Brian D. Graves, PhD, MSW

Curriculum Vitae

Assistant Professor, Florida Atlantic University
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EDUCATION

PhD in Social Work 2024
University of Georgia, Athens, GA
Dissertation: *Co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders among criminal justice-involved adults: Trajectories, positive coping strategies, and service utilization profiles*

MSW in Social Work 2020
University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
Concentration: Macro Social Work

BS in Psychology, *magna cum laude* 2017
University of Georgia, Athens, GA

BA in Criminal Justice, *magna cum laude* 2017
University of Georgia, Athens, GA

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Florida Atlantic University, Phyllis & Harvey Sandler School of Social Work, College of Social Work & Criminal Justice, Boca Raton, FL
Assistant Professor 2024–Present

University of Georgia, School of Social Work, Athens, GA
Faculty Affiliate, David Rolston Institute for Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities, College of Family & Consumer Sciences 2026–Present
Faculty Affiliate, Substance Use, Mental Health, & Justice Lab 2024–2026
Part-time Faculty 2023

AREAS OF INTEREST

My research broadly focuses on the intersection of social work and the criminal justice system.

Specific areas of interest include: 1) substance use, mental health, and co-occurring disorders, particularly among justice-involved populations, 2) program and policy evaluation, 3) criminal justice policies, practices, and their impacts, 4) community-based behavioral health treatment, and 5) strain and coping mechanisms among justice-involved and at-risk populations.

PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

*Indicates a student co-author

18. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., DeRigne, L., Lynde, H., *Ellis, A., & Meyer, R. (2026). Are accountability courts in Georgia a cost-effective public health policy alternative? *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association. 12*(1), 1. https://doi.org/10.20429/jgpha.2026.120101
17. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., Shannon, S., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & Pettus, C. (2026). Predictors of problem-focused coping strategies among criminal justice-involved adults with co-occurring disorders. *Justice, Opportunities, & Rehabilitation, 65*(5), 299-318. https://doi.org/10.1080/2997965X.2026.2678795
16. Atkin-Plunk, C. A., Fallik, S. W., Groton, D., & **Graves, B. D.** (2026). Using a pre-post study design to examine the impact of a Frequent Users System Engagement (FUSE) program on housing, behavioral health, and criminal justice outcomes. *Justice, Opportunities, & Rehabilitation, 65,* 264-285. https://doi.org/10.1080/2997965X.2026.2647754
15. O'Shields, J., *Barnes, A., & **Graves, B. D.** (2025). Inflammation mediates the effects of incarceration on chronic health conditions: Results from a nationally representative sample of older adults. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 1-19. https://doi.org/10.1080/26408066.2025.2594666
14. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., Shannon, S., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & Pettus, C. (2025). Service utilization patterns and psychological distress among formerly incarcerated individuals: A latent class and longitudinal mixed effects analysis. *Journal of Crime & Justice*, 1-21. https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2025.2592204
13. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O, Fatehi, M., Kunz-Lomelin, A., Robinson, M. A., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & *Snow, S. (2025). Impact of forensic peer mentorship on probation and parole outcomes. *Psychiatric Services, 70*(3). https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.20250091
12. Pless, J., Dodd, K., Afroz, F., **Graves, B. D.,** & Woodiwiss, J. (2025). CBD use & anxiety among college students. *Journal of Substance Use,* 1–7. https://doi.org/10.1080/14659891.2025.2566638
11. Kunz-Lomelin, A., Murphy, J., **Graves, B. D.,** & *Caputo, T. (2025). Telehealth utilization during COVID-19: An examination among young adults using Andersen's behavioral model of health care utilization. *Journal of Behavioral Health Services & Research.* https://doi.org/10.1007/s11414-025-09952-4
10. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & O'Shields, J. (2025). An analysis of 16-year

trends in cannabis use disorder treatment: Predictors, barriers, and utilization patterns. *Substance Use & Misuse*, *60*(10), 1540–1549. https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2025.2505773
Media Coverage: The Associated Press, U.S. News & World Report, & FAU News Desk

9. **Graves, B. D.** & Fendrich, M. (2024). Community-based substance use treatment programs for reentering justice-involved adults: A scoping review. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence Reports.* https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dadr.2024.100221
8. Aletraris, L., **Graves, B. D.,** & Ndung'u, J. J. (2023). Assessing the impact of recreational cannabis legalization on cannabis use disorder and admissions to treatment in the United States. *Current Addiction Reports, 10,* 198-209. https://doi.org/10.1007/s40429-023-00470-x
7. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., & Aletraris, L. (2023). The impact of mental health risks and needs on substance use among adults in community supervision: A multilevel model examining moderation by age and variation across statewide judicial circuits. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, *62*(3), 174–190. https://doi.org/10.1080/10509674.2023.2182866
6. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., Paseda, O., & Dias, C. (2023). Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, 69*(9), 1265-1278. https://doi.org/10.1177/0306624X231198804
5. O'Shields, J. D., **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O. (2023). Sex differences in childhood maltreatment, inflammation, and adulthood depression: A network analysis. *Brain, Behavior, & Immunity – Health, 29,* 100611. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbih.2023.100611
4. Robinson, M. A., **Graves, B. D.,** Grubb, L. M., & McIntosh, T. (2023). Black bodies on the ground II: Examining impactful policing policies and analysis of policing disparities affecting unarmed African American men (2015-2020). *Victims & Offenders, 19*(4), 553-572. https://doi.org/10.1080/15564886.2023.2175094
3. **Graves, B. D.** (2023). Review of *Psychiatric Casualties: How and Why the Military Ignores the Full Cost of War* by Mark C. Russell & Charles Figley. *Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*, *50* (3), 7. https://doi.org/10.15453/0191-5096.4765
2. Woodiwiss, J. L., **Graves, B. D.,** Pless, J., Afroz, F., & Dodd, K. (2023). Conquering chaos: Critical reflections of beginning doctoral education in 2020. *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping, 29*(3), 97–110.
1. Wolfer, T. A., Pooler, D., & **Graves, B. D.** (2022). Finding joy in social work: Practical strategies. *Social Work, 67*(3), 266-275. https://doi.org/10.1093/sw/swac021

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

5. Mejia, M., Sacca, L., **Graves, B. D.,** Cooley, M., Wright, L., & Spencer, S. (Under Review). From assessment to adaptation: Applying the strategic prevention framework to

community-based youth substance use prevention. *Frontiers in Public Health.*

4. *Grosjean-Leventhal, L., Daly, K., & **Graves, B. D.** (Under Review). Community-based mental health treatment and interagency collaboration for reentering justice-involved youth: A scoping review. *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications.*
3. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., Aletraris, L., Shannon, S, & *Landron, C. (Revisions Submitted). Trajectories of depressive symptoms and gender differences in criminal justice-involved young adults to midlife: A multilevel growth curve analysis. *Criminal Behaviour & Mental Health.*
2. O'Shields, J., Paseda, O. K., **Graves, B. D.,** *Barnes, A., & Mowbray, O. (Under Review). Associations between incarceration and peripheral inflammation: Evidence for greater C-reactive protein and interleukin-10 concentrations in a U.S. sample of older adults. *Journal of Aging and Health.*
1. Simpson, D., **Graves, B. D.,** Sims, J., Lopez-Tamayo, R., & DeRigne, L. (Under Review). The impact of peer victimization on anxiety severity: The moderating role of family and neighborhood cohesion. *Journal of Child and Family Studies.*

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Graves, B. D., Simpson, D., Groton, D., Gurdak, K., Meldrum, R. C., *Morris, J., & *Landron, C. (In Progress). Beyond individual risk: A statewide multilevel analysis of community context, adverse childhood experiences, and youth substance use.

Graves, B. D., Sacca, L., Mejia, M., & Cooley, M. (In Progress). Results from a life-skills program for substance use prevention among youth in foster care.

Graves, B. D., Kunz-Lomelin, A., Mauldin, R., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & Colvin, M. (In Progress). Bridging systems: A case study of behavioral health and criminal justice organizational collaborations in Palm Beach County.

Graves, B. D., Sloas, L., Wu, S., Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & Mowbray, O. (In Progress). Public perceptions of co-responder, law enforcement, and non-police response models to behavioral health crises.

Atkin-Plunk, C. A., **Graves, B. D.,** & Williams, L.* (In Progress). Forensic peer support and rearrest among people returning from incarceration: Results from a Second Chance Act evaluation. *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice.*

RESEARCH & TECHNICAL REPORTS

12. Atkin-Plunk, C. A., **Graves, B. D.,** & Abreu Rivera, L. (2026). *Palm Beach County Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry (CSCR) Initiative: Evaluation Report 2.* Report submitted to the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Palm Beach County Public Safety Department.
11. Atkin-Plunk, C. A., **Graves, B. D.,** & Abreu Rivera, L. (2025). *Palm Beach County Crisis*

Stabilization and Community Reentry (CSCR) Initiative: Evaluation Report 1. Report submitted to the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Palm Beach County Public Safety Department.

10. Mowbray, O., **Graves, B. D.,** & O'Shields, J. (2025). *Athens Clarke County JMHCP Category #3 Project Formative Evaluation Final Report.* Report submitted to the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and Athens Clarke County Police Department.
9. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2024). *Fair chance hiring guide for Georgia employers.* Client: Public Welfare Foundation. Athens, University of Georgia.
8. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2024). *Georgia criminal justice data landscape report insights: A closer look at incarcerated women, probation, crimes, and arrests.* Client: Public Welfare Foundation. Athens, University of Georgia.
7. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2024). *Atlanta Policing Alternatives and Diversion case study.* Client: Public Welfare Foundation. Athens, University of Georgia.
6. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2024). *The Front Porch: A case study on Chatham County juvenile court's resource center.* Client: Public Welfare Foundation. Athens, University of Georgia.
5. Mowbray, O., Robinson, M., Risler, E., Skinner, J., **Graves, B. D.**, & Scheyett, A. (2023). *State of Georgia DRC Program Assessment Tool II (DRC-PAT II): Instrument update and assessment of outcomes.* Report submitted to the Department of Community Supervision.
4. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2023). *Georgia Department of Administrative Services workforce report: Law enforcement workgroup.* Client: Georgia Department of Administrative Services. Athens, University of Georgia.
3. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2023). *Georgia Department of Administrative Services workforce report: Accounting workgroup.* Client: Georgia Department of Administrative Services. Athens, University of Georgia.
2. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2022). *The estimated economic impacts of accountability court programs in Georgia: Evidence from a survey of program participants.* Client: Council of Accountability Court Judges. Athens, University of Georgia.
1. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. (2021). *Raising the age for juvenile offenders: Literature review, fiscal analysis, and implications for Georgia*. Athens, University of Georgia.

BOOK CHAPTERS, CASE STUDIES, & TEACHING NOTES

Graves, B. D., Matera, K., & Knight, M. (In Press). The impact of severe and persistent mental illness on client success during long-term incarceration. In E. Bowman & K. Dodd, *Practice in action: A case-based approach to social work.* Routledge, Taylor

& Francis.

DiNovo, R., Wolfer, T. A., **Graves, B. D.,** Bassett, M., & Bridget Busch, N. (2026). A valedictorian, a homicide, and an expert witness at a crossroads. In N. Bridget Busch & T. A. Wolfer, *Dilemmas in gender-based violence: Decision cases for interdisciplinary practice.* Cognella Academic Publishing.

Graves, B. D., Wolfer, T. A., & Reitmeier, M. C. (2021). No way to drive: Teaching note. In T. A. Wolfer & M. C. Reitmeier, *Dilemmas in social work field education: Decision cases.* New York: Columbia University Press.

Reitmeier, M. C., Wolfer, T. A., & **Graves, B. D.** (2021). Inner struggles: Teaching note. In T. A. Wolfer & M. C. Reitmeier, *Dilemmas in social work field education: Decision cases.* New York: Columbia University Press.

Vasoo, S., **Graves, B. D.,** & Wolfer, T. A. (2019). Fareez (A) [Decision case]. Singapore: National University of Singapore.

Vasoo, S., **Graves, B. D.,** & Wolfer, T. A. (2019). Fareez (B) [Decision case]. Singapore: National University of Singapore.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Bureau of Justice Assistance (2027). *The Lord's Place Project Reclaim: Healing, Housing and Successful Reentry.* Amount: $90,000. Role: **Principal Investigator.** Status: Under Review.

Florida Institute for Child Welfare (2027). *Family Navigation Program: Defining the Model, Assessing Fidelity and Implementation, and Examining Outcomes.* Amount: $325,000. Principal Investigator: Dr. Marianna Colvin. Role: **Co-Investigator**.

Florida Institute for Child Welfare (2027). *Amendment 2 Contract: The Academy: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Preservice Training for Child Welfare Workers in Florida.* Amount: $275,046. Principal Investigator: Dr. Morgan Cooley. Role: **Co-Investigator**.

Florida Atlantic University Foundation (2026). *Bravery Seed: Translating AI and Data Science into Prevention for High-Acuity Youth in Child Welfare.* Amount: $25,000. Principal Investigator: Dr. Morgan Cooley. Role: **Co-Investigator.**

Florida Institute for Child Welfare (2026). *Harnessing the Potential of AI and Data Science as Secondary and Tertiary Prevention of High Acuity Mental and Behavioral Health Challenges of Youth Within the Child Welfare System.* Amount: $124,850. Principal Investigator: Dr. Gabriel Cesar. Role: **Co-Investigator**. Decision: Unfunded.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (2025). *Rising Strong: Empowering Youth for Substance-Free Futures. U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.* Amount: $3,000,000.

Principal Investigator: Dr. Maria Mejia. Role: **Co-Investigator**.

Florida Atlantic University College of Social Work and Criminal Justice (2025). *Bridging Systems: A Social Network Analysis of Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Collaborations in Palm Beach County.* Internal Seed Award Grant Funding Program. Amount: $10,000. Role: **Principal Investigator.**

Bureau of Justice Assistance (2024). *Palm Beach County Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry. Contract from Palm Beach County Government.* Amount: $60,000. Principal Investigator: Dr. Cassandra Atkin-Plunk. Role: **Co-Principal Investigator**.

Bureau of Justice Assistance (2024). *Virtual Reality De-Escalation Site-Based Initiative. Contract from Athens-Clarke County Sheriff's Office.* Amount: $33,776. Role: **Principal Investigator.**

University of Georgia Graduate School and School of Social Work (2024). Presentation and travel expenses to the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference in Washington D.C. Amount: $1,700. Role: **Recipient**.

National Institute of Justice (2023). *A Community-Engaged Approach to Improving Jail Reentry: Identifying Barriers, Supports, and Resources for Success in the Rural Southeast.* Role: **Key Personnel**. Decision: Unfunded.

State of Georgia Department of Community Supervision (2023). *Modification and Evaluation of the Georgia DRC-PAT.* Total direct costs: $152,898. Role: **Research Assistant**.

University of Georgia School of Social Work (2022). Presentation and travel expenses to the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference in Washington D.C. Amount: $1,000. Role: **Recipient**.

R01 National Institute of Drug Abuse (2019). 1R01DA047291-01. *Cannabis Legalization: Assessing its Impact on Treatment for Substance Use Disorders.* Amount: $2,180,818. Role: **Key Personnel**.

PRESENTATIONS

Juried Conference Presentations

26. Atkin-Plunk, C. A., & **Graves, B. D.** (Accepted; 2027, March 30-April 3). *Forensic peer support and rearrest among people post-incarceration: Results from a Second Chance Act evaluation.* Oral presentation at the 64th annual Academy of Criminal Justice

Sciences, Orlando, FL.

25. O'Shields, J., Paseda, O., **Graves, B. D.,** Barnes, A., & Mowbray, O. (Accepted; 2027, January 20-24). *Effects of incarceration on peripheral inflammation: Evidence for greater C-reactive protein and interleukin-10 concentrations in a U.S. sample of older adults.* Poster presentation at the 31st annual Society for Social Work Research, San Francisco, CA.
24. Atkin-Plunk, C. A., **Graves, B. D.,** & Abreu Rivera, L. (2026, November 18-21). *Palm Beach County Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry (CSCR) initiative.* Oral presentation at the 2026 American Society of Criminology Meeting, Chicago, IL.
23. **Graves, B. D.** (2026, September 14-18). *Mental health, context, risk, and rehabilitation: Emerging perspectives on justice-involved youth and young adults* [Panel presentation]. Annual Meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.
22. **Graves, B. D.,** & Mowbray, O. (2026, January 14-18). *Trajectories of depressive symptoms, associations with substance use, and gender differences among criminal justice-involved young adults to midlife: A multilevel growth curve model.* Oral presentation at the 30th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D. C.
21. O'Shields, J., Barnes, A., & **Graves, B. D.** (2026, January 14-18). *Exploring associations between incarceration, inflammation, and chronic health diagnoses in older adults: A mediation analysis.* Oral presentation at the 30th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D. C.
20. Mowbray, O. & **Graves, B. D.** (2026, January 7-9). *Expanding and integrating mental health and substance use services: Research-informed approaches to justice system transformation.* Oral presentation at the Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education. Honolulu, Hawaii.
19. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., Shannon, S., & Pettus, C. (2025, January 15-19). *Latent class analysis of service utilization patterns among reentering criminal justice-involved adults: Longitudinal mixed effects with psychological distress.* Oral presentation at the 29th annual Society for Social Work Research, Seattle, Washington.
18. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., Shannon, S., & Pettus, C. (2025, January 15-19). *Predictors of problem-focused coping strategies among criminal justice-involved adults with co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders.* Oral presentation at the 29th annual Society for Social Work Research, Seattle, Washington.
17. Mowbray, O., Fatehi, M., **Graves, B. D.,** Cooper, Z., & O'Shields, J. (2024, August 8-10). *Peer support, wellness, and respite centers: A catalyst for mental health recovery.* Poster presentation at the American Psychological Association, Seattle, Washington.
16. Fendrich, M. & **Graves, B. D.** (2024, July 22-26). *Community-based substance use treatment programs for reentering justice-involved adults in the US: A scoping review.* Presentation at the 38th Congress of the International Academy of Law and Mental Health, Barcelona, Spain.
15. Mowbray, O., Robinson, M., Risler, E., Skinner, J., **Graves, B. D.,** & Scheyett, A. (2024,

July 22-26). *Probation and criminal justice programs.* Presentation at the 38th Congress of the International Academy of Law and Mental Health, Barcelona, Spain.

14. O'Shields, J., **Graves, B. D.,** & Mowbray, O. (2024, January 10-14). *The hidden toll of incarceration: The longitudinal association between a history of incarceration and inflammation.* Poster presentation at the 28th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.
13. Mowbray, O., Fatehi, M., **Graves B. D.,** & Cooper, Z. (2024, January 10-14). *Service use outcomes among peer support, wellness, and respite center users.* Poster presentation at the 28th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.
12. Fendrich, M. & **Graves, B. D.** (2023, October 18-20). *Community-based substance use treatment programs for reentering justice-involved adults: A scoping review.* Poster presentation at the Addiction Health Services Research Conference, New York City, New York.
11. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., & Aletraris, L. (2023, January 11-15). *The impact of mental health risks and needs on substance use in community supervision: A multilevel model examining moderation by age.* Poster presentation at the 27th annual Society for Social Work Research, Phoenix, Arizona.
10. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & O'Shields, J. D. (2023, January 11-15). *Sixteen-year trends in cannabis use disorder treatment utilization.* Poster presentation at the 27th annual Society for Social Work Research, Phoenix, Arizona.
9. O'Shields, J. D., **Graves, B. D.,** & Mowbray, O. (2023, January 11-15). *Exploring the relationship between major depression, childhood maltreatment, and the immune system: A psychometric network analysis approach.* Oral paper presentation at the 27th annual Society for Social Work Research, Phoenix, Arizona.
8. Mowbray, O., Robinson, M., Tenant, E., **Graves, B. D.,** O'Shields, J. D., & Purser, G. (2023, January 11-15). *Short-term outcomes among substance using participants in a rapid rehousing program: The H.O.P.E. project.* Poster presentation at the 27th annual Society for Social Work Research, Phoenix, Arizona.
7. Afroz, F., Pless, J., Dodd, K., Woodiwiss, J., & **Graves, B. D.** (2023, January 11-15). *"I just be chillin": CBD use and anxiety among college students.* Poster presentation at the 27th annual Society for Social Work Research, Phoenix, Arizona.
6. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & Paseda, O. (2022, January 12-16). *Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision.* Oral paper presentation at the 26th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.
5. **Graves, B. D.,** Aletraris, L., & Mowbray, O. (2022, January 12-16). *Criminal justice referred clients and wraparound services in substance use treatment centers: Examining moderation of public funding on service provision.* Oral paper presentation at the 26th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.
4. Mowbray, O., Fatehi, M., Robinson, M., **Graves, B. D.,** & Paseda, O. (2022, January 12-16).

Outcomes of forensic peer support provision for persons in community supervision settings. Oral paper presentation at the 26th annual Society for Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.

3. **Graves, B. D.,** Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & Paseda, O. (2021, October 13-15). *Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision.* Poster presentation at the Addiction Health Services Research. (Online).
2. Woodiwiss J. L., **Graves B. D.,** Pless J., Dodd K., Afroz F. (2021, October 1). *Conquering Chaos: Critical reflections of beginning doctoral education in 2020.* Poster presentation for Preparing Diverse Populations for Graduate Admissions, University of Georgia, Graduate School. Athens, Georgia.
1. Wolfer, T. A., & **Graves, B. D.** (2020, March) *Teaching joy in social work*. NASW-SC Symposium. Columbia, SC. (Conference canceled).

Invited Presentations

Graves, B. D. & Fendrich, M. (2024, December). *Community-based substance use treatment programs for reentering justice-involved adults in the US: A scoping review.* Online oral presentation, *Drug and Alcohol Dependence Reports* Editor's Picks Webinar.

Graves, B. D. (2024, October). *Substance use theory, policy, and evidence-based treatment among justice-involved populations*. SW 7806: Addiction Theory and Policy, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA.

Graves, B. D. (2024, October). *Research on substance use, mental health, and reentry outcomes among formerly incarcerated returned residents*. Learning Environment and Academic Research Network (LEARN) Scholars Program, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

Graves, B. D. (2023, September). *Joy in social work field education: Making connections*. Online module presentation, Baylor University, Waco, TX.

Wolfer, T., Pooler, D., & **Graves, B. D.** (2022, November). *Finding joy in social work: Practical strategies*. Virtual CEU Workshop, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC.

Graves, B. D. (2022, April). *Substance use and mental health among justice-involved populations*. SOCI 4000: Society, Bodies, and Health, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

Graves, B. D. (2021, November). *Ethical communication: Working with justice-involved and at-risk youth populations*. SOWK 2155: Social Work Communication, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

Graves, B. D. (2021, October). *Second year student experiences*. PhD Program Information Session: Panel for Prospective Students, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher 2021–2024

Carl Vinson Institute of Government, University of Georgia

- Conducted case studies, qualitative interviews, and county-level criminal justice trend analyses for a criminal justice landscape report and statewide workforce development project.
- Assisted in writing research reports and creating materials for dissemination to state agencies, researchers, and government employees.
- Performed a fiscal cost and savings analysis for relocating juveniles sentenced in superior court to the juvenile justice system and wrote a research report on the findings.

Graduate Research Assistant 2020–2024

School of Social Work, University of Georgia

- Supervisor: Dr. Orion Mowbray.
- Assisted in program evaluations of Day Reporting Centers across different sites statewide for the Georgia Department of Community Supervision.
- Utilized advanced statistical modeling techniques for several research projects examining substance use and mental health among criminal justice-involved populations.
- Prepared and submitted manuscripts for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

Pre-doctoral Fellowship 2020–2024

School of Social Work, University of Georgia

- Supervisor: Dr. Lydia Aletraris.
- Assisted in examining treatment implementation for substance use disorders through a federally funded R01 grant from the National Institute of Health.
- Collaborated on survey instrument development and data collection of two waves among a nationally representative sample of substance use treatment centers.
- Prepared and submitted manuscripts for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

Graduate Assistant 2018–2020

College of Social Work, University of South Carolina

- Supervisor: Dr. Terry Wolfer.
- Co-authored several case studies, teaching notes, and a manuscript that was accepted for publication.
- Organized and prepared to co-present "Teaching Joy in Social Work" for National Association of Social Workers- SC Symposium.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Florida Atlantic University
SOW 4343: Social Work Practice with Communities & Organizations (BSW)
Course Lead, 2026-Present
SOW 4700: Substance Use Disorders in Social Work (BSW), Asynchronous
SOW 6305: Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals (MSW), Distance Learning
SOW 6306: Generalist Social Work Practice with Organizations & Communities (MSW), In-person and Distance Learning
Course Lead, 2026-Present
SOW 6618: Clinical Social Work Groups (MSW)
SOW 7494: Quantitative Research in Clinical Social Work (DSW)

University of Georgia
SOWK 5544: General Practice of Social Work III – Macro Practice (BSW)
SOWK 5326: Foundations of Social Work Research (BSW)
SOWK 5524: Generalist Practice of Social Work I (BSW)

Teaching Assistant, Spring 2022
Professor of Record: Dr. Rebecca Mathew
SOWK: 7133: Community Organizing & Social Action (MSW)
University of Georgia

Student Mentorship

Dissertation Committee Membership

Lola Grosjean, Florida International University, PhD in International Crime and Justice. Dissertation title: *Bridging systems of care: Interagency collaboration, trauma, and service continuity for justice-involved youth*	2025–Present

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Profession

PBC Reentry Summit Planning Committee, member	2026–Present
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Family Violence*	2026
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *International Journal of Offender Therapy & Comparative Criminology*	2026
Research Translation Platform, member	2025–Present
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Drug & Alcohol Dependence Reports*	2025
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Criminal Justice*	2025
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Community Mental Health Journal*	2025
Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work, Editorial Board member	2024–Present
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Global Journal of Community Psychology Practice*	2024
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Drug & Alcohol Dependence Reports*	2024
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Health & Social Care in the Community*	2023
Promote Smart Decarceration Working Group, Behavioral Health Team	2022–Present

member

Service to the School, College, and University

Florida Atlantic University

Program Assessment Committee, School of Social Work	2026–Present
Students of Social Work Organization, Faculty Adviser	2026–Present
NASWE-FL Capitol Day-Tallahassee Trip, Faculty Adviser	2026–Present
DSW Capstone Committee, School of Social Work	2026–Present
DSW Program Committee, School of Social Work	2026–Present
Undergraduate Research Grant Reviewer	2025
International Committee, School of Social Work	2025–2026
Oral Presentation Judge, 15th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium	2025
Post-Doc Search Committee, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice	2024–2025
Non-Tenure Track Promotion Committee, School of Social Work	2024–Present
MSW Program Committee, School of Social Work	2024–Present

University of Georgia

Graduate Student Association Council, School of Social Work Representative	2022–2024
Student Advocacy Committee, Graduate Student Association Council	2022–2024
Doctoral Student Peer Mentorship Program, Student Mentor	2022–2023
Criminal Justice Alumni Networking Event, Alumni Speaker	2022–2023

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Blue Key Honor Society, UGA Chapter, member	2023–2024
Society for Social Work and Research, member	2021–Present
The National Society for Collegiate Scholars, member	2013–2017

HONORS & AWARDS

Blue Key Honor Society Nomination and Acceptance, UGA Chapter, Spring 2023
Pre-doctoral Fellowship, University of Georgia, School of Social Work, Fall 2020–Spring 2024
Dean's List, University of Georgia, Fall 2017

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL & PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Carl Vinson Institute of Government 2021–2024
Technical Paraprofessional, Athens, GA

- Collaborated with statewide agencies, local organizations, and advocacy groups around

challenges with the criminal justice system including employment, economic impact, and diversion.
- Assisted in a law enforcement workgroup and participated in all workgroup meetings for a statewide workforce development project.
- Provided comprehensive notes through fast and accurate typing and extracting all relevant information for workgroup meetings and facilitated stakeholder conversations.

Substance Abuse Prevention Education Office 2019–2020
Carolina Community Coalition Graduate Intern, University of South Carolina
- Facilitated Carolina Awareness on Alcohol Policies & Safety (CAAPS) courses as a co-instructor in conjunction with the Student Conduct & Academic Integrity Office.
- Organized and led various ongoing community Coalition Workgroups.
- Served on a Coalition steering committee with various university department supervisors.
- Analyzed university data on substance use and summarized trends for presentation ready materials.

Growing Home Southeast, INC. 2018–2020
Rehabilitative Behavioral Health Services Specialist, Cayce, SC
- Provided individual and family therapy as well as psychosocial rehabilitative services to RBHS and TFC program clients.
- Assisted youths at risk of criminal justice involvement and their foster families to eliminate or replace disruptive, harmful or negative behaviors with positive actions.
- Collected and provided all necessary documentation required to provide services.

Walton County Sheriff's Office 2017–2018
Detention Officer in Jail Division, Monroe, GA
- Supervised inmates and inmate activity.
- Utilized social skills to ensure inmates act according to agency policies.
- Maintained jail security.
- Performed necessary functions to ensure safety of inmates, visitors, and fellow employees.
- Documented reports detailing jail operations and inmate incidents.

TRAINING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Grant Writing Professional Development, FAU, 2025
Early Career Academy, Office of Research Development, FAU, 2024-2025
Human Research Social & Behavioral Research- Children, University of Georgia
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program, February 2023
Human Research Social & Behavioral Research, University of Georgia
CITI Program, September 2020

Human Research Social & Behavioral Research- Prisoners, University of Georgia CITI Program, September 2020
Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT), Columbia, SC. Certification received August 20th, 2019
SMART Recovery Facilitator, Columbia, SC. Certification received July 16th, 2019
Together Facing the Challenge, Duke University Medical Center, Columbia, SC Evidence-Based Practice Training, Certification received November 15th, 2018
Trauma Informed Care in South Carolina, Joint Council on Children and Adolescents, Lexington, SC, November 8th, 2018