

# Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

- May 2026**  
*(Anticipated)*                      **Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice**  
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX  
**Dissertation:** Armed school personnel: A thematic analysis of Texas law enforcement regarding the Texas School Guardian Program  
**Committee:** Jeffrey B. Bumgarner (*Co-Chair*), Scott Wm. Bowman (*Co-Chair*), Amanda Graham, and Cheryl Lero Jonson
- July 2023**                              **Master of Arts in Criminal Justice**  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS  
**Thesis:** Behind the blue line: An ethnographic study of police culture in rural Kansas law enforcement
- May 2008**                              **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science**  
**Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- December 2005**                      **Associate of Arts**  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

### CERTIFICATIONS

- November 2011**                      Kansas Full-time Law Enforcement Officer #26391

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2023–Present**                      **Doctoral Teaching & Research Assistant**  
Texas State University, School of Criminal Justice & Criminology,  
San Marcos, TX
- 2022–2023**                              **Graduate Teaching Assistant**  
Wichita State University, School of Criminal Justice, Wichita, KS

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Policing
- Rural Law Enforcement
- Federal Law Enforcement
- Police Culture
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Police & K-12 School Safety Options
- Police Training
- Serial Killers

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Hopkins, J. R., Jarzombek-Torralva, A., Scogin, S. C., Barnes, V. R., Martinez-Parther, K. E., Price, J. R., **Davis, J. J.**, Bowman, S. Wm., May, M. (2025). Armed personnel in educational settings: Bridging policy and communication for safer schools. *Policing: An International Journal*. Vol. ahead-of-print No. ahead-of-print. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-08-2025-0156>.

**Davis, J. J.**, & Birzer, M. L. (2024). An ethnographic study of police culture in a rural Kansas police agency. *Policing: An International Journal*, 47(3), 353-366. <https://doi.org/10.1108/PIJPSM-11-2023-0156>.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

**2024** Armed personnel in educational settings: A statewide study of guardian plans in Texas schools. A National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Grant for Research and Evaluation on School Safety. Texas School Safety Center & Texas State University. Principal Investigators: Kathy Martinez-Parther and Scott Wm. Bowman. (\$1,805,491) *Status*: Not Funded.  
*Role*: Co-Investigator and designer of the grant's methodology.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

**2025–Present** **Co-Investigator**: A phenomenological examination of the Texas Guardian Program. Texas State University. Principal Investigator: Scott Wm. Bowman

**2025–2026** **Co-Investigator**: Armed School Employees in Educational Settings Texas School Safety Center & Texas State University.  
Principal Investigators: Kathy Martinez-Parther & Scott Wm. Bowman

**2023–2026** **Research Assistant**: Local peace officer perceptions of American federal law enforcement. Texas State University. Principal Investigator: Jeffery B. Bumgarner

**2024–2025** **Co-Investigator**: Armed Personnel in Educational Settings: A Statewide Study of Guardian Plans in Texas Schools. Texas School Safety Center & Texas State University. Principal Investigators: Kathy Martinez-Parther & Scott W. Bowman

**2023–2024** **Co-Investigator**: Examining guardian plans in Texas public K-12 school districts: A mixed methods approach. Texas School Safety Center & Texas State University. Principal Investigators: Kathy Martinez-Parther & Scott Wm. Bowman

**2023** **Research Assistant**: Differential police response strategies to low harm and low risk calls for service: A randomized control trial. Wichita State University. Principal Investigator: Michael L. Birzer

**COLLEGIATE TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**2023–Present**      **Texas State University**, School of Criminal Justice & Criminology,  
San Marcos, TX

**Instructor of Record**

- **CJ 1310** – Introduction to Criminal Justice (*Summer 2024, online, 34 students*)
- **CJ 2310** – Police System & Practices (*Scheduled – Spring 2026, in-person, 59 students*)
- **CJ 3446** – Research in Criminal Justice (*Fall 2025, in-person, 32 students*)
- **CJ 4331** – Serial Murder (*Spring 2024, in-person, 61 students; Fall 2024, in-person, 50 students; Summer 2025, online, 48 students; Scheduled – Spring 2026, in-person, 79 students*)

**Doctoral Teaching Assistant**

- **CJ 1310** – Introduction to Criminal Justice (*Fall 2024*)
- **CJ 2350** – The Courts & Criminal Procedure (*Fall 2024*)
- **CJ 4335** – Psychology of Antisocial Behavior (*Fall 2023*)

**2022–2023**      **Wichita State University**, School of Criminal Justice, Wichita, KS

**Instructor of Record**

- **CJ 191** – Introduction to Criminal Justice (*Fall 2022, in-person, 60 students; Spring 2023, hybrid, 25 students*)

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**

- **CJ 341** – Criminalistics & Scientific Crime Detection (*Fall 2022*)
- **CJ 392** – Law Enforcement (*Spring 2023*)
- **CJ 581I** – Forensic Photography (*Spring 2022*)
- **CJ 581K** – Crime Scene Reconstruction (*Spring 2022*)
- **CJ 593** – Crime Causation & Criminal Justice Policy (*Spring 2023*)
- **CJ 598** – Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice (*Summer 2023*)
- **FS 498** – Seminar in Forensic Science Techniques I (*Fall 2023*)
- **FS 499** – Seminar in Forensic Science Techniques II (*Spring 2022*)
- **WSUA 102Q** – First Year Seminar - Criminalist Methods: What Would Sherlock Holmes Do? (*Spring 2022; Fall 2022*)

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS, & POSTERS**

(\*Denotes Presenters, \*\*Denotes Under Review)

**Davis, J. J.\* (Accepted)**. Texas law enforcement's perspectives and beliefs on armed teachers in Texas schools [Poster]. 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Philadelphia, PA.

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2025, August 28). *Grad school 101* (University Discussion Panel). Texas State University, San Marcos, TX. **[Invited]**

Jarzombek-Torralva, A.,\* Scogin, S. C., Hopkins, J. R., Price, J. R., Barnes, V., **Davis, J. J.**, Bowman, S. Wm., Klepac, K. A., May, M., Martinez-Prather, K. (2025, April 26). *Expanding safety options: Understanding the expectations for non-law enforcement security in Texas schools*. 2025 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Denver, CO.

Hopkins, J. R., Jarzombek-Torralva, A., Scogin, S. C., Price, J. R. \*, **Davis, J.J.** (2025, March 14). *Investigating relationships: Law enforcement agencies' involvement with armed personnel in school* [Poster]. 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Denver, CO.

**Davis, J. J.\***, Bowman, S. Wm., Jarzombek-Torralva, A. (2024, November 14). *A content analysis of guardian training in rural Texas school districts*. 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. San Francisco, CA.

Hopkins, J. R.\*, Jarzombek-Torralva, A.\*, Scogin, S. C.\*, Barnes, V. R., Martinez-Parther, K., Price, J. R., **Davis, J. J.**, Bowman, S.Wm., May, M. (2024, November 14). *Employing mixed methods to understand the relationship between schools, law enforcement agencies, and non-law enforcement personnel*. 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. San Francisco, CA.

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2024, November 13). *Critical issues in policing* [Roundtable]. 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. San Francisco, CA. **[Invited]**

**Davis, J. J.\*** & Birzer, M. L. (2023, November 17). *Behind the blue line: An ethnographic study of police culture in rural Kansas law enforcement*. 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. Philadelphia, PA.

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2023, November 17). *Research design in criminal justice and criminology: Opportunities and challenges* (Roundtable). 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. Philadelphia, PA. **[Invited]**

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2022, November 9). *Campus safety issues* (University Discussion Panel). Wichita State University, Wichita, KS. **[Invited]**

**GUEST LECTURES**

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2025, October 9). *Police Ethics*. Guest Lecture for CJ 1310: Introduction to Criminal Justice. Texas State University, San Marcos, TX. **[Invited]**

**Davis, J. J.\*** (2025, October 7). *Police Use of Force*. Guest Lecture for CJ 1310: Introduction to Criminal Justice. Texas State University, San Marcos, TX. **[Invited]**

**K-12 TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Fall 2021**                      **History Teacher**  
Curtis Middle School, Wichita Public Schools, Wichita, KS

**2020–2021**                      **History and Government Teacher**  
Hodgeman County High School, Hodgeman County Schools, Jetmore, KS

**Spring 2020**            **Math Teacher**  
Ersilia Cruz Middle School, Chávez/Huerta K-12 Preparatory Academy,  
Pueblo, CO

**NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

**2022–2023**            **Armed Security Officer**  
WSU Tech, Wichita, KS

**2021–2022**            **Guest Instructor & Role Player**  
Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center, Hutchinson, KS

**2019**                    **Truancy Officer**  
Garden City Public Schools, Garden City, KS

**2015–2018**            **Director of Religious Education**  
Saint Patrick Catholic Church, Fayetteville, NC

**2015**                    **Deputy Sheriff**  
Smith County Sheriff’s Office, Smith Center, KS

**2011–2013**            **Police Officer**  
Holcomb Police Department, Holcomb, KS

**AWARDS & HONORS**

**Spring 2026**            **Doctoral Summit Fellowship**, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

**Spring 2026**            **Graduate Scholarship**, Texas State University  
Award Amount: \$1,000

**Fall 2025**              **Graduate Scholarship**, Texas State University  
Award Amount: \$1,000

**2023–2026**            **Run to R1 Fellowship**, Texas State University  
Award Amount: \$50,777 per academic year

**Spring 2023**            **Jayne & Glenn Milburn Fellow**, Wichita State University  
Award Amount: \$725

**Fall 2022**              **Ollie A. & J.O. Heskett Graduate Fellowship**, Wichita State University  
Award Amount: \$1,200

**August 2022**            **WSU Tech Challenge Coin for Exemplary Service**  
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences & Technology

**Spring 2022**            **Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year Nominee**  
School of Criminal Justice, Wichita State University

**Spring 2022**            **Jayne & Glenn Milburn Fellow**, Wichita State University  
Award Amount: \$550

**SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT**

**2024–Present**            **First Year Student Mentor**, School of Criminal Justice and Criminology,  
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

**2024–2025**            **Vice President**, Criminal Justice and Criminology Graduate Student  
Association (GradCATS), Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

**Spring 2022**            **Treasurer**, Criminal Justice Student Association,  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

**SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE**

**2024–Present**            **Student Representative & Social Media Chair**, Police Section  
Executive Board, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)

**2023**                    **Reviewer**, U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics  
Federal Criminal Case Processing Statistics Dashboard

**MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER**

Journal of Criminal Justice Education  
Journal of School Violence

**SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

**2026–Present**            **Graduate Student Ambassador**, The Graduate College, Texas State  
University, San Marcos, TX

**2024–2025**            **New Graduate Student Orientation Ambassador**, The Graduate  
College, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

**2007–2008**            **Member**, Liberal Arts & Science College Dean Re-Appointment  
Committee, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

**Fall 2007**            **Member**, Student Advisory Committee to the Kansas Board of Regents,  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

**Fall 2007**            **Director of Governmental Relations**, Student Government Association,  
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

**2005–2007**            **Student Member**, University Publications Board, Wichita State  
University, Wichita, KS

**2005–2006**            **Holdover Senator**, Student Government Association, Wichita State  
University, Wichita, KS

- 2004–2008**            **Student Member**, Rhatigan Student Center Board of Directors, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2007**            **Student Member**, University Traffic Court, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2006**            **Student Member**, Student Fees Committee, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2006**            **Student Member**, Heskett Center Board of Directors, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2006**            **Director of Records**, Student Government Association, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2005**            **At-Large Senator**, Student Government Association, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004–2006**            **Student Member**, Educational Opportunity Fund Committee, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- 2004**                    **Liberal Arts & Science Senator**, Student Government Association, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS

**SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

- 2021–Present**            **At-Large Board Member**, Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Volunteer Corporation, Wichita, KS
- 2022–2023**            **Member**, Juvenile Field Services Success Panel, Sedgwick County Department of Corrections, Wichita, KS

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- May 2025**                **Graduate & Career Professional Development: Shop Talk Series 2024-2025**, The Graduate College, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- March 2025**            **Academic Writing Workshop with Dr. John Eck**, School of Criminal Justice & Criminology, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- May 2024**                **Graduate & Career Professional Development: Shop Talk Series 2023-2024**, The Graduate College, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- October 2023**            **Kognito Student At-Risk Mental Health Training**, The Counseling Center, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

**August 2023**            **Teaching Online Training Course**, Office of Online & Extended Programs, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**2022–Present**            **Member**, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)  
Police Section

**2022–Present**            **Member**, American Society of Criminology (ASC)  
Division of Policing  
Division of Rural Criminology  
Division of Qualitative Research (since 2025)

**2022–Present**            **Member**, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)

**2025–Present**            **Member**, The American Society of Evidence-Based Policing (ASEBP)