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Education:

- 2012 Doctor of Philosophy: Criminal Justice
Dissertation - The "worst of both worlds": Increased law enforcement presence, reasonable suspicion, and searches of students in public schools.
Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
- 2008 Master of Arts: Criminal Justice
Thesis - The legality and liability of school searches in a post-*T.L.O.* world.
Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
- 2003 Bachelor of Science: Criminal Justice, Minor in Biology
University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, LA

Related Positions to the Field of Criminal Justice:

Associate Professor/School Director

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Summer 2024 to Present

Associate Professor

University of Houston – Downtown, Fall 2018 to Summer 2024

Assistant Professor

University of Houston – Downtown, Fall 2012 to Spring 2018

Classroom Instructor

Sam Houston State University, Summer 2009 and 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011

Research Assistant

Sam Houston State University, Dr. Larry Hoover, Fall 2011 to Spring 2012
Sam Houston State University, Dr. Jeffrey Bouffard, Fall 2009 to Spring 2010
Sam Houston State University, Dr. Melissa Tackett-Gibson, Spring 2008
Sam Houston State University, Survey Research Program, Fall 2006 to Summer 2007

Teacher Assistant

Sam Houston State University, Dr. Howard Henderson, Spring 2009
 Sam Houston State University, Dr. Jennifer Schulenberg, Fall 2007

Intern

Louisiana State Probation and Parole, Fall 2002 to Spring 2003

Administrative Positions*School Director*

School of Criminal Justice and Criminology

July 2024 to **Present**

Duties: Supervise faculty, staff, and students. Manage SCJC budget. Oversee 5 higher education programs – LEAS, BA, MS, MA, PhD. Serve on the leadership team for the College of Business, Health, and Human Services. Analyze past course offerings to strategically create course schedule and assign classes. Manage class sizes daily during registration to maximize enrollment. Maximize enrollment in future CJ courses. Receive and resolve student and faculty complaints and issues. Manage faculty teaching workload. Initiate hiring process for faculty positions. Hire faculty, student, and staff positions (like, HEI coordinator). Perform HEI coordinator duties when position is vacant. Run SCJC meetings, set agenda, set direction. Assign committee roles for faculty. Charge committees. Advocate for the SCJC, its faculty, staff, and students in the college, university, and community at large. Initiate innovative programming, problem solving, and growth for the SCJC. Represent the SCJC in the university, community, and field.

Acting Chair,

Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work.

June 2021 to July 2021.

Duties: Continued with Assistant chair duties and took on duties of department chair while department voted on an interim chair during the gap between the chair and interim chair's terms of service. Lasted a couple of weeks over the summer and required attendance at recruiting events, leadership meetings, and student orientation events. Provided stewardship for the department during this time, including dealing with administrative issues, managing enrollment for departmental programs, and continuing to move the department forward through COVID-related issues.

Assistant Chair

Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work.

August 2018 to July 2021.

Duties: Managed the adjunct faculty. Corresponded with adjuncts to keep them abreast of important deadlines, events, and priorities for the university, college, and department. Organized adjunct appreciation reception. Identified candidates from the applicant pool to bring forward to the adjunct committee for review. Moved candidates through the hiring process. Onboarded CJ

adjuncts into CJSW department. Compiled course schedules for each semester (around 200 classes a year). Assigned faculty to classes. Served as an administrative liaison to departmental committees. Worked with chair and curriculum committee to reformulate prerequisites. Monitored DFW rates for CJ majors/courses. Recruited students for all three CJ programs in the department. Advised students on occasion. Assigned waivers in Peoplesoft and Banner systems for students. Monitored and fixed prerequisite (PERC) issues in PeopleSoft for CJ. Utilized signature authority when chair unavailable. Handled student complaints on occasion. Handled some faculty issues. Attended leadership meetings both as Assistant Chair and filling in for Chair. Managed enrollment for undergraduate CJ programs. Increased/decreased course caps to maximize student spread and give plenty of options for students. Analyzed course offerings to maximize student retention, persistence, and graduation while maximizing enrollment. Worked with department and college business administrators to credential new faculty. Worked with department and college business administrators to complete accurate workload tables for adjuncts and full-time faculty for payroll purposes. Attended recruiting events both in person and online.

MSCJ Program Director

Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work.

January 2016 to May 2018.

Duties: Recruited students for MSCJ program. Advised current and prospective students. Appointed to and attended Graduate Council. Created and ran MSCJ information sessions. Attended recruiting events. Monitored students' progress in the program including placing students on probation and sending out dismissal letters. Worked on graduating and retaining current students. Monitored enrollment at the class and program level. Issued course waivers when needed. Created application packets so that MSCJ review committee could review candidates. Sent out letters of acceptance and rejection to applicants. Was instrumental in the creation of the position of Assistant Director of Graduate Studies in CPS. Hooded MSCJ graduates during the hooding ceremonies. Ran graduate faculty meetings. Confirmed the MSCJ graduation list with the registrar each semester. Dealt with dismissal appeals under PS 03.B.07. Worked with Graduate Admissions to streamline the process for students. Created an MSCJ essay and rubric for applicants. Scheduled MSCJ classes each semester. Assigned instructors to courses. Monitored dismissal rates and trends among students. Helped create recruiting materials for MSCJ program. Worked on MSCJ curriculum issues. Approved students for capstone course (project or thesis). Corresponded with current MSCJ students and kept them up to date on events and important dates. Worked hand in hand with the department chair and faculty to manage the program and increase enrollment. Helped onboard new Assistant Director of Graduate Studies for CPS. Served as point person for catalog changes for MSCJ program.

Publications (10):

1. Bouffard, J. A., Nobles, M. R., Wells, W., & **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2012). How many more guns? Estimating the effect of allowing concealed handgun licenses on college campuses. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 27(2), 316-343.

2. **Cavanaugh, M. R.** & Franklin, T.W. (2012). Do DWI courts work? An empirical evaluation of a Texas-based DWI court. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 51, 257-274.
3. Wells, W., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Bouffard, J. A., & Nobles, M. R. (2012). Non-response bias with web-based surveys of college students. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*, 28, 455-476.
4. **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Bouffard, J. A., Wells, W., & Nobles, M. R. (2012). Student attitudes toward concealed handguns on campus at two universities. *American Journal of Public Health*, 102(12), 2245-2247.
5. **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, McShane, M., & Williams, F. P. (2014). Confronting the demons of future dangerousness. *Journal of Law and Criminal Justice*, 2(2), 47-66.
6. *Laosunthorn, C. **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, & Wang, H. (2015). War on drugs in Thailand: With a focus on methamphetamine. *The 2015 AAPS Annual Conference and the Police and Science International Forum Proceedings*, 16, 34-48.
7. **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Pfeffer, R., & Ahmad, J. (2016). Undergraduate student participation in an evaluation of a police program: A high-impact practice. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 27(3), 324-339.
8. Buckler, K. G., Gilmore, E. L., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, & Fowler, S. K. (2016). Ideological divisiveness in criminal procedure cases: Measuring variability in US Supreme Court outcomes. *Criminal Justice Review*, 41(4), 409-426.
 - a. Reprinted in – Spohn, C., Hemmens, C. T., & McCann, W. S. (Eds.) (2018). *Courts / A Text Reader* (3rd Ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
9. Matusiak, M. C., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, & Stephenson, M.* (2022). An assessment of officer-involved shooting data transparency in the United States. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 31(1-2), 472-496.
10. Harris, J. A., Ejiogu, K., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, & Snell, C. (2023). Service learning of an inmate re-entry program in an urban commuter university. *Journal of Service-Learning in Higher Education*, 16, 109-137.

* Denotes work with a student

Books (2):

11. Belbot, B., Hemmens, C., & **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2015). *The legal rights of the convicted* (2nd Ed.). El Paso, TX: LFB Publishing.
12. McShane, M. & **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, (Eds.) (2015). *Understanding juvenile justice and delinquency*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger.

Book Chapters (2):

13. Belbot, B. & **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2014). Inmate litigation and the Constitution. In Hemmens, C. *Current legal issues in criminal justice*. New York: Oxford University Press.
14. **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2015). School searches: Balancing delinquency and privacy. In McShane M. and Cavanaugh M. R. (2015). *Understanding juvenile justice and delinquency*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger.

Technical Reports (3):

15. Longmire, D. R. & **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2007). *Texans' Confidence in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems in Texas 2007 Texas Crime Poll*. Huntsville, TX: College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University
<http://www.cjcenter/research/srp/cparchive/2007/Results.pdf>.
16. **Cavanaugh, M. R.** (2010). Long Term Consequences of Substance Use from Young Adulthood to Middle Adulthood. In S. Menard with C. Bergeron, L. Bowman, M. R. Cavanaugh, Jr., R. Embry, H. Esparza, T. Guclu, E. Gulen, Y. Jo, S. Keller, S. Kruakham, J. Lee, W. Pollock, and P. M. Rivolta (Eds.), *Inhalant Abuse and Related Problem Behaviors Across Generations in a National Sample* (pp. 199-219). National Youth Survey Family Study Project Report Number 2/National Youth Survey Report Number 61, Final Report to the National Institute on Drug Abuse.
17. Ahmad, J., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Pfeffer, R., Carreno, Y.*, Green, D.*, Lamberton, R.*, & Nelson, J.* (2014). *Evaluating Houston Police Department's Gang Resistance Education and Training Program: Preliminary Findings*. Houston, TX: Department of Criminal Justice, University of Houston-Downtown.

Developing Research:

Transformational Change into a "Coffee Bean": Evaluating a new correctional rehabilitation program (**Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Marshall, E., & Belisle, L.)

An examination of police shooting outcomes using chance theory (**Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Matusiak, M. C., & Abderhalden, F. P.).

Police searches in schools (**Cavanaugh, M. R.**).

Brothers in Arms: Factors that Predict Rehabilitation Program Completion for Military Veterans in a County Jail. (Ejiogu, K., Magidson, M., Harris, J., & Cavanaugh, M. R.) - **Under Review**

Major Research Projects:

Police Use of Force Database Creation and Evaluation (**Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Matusiak, M. C., & Abderhalden, F. P.).

Change Agent Pilot Study with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (**Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Marshall, E., & Belisle, L.).

A Preliminary Examination of Brothers In Arms – A Veterans Treatment Approach in County Jail (Harris, J. A., Ejiogu, K., **Cavanaugh, M. R.**, Magidson, M., & Wang, H. M.).

** Denotes work with a student*

Conference Presentations (30 with one canceled for COVID):

1. Cavanaugh, M. R.
School Searches and Liability Under Section 1983
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Boston, MA. March 2009.
2. Cavanaugh, M. R.
Law Enforcement Participation in School Searches: An Examination of State Criminal Court Cases
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA. March 2010.
3. Bouffard, J. A., Wells, W., Nobles, M., & Cavanaugh, M. R.
How Many More Guns? Estimating the Effect of Allowing Concealed Handgun Licenses on a College Campus
American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA. November 2010.
4. Cavanaugh, M. R. & Franklin, T. W.
Do DWI Courts Work? An Empirical Evaluation of a Texas-Based DWI Court
American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA. November 2010.
5. Cavanaugh, M. R., Bouffard, J., Wells, W., & Nobles, M.
Student Attitudes about Concealed Handguns on Campus at Two Universities
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Toronto, ON. March 2011.
6. Wells, W., Cavanaugh, M. R., Bouffard, J., & Nobles, M.
Non-Response Bias in Web-based Surveys of College Students: A Comparison of Results Across In-class and Web-based Surveys
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Toronto, ON. March 2011.
7. Cavanaugh, M. R. & Vaughn, M. S.
Drug Testing in Public Schools: How Far Will the Lower Courts Extend Vernonia and Earls?
American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. November 2012.

8. Cavanaugh, M. R. & Vaughn, M. S.
Strip Searches in Schools: Before and after *Safford Unified School District No. 1 v. Redding* (2009)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Dallas, TX. March 2013.
9. Cavanaugh, M. R., McShane, M., & Williams, F. P.
Extending *Baldus*: A Commentary on Racial Bias in Predictions of Future Dangerousness
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, San Antonio, TX. September 2013.
10. *Cavanaugh, M. R.
The Supreme Court and Habeas Corpus
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Philadelphia, PA. February 2014
11. Snell, C., & Cavanaugh, M. R.
Process and Outcome Evaluation of a Veterans Court Evaluation (*Poster*)
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Philadelphia, PA. February 2014
12. Cavanaugh, M. R.
The Supreme Court and Criminal Justice: Significant Cases from the 2013 Term
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, South Padre, TX. October 2014.
13. Cavanaugh, M. R.
Engaging Undergraduates in Research-Based Service Learning Projects: A Student and Faculty Discussion of an Evaluation of the Houston Police Department's G.R.E.A.T. Program
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, South Padre, TX. October 2014.
14. Johnson, M. & Cavanaugh, M. R.
Long Term Consequences of Substance Use for Young Adulthood to Middle Adulthood
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, FL. March 2015
15. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Moderator)
2014-2015 Supreme Court Term and Policing
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, South Padre, TX. October 2015.
16. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Discussant)
Roundtable: The Journal of Criminal Justice and Law: A Discussion of Need, Direction, and Submission Guidelines.
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Denver, Colorado. March 2016.
17. Cavanaugh, M. R.
Making Sausage: A Faculty Perspective of Serving on a Campus Carry Committee
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. October 2016.
18. Cavanaugh, M. R., Matusiak, M. C., & Taylor, Z. E.
Black and Blue: An Analysis of Police Involved Shootings in Houston

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Kansas City, MO. March 2017

19. Cavanaugh, M. R., & Matusiak, M. C.
Officer-Involved Shootings: The State of Publicly Available Police Data in the United States.
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, LA. February 2018
20. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
Managing Student Demand, Student Success, and Faculty Perceptions in Scheduling Online,
Face to Face, and Hybrid Courses
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, LA. February 2018
21. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Organizer and Roundtable Discussant)
6 Years of Fun: Navigating the Tenure Process from Appointment until Portfolio
Submission.
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, San Antonio, TX. October 2018.
22. Cavanaugh, M. R.
An Examination of the Use of Force in the New Orleans Police Department 2016-2018.
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Baltimore, MD. March 2019.
23. Cavanaugh, M. R.
Master of Ceremonies – SWACJ Luncheon and Keynote Speech (Alberto Gonzales)
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Houston, TX. October 2019.
- 24. Canceled by Global Pandemic - COVID-19**
Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
Autism and Criminal Justice: High Risk, Low Priority
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Antonio, TX. March 2020.
25. Cavanaugh, M. R. & Blackburn, A.
Outside In: Hiring a Justice-Involved Individual to Teach at a University
Criminology Consortium (CrimCon), Online. October 2021.
26. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
Re-envisioning Introduction to Criminal Justice: Adapting to the Multimodal Learner
Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators (TACJE), Online. November 2021.
27. Harris, J. A., Ejiogu, K. U., & Cavanaugh, M. R.
Community Reentry: Does Service-learning Influence Students Perception of Former
Inmates.
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Las Vegas, NV. March 2022.
28. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
Impact of Law Enforcement in Schools on Youth, Parents, and Teachers' Attitudes and
Perceptions.
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Austin, TX. October 2022.

29. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
Teaching Cybersecurity & Security Courses to Criminal Justice Majors
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, National Harbor, MD. March 2023.
30. Cavanaugh, M. R. (Roundtable Discussant)
What does the Future of Policing Require?
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Little Rock, AR. October 2023.

** Featured Panel*

Journal Editor:

Journal of Criminal Justice and Law, Fall 2015 to Fall 2016

Invited Manuscript Reviews:

American Journal of Criminal Justice
American Journal of Public Health
Criminal Justice Review
Health and Justice
International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology
Journal of Criminal Justice
Journal of Criminal Justice and Behavior
Journal of Criminal Justice and Law
Journal of Family Strengths
Journal of Offender Rehabilitation
Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology
Journal of School Violence
Justice Quarterly
Police Quarterly
Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies & Management
Psychology of Violence
Sage Open
Women and Criminal Justice

Service:

Sam Houston State University

1. The Student Development Committee, College of Criminal Justice. Fall 2009 to Spring 2010

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ)

1. Audit Review Committee. Fall 2014 to Fall 2016
2. **Second Vice President.** Fall 2016 to Fall 2017
3. Search Committee (**Co-Chair**) for JQCJC editor. Summer 2017 to Fall 2017.
4. **Vice President.** Fall 2017 to Fall 2018
5. **President.** Fall 2018 to Fall 2019.

6. **Past President.** Fall 2019 to Fall 2020.
7. Constitution Review Committee (**Chair**). Spring 2021 to Fall 2022.
8. **Ombuds.** Fall 2022 to **Present**.

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)

1. **Topic Chair** for 2020 conference. *Constitutional and Legal Issues*. Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.

Outside Tenure Reviews

1. Candidate for Promotion and Tenure at **University of Texas at Tyler – Department of Social Sciences**
2. Candidate for Promotion and Tenure at **University of Arkansas at Little Rock – School of Criminal Justice and Criminology**
3. Candidate for Promotion and Tenure at **Texas A&M University-Central Texas – Department of Social Sciences**

University of Houston – Downtown

Department (25)

1. Adjunct Review Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2012 to Spring 2013.
2. Assessment Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2012 to Spring 2013.
3. Curriculum Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2013 to Spring 2014.
4. Awards and Scholarship Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2013 to Spring 2014.
5. Faculty Advisor for Alpha Phi Sigma, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2013 to Summer 2015.
6. MSCJ Admissions Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2014 to Summer 2015.
7. Awards and Scholarship Committee (**Chair**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2014 to Spring 2016.
8. Graduate Travel Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2015 to Spring 2016.
9. CJ 1301 Student Success Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2015 to Spring 2016.
10. Department Chair Search (**Elected Member**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2016 to Spring 2017.
11. Annual Evaluation Teaching Sub-committee (*Ad Hoc*), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Spring 2016 to Fall 2017.
12. MSCJ Handbook Revision Committee- Ad Hoc (**Chair**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2017 to Spring 2018.
13. Department Chair Search (**Elected Member**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Spring 2018.
14. Rank and Tenure Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2018 to Spring 2024.

15. MSCJ Review and Handbook Committee (*Ad hoc*), Administrative Liaison, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2018 to Spring 2019.
16. Graduate Certificate Committee (*Ad hoc*), Administrative Liaison, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2018 to Spring 2020.
17. Department Curriculum Committee, Administrative Liaison, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2018 to Spring 2020.
18. Northwest Campus Task Force (*Ad hoc*), Administrative Liaison, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.
19. CJ Assistant Professor Search, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2020 to Spring 2020.
20. CJ Student Awards and Scholarships Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2020 to Spring 2022.
21. Rank and Tenure Committee (**Chair**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2020 to Spring 2020.
22. Graduate Student Admissions, Funding, and Travel, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2020 to Summer 2022.
23. Curriculum Committee, Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2022 to Spring 2023.
24. CJ Student Awards and Scholarships Committee (**Chair**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2022 to Summer 2023.
25. CJSW Annual Evaluation Committee (Alternate - **Elected**), Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work. Fall 2022 to Spring 2024.

College (4)

26. Advising, Recruiting, and Retention Committee, College (MSCJ Representative). Spring 2016 to Summer 2017.
27. College Graduate Council, College (MSCJ Representative). Fall 2016 to Spring 2018.
28. Assistant Director of Graduate Program in CPS Search, College (MSCJ Representative). Summer 2017 to Fall 2017.
29. CPS Deans Award Committee, College (CJSW Faculty Representative). Fall 2022 to Spring 2023.

University (16)

30. 40th Anniversary Committee, University (CJ Representative). Spring 2014 to Spring 2015.
31. Campus Carry Task Force, University (CPS Representative). Fall 2015 to Spring 2016.
32. Student Discipline Committee, University (CPS Representative). Fall 2015 to Spring 2017.
33. Graduate Council, University (MSCJ Representative). Spring 2016 to Spring 2018
34. Campus Carry Safety Committee, University (CPS Representative). Fall 2016 to Spring 2018.
35. Parking and Transportation Committee, University (Commerce St Building Representative). Fall 2017 to Spring 2019.
36. **Faculty Senate Secretary-Treasurer (Elected)**, University of Houston-Downtown. Fall 2018 to Summer 2020.
37. Faculty Senate Executive Council, University of Houston-Downtown. Fall 2018 to Summer 2020.

38. Bridge Plan Administration & Infrastructure Work Group (*Strategic Planning*), University of Houston-Downtown. Fall 2019 to Spring 2021.
39. Faculty Awards Committee, University (CJSW Representative). Fall 2021 to Spring 2022.
40. Student Publications Advisory Committee, University (CPS Representative). Fall 2021 to Spring 2023.
41. Ethics Inquiry Task Force Committee (**Elected**), University (CPS Representative). Fall 2021 to Spring 2024.
42. Ethics Inquiry Task Force Committee (**Chair**), University (CPS Representative). Fall 2023 to Spring 2024.
43. Grievance Committee (**Elected**), University (CJSW Representative). Fall 2023 to Spring 2024.
44. Academic Technology Committee, University (CJSW Representative). Fall 2023 to Spring 2024.
45. Annual Evaluation Working Group, University (CJSW Representative). Fall 2023 to Spring 2024.

Awards:

Nominated, Excellence in Writing, Sam Houston State University. 2007, 2008, and 2009

Awarded, Donald J. Weisenhorn Criminal Justice Scholarship, Sam Houston State University. Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 (\$2,000 per semester)

Awarded, Sam Houston State University Research Fellowship for Doctoral Students. Summer 2009 (\$6,000)

Awarded, Sam Houston State University Research Fellowship for Doctoral Students. Summer 2010 (\$6,000)

Awarded, Outstanding Leadership Award. Sam Houston State University. Spring 2010

Awarded, Faculty Development Award. University of Houston – Downtown. Spring 2014 (\$6,920)

Awarded, Sage Junior Faculty Professional Development Teaching Award. ACJS. Spring 2016 (\$750)

Nominated, 2016 UHD Excellence in Scholarship/Creative Activity Award. University of Houston – Downtown. Spring 2016.

Nominated, 2019 UHD Excellence in Service Award, University of Houston – Downtown. Spring 2019 – *Finalist*.

Nominated, 2020 UHD Excellence in Service Award, University of Houston – Downtown. Spring 2020.

2021 UHD Excellence in Service Award Winner, University of Houston – Downtown.

2024 Felix Fabian Founder’s Award Winner, University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Courses Taught:

Sam Houston State University

- CJ 261 - Introduction to the Criminal Justice System (Face to Face)
- CJ 262 - Criminology (Face to Face and Writing Enhanced)
- CJ 430 - Law and Society (Face to Face)
- CJ 430 - Law and Society (Face to Face and Writing Enhanced)
- CJ 432 - Legal Aspects of Corrections (Face to Face)

University of Houston-Downtown

Criminal Justice Undergraduate Courses

- CJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice (Face to Face)
- CJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice (Online)
- CJ 1301 – Introduction to Criminal Justice (Hybrid)
- CJ 2302 – Criminal Courts (Hybrid)
- CJ 2302 – Criminal Courts (Online)
- CJ 3301 – Criminology (Online and Writing Enhanced)
- CJ 4307 – Legal Rights of the Convicted (Face to Face)
- CJ 4312 – Research Topics (One on one course/Independent Study)

University Seminar Undergraduate Courses

- UHD 1308 – Freshman Seminar: Guns in America (Synchronous Online)*
- UHD 1308 – Freshman Seminar: Guns in America (Face to Face)*

Criminal Justice Graduate Courses

- CJ 6301 – Criminal Justice Project (Capstone Course – One on one course)
- CJ 6310 – Issues in Criminal Justice (Online)
- CJ 6311 – Legal Liabilities in Criminal Justice (Face to Face)
- CJ 6311 – Legal Liabilities in Criminal Justice (Online)
- CJ 6312 – Law and Society (Face to Face)
- CJ 6312 – Law and Society (Online)
- CJ 6324 – Justice Policy Process and Analysis (Face to Face)
- CJ 6324 – Justice Policy Process and Analysis (Online)
- CJ 6340 – Administration in Criminal Justice (Online)
- CJ 6350 – Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (Face to Face)
- CJ 6350 – Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (Online)
- CJ 6360 – Special Topics: Guns in America (Face to Face)

CJ 6360 – Special Topics: Guns in America (Online)

CJ 6370 – Independent Study (One on one course/Independent Study)

CJ 6390 – Thesis I (One on one course)

CJ 6391 – Thesis II (One on one course)

**Classified as an A+CE course for the university and for the student's transcript. An A+CE course is enhanced with the study of course-relevant community issues and exploration of the intersection of the classroom and community on those issues.*

Undergraduate Student Independent Studies (5):

1. *David Green*. Evaluating Houston Police Department's Gang Resistance Education and Training Program: Preliminary Findings. Spring 2014.
2. *Joe Nelson*. Evaluating Houston Police Department's Gang Resistance Education and Training Program: Preliminary Findings. Spring 2014.
3. *Renee Lamberton*. Evaluating Houston Police Department's Gang Resistance Education and Training Program: Preliminary Findings. Spring 2014.
4. *Yaneli Carreno*. Evaluating Houston Police Department's Gang Resistance Education and Training Program: Preliminary Findings. Spring 2014.
5. *Ali Khan*. Rifle Restrictions Research. Fall 2022.

Student Research (2):

6. *Greg Fremin* (Book Review*). Holloway, Pippa, Living in Infamy: Felon disfranchisement and the history of American Citizenship. *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology*, 2(2), 305-308.
7. *Melisa Jaris* (Book Review*). Oselin, Sharon, Leaving Prostitution: Getting out and Staying out of Sex Work. *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology*, 3(1), 124-126.

** Based on work from class*

Graduate Student Independent Studies (3):

8. *Bertha Narvaez*. Harris County SOBER Court Program Process Evaluation. Fall 2014.
9. *Alfredo Martinez*. Public Education in the Houston Fire Department. Fall 2020.
10. *Chris Kelly*. Data Cleaning and Advanced Analysis. Fall 2022.

Graduate Student Capstone Projects (29):

11. *Zohaib Lakhani*. Sexual Assault and its Consequences on Adolescents and Teens. Fall 2014.

12. *John Brown*. Faculty and Staff Attitudes of Concealed Carry on Campus. Spring 2015.
13. *Leonard Kubiak*. Evaluation of Harris County's First Offender (marijuana) program. Fall 2015.
14. *Patrick Morrissey*. Best Practices to Fight Environmental Crime in Houston. Spring 2016.
15. *Joshua Mungia*. Peer Mentoring for Police. Spring 2016.
16. *Ginea Pride*. Race and Sentencing. Spring 2017.
17. *Ana Ochoa*. Handbook for Community Resources for Reentry in Travis County. Spring 2017.
18. *Adriana Perez*. The Obstacles Surrounding Community Supervision of DWI offenders in Harris County: The Effectiveness and Barriers Regarding Community Supervision Stipulations. Fall 2017.
19. *Ikechukwu Nnali*. Constitutional Carry: The Future of Gun Laws in Texas. Fall 2017.
20. *Michael Copley*. Overcrowded Specialty Courts: Moving Forward. Spring 2018.
21. *Kwanhatai Tong*. Aging Inmates and Health Care Costs. Spring 2018.
22. *Nathanael Ortiz*. Environmental Complexities in Policing. Fall 2018.
23. *Ketrial Rose*. Evaluation of Female Pregnancy while Incarcerated and Contributing Factors in the Criminal Justice System. Fall 2018.
24. *Kelley Hudson*. The Crisis Control Diversion Program for the Harris County Sheriff's Office. Spring 2019.
25. *Oscar DeLeon*. Influence the Opportunity by Taking Action: A Safety and Security Analysis. Spring 2020.
26. *Jessie Stubblefield*. Increasing the Age that an Individual can be Charged as an Adult. Spring 2020.
27. *David Franklin*. Terrorism in the Age of COVID-19: How the Pandemic has Influenced Foreign/Domestic Terrorism and Counterterrorism Response. Spring 2021.
28. *Alfredo Martinez*. Providing Public Education that Effectively Raises Awareness and Improves Community Safety. Spring 2021.
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