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## Education

### *Graduate Center, City University of New York*

#### **Criminal Justice Doctoral Program**

New York, NY

2007-Present

GPA: 3.51

**Specialization: Forensic Psychology**

### *John Jay College of Criminal Justice*

#### **Major: B.A. Forensic Psychology**

New York, NY

2003-2007

GPA: 3.80

**Minor: Criminology**

## Relevant Coursework

- Statistics
- Research Methods
- Criminology
- Psychology and the Law
- Experimental Psychology
- Psychology of Criminal Behavior
- Abnormal Psychology
- Honors Senior Seminar/Independent Study

## *Research Interests*

- General: Sexual offenses, femicide, interpersonal violence and abuse, and violence against women and children at both national and international levels.
- Specific: Rape and homicide of prostitutes; sex trafficking

## Undergraduate Honors/Awards/Affiliations

- Honors Program (2003-2007)
- Distinguished Freshman Program
- McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program (2006-2007)
- National Dean's List (2003-2007)
- Phi Eta Sigma (2003-2007)
- Psi Chi (2003-2007)
- Thurgood Marshall Scholarship (2005)
- Woodbridge Rotary Scholarship (2003-2008)
- International Criminal Justice Club (2006-2007)

## Professional Experience

### *Internships*

Presidential Internship

08/2006-07/2007

John Jay College of Criminal Justice

- SPSS Data Analysis, Assist with Research Projects dealing with Administrative Policies and Management. Assist the Director of the Prisoner Reentry Institute with a project exploring the potential of entrepreneurship as a strategy for facilitating prisoner reentry.

Pretrial Services Agency

06/2006-07/2006

Southern District of New York

- Case Docket Entries, Assist Pretrial Service Officers with Interviews and Background Checks, Assist Technicians with Bail Forms, Drug Tests, and Fingerprints

## ***Employment***

Research Assistant to Dr. Richard Curtis  
Research Foundation of City University of New York  
899 Tenth Avenue  
New York, NY 10019

- Interview immigrant victims of violence in Nassau County for a project entitled *En Tus Palabras* and data entry for a study involving sex workers and their experiences in the Philadelphia Community Court.

Research Assistant  
Prisoner Reentry Institute  
555 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10019

07/2007-08/2007

Project Director: Debbie Mukamal

- Assist the Director and Assistant Director with various reentry projects (Education Roundtable, Microenterprise and Entrepreneurship Project), Advisory Committee Note Taking, and Secretarial Work.

Research Assistant/Interviewer to  
Research Foundation of City University of New York  
New York, NY 10036  
Project Director: Dr. Justin Ready

10/2005-12/2005

Research Project:

*The Impact of Security Cameras on Perceptions of Privacy, Safety, and Civil Rights in Drug Market Areas: A Survey of Local Household*

- Interview Respondents via telephone, Input and Analyze Data

Recruiter, Interviewer  
Heakin Market Research Center  
Woodbridge, NJ 07095

07/2004-02/2005

- Recruit respondents, Administer Surveys, Assist in closing

## **Research Experience as Principal Investigator**

*Female Sex Trafficking and Prostitution in the United States: Exploring Experiences of Sexual and Physical Violence*  
Advisor: Dr. Stephen Rice, Criminal Justice Doctoral Program

This is a secondary data analysis of a study conducted in 2001 by Janice Raymond and Donna Hughes sex trafficked and prostituted women. Questionnaires were distributed to 128 individuals with knowledge of women in the sex industry. This study focuses on the interviews conducted on female prostitutes and sex trafficked victims which inquired about personal experiences prior to entering the sex industry, circumstances surrounding recruitment, and their experiences revolving around violence and sexual trauma.

*Female Street Prostitution: Exploring Attitudes and Experiences of Male Clients*

Advisor: Dr. Todd Clear, Criminal Justice Doctoral Program

This is a secondary analysis of a study conducted in the year 2000 by Martin Monto of clients of street prostitutes that had been arrested and sentenced to intervention programs in four U.S. cities. This study assesses respondents' conformity to sexual behavior using attitudinal scales that identify predicting characteristics of frequent users of prostitutes to infrequent users.

*Battered Women: Exploring the Factors that Impact the Effectiveness of Community Services*

Advisor: Dr. Marcia Esparza, Puerto Rico/Latin American Studies Department

This is a study exploring battered women's perceived ability to become socially interdependent, financially independent and overall satisfaction with the community services they have received. Participants were recruited through snowball sampling at John Jay College's Women's Center, Voices of Women, and Women Aware.

### **Conference Presentations**

<i>Battered Women: Exploring the Factors that Impact the Effectiveness of Community Services</i> 14 <sup>th</sup> Annual McNair Scholars Symposium Hosted by the University of California Berkeley, California	08/2006
15 <sup>th</sup> Annual McNair Scholars Symposium Hosted by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign & MAEOPP Delavan, Wisconsin	11/2006
17 <sup>th</sup> Annual McNair Scholars Symposium Hosted by the University of Puerto Rico, Humacao Palmas del Mar, Puerto Rico	04/2007
<i>Female Street Prostitution: Exploring Attitudes and Experiences of Male Clients</i> 14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference Seattle, Washington	03/2007

### **Relevant Skills**

- Fluent in Spanish
- Proficient in Windows XP, Microsoft Word (WPM: 70-90), Power Point, Excel
- SPSS Data Analysis
- Researching Online Journal Databases
- Recruiting and Interviewing Experience
- Editing and Proof-Reading Documents

### **Other Work Experience**

Medical Assistant Allcare Medical and Pain Management Group Woodbridge, NJ 07095	01/2005-06/2006
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical Therapy, Maintenance, Reception Work (Schedule Appointments, Mark/File Charts)</li></ul>	
Sales Clerk Warehouse Inc. Woodbridge, NJ 07095	09/2002-01/2003
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inventory and Maintenance</li></ul>	