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RESEARCH FOCUS My research focuses on using a vulnerability framework to understand victimization experiences by vulnerable populations such as children and undocumented women. I also look at the impact that institutional betrayal may have on secondary victimization. Furthermore, I focus on how vulnerabilities might be compounded due to one's identities and intersectionality which may lead to an increased potential for harm.

TEACHING FOCUS I have adopted a Feminist pedagogy with an emphasis on employing Indigenous methodologies. To that end, my teaching philosophy is grounded in the belief that effective teaching occurs through service. My teaching experiences have shown me that students are more eager to learn when there is a service opportunity. The goal is to provide students with an engaging and safe environment in which they can engage in action learning.

EDUCATION

2023 (*expected*) **Michigan State University**, East Lansing, MI
Doctor of Philosophy, Criminology and Criminal Justice
Certificate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Dissertation: *Understanding Vulnerability in the Student-University Trust Relationship*
Dissertation Chair: Joseph A. Hamm, M.L.S., Ph.D.

2018 **Florida Atlantic University**, Boca Raton, FL
Master of Science, Criminology and Criminal Justice
Certificates in Policing and in Criminal Behavior

2015 **University of Central Florida**, Orlando, FL
Bachelor of Science, Legal Studies
Specialization in Law & Society, Minor in Business Administration
Certificate in Substitute Teaching

ACADEMIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021 **Michigan State University**, East Lansing, MI
Data Analyst
Study: Sleep & Social Development Study
Responsibilities: In this position I cleaned syntax files and created a comprehensive codebook to be used in compliance with research funding requirements by the lead investigators and research team.

2020 **Michigan State University**, East Lansing, MI
Qualitative Interview Facilitator
Study: March on Washington Study

Responsibilities: In this position I conducted Zoom interviews in English with persons who had attended the March on Washington to understand their reasoning for attending and to gather their insights on systemic racism.

2020

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Qualitative Interview Facilitator

Studies: Crossroads Mothers Study & Crossroads Covid Study

Responsibilities: In this position I conducted phone interviews in Spanish with mothers of justice-involved youth to understand their experiences with the criminal legal system and the impacts of the pandemic on their day-to-day lives.

2019 –

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Graduate Research Assistant

Advisors: Dr. Joseph Hamm and Provost Teresa Woodruff (2022-2023), Dr. Christina DeJong (2021-2022), Dr. Karen Holt (2020-2021), and Dr. Ryan Scrivens (2019-2020)

Responsibilities: Under the direction of these various faculty members, I conducted qualitative and quantitative research, collected qualitative data, analyzed quantitative and qualitative data, and completed various literature reviews and manuscripts.

2018

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

Graduate Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Sameer Hinduja

Responsibilities: Under the supervision of Dr. Hinduja, I collected publications on cyberbullying, annotated publications, gained access to various online spaces for research purposes, and edited faculty manuscripts prior to journal submissions.

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2022

CJ 425 - Gender, Sexuality, Crime, and Justice

Online Facilitator, Michigan State University

Advisor: Dr. Christina DeJong

Responsibilities: In partnership with Dr. DeJong, I oversaw 30 students in an online space of a 60 student hybrid course, prepared lesson plans, facilitated lecture, planned course activities, and engaged students in both online and offline discussions.

2018

DSC 4012 – Terrorism

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Florida Atlantic University

Advisor: Ricky Langlois

Responsibilities: Under the supervision of Mr. Langlois, I facilitated online discussion forums for 75 students, graded assignments, and provided feedback on student work.

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022 – **Okemos Public Schools**, Okemos, MI
Program Assistant
- 2020 **United Methodist Michigan Conference**, Riverdale, MI
Summer Camp Counselor
- 2015 – 2019 **Grossman Roth Yaffa Cohen, P.A.**, Boca Raton, FL
Legal Assistant and Investigative Assistant
- 2014 **McCalla Raymer, LLC**, Orlando, FL
Summer Efiling Intern
- 2013 – 2015 **The Byrd Law Group, P.A.**, Orlando, FL
Accountant and Legal Assistant

MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 2022 – **UCF Knights Network**, CCIE Alumni Mentorship Program
Graduate Student Mentor
- 2021 – **OCAT at MSU, Latinx Student Mentoring Program**
Graduate Student Mentor
- 2021 – **American Society of Criminology, Division of Women and Crime**
Mentoring and Student Affairs Committee Coordinator
- 2021 – **Rueda Latina, Mentoring Program**
Graduate Student Mentor
- 2021 – **MSU School of Criminal Justice, Graduate Student Network**
Graduate Student Mentor

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2022 Cavanagh, C., **Osuna, A. I.**, Liggett, R., Henke, M. & Cauffman, E. Concerns About COVID-19 Among Undocumented Women in Justice-Involved Families. *International Journal of Migration, Health and Social Care*.

- 2022 **Osuna, A. I.**, & Holt, K. Pornography Use and Sexual Scripts Among Men Who Have Committed Sexual Offenses. *Crime & Delinquency*.
- 2022 LaBerge, A., **Osuna, A. I.**, Cavanagh, C., & Cauffman, E. Mothers with Justice-Involved Sons: Socioeconomic Impacts of COVID-19 by Neighborhood Disorder in the United States. *Journal of Social Issues*, 1-26.
- 2021 Scrivens, R., **Osuna, A. I.**, Chermak, S. M., Whitney, M. A., & Frank, R. Examining Online Indicators of Extremism in Violent Right-Wing Extremist Forums. *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism*, 1-25.

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES – UNDER REVIEW

- 2022 **Osuna, A. I.**, Holt, K., & O’Hanlon, R. “‘My child is main priority, even when I’m high’: Understanding the normalization of methamphetamine use among mothers in rural United States.”
- 2022 Ropp, J., Meier, E., Van Fossen, J. A., **Osuna, A. I.**, Darcy, K. M., Woessner, Z. W., & Hamm, J. A. “Mobilizing the law: The role of vulnerability and court process in the decision to file a small claims suit”
- 2022 **Osuna, A. I.** “Leaving the Incel Community: A Content Analysis”
- 2021 **Osuna, A. I.**, Garcia, K., Fallik, S. W., & Markevitch, T. “Victimization in juvenile sexual assault legislation: A critical content analysis of state laws in the United States of America.”

BOOK CHAPTER – UNDER REVIEW

- 2022 Darcy, K. M., Meier, E., **Osuna, A. I.**, Van Fossen, J. A., Ropp, J., & Hamm, J. A. “Exploring power, vulnerability, and trust in public governance through the lens of feminist intersectionality”

REPORTS

- 2021 **Osuna, A. I.**, Darcy, K., Woessner, Z. W., & Hamm, J. “Perceived student vulnerabilities during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Published at <https://www.trusstlab.com/>
- 2020 Ropp, J., Darcy, K., Meier, E., **Osuna, A. I.**, VanFossen, J., Woessner, Z., & Hamm, J. “The Perceived Expectations of Online Dispute Resolution: A Comparison of Dispute Resolution Processes in State and Local Courts.” Published at <https://www.trusstlab.com/>

BLOG POSTS

- 2022 Most Sex Offenders Do Not Rely on Scripts Learned from Porn. *Psychology Today*.
<https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/articles-heterodoxy/202208/most-sex-offenders-do-not-rely-scripts-learned-porn>
- 2021 Examining Online Indicators of Extremism in Violent Right-Wing Extremist Forums. *Violent Online Political Extremism (VOX-Pol) Network of Excellence*. Published at
<https://www.voxpol.eu/examining-online-indicators-of-extremism-in-violent-right-wing-extremist-forums/>
- 2021 Examining Online Indicators of Extremism in Violent Right-Wing Extremist Forums. *Global Network on Extremism and Technology Insights*. Published at
<https://gnet-research.org/2021/05/13/examining-online-indicators-of-extremism-in-violent-right-wing-extremist-forums/>
- 2020 *RCGV Doctoral Student Puts Her Heart Where Her Research Is*. Published at <https://vaw.msu.edu/member-spotlight-amanda-osuna/>

CONFERENCES & PANELS

- 2022 Latino Leaders in Policy at Michigan State University
 Graduate School Panelist for the October Meeting.
- 2022 **Osuna, A. I.** & Holt, K. *Pornography Use And Sexual Scripts Among Men Who Have Committed Sexual Offenses*. Paper presented at the annual meeting for the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association in Chicago, IL.
- 2022 **Osuna, A. I.**, Darcy, K., Woessner, Z., & Hamm, J. *Students' Perceived Vulnerability and Trust in Higher Education Institutions*. Paper presented at the annual meeting for the First International Network on Trust in Charleston, SC.
- 2021 **Osuna, A. I.**, Garcia, K., & Fallik, S. *Defining victimization in juvenile sexual assault legislation: A critical content analysis of the Nation's laws and reflection on social science research*. Paper presented at the annual meeting for the American Society of Criminology in Chicago, IL.
- 2021 Chicana/Latina Association at Michigan State University
 Graduate School Panel Assistant Moderator
- 2021 Chicana/Latina Association at Michigan State University
 Graduate School Panel Lead Moderator

- 2021 The Hispanic/Latino College Experience by the Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan – Graduate Student Panelist
- 2020 Scrivens, R., **Osuna, A. I.**, Chermak, S., Holt, T., & Frank, R. *Role of the Internet in Facilitating Violent Extremism*. Paper accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, which was to be held in November of 2020 in Washington, D.C., but was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

- 2023 *College of Social Science, Michigan State University*
Dissertation Completion Fellowship – Award: \$7,500.00
- 2022 – 2023 *Office of the Provost, Michigan State University*
Dissertation Research Grant – Award: undisclosed
- 2022 *Office of Cultural and Academic Transition (OCAT @ MSU)*
Latinx Student Mentoring Program – Exceptional Mentor Award
- 2022 *College of Social Science, Michigan State University*
CSS Early Start Research Grant – Award: \$3,000.00
- 2021 *C.J. Alumni Graduate Endowed Assistantship* – Award: undisclosed
- 2021 *College of Social Science, Michigan State University*
CSS Early Start Research Grant – Award: \$2,500.00
- 2021 *Office of Financial Aid, Michigan State University*
Education Opportunity Fellowship (EOF) – Award: \$1,500.00
- 2020 *College of Social Science, Michigan State University*
CSS Early Start Research Grant – Award: \$2,500.00
- 2020 *Office of Financial Aid, Michigan State University*
Education Opportunity Fellowship (EOF) – Award: \$1,500.00
- 2020 *Michigan Hispanic Latino Commission*
Future Leaders Scholarship – Award: \$1,000.00
- 2020 *Delta Tau Lambda Sorority, Inc. Eta Chapter*
2020 Salute to Latinas Award – Graduate Student Recipient
- 2019 *College of Social Science, Michigan State University*
CSS Early Start Research Grant – Award: \$3,000.00

SERVICE & VOLUNTEER GROUPS

- 2022 – *Inclusive Campus Initiative* – Task Force Member
- 2022 – *MSU, Chicax/Latinx Association (ChiLa)* – Ex Officio
- 2022 *Caminar Latino* – Child Support Group Volunteer
- 2021 – 2022 *Caminar Latino* – Program Evaluation Team Member
- 2021 – *American Society of Criminology, Division of Victimology*
Newsletter Committee Member
- 2020 – 2022 *MSU, Chicax/Latinx Association (ChiLa)*
Graduate Student Representative
- 2020 – 2021 *MSU, School of Criminal Justice, Graduate Student Association*
Vice President of Student Affairs and Vice President of Media
- 2020 – 2021 *United Methodist Church, Michigan Conference*
Kid’s Club Teacher
- 2020 – 2021 *United Methodist Church, Michigan Conference*
Sunday School Teacher
- 2020 *United Methodist Church, Michigan Conference*
Monthly Food Pantry Volunteer
- 2019 *Victory Church* – Go Love Day Volunteer
- 2018 *City of Riviera Beach* – Afterschool Program Volunteer
- 2016 – 2018 *HATT Foundation* – Event Coordinator
- 2016 *UCF Knights Alumni Association - Palm Beach Chapter*
Quantum House Volunteer
- 2012 *Centro Familiar Cristiano (Christian Family Center)*
Childcare Volunteer
- 2012 *Autism Speaks* – Fundraising Campaign Volunteer

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

- Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence (RCGBV)
Sexual and Gender Minority Health Consortium (SGMH)

Teaching Researching and Understanding the Social Science of Trust (TRUSST) Lab

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Criminology (ASC)
FAU Alumni Association
National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS)
National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS)
UCF Knights Alumni Network

CERTIFICATES & SKILLS

Foreign Language Bilingual (Spanish/English)

Skills Quantitative Data Analysis using R and SPSS
 Qualitative Data Analysis using MAXQDA
 Qualitative Interview Facilitation
 Qualitative Focus Group Facilitation
 Qualitative Analyst
 Survey and Questionnaire Maker

Other Certificates Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)
 Adobe Photoshop CS3
 CPR & First Aid (2022-2024)