

Curriculum Vitae

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Professor | School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
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EDUCATION

- 2004 Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice
School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York at Albany
Areas of specialization: Criminal Justice Process and Policy, Criminology
- 1995 Master of Arts, Criminal Justice
School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York at Albany
- 1993 Bachelor of Arts, State University of New York at Albany

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Florida Atlantic University — Faculty

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| 2022 - present | Professor, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice |
| 2017 – 2022 | Associate Professor, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice |

Florida Atlantic University — Academic administration

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| Fall 2023 | Associate Director, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
College of Social Work and Criminal Justice |
| Jun 2021 - Aug 2023 | Director, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
College of Social Work and Criminal Justice |
| Jan 2020 - May 2021 | Interim Director, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
College of Social Work and Criminal Justice |
| Aug 2018 – Dec 2019 | Associate Dean for Research, College for Design & Social Inquiry |

John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York

2013 - 2017

Associate Professor, Department of Public Management
Criminal Justice Ph.D. Program, Graduate College,
Undergraduate Coordinator, Criminal Justice Management &
Public Administration Programs

Georgia State University, Atlanta GA

2006 – 2013

Assistant Professor, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick NJ

Jan 2004 – May 2006

Postdoctoral Fellow
Ruth L. Kirchstein National Research Service Award
Mental Health Services & Criminal Justice Research Postdoctoral
Training Program
Center for Mental Health Services & Criminal Justice Research and
the Institute of Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research

PUBLICATIONS IN PRINT (*Graduate student co-author)

Refereed Journal Articles

Lutgen-Nieves, L., **Guastaferro, W. P.**, Koetzle, D., & Teasdale, B. (2026). Treatment for opioid use disorder: A national study comparing criminal justice and community samples. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 1-11. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2026.2724155>

Gullion, C. L., Spadola, C. E., Groton, D. B., Fallik, S. W., & **Guastaferro, W. P.** (2025). “Sleep affects everything”: Understanding challenges and interventions for police sleep health. *Policing: An International Journal*, 48(5), 1083-1100. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-12-2024-0209>

Taxman, F.S., Brinkley-Rubinstein, L., Gideon, L., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2025). Health & Justice 10th anniversary: Looking ahead after a decade of progress. *Health & Justice* **13**, 50. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s40352-025-00357-1>

*Gardner, S., Fallik, S. Dobrin, A., Cesar, G., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2024). The effects of implicit bias in simulated police-public interactions: An experimental study. *Journal of Police and Criminal Psychology*, 39, 198-212 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11896-024-09643-4>.

Guastaferro, W.P., Koetzle, D., Lutgen-Nieves, L., & Teasdale, B. (2022). Opioid use disorder and criminal justice: Exploring who receives opioid agonist treatment within justice-involved populations. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 57(5), 698-70. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2022.2034869>

Breno, A.*, Ramezani, N., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Taxman, F.S. (2022). What matters more in explaining drug court graduation and rearrest: Program features, individual characteristics, or some combination. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0306624X221086558>

Randall, O.*, Whitaker, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Rivers, D. (2022). Predicting drug court graduation: Examining the role of individual and programmatic characteristics. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 135. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jsat.2021.108654>

Guastaferro, K.M., Osborne, M.C., Lai, B.S., Aubé, S.*, **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Whitaker, D.J. (2021). Parent and child reports of parenting behaviors: Agreement among a longitudinal study of drug court participants. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 12. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2021.667593>

Guastaferro, K., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, *Brown, J.R., Holleran, D., & Whitaker, D.J. (2020). Drug court as a potential intervention point to impact the well-being of children and families of substance-using parents. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 55(7), 1068-1078. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2020.1726394>

Howard, H. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2019). Mothers with opioid use disorder: Moving toward justice, wellness, & engagement. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 32(1), p. 29-51. [Article](#)

*Zahidi R, *Brown J.S., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Whitaker, D.J. (2019). Relationship between self report and observed parenting among parents in coerced and non-coerced populations. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*. [Digital Commons Link to Article](#)

*Malone, C., *Brown J.S., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Whitaker, D.J. (2019). Mental health outcomes, parenting skills and family functioning of adult and family treatment court participants. *Journal of Georgia Public Health Association*. [Digital Commons Link to Article](#)

Guastaferro, W.P. & *Lutgen, L. (2017). Women and reentry: Substance abuse and treatment. Eds. Catherine D. Marcum and Lisa Carter, in [Female offenders and reentry: Pathways and barriers to returning to society](#), pp.76-107. New York: Routledge.

Guastaferro, W.P., *Lutgen, L., & Guastaferro, K.M. (2017). Drug courts: A secondary prevention model. Eds. Brent Teasdale and Mindy Bradley, in [Preventing crime and violence: Advances in prevention science](#), p. 309-326. New York: Springer.

Daigle, L.E., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & *Azimi, A. (2016). Victims' compensation as a tool of therapeutic justice? Examining the physical and mental health needs of victim compensation applicants and the role of health in receiving compensation. *Violence and Victims*, 31(5), p. 837-853. <https://doi.org/10.1891/0886-6708.VV-D-14-00037>

Guastafarro, W.P., Guastafarro, K.M., & *Stuart, D. (2014). An exploratory study of grandparents raising grandchildren and the criminal justice system: A research note. *Journal of Crime and Justice*, 38(1), p. 137-161. DOI: 10.1080/0735648X.2014.909082.

Listwan, S.J., Daigle, L.E., Hartman, J.L., & **Guastafarro, W.P.** (2014). Poly victimization risk in prison: The influence of individual and institutional factors. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 29(13) 2458-3481. DOI: 10.1177/0886260513518435.

Koetzle, D., Listwan, S., & **Guastafarro, W.P.**, & *Kobus, K. (2014). Treating high risk offenders in the community: The potential of drug courts. *International Journal of Offender Treatment and Comparative Criminology*, 59(5), p. 449-465. DOI:10.1177/0306624X13515635.

Guastafarro, W.P. (2013). Crime, the media, and constructions of reality: Using HBO's *The Wire* as a frame of reference. *College Student Journal*, 47(2), 264-270.

Guastafarro, W.P. & Daigle, L.E. (2012). Linking noncompliant behaviors and programmatic responses: The use of graduated sanctions in a felony level drug court. *Journal of Drug Issues*, 42(4), 396-419.

Guastafarro, W.P. (2012). Using the Level of Service Inventory-Revised to improve assessment in drug Court. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 56(5), 769-789.

Payne, B.K., **Guastafarro, W.P.** & *Mummert, S. (2011). Attitudes about group work among criminal justice students: The influence of participation in group projects. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 22(4), 546-561.

Payne, B.K., **Guastafarro, W.P.** & Dabney, D. (2010). Alumni Research and Criminal Justice. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 21(3), 245-265.

Payne, B.K. & **Guastafarro, W.P.** (2009). Mind the gap: Attitudes about *Miranda* warnings among police chiefs and citizens. *Journal of Police and Criminal Psychology*, 24 (2). doi: 10.1007/s11896-009-9040-4.

Pogorzelski, W.P. & Brewer, T.W. (2007). Cameras in court: How television news media use courtroom footage. *Judicature*, 91(3), 124-134.

Draine, J., Wilson, A.B. & **Pogorzelski, W.** (2007). Limitations and potential in current research on services for people with mental illness in the criminal justice system. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 45(3/4), 159-177.

Wolff, N. & **Pogorzelski, W.P.** (2005). Measuring the effectiveness of mental health courts: Challenges and recommendations. *Psychology, Public Policy & Law*, 11(4), 539-569.

Blitz, Cynthia L., Wolff, N., Pan, K., & **Pogorzelski, W.P.** (2005). Gender-specific behavioral health and community release patterns among New Jersey prison inmates: Implications for treatment and community reentry. *American Journal of Public Health*, 95(10), 1741-1746.

Pogorzelski, W., Wolff, N., Pan, K., & Blitz, C. (2005). Behavioral Health Problems, Ex-Offender Reentry Policies, and the 'Second Chance Act'. *American Journal of Public Health*, 95(10), 1718-1724.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Guastaferro, W.P., Rivers, D., & Whitaker, D.J. (2026, in press). Family treatment courts: A collaborative intervention to reduce parental substance misuse and improve child and family wellbeing. In A. E. Barsky, M. Colvin, & M. Blanco Carrasco (Eds.), *Beyond adversity: Global perspectives on family dispute resolution for peace and justice*. Oxford University Press.

Guastaferro, W.P. & *Lutgen, L. (2018). Implementation and drug courts: Advanced practices. Eds. Deborah Koetzle and Shelley Listwan, in [*Drug courts and the criminal justice system*](#). Boulder, CO: Lynne Reinner Publishers.

Works currently under review or in progress

Guastaferro, W.P., Rivers, D.R., Gurbani, A., Chopp, D., & Whitaker, D.J. The role of self-dignity in recovery from substance misuse: Perspectives from parents in family treatment court. Sept 2026 submission: *Health & Justice*.

Ahlin, E., Hartsell, E.N., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** Why do veterans treatment courts (VTCs) work? Using an integrative literature review method to generate a theoretical approach for VTCs. Aug 2026: **Revise & resubmit:** *Victims & Offenders*.

RESEARCH GRANTS & EXTERNAL FUNDING

External funding

Cumulative career institutional awards, while appointed as faculty at FAU | John Jay College | Georgia State University, as Principal or Co-Principal Investigator: **\$5.57m** (2008 – 2026)

Cumulative career total of external funding awards as PI or Co-PI: **\$11m** (2008 – 2026)

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families
2019-2026

Children's Bureau, Grant No. 90CU0108-01-00

Co-Principal Investigator

"Improving outcomes of Georgia's children and families affected by addiction:

Strengthening the partnership between the Division of Family & Children Services and Family Treatment Courts"

Total award: \$2,640,931

Institutional award: \$332,592 (100% to FAU)

Co-Principal Investigator: Dr. Dan Whitaker, National SafeCare Training and Research Center, Center for Healthy Development, School of

Public Health, Georgia State University

Supplemental funding (2024 – 2026)

Total award: \$235,000

Institutional award: \$32,746 (100% to FAU)

Palm Beach County's Co-Responder Community Resource Team Pilot Project Evaluation

2024-2026

Co-Principal Investigator

Dr. Cassandra Atkin-Plunk, Principal Investigator, Dr. Adam Dobrin, Co-Principal Investigator.

Funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (15PBJA-23-GG-02188-MENT), contract through Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office.

Total institutional award: \$100,000 (100% to FAU)

Palm Beach County Community Services Department and Board of Commissioners

2021-2023

Co-Investigator

"Comprehensive Opioid Stimulant and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP)"

Total Institutional Award: \$126,000 (100% to FAU)

Principal Investigator, Dr. Heather Howard, Sandler School of Social Work, FAU

U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Science & Technology Directorate

2021-2024

Principal Investigator

"Program evaluation of the New York City Citizens Crime Commission Disruption and Early Engagement Program (DEEP)"

Total Institutional Award: \$150,000 (100% to FAU)

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families,

2012-2018

Children's Bureau, Grant No. 90CU0062

Co-Principal Investigator

"Enhancing safety and well-being of children of adult drug court participants."

Total award: \$4,838,054

Institutional award: \$3,852,918

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Co-Principal Investigator: Dr. Dan Whitaker, National SafeCare Training and Research Center, Center for Healthy Development, School of Public Health, Georgia State University

Bureau of Justice Assistance via the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

2016-2018

Principal investigator
“Family drug court enhancement and implementation program.”
Total award: \$400,000
Institutional award: \$48,000 (work completed prior to first year at FAU)

Bureau of Justice Assistance via Education & Assistance Corporation.

2016-2017

Principal Investigator.
“P2PH Evaluation of EAC’s BJA Second Chance Reentry Grant: Providing services to individuals with serious mental illness returning from prison.”
Total award: \$100,000
Co-principal investigators: Dr. Brian Lawton and Jeff Coots, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

New York City Mayor’s Office via the Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services

2016-2017

Principal Investigator
“P2PH program evaluation and technical assistance for CASES’s supervised release program.”
Total award: \$46,530
Co-investigators: Dr. Brian Lawton & Jeff Coots, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

U.S. Dept. of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance via Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

2015-2016

Principal Investigator
“Program evaluation services for the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit Drug Accountability Court.”
Total award: \$16,600

DeKalb County District Attorney’s Office

2012-2014

Principal Investigator
“Developing a strategic plan for use of federal JAG funding.”
Total award: \$198,730
Co-Investigator: Dr. D. Dabney, Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology, Georgia State University

DeKalb County Sheriff’s Office

2011-2015

Principal Investigator
“Program implementation and outcome evaluation of a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) program at the DeKalb County Jail, Georgia.”
Total award: \$79,658

Co-Investigator: Dr. L. Muftic, Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology, Sam Houston State University

Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

2010-2013

Principal Investigator

“Strategic Intervention Program at Georgia’s Coastal State Prison, Program Evaluation.”

Total award: \$207,718

Co-Investigators: Drs. L. Daigle and V. Topalli, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, Georgia State University

Bureau of Justice Assistance/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration via The DeKalb County Superior Court, Drug Court, Georgia

2011-2014

Principal investigator

“Program and outcome evaluation for the DeKalb County Superior Court Drug Court Program, Track 2 Enhancement.”

Total award: \$750,000 funded by SAMHSA

Institutional award: \$108,910

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration via DeKalb County Superior Court, Drug Court, Georgia

2008-2011

Principal Investigator

“Program and outcome evaluation for the DeKalb County Superior Court Drug Court Program, Track 2, Implementation.”

Total Award, \$1.2 million

Institutional award: \$94,113

DeKalb County Superior Court, Drug Court, Georgia

2008-2011

Principal Investigator

“Program and outcome evaluation for the DeKalb Superior Court Drug Court Program.”

Total award: \$74,693

Proposals submitted, not funded

Cumulative proposal funding requests: \$9.77m (2017 – 2025, all submitted as FAU SCCJ faculty)

2025 Bridging Neuroscience and Society: Interdisciplinary Graduate Training in Policy, Justice, and Communication

Funder: Dana Foundation

Principal Investigator: Nicole Baganz, Ph.D., Stiles Nicholson Brain Institute, FAU

Co-Investigators: Wendy Guastaferro, Joy McClellan (Sandler School of Social Work, FAU)

Goal: \$150,000

2025 Implementing and Evaluating a Digital Contingency Management & Peer Support Intervention to Improve Addiction Recovery among Justice-Involved Women (WEconnect)

Funder: National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), R01XXXXX

Principal Investigator: Kasey Claborn, Ph.D., (PI), University of Texas at Austin

Co-Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro, Ph.D.

Goal: \$3,442,199

2022 Multisite Impact and Cost Efficiency Evaluation of Veterans Treatment Courts

Principal Investigator: Eileen M. Ahlin, Ph.D.

Co-Principal Investigators: Cassandra A. Atkin-Plunk, Wendy P. Guastaferro

Funding requested from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ-2022-171012), contract through Penn State University

Goal: \$500,000 (amount was FAU’s proposed budget, total goal amount was higher)

2020 Exploring the feasibility of a sleep health intervention to improve police officer health, wellbeing and safety

Funder: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute of Occupational Health & Safety (NIOSH).

Co-Principal Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro, Ph.D.

Co- Principal Investigator: Christine Spadola, Ph.D., Sandler School of Social Work, FAU
Research Faculty: Seth Fallik, Ph.D.

Goal: \$449,285

- 2018 Improving Recovery Outcomes and Parental Capacity for Pregnant and Postpartum Women with Opioid Use Disorder
**This was one of two proposals considered in the final round.*
Funder: Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)
Principal Investigator: Heather Howard, Ph.D., Sandler School of Social Work, FAU
Co-Principal Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro
Goal: \$1.78M
- 2018 Building Maternal Capacity through Peer Support Specialists
Funder: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Principal Investigator: Heather Howard, Ph.D., Sandler School of Social Work, FAU
Co-Principal Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro
Goal: \$1.6M
- 2018 Regional and State Transitional Offender Reentry Initiative
Funder: Department of Health and Human Services/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Principal Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro
Co-Principal Investigator: Lincoln B. Sloas, Ph.D., School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Community Partner: Palm Beach County Public Safety Department
Goal: \$1.2M
- 2017 Second Chance Act Reentry for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders
Funder: DOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance, March 2017
Principal Investigator: Wendy Guastaferro
Co-Principal Investigator: Lincoln B. Sloas, Ph.D., School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Community Partner: Palm Beach County Public Safety Department
Goal: \$650,000

Applied research reports

2025 – 2026 (Annual reports, n=2). Atkin-Plunk, C.A., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Dobrin, A., & Abreu Rivera, L. (2026). *Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Connect and Protect Program: Implementation [Year 1] and Interim Evaluation [Year 2] Reports*. Report submitted to the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. 12-13 pages.

2021 - 2025 (Semi-annual reports; n=10). Whitaker, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Rivers, D. Semi-annual progress report: Improving outcomes of Georgia's children and families affected by substance abuse: Strengthening the partnership between the Department of Family and Children Services and Family Treatment Courts. 20 pages each.

2025 Atkin-Plunk, C. A., **Guastaferro, W. P.**, & Dobrin, A. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Connect and Protect Program: Planning Year – Evaluation Report. Report submitted to the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. 38 pages.

2021 - 2025 (Annual, n=5). **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Evaluation of the Citizens Crime Commission's Disruption and Early Monthly Report. 15 pages each.

Atkin-Plunk, C.A., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2021). *Palm Beach County Reentry Evaluation Report #1: Making Data-Driven Decisions*. Report submitted to the Palm Beach County Reentry Task Force. 35 pages.

Guastaferro, W.P., Atkin-Plunk, C.A., & Cain, Calli (2018). *DeKalb County, Georgia Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Pre-Education Survey Results*. Final report submitted to DeKalb County Office of Professional Standards and DeKalb County Sheriff's Office. 45 pages.

Journal editorship

2025-present. Co-editor, Special Collection: **Bridging the gap: Continuity of behavioral healthcare across the criminal justice continuum**, *Health & Justice*, Springer Nature. Co-editor: Tonya Van Deinse, Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

2023-present. Deputy Editor, *Health & Justice*, Springer Nature
Assess 35-40 manuscripts per CY for suitability, communicate with authors throughout the process, secure subject matter experts to conduct peer reviews, synthesize reviews, and make publication decisions. *Health & Justice* is a top 10 ranked Criminology journal, impact factor 2.8 (2025), 5-year impact factor 3.7 (2025).

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS (*Student co-presenters)

International

Guastaferro, W.P., *Rivers, D., *Gurbani, A., Carr, R., *Chopp, D., & Whitaker, D.J. (2025, September 3-6). *Parenting in recovery: The experiences of family treatment court participants*. [Poster session]. 25th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, Athens, Greece. <https://tinyurl.com/bdhr2pnz>

*Rivers, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, *Norris, A., & Whitaker, D.J. (2025, September 3-6). *Examining the influence of adverse childhood experiences on mental health, recovery capital, and quality of life for parents in family treatment courts*. [Poster session]. 25th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology, Athens, Greece. <https://tinyurl.com/bdhr2pnz>

Malkin, M. L., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Atkin-Plunk, C.A. (2024, September). *The development and recommendations for gambling treatment diversion courts*. Paper presented at the 14th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues, Rome, Italy.

Guastaferro, W.P., Rivers, D., *Norris, A., *Rodgers, J., & Whitaker, D. (2023, September 7). *Family treatment court: Parents with substance use disorders and their adverse childhood experiences*. Poster presented at the 2023 European Criminology Conference, Florence, Italy.

Lai, B.S., Guastaferro, K., Osborne, M., *Aubé, S., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Whitaker, D. (2021, November). *Parent and child reports of parenting behaviors*. In Silverstein, M. J. (Chair), Utilization of novel research methods to examine parents' role in children's post-trauma recovery. Presented at the annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies Conference. Virtual Conference.

Guastaferro, W.P., Koetzle, D., Lutgen, L., & Silva, J.* (2019, July). *Improving access to treatment for opioid use disorder for individuals in the US criminal justice system*. XXXVIth International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Rome, Italy.

Koetzle, D.K., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, *Lutgen, L., & *Silva, J. (2017, July). *Opioid treatment for those on remand in the U.S.: Who needs it and who gets it?* Paper accepted at the XXXV International Congress on Law and Mental Health. Prague, Czech Republic.

Koetzle, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, *Lutgen, L., *Silva, J., *Duran, C., *Fritsche, S., *Peirce, J., & *Sudula, S. (2015, July). *Risk-Needs-Responsivity and substance abuse treatment: a meta-analytic review*. XXXIV International Congress on Law and Mental Health. Vienna, Austria.

National

Guastaferro, W. P., *Rivers, D., & Whitaker, D. J. (2026, November 20). *Barriers to Family Treatment Court Enrollment and Engagement: Perspectives From Parents and Program Personnel*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.

*Rivers, D, **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Gurbani, A., Norris, A., Chopp, D. & Whitaker, D.J. (2026, June 20-24). *Moving towards recovery: The experiences of family treatment court participants* [Poster presentation]. Research Society on Alcohol, San Antonio, TX, United States.

*Rivers, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Whitaker, D.J. (2026, May 26-29). Building provider-client alliances in multidisciplinary therapeutic teams: Experiences from family treatment court. In D. Whitaker (chair), *How do provider-parent interactions influence implementation and outcome metrics: Three studies of parents in diverse settings* [Panel

presentation] Society of Prevention Research, Washington, D.C., United States. <https://spr.confex.com/spr/spr2026/meetingapp.cgi/Session/12203>

Guastaferro, W.P. (2024, January 31). *Evaluation of Disruption and Early Engagement Program (DEEP) to prevent mobilization toward extremist violence*. McCain Institute Prevention Practitioners Network (PPN) Conference. Washington, DC. (Invited)

*Rodgers, J., Rivers, D., *Norris, A., Gurbani, A., Haozous, E., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Whitaker, D.J. (2023, November 16). *Accounting for discretion in accountability court: Cross-system collaboration between child welfare and family treatment court systems*. Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Guastaferro, W.P., Whitaker, D.W., *Gurbani, A., Rivers, D., *Rodgers, J., & *Norris, A. (2023, November 16). *Quality of life for parents with substance use disorders in family treatment courts*. Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Whitaker, D.W., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Rivers, D., *Rodgers, J., & *Gurbani, A., & Carr, R. (2023, November). *Recovery Capital among clients in family treatment drug courts*. Poster presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Malkin, M.,L., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Atkin-Plunk, C.A. (2023, May). *An evaluation of Nevada's Gambling Treatment Diversion Court*. Co-author of paper presented at the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.

Ahlin, E.M., Atkin-Plunk, C.A., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2023, March). *A layered approach: How Veterans Treatment Courts integrate formal and informal social controls*. Co-author of paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, National Harbor, MD.

Malkin, M.L., Atkin-Plunk, C., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2022, November). *Successes and failures of a gambling diversion treatment court: An evaluation*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Guastaferro, W.P., Cain, C., & Atkin-Plunk, C.A. (2022, July). *A comparison of inmate and correctional staff perceptions of preventing sexual assault in jail*. Paper accepted to be presented at the 37th International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Lyon, France. Paper was accepted but not presented due to COVID.

Guastaferro, W.P., Cain, C., & Atkin-Plunk, C. (2021, November). *A comparison of prisoner and correctional staff perceptions of preventing sexual assault in jail*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

- *Randall-Kosich, O., Whitaker, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Rivers, D. (2021, October). *Predicting drug court graduation: Examining the role of individual and programmatic characteristics*. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Atkin-Plunk, C. (2019, November). *Examining the relationship between procedural justice, substance abuse, and recidivism among a sample of individuals released from jail*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2018, November). *Jail-based drug treatment: Examining how trigger offenses influence risk of failure post-release*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Guastaferro, W.P.** & Cummings, A.F. (2018, May). *Applying the Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) Simulation Tool to Enhance Drug Court Performance*. National Association of Drug Court Professionals Annual Meeting, Houston, TX.
- *Lutgen, L., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & *Siletti, A. (2017, November). *Effectiveness of substance abuse treatment in jail*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- *Rogers-Brown, J., Whitaker, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2017, July). *Addressing the needs of children of parents with substance use disorders through adult drug courts*. Paper presented at the National Association of Drug Court Professionals Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
- *Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2017, March). *Procedural justice, substance abuse needs and recidivism in a jail population, a quasi-experimental approach*. Paper accepted at the 10th Academic and Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health. Atlanta, GA.
- *Rogers-Brown, J.S., Guastaferro, K.M., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Whitaker, D.J. (2017, March). *Engaging adult drug court clients in leisure activities to promote recovery and pro-social interactions*. Paper accepted at the 10th Academic and Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health. Atlanta, GA.
- *Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2016, November). *An examination of the relationship between substance use disorders, specific criminal thinking styles, and recidivism in a jail sample*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- Koetzle, D.K., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Daigle, L.E., *Lutgen, L., Bryan, C., Kroovand-Hipple, N. (2016, November). *The intersection of public health and criminal justice*. Round table discussion at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- *Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2016, March). *Substance abuse, treatment needs, and risk level of female offenders in jail*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting. Denver, CO.

*Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2015, November). *Efficacy of drug court interventions: the role of drug of choice*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.

Guastaferro, W.P., Koetzle, D., *Lutgen, L., *Sudula, S., *Duran, C., *Fritsche, S., *Silva, J., & *Peirce, J. (2015, November). *Assessing the relationship between adherence to NIDA principles of drug treatment and offender outcomes*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.

*Sudula, S., *Lutgen, L., *Duran, C., *Fritsche, S., Koetzle, D., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, *Silva, J., & *Peirce, J. (2015, March). *Assessing the Relationship between Adherence to NIDA Principles of Drug Treatment and Drug Court Outcomes*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting. Orlando, FL.

*Lutgen, L., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Gage, R., Muftic, L., & *Nurding, B. (2014, November). *Substance abuse, treatment needs, and risk level of female offenders*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.

Guastaferro, W.P., & Holleran, D. (2014, November). *Examining the relationship between criminogenic needs, drug court program length, and individual outcomes*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Whitaker, D.J., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Klotz, A., Roby, S., *Guastaferro, K.M., & Holleran, D. (2014, May). *Improving family functioning of adult drug court clients*. Presented at the 19th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, New Orleans LA.

Guastaferro, W.P., Holleran, D., & Koetzle, D. (2013, November). *Exploring the relationship between phase progression and drug court outcomes*. Presented at the American Criminology Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA.

Guastaferro, W.P. (2013, March). *Teaching online courses: Rethinking how and what we do*. Invited presentation at the SAGE Teaching Workshop, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX.

*Dane, C.B., Muftic, L.R., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2013, March). *Examining the relationship between procedural justice and recidivism in a jail-based Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program*. Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX.

*Marsh, E. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2012, September). *The need for parenting and trauma care services for drug court participants and their children*. Paper presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting, Clearwater, FL.

Cummings, A.F., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Hartley, R., & Koetzle, D. (2012, June). *Evaluator's Workshop*. Presentation at National Association of Drug Court Professionals conference, Nashville, TN.

Koetzle, D., Listwan, S.J., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2012, June). *Treating high risk offenders in the community: The potential of drug courts*. Paper presented at the 10th Biennial John Jay International Conference Global Perspectives on Justice, Security and Human Rights. New York, NY.

Daigle, L.E., *Marsh, E., *Bonomo, E., *Stuart, D., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2012, March). *Matching offenders with program objectives and services: An evaluation of the referral process to a treatment-oriented prison*. Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting. New York, NY.

*Bonomo, E., *Marsh, E., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Daigle, L.E. (2011, September). *Catch & release: Barriers to implementation of an innovative substance abuse treatment program in Georgia's Coastal Prison*. Paper presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN.

Guastaferro, W.P., Daigle, L.E., & Cummings, A.F. (2011, July). *Using proactive supervision and graduated sanctions in an adult felony-level drug court*. Paper presented at the National Association of Drug Court Professionals Annual Drug Court Conference. Washington, D.C.

Guastaferro, W.P., Daigle, L., & Mellow, J. (2010, November). *Use of sanctions in drug court*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.

Regional / local

Guastaferro, W. P. (2025, April). *Recovery and parenting dynamics*. FAU 2025 Research Renewal Event. Florida Atlantic University, Office of Research Development.

Guastaferro, W. P., Rivers, D., & Whitaker, D. J. (2025, April). *Improving outcomes of Georgia's children and families affected by substance use: Strengthening the partnership between the Department of Family and Children Services and Family Treatment Courts*. College of Social Work and Criminal Justice 2025 Research Symposium. Florida Atlantic University, College of Social Work and Criminal Justice.

*Norris, A., Rivers, D., *Gurbani, A., *Rodgers, J., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Whitaker, D. (2023, October 5). *Barriers and facilitators to cross system collaboration between child welfare and family treatment courts systems*. Poster presented at the 2023 Graduate Conference for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, Georgia State University, Atlanta GA.

Rivers, D., *Gurbani, A., *Norris, A., *Rodgers, J., Haozous, E., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Whitaker, D. (2023, September 11). *Communication & Collaboration: Essentials for successful DFCS-FTC partnerships*. Oral presentation at the 2023 Georgia Council of Accountability Courts Annual Training Conference, Athens, Georgia.

Howard, H., McConnell, N., Crespo, N., Mitchell, C., Montoya, F., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2022, October). *Achieving long-term recovery and reducing recidivism through social capital enhancement*. Presented at the Reentry Summit, Palm Beach County, FL.

Haughwout, C., Spatara, C., Stanley, D., & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2022, October). *Getting started with reentry in your community: Keys to making it work*. Presented at the Reentry Summit, Palm Beach County, FL.

Schiff, M., **Guastaferro, W.P.**, & Mariani, M. (2022, September). *The collaborative action to reform educational safety (CARES) project*. Southern Criminal Justice Association Conference, Asheville, NC.

*Rogers-Brown, J.S., *Caslin, S.S., *Malone, C.A., *Zahidi, R., Guastaferro, W.P., & Whitaker, D.J. (2016, October). *Examining Georgia drug courts as an intervention point for family well-being: The Social Recovery Initiative (SRI) at the DeKalb County Drug Court*. Poster session presented at the State of Public Health Conference. Athens, GA.

*Lutgen, L. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2016, September). *Examining the relationship between procedural justice and program satisfaction among men and women with substance use disorders in a jail treatment program*. Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Savannah, GA.

*Lutgen, L. and **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2014, September). *Does an offender's drug of choice influence their likelihood of recidivism? An evaluation of a jail-based substance abuse treatment program*. 27th Annual Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Behaviors. Cape Cod, MA.

Cummings, A.F. & **Guastaferro, W.P.** (2014, September). *Level of Service Inventory—Revised (LSI-R) in accountability courts*. Presented at the 10th Annual Georgia Accountability Courts Conference, Atlanta GA.

Guastaferro, W.P., Guastaferro, K.M.,* Roby, S., Holleran, D., & Whitaker, D. (2014, September). *Improving outcomes for adult drug court clients and their children*. Presented at the 10th Annual Georgia Accountability Courts Conference, Atlanta GA.

Guastaferro, W.P. & Holleran, D. (2014, September). *Exploring the relationship between phase movement, criminogenic need, and drug court outcomes*. Presented at the 10th Annual Georgia Accountability Courts Conference, Atlanta GA.

Breitenbucher, P.H., Pfeifer, J, **Guastaferro, W.P.**, Becker, C.J., & Bradley, K.S. (2014, September). *Guess What? You're A Family Drug Court Too: Legal Issues & Practical Considerations with Families*. Presented at the 10th Annual Georgia Accountability Courts Conference, Atlanta GA.

Invited

Rivers, D., **Guastafarro W.P.** & Whitaker, D.J. (August 2025). *Parenting in recovery*. Invited webinar for the University of Mississippi Medical Center Substance Use Disorders (SUD) Monthly Trainings (An ERIC/SIMM Initiative Collaborative, funded by HERSA and the NIH Department of Health and Human Services). Invited presentation.

Guastafarro, W.P. (2024, August 28). *Improving family outcomes in Georgia: Strengthening the relationship between child welfare and family treatment courts*. Regional Partnership Grantee Presentation. U.S. H.H.S. Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau.

Guastafarro, W.P. (2024, July 24). *Integrating family engagement in adult treatment courts*. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Expert panel, invited.

Guastafarro, W.P. & Cummings, A.F. (2012, May). *Linking assessment and treatment planning: The role of risk and need*. Invited Paper presented at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Grantee Meeting. Nashville, TN.

Guastafarro, W.P. (2011, May). *Using short-term outcomes to demonstrate drug court program effectiveness*. Presented at the Georgia Drug, DUI, & Mental Health Court conference. Atlanta, GA.

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE, CERTIFICATIONS & FELLOWSHIPS

Professor/Associate Professor, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University
2017 - present

Modalities: F2F, hybrid (synchronous online and F2F)

Criminal Justice Research & Policy Foundations (CCJ 6902, required course)

Opioid Addiction Crisis in the U.S. (CCJ 6934/4934; course I developed)

Program Evaluation (CCJ 6934/4934; course I developed)

Health & Justice (CCJ 4934; course I developed)

Associate Professor, Department of Public Management, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
2013-2017

Modalities: F2F and distance learning (asynchronous)

Policy Analysis (graduate level, online)

Research Methods (graduate level, F2F)

Program Development & Evaluation (graduate level, F2F)

Grant Writing (graduate level, F2F)

Online Learning Consortium (formerly Sloan Consortium): Certificate Program in Online Teaching
2015-2016

Assistant Professor, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, Georgia State University
2006-2012

Modality: F2F

Crime & the Criminal Justice System (graduate level)

Social Science & the American Crime Problem (undergraduate level)

Crime & the Media (undergraduate level)

Selected Legal Issues in Criminal Justice (undergraduate level)

American Criminal Courts (undergraduate level)

Research Fellow, Center for Teaching & Learning, Georgia State University
2008-2011

Supervision of graduate students

Doctoral committees, supervision and participation

Committee member, DSW Committee, Shelley Kavanagh. (Prospectus defended, 2020). *How mothers of registered sex offenders experience the sex offender registry and residency restriction laws*. Chair: Dr. Heather Howard, FAU Sandler School of Social Work.

Committee member, Dissertation Committee, Mijin Kim (defended, 2019). *Behavioral effects of restrictive housing on prisoners*. Chair: Dr. Jeff Mellow. Graduate Center, City University of New York & John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Chair, Dissertation Committee, Laura Lutgen. (defended, 2018). *Assessing the outcomes of a jail-based substance abuse treatment program: A quasi-experimental approach*. Graduate Center, City University of New York & John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Committee member, Dissertation Committee, Miriam Ghirmay. (defended, July 2015). *Three potential mediators of the effects of child abuse and neglect on smoking in middle adulthood*. Chair: Dr. Cathy Widom. Graduate Center, City University of New York & John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Master's theses, supervision and participation

Member, Thesis Committee, Amanda Norris. (2024, defended). *Assessing the Influence of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) on Recovery Capital, Mental Health, and Quality of Life for Parent Participants with Substance Use Disorder in Family Treatment Courts*. School of Public Health, Georgia State University.

Chair, Thesis Committee, Selina Cuevas. (2022, defended). *Recovery in Drug Courts*. School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University.

Member, Thesis Committee, Maria Alvarez. Virginia Artrip, Poet, Investigator, Poet (2022, defended). School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University.

Member, Thesis Committee, Hannah Gorman. (2022, defended). *How does prosecutorial discretion impact a defendant's right to due process and equal protection?* School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University.

Member, Thesis Committee, Caralin Branscum. (2020, defended). *Combatting human trafficking with the law: A content analysis of state laws and recommendations for reform*. School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University.

- Member, Thesis Committee, Janhavi Dubhashi. (2019, defended). *The relationship between parental criminal history and substance use on child mental health*. School of Public Health, Georgia State University.
- Member, Thesis Committee, Jeffrey Holiday. (2018, defended). *Predictors determining the successful completion of the DeKalb County Drug Court program*. School of Public Health, Georgia State University.
- Member, Thesis Committee, Rabab Zahidi. (2017, defended). *Relationship between self-report and observed parenting among parents with and without substance use disorders*. School of Public Health, Georgia State University.
- Member, Thesis Committee, Carolyn Malone. (2017, defended). *A comparison of parent and child mental health outcomes, parenting skills and family functioning of adult treatment court and family treatment court participants*. School of Public Health, Georgia State University.
- Chair, Thesis Committee, Meredith Knowles. (2012, defended). *Policing Persons with Mental Illness in Georgia: Identifying Officer-Level Outcomes of CIT Training and Perceptions of the Mental Health System*. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Georgia State University.
- Chair, Thesis Committee, Elizabeth Bonomo (2012, defended). *Individual trajectories of drug court participant's receipt of sanctions*. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Georgia State University.
- Member, Thesis Committee, Christian Dane. (2012, defended). *Procedural justice elements within a jail-based residential substance abuse treatment program*. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Georgia State University.
- Member, Thesis Committee, Erin Marsh. (2011, defended). *Victim Offender Overlap in Intimate Partner Violence*. Department of Criminal Justice, Georgia State University. Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Georgia State University.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Society of Criminology (ASC)
 - ASC's Division on Sentencing & Corrections
 - Division on Terrorism & Bias Crimes
- American Society of Addiction Medicine
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
 - ACJS Drugs and Alcohol Research Section
- European Society of Criminology