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EDUCATION

Spring 2025 — Ph.D. Criminal Justice—Texas State University
Recipient of competitive Dissertation Fellowship
Dissertation: *Bridging the Gap: a Two-Study Analysis of Crime, Prosecutorial Practices, and Spatial Patterns in Bexar County, Texas*, involving spatial and statistical analyses assessing the impact of a jurisdiction-wide misdemeanor cite-and-release program on crime and pretrial detention patterns across neighborhoods.

Spring 2020 — M.S. Criminology—University of Texas at Dallas
Master's Thesis: *An Evaluation Proposal for a Reentry Resource Management Center*, involving the critical analysis of a logic model, the collection and analysis of client and recidivism descriptive data, and interviews with center staff.

Fall 2018 — B.A. Criminology, *Cum Laude*—University of Texas at Dallas

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023 — Doctoral Instructor of the Year

2021-Present — Instructor, Texas State University (in-person, online, hybrid)
Introduction to Criminal Justice (CJ1310)

Duties: Provided instruction for more than 1,000 undergraduate students; Identified critical topics, collated relevant materials, and designed curriculum; Transferred knowledge and information through multiple formats; Gauged understanding of topics through assignments and exams and modified materials to reinforce important materials and lessons

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Spring 2023-Fall 2023 — **Social Equity Research and Policy Lab**
Principal Investigator: Lidia Nuno
Duties included: organizing data, conducting literature searches

Fall 2021-Spring 2023 — **Increasing Research Mentoring Opportunities in the College of Applied Arts**
College of Applied Arts Learning Community Grant, Texas State University.
Principal Investigator: Ashley Arnio
Duties Included: conducting literature searches, creating interview protocol, creating and presenting training materials, **training and mentoring**

undergraduates to conduct interviews and code qualitative data, preparing presentation materials, presenting data

Summer 2021 **Exploring Spatial Relationships between Pretrial Detainment and Justice-Related Outcomes in Bexar County, TX**
Principal Investigator: Ashley Arnio
Duties Included: conducting literature searches, preparing presentation materials, presenting data

Summer 2021 **Reverse Order Decision-Making Replication Study**
Principal Investigator: Angela Jones
Duties Included: scheduling participants and interviewers, organizing experiment materials, interviewing participants, and transcribing interviews

Fall 2020 **Addressing Inequality in the Criminal Justice System: Mapping the Pretrial Population in Bexar County, TX**
Research Enhancement Program Award, Texas State University.
Principal Investigator: Ashley Arnio
Duties Included: conducting literature searches, drafting literature reviews, presenting data

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Pretrial justice • reentry & collateral consequences • communities & crime

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Summer 2021 Certificate of Completion of 40 hours ArcGIS for Crime Analysis, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

GRANT REPORT

Arnio, A. N., & **Robbins, M. E.** (2022). *Increasing research mentoring opportunities in the College of Applied Arts: 2021-2022 grant report*. San Marcos, TX: Texas State University.

PRESENTATIONS

2023 **Robbins, Meagan E.** and Ashley N. Arnio, "Geographic Variation in Pretrial Detention across Urban Neighborhoods." Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.

2022 **Robbins, Meagan E.** and Ashley N. Arnio, "Mapping Carceral Contexts." Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

2022 **Robbins, Meagan E.** and Ashley N. Arnio, "Changes in Neighborhood Environment after Involvement with the Criminal Justice System." Presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, Honolulu, HI.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member	American Society of Criminology
Member	Western Society of Criminal Justice
Presenter	Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

SERVICE

Service to the University

2022	Co-Founder of the Collective for Advancing Undergraduate Research & Scholarship
2022	Vice President of the Criminal Justice & Criminology Graduate Student Association

Service to the Community

2019-2023	Rape Crisis Advocate, Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center