Interrogations	<b>2004</b>
Hostage Negotiations	<b>2004</b>
Child Abuse Court Preparation	<b>2004</b>
Methamphetamine Investigations	<b>2003</b>
Line Supervision	<b>2003</b>
Terrorism & Fraud	<b>2003</b>
Basic Criminal Intelligence	<b>2003</b>
Middle Management	<b>2003</b>
Standardized Field Sobriety Testing	<b>2003</b>
Response to Active Shooters	<b>2002</b>
Field Training Officer	<b>2001</b>
Forensics for Investigators	<b>2001</b>
Crime Scene Procedures	<b>2001</b>
Injury & Death Investigations	<b>2001</b>

### **Skills**

Financial management, Leadership; Proficient in Microsoft Office Tools: Word, Excel, and PowerPoint as well as the IBM Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS; versions 24 and 25).