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# **Education**

# Masters in Science in Psychology, Texas A&M International University, December

2010

Police Psychology Track

Minor: Criminal Justice

Bachelors of Arts, Texas A&M International University, August 2009

Major: Psychology

Minor: Sociology

# **Teaching Experience**

Visiting Instructor of Psychology, January 2011-August 2014 Adjunct Instructor of Criminal Justice, July 2014-December 2014 Instructor of Psychology, August 2014-Present

Department of Psychology and Communication, College of Arts and Sciences,

### Texas A&M International University

Teach lower level and upper level courses in Psychology and Criminal justice (when needed). The following are the courses that have been taught at this university: Introduction to Psychology (2301), Developmental Psychology (2314), Basic Statistics in Psychology (2317), Basic Statistics Lab (2117), Research Methods Lab (3102), Research Methods in Psychology (3302), Learning and Memory (3304), Psychology of Aging (3315), Psychology of Evolution (3320), Cognitive Psychology (4325), and Issues in Psychology: Independent Study of Psychology of Evolution (4335). The following is the Criminal Justice course taught at this university: Statistics in Criminology and Criminal Justice (4335).

In addition to teaching, serving as an academic advisor to students who need assistance in courses they need for fulfillment of their academic plan.

Other departmental duties that have been conducted at this university are in becoming a member of the University Core-Curriculum Committee. Recently, we evaluated the core classes in order to ensure that learning outcomes are being met in our students. We meet regularly throughout the semester.

#### Research Assistant, September 2010-December 2010

Texas A&M International University

Assisted Dr. Amy Poland on her research in using technology on courtroom reporting. This research consisted of analyzing how social media technology has impacted the reporting process in current and past criminal cases. Currently, the research is still on going with the aspirations of publication.

Assisted Dr. Cecilia Garza with academic duties, such as grading assignments and exams, and assisting in the classroom.

#### **Publications**

Diaz, S., & Garza, R. (2015). The Troy Davis effect: Does information on wrongful convictions affect death penalty opinions. *The Journal of Ethnicity and Criminal Justice*, 1-32.

Live Trial Court Blogging: News of the Future? Dr. Amy Poland, Ray Garza, & Stephanie Diaz (In Progress)

Victims' Mother or Perpetrator's Wife? Examining The Duality of Female Roles in a Homicide Trial. Dr. Amy Poland, Ray Garza, & Stephanie Diaz (In Progress)

### **Presentations**

#### A. Presentations

 Liendo, N., & Garza, R. Hispanic male and female perception of female attractiveness: An eye movement study. Presented at the Psychonomic Society Conference, Long Beach, CA, 2014.

- Liendo, N., & Garza, R. Using eye pattern movements to study female attractiveness and visual attention in Hispanics. Presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual PATHWAYS Student Research Symposium, Kingsville, TX, 2013.
- Liendo, N., & Garza, R. Using eye pattern movements to study female attractiveness and visual attention in Hispanics. Presented at the 2014 Texas A&M International University Lamar Bruni Vergara Conference, Laredo, TX, 2014.