

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Ph.D. Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University. Huntsville, Texas

M.A. Criminal Justice/Criminology, Sam Houston State University. Huntsville, Texas

B.S. Criminal Justice, University of North Texas. Denton, Texas

Certifications

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Certificate, Cornell University. Ithaca, New York.

National Adult and Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor, Council for Mental Wellbeing.

Professional Experience

Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice - Department of Applied Social and Cultural Sciences, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas. Fall 2020 to Present

Chair - Department of Applied Social and Cultural Sciences, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas. Fall 2017 to Present

Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice- Department of Applied Social and Cultural Sciences, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas. Fall 2016 to 2020

Program Director of Criminology and Criminal Justice - Department of Applied Social and Cultural Sciences, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas. Fall 2013 to Present

Assistant Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice - Department of Applied Social and Cultural Sciences, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas. Fall 2009 to Spring 2016

Doctoral Research Assistant - Dr. Scott Menard, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Doctoral Teaching Fellow - College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Graduate Research Assistant - Dr. Jurg Gerber, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Graduate Research Assistant - Scott Vollum, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Peer Reviewed Publications

Kubena, J. L. (2019). School Resource Officers. In J. H. Watts (Ed.), *Policing America's Educational Systems* (pgs. 36-49). Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Kubena, J. L., & Watts, J. H. (2016). The evolution of securing the American K-12 educational environment with armed police officers. In G. Crews (Ed.), *Critical Examinations of School Violence in K-12 Education* (pgs. 13-28). Hershey, PA: IGI Global

Reprinted

Kubena, J. L., & Watts, J. H. (2019). The evolution of securing the American K-12 educational environment with armed police officers. In Management Association, I. (Ed.), *Police Science: Breakthroughs in Research and Practice* (pgs. 493-513). Hershey, PA: IGI Global.

Kubena, J. L., & Lillemon, K. B. (2014). Arraignment. In J. Albanese (Ed.), *The Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell.

Kubena, J. L. (2014). Self-Report Surveys. In J. Albanese (Ed.), *The Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell.

Gerber, Jurg, and Eric L. Jensen (Eds.), with the collaboration of **Jiletta L Kubena**. (2006). *Encyclopedia of White-Collar Crime*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group.

Kubena, J. L. (2006). Exxon Valdez. In Jurg Gerber and Eric L. Jensen (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of White-Collar Crime* (pp. 92-94). Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group.

Kubena, J. L. (2006). Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. In Jurg Gerber and Eric L. Jensen (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of White-Collar Crime* (pp. 241- 244). Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group.

Kubena, J. L. (2006). Self-Control Theory and White-Collar Crime. In Jurg Gerber and Eric L. Jensen (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of White-Collar Crime* (pp. 257-259). Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group.

Kubena, J. L., Vollum, S., & Buffington-Vollum, J. (2004). Attitudes about the Death Penalty: Examining Opposition and Support among College Students in Huntsville, Texas. *Research in Educational Leadership: Electronic Journal of the Center for Research and Doctoral Studies in Educational Leadership.*

Research Reports

Moroavec, E. R., **Kubena, J. L.,** Casey, B., Wallace, K. (2025). *Detailing Deaths Behind Bars Extension: 2015-2025.*

Moroavec, E. R., **Kubena, J. L.,** Casey, B., Wallace K. (2025). *Detailing Deaths Behind Bars: 2020-2024.*

Moroavec, E. R., **Kubena, J. L.,** Carreon, J., Stone, E. (2021). Infected with Fear: The Coronavirus in Central Texas Jails. https://texasjusticeinitiative.org/static/Infected-with-Fear_ReportFinal_Nov4.pdf

Textbook Media Chapter

Kubena, J.L., (2024) *Working with community justice non-profits collecting data from jails during COVID.* <https://sk.sagepub.com/video/working-with-community-justice-non-profits-data-from-jails-covid>

Conference Presentations

Kubena, J.L. (2024, October). *In custody deaths: An analysis post Covid.* Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting. Fort Worth, Texas.

Chozinski, B., **Kubena, J.L.,** Sanchez, J. (2024, September). A tale of two disciplines: Addressing the oppression of IDD and MH Detainees in Pretrial detention. *Social Work and Law Virtual Symposium.*

Kubena, J.L. (2023, March). Working with community justice non-profits collecting data from jails during Covid. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting.* National Harbor, Maryland.

Watts, J. H., **Kubena, J.,** Kurtz, H., and Crews, G. (2022, March). Operating student groups: Best practices. A Round Table presented to the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting,* Las Vegas, NV.

Kubena, J. L., & Lillemon, K. B. (2019, March). Prosecuting and Punishing Domestic Violence: Differences Between Small and Large Jurisdictions. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting.* Baltimore, Maryland.

Carey, M., Watts, J. H., & **Kubena, J. L.** (2018, October). Police In-Custody Deaths in San Antonio, Texas: A Qualitative Case Study. *Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting.* San Antonio, Texas.

- Kubena, J. L.** (2017, March). Police Officers in Schools: Searches, Seizures, and Interrogations. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*. Kansas City, Kansas.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2016, March). Religion and Recovery: An Examination of Drug Court Participants. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*. Denver, Colorado.
- Watts, J. H., & **Kubena, J. L.** (2015, March). Evaluating the Need for Emergency Call Boxes. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*. Orlando, Florida.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2014, October) Faith Based Reentry: Differences between Males and Females. Poster Presentation, *Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting*. South Padre Island, Texas.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2014, February) Faith Based Reentry: A Program Evaluation on Effectiveness. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Licon, J., & **Kubena, J. L.** (2013, October). Families and Delinquency: What Matters for Mexican American Juveniles. *Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting*, San Antonio, Texas. (Student Co-Presentation)
- Kubena, J. L.** (2013, February) Panel Chair: Juveniles. *Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting*, San Antonio, Texas.
- Kubena, J. L., & Phillips, C. L.** (2013, February). Effectiveness of a Faith-Based Reentry Program: A Case Study. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Dallas, Texas.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2013, February) Panel Chair: Faith-Based Organizations and Reentry. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Dallas, Texas.
- Phillips, C. L., & **Kubena, J. L.** (2012, March). Ban the Box: Reentry and Employment in Texas. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, New York, New York.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2011, March). Male and Female Offending: What is Different about the Current Generation of Juveniles and Young Adults. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2009, November). Getting the Message Across: An Examination of Interdisciplinary Approaches in Teaching. *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA.
- Kubena, J. L.** (2008, November). Gender Differences in Long-Term Consequences of Victimization and Offending. *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, St. Louis, MO.

Kubena, J. L., & Menard, S. (2008, March). The Relationship between Gender and Delinquency: An Intergenerational Examination. *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*, Cincinnati, OH.

Kubena, J. L. (2007, November). True Love: An Examination of the Use of the Mail Fraud Statute in the Prosecution of White-Collar Crimes. *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA.

Kubena, J. L., & Munson, M. (2006, November). Sentencing in First Degree and Capital Murder Cases in Texas: What Decides the Outcome? *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles, CA.

Kubena, J. L. (2004, October). The Postal Inspection Service: Investigating the Danger in Corrupt Corporations and their Mail. *Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Meeting*, Houston, TX.

Kubena, J. L. (2004, April). Attitudes about the Death Penalty: Examining Opposition and Support Among College Students in Huntsville, Texas. *University-Wide Research Exchange*, Huntsville, TX.

Media Interviews

San Antonio nonprofit, professor fear Bill Cosby's release will deter rape survivors from seeking help (July 2021)

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2021/07/01/san-antonio-nonprofit-law-professor-fear-bill-cosbys-release-will-deter-rape-survivors-from-seeking-help/>

Facebook, TikTok and crime: Experts say the digital age is allowing crime to be seen LIVE Criminal justice researchers say that crime is being seen in a new way in digital age (May 2021)

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2021/05/26/facebook-tiktok-and-crime-experts-say-the-digital-age-is-allowing-crime-to-be-seen-live/>

Elections 2020: Is experience a requirement for being sheriff? Bexar County voters will decide (October 2020)

<https://sanantonioreport.org/is-experience-a-requirement-for-being-sheriff-bexar-county-voters-will-decide/>

Bexar Facts poll: Voters focused on crime, policing and coronavirus ahead of election Partisan gaps remain in concern over spread of COVID-19 (September 2020)

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2020/09/29/bexar-facts-poll-voters-focused-on-crime-policing-and-coronavirus-ahead-of-election/?fbclid=IwAR2QTYD4hHFANdimooqcGKr2n30EPJoFPgP7mPN1AJa6MBVi0EXO9cum8eQ>

Local criminal justice experts weigh in on law enforcement reform (June 2020)

<https://news4sanantonio.com/news/local/local-criminal-justice-experts-weigh-in-on-law-enforcement-reform>

Invited Lectures and Panel Discussions

Training – *Dating Violence and Protective Orders*. Education Service Center, Region 20 for Middle and High School Counselors and School Police Officers. (2019)

Training - *Teen Dating Violence: Current Trends, Statistics, and Myths*. Education Service Center, Region 20 for Middle and High School Counselors and School Police Officers. (2018)

Interview – *Research and Teaching Profile*, American Society of Criminology, Division on Women and Crime. (2016)

Lecture - *What to Expect the First Year of College*. Upward Bound, San Antonio, TX. (2015)

Keynote Address - *MADD Remembrance Event*. MADD, San Antonio, TX. (2013)

Expert Roundtable Panelist - *Examining Re-entry in the Context of Sustainable Justice*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, New York, New York. (2012)

Keynote Address - *Tatitlek, Alaska: An Exploration of Environmental Crime and Composition Inspired by the Exxon Valdez Devastation, based on the Indigenous Music of Tatitlek and Chenega Bay*. Crime and Popular Culture International Conference. University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO. (2008)

Book Reviews

Kubena, J. L. (2009). Benbenishty, R., & Astor, R.A. (2005). School Violence in Context: Culture, Neighborhood, Family, School, and Gender. New York: Oxford.] In *Youth Violence & Juvenile Justice*, 7(4), 363-364.

Kubena, J. L. (2009). Massingill, R., & Sohn, A.B. (2007). Prison City: Life with the Death Penalty in Huntsville, Texas. New York: Peter Lang.] In *International Criminal Justice Review*, 19(3), 366-368.

McNair Faculty Mentor

Elegy Garcia (2021-2022) *Public Perception: Journalism's Effects on Societal Views of Human Trafficking and Resource Availability*.

Chi Agwu (2019-2020). *Alexa, Turn on the Lights: A Perspective Project on the Implications of a Sedentary Lifestyle*.

Gisela Angeles (2015-2016). *Faculty and Student Relationships in Middle School and Correlations of Offending Patterns*.

Joanna Licon (2013-2014). *Families and Delinquency: What Matters for Mexican- American Juveniles*.

External Rank & Tenure Reviewer

Invited Outside Rank and Tenure Reviewer for the Department of Social Sciences at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (2023)

Invited Outside Rank & Tenure Reviewer for the School of Criminology, Criminal Justice and Strategic Studies at Tarleton State University (2019)

Dissertation Committee Member

LaToya Gaines-Plunkett (2022) - *Predictors of Stress among Law Enforcement Officer's: Implications to Interactions with the Community*. Worden School of Social Work, Our Lady of the Lake University.

Service to Discipline

External Reviewer for *Journal of Criminal Justice*

External Reviewer for *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice*

Search Committee Member - Editor of *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice*

Program Assessment Reviewer -Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi - Criminology BA

Chair of the Search Committee - Editor of *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice*

Elected/Appointed Positions in Criminology and Criminal Justice Organizations

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences – Community Corrections Program Chair (2016-2017)

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice – Immediate Past President (2015-2016)

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice – President (2014-2015)

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences – Program Chair (2016-2017)

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences - Tellers Committee (2014-2015)

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice – 1st Vice President (2013-2014)

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice – Audit Committee (2011-2013)

Professional Memberships

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

National Association of Community and Restorative Justice

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice National Honor Society

Courses Taught

Introduction to Criminal Justice
Juvenile Justice
Juvenile Delinquency
Professional Ethics in Criminal Justice
Issues with the Death Penalty
Crime and Deviance
Research Methods
Criminal Profiling

Crime and Society
Theories of Criminal Justice
Internships in Forensic Science
White-Collar Crime
Women in the Criminal Justice System
Victimology
Violence in Communities and Families
Internships in Criminal Justice

Service to the University

Faculty Affairs Committee (2024-present)
Provost's Census Working Group (2024-2025)
President Task Force on Retention (2023-2024)
Reorganization Task Force – Chair (2020-2022)
University Student Retention Council (2021-2023)
University Budget Council (2019-2021)
Criminology and Criminal Justice Program Review (2016) (2021)
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (2014-2020) Co-Chair (2016-2107)
Service-Learning Council (2012-present)
 Chair (2021-2022)
 Chair (2020-2021)
 Chair (2013-2014)
Online Learning Council (2014-2015)
SPS/WSSS Dean's Council (2013-2014)
General Education Committee (2012-2013)
Information Technology Service Advisory Council (2011-2012)
Student Life Advisory Council (2010-2011)
Faculty Search Committee Member for the following
 Associate Provost
 Dean of College of Professional Studies
 Assistant Professor of Business
 Assistant Professor of Psychology
 Assistant Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice (chair)
 Director of the Worden School of Social Work
 Director of the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Sexual Assault Campus Climate Survey Task Force (2017-2019)
Learning Management System Task Force (2019)
Strategic Planning 3.1 - Online Programs Task Force Member (2018-2019)
Strategic Initiative 3.3 - Improve and Support Infrastructure and Human Resources (2018-2019)
Key Programs with the Potential to Increase Enrollment Task Force (2018-2019)
Degree Completion and Innovation Planning Committee (2017-2018)

Service to the Community

Texas Justice Initiative Data Criminologist Volunteer (2020-present)
School Safety Advisory Board Member for ESC Region 20 (2018-2020)
School Dating Violence Intervention and Legal Instructor for Police and School Counselors – ESC Region 20 (2018-2020)
San Antonio Area Rape Crisis Center Board of Trustee Member (2012-2019)
Chair (2015-2017)

Awards and Honors

Francine Fleming Endowed Award, Our Lady of the Lake University
Most prestigious endowment for exemplary university service and teaching (2023)
Board Member of the Year, San Antonio Rape Crisis Center (2017)
1895 Commemorative Award for Faculty Excellence, Our Lady of the Lake University
Endowment for superior teaching in the sciences, social sciences, mathematics, business, or education (2016)
40 under 40 Leader in San Antonio by San Antonio Business Journal (2016)
Hearst Research Award, Our Lady of the Lake University (2011-2023)
Outstanding Leader Award, Sam Houston State University (2004, 2006, 2007)
Excellence in Writing Award, Sam Houston State University (2005)

Other Professional Experience

Doctoral Research Fellowship and Practicum, United States Postal Inspection Service, Houston, Texas. Obtained security clearance to develop an analysis of significant evidence for a multi-agency corporate fraud investigation. Met with US Attorneys for presentation of evidence. Assisted in child exploitation and narcotics investigations. Wrote and edited affidavits to obtain search warrants and anticipatory search warrants.

Licensed Investigator, Crawford Surveillance and Investigations, Dallas, Texas.
Investigated over two hundred suspected fraudulent insurance claimants and interviewed suspected claimants' family members, neighbors, employers, and insurance adjusters to obtain sensitive information. Other duties included writing comprehensive technical reports documenting each case investigated.

Program Coordinator, Neighborhood Service Council, Dallas, Texas.
Developed and managed crime prevention programming for juveniles aged 5-16. Supervised agency staff and volunteers. Oversaw all components of client enrollment and attendance per government funding requirements.