TEXAS STATE VITA

I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name: Leticia Trevino-Garcia Title: Criminal Justice Instructor

B. Educational Background

Degree	*Year*	*University*	*Major*	*Thesis/Dissertation*
Bachelor of Science	1996	Texas State University	Criminal Justice-Corrections	Minor-Psychology
Master of Science	2020	University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley	Criminal Justice	

C. University & College Experience

South Texas College-Faculty-Instructor-Fall 2025- Present- Criminal Justice Department-Behavioral & Social Sciences-Assistant Professor-Vanessa Salinas- McAllen, Texas

South Texas College-Dual Credit Instructor- In person-Spring 2025-Present- Criminal Justice Department-Behavioral & Social Sciences-Assistant Professor- Vanessa Salinas- McAllen, Texas

Texas Southmost College-Adjunct Professor (Online)-Fall 2024- Present-Criminal Justice Department-Behavioral & Social Sciences- Dr. Chris Alves- Brownsville, Texas

Texas State University- Adjunct Professor (Online)- Spring 2024-Present- School of Criminal Justice & Criminology-Dr. Scott W. Bowman- San Marcos, Texas

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley-Graduate Assistant-Summer 2020- Criminal Justice Department- Dr. Lucas E. Espinoza-Edinburg, Texas

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley-Research Assistant-Spring 2020- Criminal Justice Department-Dr. Rachel L. Rayburn- Edinburg, Texas

911 Operator
Texas State University Police Department - San Marcos, TX - January 1995 to April 1996

- Answered 911 phone calls from students on campus-Assisted with documenting 911 phone calls on computer system

Computer lab student worker
Texas State University computer lab - San Marcos, TX - September 1994 to January 1995

- distributed printing jobs-answered basic computer printing job or internet questions

D. Relevant Professional Experience

Adult Probation Officer –Hidalgo County

Hidalgo County, TX - Edinburg, TX - June 1997 to August 2017

Supervision Duties:

- Informed probationers on conditions of probation, laws, statutes, and responsibilities
- Visited probationers at work, interviewed their family members, and made home visits
- Monitored progress, compliance during monthly office visits
- Maintained chronological entries on electronic file with any pertinent information

Court Duties:

- Submitted motion to revoke or motion to adjudicate violation reports, made recommendations and networked with all court staff

Community Protection Duties:

- Protected communities by recommending that the court require offenders complete programs, such as substance abuse, sex offender or anger management therapy, life skills, etc.
- Monitored offenders' attendance and compliance in court imposed programs
- Adult Probation Officer-Misdemeanor and Felony Caseload- 5 years
- Sex Offender Unit Caseload-8 years
- Addiction Severity Index Officer- Alcohol & Drug Assessments-
- Court Services- 10 months
- Indirect Caseload- Deportation & Absconders-6 months
- Reduced Risk Program Caseload- DWIs, Drug Charges, Assaults- felony and misdemeanors-5 years
- Networked with local, state, and federal agencies

Adult Probation Officer –Williamson County
Williamson County, TX - Georgetown, TX - August 1996 to June 1997
Adult Probation Officer-Misdemeanor and Felony Caseload- 1 year

Supervision Duties:

- Visited probationers at work, interviewed their family members, and made home visits
- Monitored progress, compliance during monthly office visits
- Maintained chronological entries on electronic file with any pertinent information

Court Duties:
Submitted motion to revoke or motion to adjudicate violation reports, made a recommendation and networked with all court staff

Community Protection Duties:

- Protected communities by recommending that the court require offenders to complete programs, such as substance abuse, sex offender or anger management therapy, life skills, etc.-monitored offenders' attendance and compliance in court imposed programs

Administrative Assistant
Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Austin, TX - April 1996 to August 1996

Administrative assistant for the Research & Statistics Division- Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Community Justice Assistance Division. Gathered and collected research based data from different correctional facilities across the state of Texas.

E. Other Professional Credentials (licensure, certification, etc.)

- South Texas College-Emerging Technologies Academy Certificate- 2026
- National Court Reporting Association- A to Z Introductory Stenography Certificate- 2025
- Texas Level III Security Officer Instructor-2023-Current
- Texas Certification in Texas Success Initiative- Proctor/Tutor- McAllen Memorial High School 2022-Current
- Texas Certificated- Advanced Family Mediation Course in November 2021
- Google Certified Educator Level I-Certification Effective 09-20-2021 through 09-20-2024
- Texas Certificated- Basic Mediation Course in August 2021
- Texas Certificated - Paralegal Certification Program-UTRGV-Edinburg, Texas- May 29, 2021- Center for Legal Studies
- IAED Emergency Dispatch Certification – September 2019 & 2023

- State of Texas Standard Teacher Certification 2018 & Renewed in 2023- CTE Department- Law Enforcement
- National Occupational Competency Testing Institute-2018- Criminal Justice Certification- Texas State University
- Community Supervision Officer- County/State Adult Probation Officer
  Certification obtained in January 1997 in Williamson County, Texas.
- Cognitive Behavioral Program- "Thinking for A Change"
  October 2004 to 2017-trained and certified facilitator who instructed classrooms of 20-40 defendants per sessions. I provided instruction on cognitive restructuring, social skills development, higher order thinking skills, and the development of problem-solving skills to Sex Offenders as well as Low Risk Offenders over the past 15 years. My success rate was in the 90%+ range.
- Soaring 2-Evidence Based Practices in Adult Probation
  February 2014 to 2017-Certification in Soaring modules (evidence based practices) focused on problem solving skills, critical thinking skills, analytical skills, higher reasoning skills, and effective communication skills required to supervise defendants. I was required to teach these skills to all defendants. These modules enabled me to target a defendant's criminogenic needs and applied a plan of action for each offender. I am a trained and certified facilitator of the Soaring 2 system which consisted of five training modules; Risk-Need-Response, Motivation and Engagement, Case Planning, Problem Solving, and Desistance. Soaring 2 modules were designed to promote behavior change and effective management of offenders.
- Addiction Severity Index Assessment Tool
  September 2004 to 2017-trained and certified facilitator in this semi-structured interview designed to address 7 potential problem areas in substance abuse defendants: medical status, employment and support, drug use, alcohol use, legal status, family/social status, and psychiatric status. I have 10 years of professional experience in conducting these

interviews with high risk offenders.

- Static 99 Sex Offender Assessment Instrument
  December 2003 to 2017 -trained and certified on the Static 99 Sex Offender Assessment instrument which is a ten item actuarial assessment instrument designed to assess risk levels among sex offenders over the age of 18.

II. TEACHING

A. Teaching, Honors and Awards:

- 2025 Certified Youth Instructor -Law & Public Safety Education Network- International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Training and Standards
- 2017 Teacher of the Month-Palmview High School-Criminal Justice Teacher
- 2012 Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Community Justice Assistance Division-recognition for completing collection of assessment data for validation of a new statewide assessment instrument
- 1995 Texas Governor's Office Volunteer Award, Austin, Texas, George W. Bush 1994
- Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas, Deans List

B. Courses Taught: Principles of Law, Law I, Forensic Science, & Law II- High School Courses, Introduction to Criminal Justice 1301-College, Juvenile Justice System 1313-College, & Sexual Offenses 4338- University Advanced Elective Course.

C. Directed Student Learning (i.e. theses, dissertations, exit committees, etc.): NA

D. Courses Prepared and Curriculum Development: Principles of Law, Law I, Forensic Science, & Law II- High School courses, Introduction to Criminal Justice 1301-College, Court Practices & Systems 1306- College, Juvenile Justice System 1313-College, & Sexual Offenses 4338- University Advanced Elective Course

E. Teaching Grants and Contracts

1. Funded External Teaching Grants and Contracts: NA

2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Teaching Grants and Contracts: NA

3. Funded Internal Teaching Grants and Contracts: NA

4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Teaching Grants and Contracts: NA

F. Other:

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Google Certified Educator Level I-Certification Effective 09-20-2021 through 09-20-2024- Edinburg CISD
- Emerging Technologies Certification, South Texas College, McAllen, Texas, 2026

Applications

- Microsoft Word
- Excel
- PowerPoint
- Outlook
- Access

Trouble Shooting Technical Skills

• Testing

• System knowledge

Video & Sound Editing

- Cap Cut
- Youtube

Learning Management Systems

- Google Classroom
- Blackboard
- Canvas

Artificial Intelligence- Tools & Apps

- Chat GPT
- Microsoft CoPilot
- Google- Notebook LM
- Perplexity
- Gamma
- Canva

G. Teaching Professional Development Activities Attended

- Continuing Professional Development -yearly and summer trainings through local community college, ACJS, and Region One on Technology Conference 2025, Perkins V CTE, College & Career Readiness, AI & Education, Google Gemini, Magic School AI, Apple Intelligence for Education, Texas CCMR, lesson planning, curriculum, Blooms Taxonomy, lesson differentiation, TTESS (planning, instruction, learning environment, and professional practices & responsibilities), Student Learning Objectives, and SIOP

(Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol- lesson preparation, building background, comprehensible input, strategies, interaction, practice and application, lesson delivery, and review/assessment).

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

A. Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press): NA

1. Books: NA

a. Scholarly Monographs:

b. Textbooks:

c. Edited Books:

d. Chapters in Books:

e. Creative Books:

2. Articles: NA

a. Refereed Journal Articles:

b. Non-refereed Articles:

3. Conference Proceedings: NA

a. Refereed Conference Proceedings:

b. Non-refereed:

4. Abstracts: NA

5. Reports: NA

6. Book Reviews: NA

7. Essays: NA

8. Poems: NA

9. Short Stories: NA

10. Other Works in Print: NA

B. Works Not in Print: NA

1. Papers Presented at Professional Meetings: NA

2. Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

- 2017 U.S Border Patrol- Red Ribbon Week, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School Library, Fall Semester 2017
- 2017 Federal Bureau of Investigation- Red Ribbon Week, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School Library, Fall Semester 2017
- 2017 Texas Department of Public Safety- State Troopers- Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School Library, Fall Semester 2017
- 2018 Mcallen Police Department-Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School Library, Spring Semester 2018
- 2018 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Department- Gangs & Drug Trafficking in RGV Presentation, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School Library, Spring Semester
- 2018 Hidalgo County Community Supervisions & Corrections Department- Sex Offender Unit- Sex Offender Registration & Cognitive Therapy Presentation, La Joya CISD Palmview High School Library, Spring Semester 2018
- 2018 U.S Border Patrol- Red Ribbon Week, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Drama Auditorium, Fall Semester 2018
- 2018 Federal Bureau of Investigation- Red Ribbon Week, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Drama Auditorium, Fall Semester 2018
- 2019 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Department- Gangs & Drug Trafficking in RGV Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Drama Auditorium, Spring Semester 2019
- 2019 Texas Department of Public Safety- State Troopers- Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Spring Semester 2019
- 2019 U.S Border Patrol- Red Ribbon Week, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Library, Fall Semester 2019
- 2019 Texas Department of Public Safety-Texas State Trooper- Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Library , Fall Semester 2019
- 2019 Mcallen Police Department-Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Library, Fall Semester 2019
- 2019 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Department- Sheriff Eddie Guerra Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Drama Auditorium, Fall Semester 2019
- 2020 Texas Department of Public Safety-Texas State Trooper- Recruitment, Training, & Academy Presentation, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Library , Spring Semester 2020
- 2020 Hidalgo County Courthouse- Court Reporting Presentation- Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School Library, Spring Semester 2020
- 2020 Attorney Anica Alfaro-Virtual Guest Speaker, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Fall Semester 2020
- 2021 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Office-Victims Crime Unit-J. Avila- Deputy- Edinburg High School, Fall Semester 2021
- 2022 Federal Bureau of Investigation- Federal Agent George Olivarez-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2022
- 2022 McAllen Police Department-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2022

- 2022 Border Patrol- Weslaco Sector-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2022
- 2022 McAllen Fire Department-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2022
- 2022 Michael Garza-First Assistant Prosecutor- Hidalgo County Courthouse- McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2022
- 2023 Border Patrol-Weslaco Sector-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2023
- 2023 McAllen Police Department-McAllen Memorial High School, Fall Semester 2023
- 2024 Border Patrol- Weslaco Sector- Vanguard Academy Rembrandt Early College High School, Fall Semester 2024
- 2024 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Office-Victims Crime Unit-J. Avila- Deputy- Vanguard Academy Rembrandt Early College High School, Fall Semester 2024
- 2024 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Office-Victims Crime Unit-J. Avila- Deputy- Vanguard Academy Van Gogh High School, Fall Semester 2024
- 2025 Hidalgo County Community Supervision & Corrections Department (Adult Probation)- Probation Officers- South Texas College Career Expo, Fall Semester 2025
- 2025 United States Federal Probation- Probation Officers- South Texas College Career Expo, Fall Semester 2025
- 2026 Hidalgo County Community Supervision & Corrections Department (Adult Probation)-Probation Officers- South Texas College, Spring Semester Presentation, 2026
- 2026 Hidalgo County Sheriffs Department, Homicide, Juvenile, Children's Units Spring Semester Presentation
- 2026 Hidalgo Police Department Spring Semester Presentation, South Texas College
- 2026 Texas National Guard Spring Semester Presentation, South Texas College

3. Consultancies: NA

4. Workshops:
   - La Joya CISD, Edinburg CISD, McAllen ISD, Vanguard Academy, & South Texas College- professional development trainings- 430+ hours

5. Other Works not in Print: NA

   a. Works "submitted" or "under review":

   b. Works "in progress":

   c. Other Works Not in Print:

C. Scholarly / Creative Grants and Contracts: NA

   1. Funded External Grants and Contracts:

   2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Grants and Contracts:

   3. Funded Internal Grants and Contracts:

   4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Grants and Contracts:

D. Scholarly / Creative Fellowships, Awards, Honors:

- 2012 Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Community Justice Assistance Division- recognition for completing collection of assessment data for validation of a new statewide assessment instrument

- International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement- Certified Youth Instructor 2025

E. Scholarly / Creative Professional Development Activities Attended:

- Career & Technical Association of Texas Summer Conference-2023 Dallas, Texas
- International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Training and Standards December Conference 2024 San Antonio, Texas
- Region One- Technology Conference 2024 Edinburg, Texas
- Region One- College & Career Readiness Conference 2025 Edinburg, Texas
- Region One- Technology Conference 2025 South Padre Island, Texas
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) Annual Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2026
- Region One- Technology Conference 2026 South Padre Island, Texas

F. Media Recognition: NA

IV. SERVICE

A. Institutional

1. University:

- 2020 Research Assistant
  Department of Criminal Justice, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. Supervisor: Dr. Rachel L. Rayburn

- 2020 Teaching Assistant
  Department of Criminal Justice, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. Supervisor: Dr. Lucas Espinoza

- 2024- Present, On-line Adjunct (Part-time)
  Department of Criminal Justice, School of Criminal Justice & Criminology, Texas State University. Supervisor: Dr. Scott W. Bowman

2. College:

- South Texas College- Faculty Instructor (Full-time)- Fall 2025- Present-Criminal Justice Department- Behavioral & Social Sciences- Department Chair, Assistant Professor Vanessa Salinas- McAllen, Texas

- South Texas College-Dual Credit Instructor- In person-Spring 2025- Criminal Justice Department-Behavioral & Social Sciences-Department Chair, Assistant Professor Vanessa Salinas- McAllen, Texas

- Texas Southmost College-On-line Lecturer (Part-time)-Fall 2024- Present-Criminal Justice Department-Behavioral & Social Sciences- Dean, Dr. Chris Alves- Brownsville, Texas

3. Department/School:

- 2025-Present Criminal Justice Instructor/Faculty, South Texas College, McAllen, Texas
- 2024-2025 Criminal Justice Teacher, Vanguard Academy Rembrandt Early College High School, Pharr, Texas
- 2022-2024 Criminal Justice Teacher, McAllen ISD, McAllen Memorial High School, McAllen, Texas
- 2022-2023 ESL-English as a Second Language-Parent Instructor-Navarro Parent & Family Center-McAllen, Texas
- 2022-Present TSI- Texas Success Initiative-English & Math Instructor/Proctor-McAllen Memorial High School, McAllen Memorial High School
- 2021-2022 Assistant Director, Sergeanettes-Dance & Drill Team, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Edinburg, Texas
- 2018-2022 Criminal Justice Teacher, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Edinburg, Texas
- 2017-2018 Criminal Justice Teacher, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School, Palmview, Texas

B. Professional:

- 2025-Present Criminal Justice Instructor/Faculty, South Texas College, McAllen, Texas
- 2024-2025 Criminal Justice Teacher, Vanguard Academy Rembrandt Early College High School, Pharr, Texas
- 2022-2024 Criminal Justice Teacher, McAllen ISD, McAllen Memorial High School, McAllen, Texas
- 2022-2023 ESL-English as a Second Language-Parent Instructor-Navarro Parent & Family Center-McAllen, Texas
- 2022-Present TSI- Texas Success Initiative-English & Math Instructor/Proctor-McAllen Memorial High School, McAllen Memorial High School
- 2021-2022 Assistant Director, Sergeanettes-Dance & Drill Team, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Edinburg, Texas

- 2018-2022 Criminal Justice Teacher, Edinburg CISD, Edinburg High School, Edinburg, Texas
- 2017-2018 Criminal Justice Teacher, La Joya CISD, Palmview High School, Palmview, Texas
- Adult Probation Officer, Hidalgo County Community Supervision & Corrections Department, Edinburg, Texas (June 1997-August 2017)
- Adult Probation Officer, Williamson County Community Supervision & Corrections Department, Round Rock, Texas (August 1996-June 1997)
- Administrative Assistant, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Research & Statistics Division, Austin, Texas, (April-August 1996)
- 911 Operator, Texas State University Police Department, San Marcos, Texas, (January 1995-April 1996)
- Computer Lab Student Worker, Texas State University, Library Computer Lab Services, San Marcos, Texas, (September 1994-January 1995)

C. Community:

- South Texas College-McAllen, Texas- Criminal Justice Club Sponsor, August 2026-May 2027 (Planned)
- Pharr Police Department-Pharr, Texas- "Badge the Youth"- Sponsor-10 week teen academy-April, May 2025
- Mujeres Unidas-McAllen, Texas- Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence- Monthly Volunteer/Advocate 2024- Present
- Hidalgo County Sheriffs Office Annual Toy Drive-Volunteer Work-Christmas Toy Drive- December 2024- Vanguard Academy Early College High School Criminal Justice Society
- St. Marks Pre-School Pumpkin Patch-Volunteer Work-Family Night Out-October 2024-Vanguard Academy Early College High School Criminal Justice Society
- Mujeres Unidas- McAllen, Texas- "Walk in her Shoes"- 5K-Participant- April 2024-McAllen Memorial High School Criminal Justice Club
- St. Marks Pre-School Pumpkin Patch-Volunteer Work-Family Night Out-October 2023-McAllen Memorial Criminal Justice Club
- C.A.S.A.- Court Appointed Special Advocates-Volunteer Work-Christmas Toy Drive-December 2022-McAllen Memorial High School Criminal Justice Club
- McAllen Public Library- Bookstore- Volunteer- April 2023- Present

- Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church- McAllen, Texas, Parent Volunteer for daughter's Catholic educational classes, 3 years (2015-2018)
- Alfredro Gonzalez Texas State Veterans Home- McAllen, Texas, Volunteered with daughter and Junior Catholic Daughters of America, Fall Season (2014)
- Junior Catholic Daughters of America- McAllen, Texas, Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Parent Volunteer, 2 years (2013-2015)
- Sacred Heart Catholic Church- McAllen, Texas, Parent Volunteer for son's Catholic educational classes, 2 years (2005-2007)

D. Organization Memberships:

- Skills USA Sponsor 2018- 2025- Criminal Justice Competitions
- Academy of Criminal Justice Science- 2019-Present

E. Service Honors and Awards:

- 2012 Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Community Justice Assistance Division- recognition for completing collection of assessment data for validation of a new statewide assessment instrument
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- 1995 Texas Governor's Office Volunteer Award, Austin, Texas, George W. Bush

F. Service Grants and Contracts: NA

1. Funded External Service Grants and Contracts:

2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Service Grants and Contracts:

3. Funded Internal Service Grants and Contracts:

4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Service Grants and Contracts:

G. Service Professional Development Activities Attended:

- Career & Technical Association of Texas Summer Conference-2023- Dallas, Texas
- International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Training and Standards Conference 2024- San Antonio, Texas
- Region One- Technology Conference 2024- Edinburg, Texas
- Region One- College & Career Readiness Conference 2025-Edinburg, Texas
- Region One- Technology Conference 2025- South Padre Island, Texas
- Region One- Technology Conference 2026- South Padre Island, Texas