

CURRICULUM VITAE

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- AUG 2010 – AUG 2018 Doctor of Philosophy, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA,
Criminology and Criminal Justice
- AUG 2007 – MAY 2009 Master of Arts, CUNY John Jay College, New York, NY, Criminal
Justice
- AUG 2002 - MAY 2007 Bachelor of Arts, Auburn University, Auburn, AL, Criminology and
Criminal Justice, Minor: Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- AUG 2024 – Current Lecturer, Kennesaw State University. Responsible for planning,
teaching, and facilitating courses in multiple modalities, supervising
and mentoring students, and service to the institution.
- AUG 2021 - JUNE 2024 Lecturer, University of West Georgia. Responsible for planning,
teaching, and facilitating courses in multiple modalities, mentoring
students, and service to the institution.
- JAN 2019 - JUNE 2021 Program Manager, Atlanta Police Foundation. Responsible for
managing the technology program and the Atlanta crime research
center which entailed working closely with Atlanta Police and Fulton
County Criminal Justice Agencies to provide appropriate research
and assistance. Mentored more than 15 interns.
- JAN 2019 - MAY 2020 Part-Time Lecturer, Georgia State University. Responsible for
planning, teaching, and facilitating courses.

AUG 2010 - MAY 2016 Research and Teaching Assistant, Georgia State University.
Responsible for planning and teaching courses, preparing and
conducting research studies, and mentoring new students.

TEACHING, SUPERVISION, & MENTORING

COURSES TAUGHT AT KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

CRJU 1101: Foundations of Criminal Justice – Fall 2024 (online & F2F); Spring 2025; Spring 2026; Summer 2026 (online); Fall 2026
CRJU 2201: Crimes & Defenses – Fall 2024; Spring 2025 (online & hybrid); Summer 2025 (online); Fall 2025; Spring 2026; Fall 2026
CRJU 3300: Criminal Courts – Spring 2026 (online); Fall 2026
CRJU 3301: Research Methods in Criminal Justice – Fall 2025 (online); Summer 2026 (online)
CRJU 3320: Criminal Investigation – Fall 2025; Spring 2026 (online); Fall 2026 (online)
CRJU 3365: Profile of the Serial Offender – Spring 2025 (online & hybrid)
CRJU 4100: Ethics in Criminal Justice – Fall 2024 (online)
CRJU 4430: Victimology – Summer 2026 (online)
SOCI 4432: Criminology – Fall 2025 (online)

COURSES TAUGHT AT PRIOR INSTITUTIONS

University of West Georgia

CRIM 1100: Introduction to Criminal Justice – Spring 2024 (online); Fall 2022 (hybrid); Summer 2022 (online)
CRIM 2000: Survey of Criminology – Spring 2022
CRIM 2273: Criminal Procedure (online) – Summer 2023; Spring 2023; Fall 2022; Spring 2022
CRIM 2274: American Criminal Courts (online) - Spring 2024
CRIM 2275: Introduction to Corrections (online) – Spring 2024
CRIM 3240: Criminological Theory (online) – Fall 2021; Fall 2022
CRIM 3411: Criminal Investigations – Summer 2023 (online); Spring 2023 (online); Summer 2022 (online); Fall 2021
CRIM 3705: Criminal Profiling (hybrid) – Spring 2023
CRIM 4000: Research Methodology – Fall 2021 (online)
CRIM 4211: Police Deviance – Fall 2023
CRIM 4231: Women and Criminal Justice (online) – Spring 2022
CRIM 4260: Prisoner Reentry and Community Corrections – Spring 2024 (online); Fall 2023
CRIM 4265: Crime and Social Inequality (online) – Spring 2024
CRIM 4279: Race and Crime – Fall 2023; Fall 2022 (hybrid); Spring 2022; Fall 2021 (online)
CRIM 4293: Correctional Programs – Fall 2023 (online)

Georgia State University

CRJU 1100/3100: Introduction to Criminal Justice – Spring 2020 (moved online midsemester); Fall 2019 (2 sections); Fall 2014 (2 sections)

CRJU 3020: Research Methods in Criminal Justice – Spring 2019; Spring 2017; Summer 2016; Fall 2016

CRJU 3210: Juvenile Offending – Fall 2015

CRJU 3410: Criminological Theory – Spring 2019; Spring 2015; Fall 2019

CRJU 4010: Gender in Criminal Justice – Spring 2013; Spring 2016

CRJU 4440: Street Crime – Spring 2015; Spring 2016

STUDENT SUPERVISION AT KSU

Honors Contract Students:

1. Harlie Brown, January 2025 – May 2025

Directed Study:

1. ZaNiya Cottle, August 2026 – December 2026

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE RELATED TO TEACHING, SUPERVISION, & MENTORING

Department or Program:

SEP 2024 – MAY 2025	Advanced/Associate Professor Search Committee, member. Responsible for drafting job ad, reviewing applications, conducting phone interviews, and conducting in-person interviews.
SEP 2025 – MAY 2026	Associate Professor/Professor and MSCJ Director Search Committee, Member. Responsible for drafting job ad, reviewing applications, conducting phone interviews, and conducting in-person interviews.
AUG 2026 – PRESENT	Student Success Committee, member.
SEP 2026 – PRESENT	Lecturer in Criminal Justice Search Committee, member. Responsible for drafting job ad, reviewing applications, conducting phone interviews, and conducting in-person interviews.

Other institutional service:

OCT 2024 – PRESENT	Alpha Phi Sigma CJ Honors Society, Kappa Upsilon Chapter, assistant faculty advisor. Responsible for assisting the students to conduct meetings, events, community outreach, and grading. Serving as a mentor and liaison.
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AUG 2025 – PRESENT Departmental Honors Liaison. Responsible for assisting honors students within the department complete their contracts, capstones, and other honors requirements.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AT PRIOR INSTITUTIONS

AUG 2022 – JUNE 2024 Member of Student Success Committee, Department of Civic Engagement & Public Service, University of West Georgia. Responsible for determining and implementing ways to retain and help undergraduate students succeed.

AUG 2021 – AUG 2022 Member of Undergraduate Programs Committee, Department of Civic Engagement & Public Service, University of West Georgia. Responsible for assisting in redevelopment of program pathways and courses offered.

AUG 2011- AUG 2012 Managing Editor, Criminal Justice Review & International Criminal Justice Review, Sage Publications. Responsible for soliciting submissions, finding peer reviewers, assessing articles for submission, and organizing journal content for print.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2016 The Andrew Young School of Policy Studies Excellence in Teaching Criminal Justice Award, Georgia State University.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT KSU

Jun 2026 Teaching with AI. Self-paced asynchronous course with 4 live sessions, Educause.

May 2026 VoiceThread Advanced: Skills and Ideas. Workshop, VoiceThread.

Apr 2026 Supporting Neurodivergent Students: Designing Neuroinclusive Learning Environments. Workshop, CETL, KSU.

Apr 2026 Alternative Methods of Assessment. Workshop, CETL, KSU.

Mar 2026 Panaroma and Document Hub. Workshop, DLI, KSU.

Jan 2026 Smart Grading. Workshop, CETL, KSU.

Jun 2025 Teaching with AI. Self-paced asynchronous course, Auburn University.

May 2025 Generative AI for Course Design & Student Engagement. 3-week asynchronous course, DLI, KSU

Mar 2025 Equidox PDF Remediation: Advanced Features. Workshop, DLI, KSU

Mar 2025 Equidox PDF Remediation: Basic Docs. Workshop, DLI, KSU

Mar 2025 Writing Complex Alternative Text. Workshop, DLI, KSU

Mar 2025 Active Learning Techniques that Work in All Modalities. Webinar, CETL, KSU

Mar 2025	Accessible Teaching Essentials. 3-week asynchronous course, DLI, KSU
Jan 2025	Finding an Approach to AI in Alignment with Your Teaching Philosophy. CETL, KSU
Dec 2024	Building Community in Online Classes. Webinar. The Chronicle.
Dec 2024	What Education Psychology Can Teach Us about Student Success. Workshop. CETL, KSU.
Nov 2024	Sustainable Course Design. 3-week asynchronous course, DLI, KSU.
Oct 2024	Essential Course Facilitation Strategies. 3-week asynchronous course, DLI, KSU.
Oct 2024	Wellbeing@KSU. Webinar, CETL, KSU.
Oct 2024	NFO Preparing to Teach Online. Workshop, DLI, KSU.
Oct 2024	Accessing & Navigating uHoo Analytics. Workshop, CETL, KSU.
Oct 2024	Introduction to uHoo Analytics. Workshop, DLI, KSU.
Aug 2024	Getting to Know our KSU Students. Workshop. CETL, KSU.
Aug 2024	Teaching with AI. Book chat, CETL, KSU.
Jul 2024	Syllabus Mapping. Online training certificate, CETL, KSU.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT PRIOR INSTITUTIONS

Spring 2024	AI and Student Learning: What We Know (and What we Don't). Webinar, Inside Higher Ed. Facilitator: Colleen Flaherty.
Spring 2023	<i>Support and Motivate Your Students -without Exhausting Yourself.</i> Keep on Teaching Series, Webinar, The Chronicle of Higher Education.
Fall 2022	<i>Engaged but Not Invested: Practical Approaches toward Equity for All Students.</i> Webinar, Quality Matters.
Fall 2022	<i>Quality Matters Information Session.</i> Institute for Faculty Excellence (IFE), University of West Georgia
Fall 2022	<i>Criminal Procedure and the Supreme Court: What to Expect during the 2022 Term.</i> Webinar. Facilitators: John Feldmeier and Frank Schmallegger.
Fall 2022	<i>Get Started with Gradescope.</i> Webinar, Turnitin.
Spring 2022	<i>Teaching as a Performance Art.</i> Joy of Teaching Series, University College and General Education Department, University of West Georgia.
Spring 2022	<i>Talking about Teaching: The Changing Professor Student Dynamic.</i> Virtual Event Series, Webinar, The Chronicle of Higher Education.
Spring 2022	<i>Let's Talk! Discussing Race, Racism, and Other Difficult Topics with Students.</i> Webinar, Teaching Tolerance.
Fall 2021 – Spring 2022	<i>New Faculty Academy.</i> Monthly sessions, CETL, University of West Georgia.
Fall 2021	<i>Multimedia Tools & Principles Workshop.</i> CETL, University of West Georgia
Fall 2021	<i>Collaborative Activities Workshop.</i> CETL, University of West Georgia