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### EDUCATION

- 2005-2008     **Ph.D., Criminal Justice**  
Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA
- 2003-2005     **Master of Arts, Criminal Justice**  
Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA
- 1997-1998     **Judge Diploma**  
National Institute of Magistrature and Ministry of Justice, Bucharest, Romania
- 1993-1997     **Bachelor of Law**  
University of Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania

### POSITIONS

- 2017-           **Associate Professor**, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University, USA
- 2025 Spring    **Visiting Associate Professor**, Temple University, Japan Campus
- 2021-2023     **Undergraduate Chair**, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University, USA
- 2009-2017     **Assistant Professor**, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University, USA  
[on personal leave during 2012-2013 academic year]
- 2008-2009     **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Criminal Justice, Temple University
- 1998-2009     **Judge** (life-tenured), the Court of the 4<sup>th</sup> District of Bucharest, Romania.  
Appointed by the President of Romania based on the National Tenure Examination,  
following graduation of the National Institute of Magistrature (sole entry point for a  
judicial career in Romania)  
[on professional leave during completion of Ph.D. degree & visiting professorship]

### AREAS OF INTEREST

Progressive prosecution; criminal courts; corrections; liberty decisions and punishment; policy analysis and evaluation; comparative criminal justice

### PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

[\*Denotes graduate student co-author; \*denotes undergraduate student co-author]

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**, Megan Mohler\*, Jesse Brey\*, & Jeffery Ward. 2025. Organizational Culture and Context in Progressive Prosecutorial Reform: Lessons from Philadelphia. *Journal of Criminal Justice*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2025.102374>.

Ward, Jeffrey, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Jesse Brey,\* Megan Mohler,\* and Cheyenne Dolbear\*. 2025. Progressive Prosecution Policies in Philadelphia: An Assessment of Implementation Fidelity. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-025-09792-0>.

Yu-Heng Chen\*, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Jeffrey Ward, Makayla Maynard<sup>x</sup>, Cadee Eberhardt<sup>x</sup> & Ajima Olaghere. 2024. Legitimacy of Parole as a Consequence of Policy Shock: The Lived Experiences of Incarcerated Persons during the Parole Moratorium in Pennsylvania, U.S. *Law & Policy*.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/lapo.12239>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely** & Steven Belenko. 2021. Designing Effective Pre-Release Programs: Challenges and Pathways towards Successful Reintegration. *Advancing Corrections*, 11, 112-127. (*Special Issue, Envisioning Corrections in 2030*.)

<https://icpa.org/resources/advancing-corrections-journal.html>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**, Kimberly Houser, & Veronica Nelson\*. 2020. The Role of Mental Health Risk Factors in Predicting Parolee Performance in the Community: An Empirical Examination in a Large US Jurisdiction. *Advancing Corrections*, 9, 44-67. (*Special Issue, Management and Treatment of the Mentally Ill and Mentally Unwell in Corrections*.)

<https://icpa.org/resources/advancing-corrections-journal.html>.

Kimberly A. Houser, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Christine A. Saum, & Matthew L. Hiller. 2019. Mental Health Risk Factors and Parole Decisions: Does Inmate Mental Health Status Affect Who Gets Released? *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 16 (16), 2950. (*Special Issue, Health of Marginalized People*).

DOI: <https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/16/2950>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**. 2018. Revisiting Parole Decisionmaking: Testing for the Punitive Hypothesis in a Large US Jurisdiction. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 62 (5), 1357-1383.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0306624X16668512>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**. 2016. Challenges in Parole Supervision: Views from the Field. *Corrections: Policy, Practice and Research*, 1 (4), 266-292.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/23774657.2016.1219886>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**. 2016. Studying Parole in the Spotlight: Lessons from a Large American Jurisdiction. *European Journal on Criminal Policy & Research*, 22(1), 61-88.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10610-015-9284-8>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely**. 2015. The Influence of Inmate Visitation on the Decision to Grant Parole: An Exploratory Study. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 43(6), 498-509.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2015.11.003>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely** & John S. Goldkamp (posthumously). 2015. Bail Prediction: Exploring the Role of Neighborhood Context in Philadelphia. *Criminal Justice & Behavior*, 42(11), 1159-1182.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0093854815599022>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 2014. Parole Decisionmaking in the United States: A Crisis Situation and Its Consequences (in Romanian, "Procesul de Liberare Conditionata in Statele Unite: O Situatie de Criza si Consecintele Sale"). *Revista de Criminologie, Criminalistică și Penologie*, nr.1-2, 32-42.

(*The [Romanian] Journal of Criminology, Criminalistics, and Penology*)

<https://www.juridice.ro/340963/revista-de-criminologie-de-criminalistica-si-de-penologie-nr-1-2-2014.html>

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 2014. The Role of Dismissal in the American Criminal Court: Court Theories Revisited. *Justice System Journal*, 35(2), 205-232.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/0098261X.2013.869156>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 2012. Nature and Consequences of Dismissals: Implications for Public Safety and Crime Prevention in Criminal Courts in America. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 40(2), 103-116.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2012.01.006>.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely,** Steve Belenko, Matt Hiller, & Faye Taxman. 2010. Exporting Court Innovation from the United States to Continental Europe: Compatibility between the Drug Court Model and Inquisitorial Justice Systems. *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*, 34(1), 139-172. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/01924036.2010.9678821>.

Goldkamp, John S. & **E. Rely Vîlcică.** 2009. Judicial Discretion and the Unfinished Agenda of American Bail Reform: Lessons from Philadelphia's Evidence-Based Judicial Strategy. *Studies in Law, Politics and Society, Special Issue New Perspectives on Crime and Criminal Justice*, 47, 115-157.

DOI: [https://doi.org/10.1108/S1059-4337\(2009\)0000047007](https://doi.org/10.1108/S1059-4337(2009)0000047007).

Goldkamp, John S. & **E. Rely Vîlcică.** 2008. Targeted Enforcement and Adverse System Side- Effects: The Generation of Fugitives in Philadelphia. *Criminology*, 46(2), 371-410.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1745-9125.2008.00113.x>.

## BOOK CHAPTERS & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

**E. Rely Vîlcică** & Sarah Jones\*. 2023. *Cash Bail Reform: Empirical Evidence and Policy Recommendations*. Public Policy Lab Policy Brief # 21. Philadelphia: College of Liberal Arts, Temple University.

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 2021. Criminal Liability of Legal Persons in the USA: An Analysis of the Legislation and the Application of Punishments in the Courts (in Romanian, "Raspunderea Penala a Persoanelor Juridice in SUA: O Analiza a Legislatiei si Aplicarea Pedepselor in Instantele Judecatoresti"). In *Corporate Criminal Liability: A Transatlantic Institution—Establishing Guilt and Punishment (In Romanian)*. Andra-Roxana Trandafir & George-Alexandru Lazar (Eds.). Solomon Publications. (*Invited submission.*)

<https://www.editeur.solomon.ro/produs/raspunderea-penala-a-persoanei-juridice/>.

## RESEARCH REPORTS

Kelly, Kate,\* Caterina G. Roman, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Jordan M. Hyatt, & Danielle T. Stanford.\* 2021. *Process Evaluation of the Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement for Survivors (C.A.R.E.S.) Program*. Report to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Philadelphia: Temple University Department of Criminal Justice.

[https://github.com/phillydao/phillydao-public-data/raw/master/docs/reports/CARES%20process%20evaluation\\_finalNov2021.pdf](https://github.com/phillydao/phillydao-public-data/raw/master/docs/reports/CARES%20process%20evaluation_finalNov2021.pdf).

Kelly, Kate,\* Caterina G. Roman, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, and Jordan M. Hyatt. 2021. *Crisis, Assistance, Response and Engagement for Survivors (C.A.R.E.S.) Highlights 2020-2021*. Booklet produced for the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Philadelphia, PA: Temple University Department of Criminal Justice.

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAEp6E-uixw/uTriYrrdyIbUa4agImf9wg/view?utm\\_content=DAEp6E-uixw&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=sharebutton](https://www.canva.com/design/DAEp6E-uixw/uTriYrrdyIbUa4agImf9wg/view?utm_content=DAEp6E-uixw&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)

Goldkamp, John S., **E. Rely Vîlcică**, M. Kay Harris, & Doris Weiland. 2010. *Parole and Public Safety in Pennsylvania: A Report to Governor Edward G. Rendell*. (Special investigation to Governor Edward Rendell). Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., M. Kay Harris, Doris Weiland, & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. 2008. *Restoring Parole and Related Processing for Categories of Violent State Prisoners: Findings and Recommendations II*. (Special investigation submitted to Governor Edward G. Rendell). Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., M. Kay Harris, Doris Weiland, & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. 2008. *Proceeding with the Parole Processing of Non-violent State Prisoners: Findings and Recommendations I*. (Special investigation submitted to Governor Edward G. Rendell). Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Doris Weiland, & Wang Ke. 2006. *Confinement and the Justice Process in Philadelphia: Its Features and Implications for Planning. Final Report*. Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Doris Weiland, & Wang Ke. 2006. *Confinement and the Judicial Process in Philadelphia*. Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., Doris Weiland, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, & Wang Ke. 2006. *The Population of the Philadelphia Prisons on November 21, 2005: A Single Day Analysis*. Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

Goldkamp, John S., **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Doris Weiland, & Wang Ke. 2006. *The Population of the Philadelphia Prisons in Context: Justice System Trends and Projections*. Philadelphia: Crime and Justice Research Center, Temple University.

## **GRANTS & CONTRACTS, EXTERNALLY FUNDED**

- 2020-24 Co-Principal Investigator on Project “Evaluating Prosecutor-Led Criminal Justice Reform in Philadelphia: A Mixed-Methods Approach.” Jeff Ward (PI). \$556,420. Arnold Ventures, Subcontract with the University of Pennsylvania. Multiple PI format (equal role with PI).
- 2019-21 Co-Principal Investigator on Project “Evaluation of the Philadelphia CARES Strategy.” Caterina Gouvis Roman (PI). \$180,933. Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, Subcontract with the City of Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office.
- 2008-10 Co-Principal Investigator on Project “Special Investigation of Violence among Parolees in Pennsylvania.” John Goldkamp (PI) and M. Kay Harris (Co-PI). \$199,999. Requested by then-Governor Edward G. Rendell. Funded by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency & the Governor’s Office.
- 2005-06 Research Associate on Project “Impact of Pretrial and Other Justice Processes on Inmate Population: Developing Strategies for Managing the Use of Confinement in Philadelphia.” John Goldkamp (PI), \$153,000. Contract with the City of Philadelphia.
- June 1998 Merit-based award for study-visit to the European Community Institutions. Granted by the Romanian National Institute of Magistrature, with support from the Netherlands Helsinki Committee, European Council, and European Court of Justice.

## **GRANTS & CONTRACTS, INTERNALLY FUNDED**

- Summer 2025 Temple University Summer Research Award. \$7,000.
- Spring 2022 College of Liberal Arts LAURA Award (Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Award; Mentor to Sophia Shaiman). \$2,000 (\$500 mentor, \$1,500 mentee).
- Fall 2021 College of Liberal Arts LAURA Award (Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Award; Mentor to Sophia Shaiman). \$2,000 (\$500 mentor, \$1,500 mentee).
- Spring 2021 Temple University Sabbatical Leave
- Spring 2019 College of Liberal Arts LAURA Award (Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Award; Mentor to Sierra Austin). \$2,000 (\$500 mentor, \$1,500 mentee).
- Summer 2018 Temple University Summer Research Award. \$7,000.
- Spring 2014 Temple University Sabbatical Leave
- Summer 2011 Temple University Summer Research Award. \$7,000.

## **FELLOWSHIPS/VISITING POSITIONS**

- 2025-2026 Temple University Public Policy Lab Research Team Fellowship

March 17-24/2025      Taiwan National Science and Technology Council Visiting Scholar

Sprig 2025      Temple University Japan Visiting Program

2022-2023      Temple University Public Policy Lab Faculty Fellowship

### **PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (past ten years)**

Nov 2025      **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Yu-Heng Chen\*, & Kimberly Houser. "Unpacking the Complexity of Prison Visitation and Its Effects on Post-Release Reoffending". International Corrections and Prisons Association, Istanbul, Turkey. International.

Nov 2025      Sarah Jones\* & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "Progressive Prosecutor-Led Bail Reform: Insights from External Stakeholders in Philadelphia". American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC, USA. International.

Nov 2025      Megan Mohler, Luis Torres, Jeffrey Ward, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, & Jesse Brey. "Reconfiguring Police-Prosecutor Relationships in the Era of the Progressive Prosecution Movement." American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC, USA. International.

Sep 2025      Yu-Heng Chen\* & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "Aging Populations in Corrections: A Comprehensive Umbrella Review of Systematic Research." European Society of Criminology, Athens, Greece. International.

Nov 2024      Sarah Jones\* & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "Punishment Enough?: The Pretrial Process as Punishment and Ultimate Case Dismissals." American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, USA. International.

Sep 2024      **E. Rely Vîlcică** & Sarah Jones\*. "The Progressive Prosecution Movement in the United States: Philadelphia as a Case Study in Prosecutorial-led Reform." European Society of Criminology, Bucharest, Romania. International.

Dec 2023      Yu-Heng Chen\*, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Ajima Olaghere, Jeffrey Ward, Makayla Maynard<sup>x</sup>, & Cadee Eberhardt<sup>x</sup>. "The Consequences of Parole Procedural Injustice: Using the Case of Parole Moratorium in Pennsylvania." Asian Association of Police Studies, Taoyuan, Taiwan. International.

Nov 2023      **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Sarah Jones\*, Jesse Brey\*, & Megan Mohler\*, and Jeff Ward. "Challenges to Bail Reform in the Era of Progressive Prosecution: Lessons from Philadelphia." American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, USA. International.

Jeff Ward, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Jesse Brey\*, & Megan Mohler\*. "What are the Policy Goals of Progressive Prosecution? Views from Internal and External Stakeholders." American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, USA. International.

Jesse Brey\*, Megan Mohler\*, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, & Jeff Ward. "Progressive Prosecution and Inter-Organizational Relationships." American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, USA. International.

- March 2023 Yu-Heng Chen\*, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Ajima Olaghere, Jeffrey Ward, Makayla Maynard<sup>x</sup>, & Cadee Eberhardt<sup>x</sup>. "Consequences of Rash Criminal Justice Policy Decisions: The Case of Moratorium on Parole in Pennsylvania". Academy of Criminal Justice Science, National Harbor, USA. International.
- Nov 2022 Jeffrey Ward, **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "The Path to Progressive Prosecution: Lessons from Interviews with Prosecutorial Office Staff," American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, USA. International.
- Megan Mohler\*, Jesse Brey\*, & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "The Progressive Prosecution Movement: What we Know and What We Need to Know," American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, USA. International.
- Cheyenne Dolbear\*, Jeffrey Ward, & **E. Rely Vîlcică**. "Assessing Progressive Prosecution Policies with the Justice Policy Implementation Fidelity Scale," American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, USA. International.
- Sep 2022 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Kimberly Houser, & Veronica Nelson\*. "The Role of Mental Health Risk in Predicting Parolee Performance in the Community: An Empirical Examination," European Society of Criminology, Malaga, Spain. International.
- July 2019 Kimberly Houser, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, Christine Saum, & Matthew Hiller. "Mental Health Risk Factors and Parole Decisionmaking," International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Rome, Italy. International.
- Feb 2019 **E. Rely Vîlcică** & Kimberly Houser. "Social Ties and Prisoner Reentry: A Closer Look at the Influence of Prison Visitation on Post-Release Outcomes," Western Society of Criminology, Honolulu, Hawaii. International.
- Oct 2018 **E. Rely Vîlcică** & Steven Belenko, "Designing Effective Pre-Release Programs: Challenges and Pathways towards Successful Post-Release Outcomes," International Corrections and Prisons Association, Montreal, Canada. International.
- May 2018 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, "Conducting Prison Research in the 'Spotlight': Lessons from a Comprehensive Research Undertaking in Pennsylvania, United States," International Corrections and Prisons Association – Research Symposium, Prague, The Czech Republic. International.
- Feb 2018 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, "Multilevel Impacts of Violence and Social Climate on Mental Health in Philadelphia," Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, USA. International.
- Oct 2017 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, "The Decision to Grant Conditional Release from Prison: An Exploration into the Role of Inmate Visitation in a Large US Jurisdiction," International Corrections and Prisons Association, London, UK. International.
- June 2017 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, "Granting Conditional Release from Prison: Exploring the Role of Punitive Themes in Parole Decisionmaking in a Large US Jurisdiction," Stockholm Criminology Symposium, Stockholm, Sweden. International.

- Nov 2016 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, “Bail, Pretrial Detention, and Case Dismissal: Punishment without Conviction?,” American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, USA. International.
- Oct 2016 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, “Challenges in Conditional Release Supervision: Views from the Field from One Large American Jurisdiction,” International Corrections and Prisons Association, Bucharest, Romania. International.
- Nov 2015 Bell Nicolette, Bret Bucklen, Kiminori Nakamura, **E. Rely Vîlcică**, & Brandy B. Blasko, “The 2008 Pennsylvania Parole Moratorium as a Case Study in Procedural Justice,” American Society of Criminology, Washington DC, USA. International.
- Nov 2014 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, “The Impact of Inmate Visitation on Parole Decisionmaking: Translating Parole Performance Goals into Parole Decisionmaking Practices,” American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, USA. International.
- April 2014 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, “Parole Decisionmaking in the United States: A Crisis Situation and Its Consequences,” Romanian Society of Criminology, Bucharest, Romania. (In Romanian). International.
- Feb 2014 **E. Rely Vîlcică**, “The Parole Decision: Its Function in Relation to the Punishment Aims at Sentencing,” Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Philadelphia, USA. International.

#### INVITED TALKS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- March 2025 Conducting Parole Research in the “Spotlight”: Lessons from a Comprehensive Investigation in Pennsylvania, United States. *National Agency of Corrections, Taiwan*.
- March 2025 Evaluating Progressive Prosecutorial Bail Reform in the United States: Philadelphia as a Case Study. *National Chung Cheng University International Speaker of the Year, Taiwan*.
- March 2025 Evaluating Progressive Prosecutorial Bail Reform in the United States: Philadelphia as a Case Study. *Central Police University International Speaker of the Year, Taiwan*.
- Dec 2023 Evaluating Prosecutor-led Criminal Justice Reform in Philadelphia: Role of Organizational Context. *Research-to-Action 2023: Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office*, Philadelphia, USA
- May 2023 Advances in Research of Prosecutor’s Offices: Lessons from Interviews with DAO Staff. *Innovations in Criminal Justice: The 2023 Quattrone Center Spring Symposium, University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, USA.
- April 2023 The Path to Progressive Prosecution: Lessons from Stakeholder Interviews. *Public Policy Lab Colloquium Series, 2022-2023, Temple University*, Philadelphia, USA.



- May 2021 Corporate Criminal Liability in the United States: Pursuing Charges, Establishing Guilt, and Imposing Punishment – An Overview of the Legislation and Jurisprudence (in Romanian, “Răspunderea Penală a Persoanelor juridice în Statele Unite: Stabilirea Răspunderii, Vinovăția Aplicabilă și Pedepsele Incidente – O Analiză a Legislației și a Jurisprudenței”). *Symposium on Criminal Liability of Legal Entities, School of Law, University of Bucharest*, Bucharest, Romania. (Online.)
- Nov 2017 Exporting Court Innovation: Compatibility between the American Drug Court Model and European Justice Systems. *Global and Transnational Crimes Conference, Temple University*, Philadelphia, USA.
- May 2014 Justice for the Minors: Dedicated System or Mainstream Justice? Lessons from America (In Romanian). *School of Law, University of Bucharest*, Bucharest, Romania.
- May 2014 The Penology of Justice for the Minors: A Comparison between the US and Romania (In Romanian). *Law School, Spiru Haret University*, Bucharest, Romania.
- May 2011 Invited participation to the “National Symposium on Pretrial Justice: Commemorating the Work of Robert F. Kennedy 50 Years Later.” *US Department of Justice and Pretrial Justice Institute*, Washington, D.C., USA. National.
- Dec 1998 Invited participation to the symposium “The Reform of Criminal Penalty System in Romania,” *European Council and the Romanian Ministry of Justice*, Bucharest, Romania. National.
- Sep 1998 Invited participation to the symposium “The European Court of Justice Role in the Application of Community Law.” *European Commission, the Academy of European Law Trier, and the Romanian Ministry of Justice*, Bucharest, Romania. International.
- June 1998 Invited visit to the European Council, the European Parliament, the European Court of Justice, and the European Court of Human Rights. *Netherlands Helsinki Committee, the European Council, and the European Court of Justice*. International.

## DISSERTATION/THESES

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 2008. *The Public Safety Dimensions and Implications of Dismissal: The Unexamined Criminal Case Disposition*. Doctoral Dissertation. Committee Peter R. Jones (Chair), M. Kay Harris, & Alan Harland; External: Candace McCoy.

\* Nominated by Temple University for the biannual US Council of Graduate Schools Distinguished Dissertation Award in Social Sciences

\* Supported by a Temple University Presidential Fellowship, the university's most prestigious award for Ph.D. students

**Vîlcică, E. Rely.** 1997. *The Specific Clauses of the Long-Term International Transactions* (in Romanian). Law School Graduation Thesis. Chair: Dragoș Alexandru Sitaru.

## TEACHING

### Courses:

Crime and Justice around the World: Critical Issues (CJ 8320, graduate)  
Advanced Methodological Issues in Criminal Justice Research (CJ 8302, graduate)  
Crime and Justice around the World (CJ 3006, undergraduate)  
Criminal Justice Research Methods (CJ 2597, undergraduate, writing-intensive)  
Nature of Crime (CJ 2401, undergraduate)  
Introduction to Criminal Justice (CJ 1001, undergraduate)  
Criminal Behavior (CJ 0812, undergraduate, GenEd)

### Independent Study Courses:

Sarah Jones, graduate (*Bail Reform in Philadelphia*, Spring 2024)  
Sarah Jones, graduate (*Pretrial Justice Processes*, Fall 2023)  
Chelsey Cain, graduate (*Comparative Drug Policy*, Spring 2020)  
Victoria Samsel, *Diamond Peer Teacher*, undergraduate (Spring 2017, CJ 1001)  
Nahla Ward, *Diamond Peer Teacher*, undergraduate (Spring 2016, CJ 1001)

## STUDENT ADVISING/MENTORING/SUPERVISING

### Graduate, Ph.D. Students:

#### Ongoing:

Yu-Heng (Steven) Chen, committee chair  
Chelsey Cain, committee chair  
Sarah Jones, committee chair

#### Past/completed:

Alyssa Mendlein, committee chair, Ph.D. granted May 2023  
Elizabeth Jenaway, general advising, 2020-2022  
Justin Medina, general advising, Ph.D. granted May 2015; RA, 2008-2010  
Scott Hoke, dissertation committee member, Ph.D. granted May 2013  
Brandy Blasko, RA, 2008-2010

### Graduate, MA Students:

Minkyung Kim, general advising, M.A. granted May 2014

### Undergraduate:

Sophia Shaiman, *CLA LAURA (Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research) Awards* (Spring 2022; Fall 2021)  
Sierra Austin, *CLA LAURA (Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research) Award* (Spring 2019)  
Victoria Samsel, *Diamond Peer Teacher*, undergraduate (Spring 2017, CJ 1001)  
Nahla Ward, *Diamond Peer Teacher*, undergraduate (Spring 2016, CJ 1001)

### Undergraduate - selection of other successful award nominations/scholarships:

Jaylen Slaughter, *Department of Criminal Justice Excellence Award* (Spring 2024)  
Demi Sweeny, Admission into 4+1 Master Program (Spring 2024)  
Jaylen Slaughter, *Department of Criminal Justice Grabosky Award* (Spring 2023)  
Sophia Shaiman, *Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award at the University of South Carolina* (Summer 2021); *Department of Criminal Justice Excellence Award* (Spring 2022); *University of South Carolina Ph.D. Admission with Presidential Fellowship* (Fall 2022)  
Talia LaSane, *Temple Ph.D. Admission with University Fellowship* (Fall 2021)

Tamera Wright, *Department of Criminal Justice Grabosky Award* (Spring 2020)  
 Talia LaSane, *Department of Criminal Justice Grabosky Award* (Spring 2019)  
 Enrique Melendez, *Department of Criminal Justice Phoenix Award* (Spring 2019)  
 Nahla Ward, *Temple University Diamond Award* (Spring 2017), *Department of Criminal Justice Faculty Award* (Spring 2017)  
 Diona Davis, *Department of Criminal Justice Phoenix Award* (Spring 2013)  
 Vito Balice, *Department of Criminal Justice Phoenix Award* (Spring 2011)  
 Anne Knorr, *Department of Criminal Justice Grabosky Award* (Spring 2011)  
 Sarai Rosado, *Department of Criminal Justice Grabosky Award* (Spring 2010)  
 Ishata Al-Yakoub, *College of Liberal Arts Carolyn Karcher Award* (Spring 2010)

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN TEACHING**

Summer 2023	AI Technology and Your Classes, Workshop Series. Center for Advancement of Teaching, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
Summer 2020	Certification in Online Teaching, College of Liberal Arts, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & WORKSHOPS**

Fall 2021	Resources and Support for Student Mental Health, Workshop Series. Center for Advancement of Teaching, Temple University. Philadelphia, PA
Fall 2020	Developing and Fostering Effective Peer Reviews, Workshop Series. Center for Advancement of Teaching, Temple University. Philadelphia, PA
Summer 2020	Institutional Diversity, Equity, Advocacy and Leadership (IDEAL). Diversity and Inclusion Training, Temple University. Philadelphia, PA

## **SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AT TEMPLE UNIVERSITY**

2023-present	Graduate Committee
2017-present	Personnel Committee
2021-2023	Executive Committee
2021-2023	Undergraduate Chair
2016-2023	Undergraduate Committee
2013-2019	Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination Committee (Justice area)
2017-2019	Teaching & Pedagogy Committee
2017-2018	NTT Promotion Committee
2016-2018	Working Group, Senior Writing Seminar Curriculum/Capstone course
2016-2018	Working Group, Standardization of Writing Intensive courses
2016-2017	Graduate Committee
2014-2016	Working Group, Standardization of Introduction to Criminal Justice course
2015-2016	Working Group, Standardization of Nature of Crime course
2015-2016	Working Group, Standardization of Introduction to Research Methods course
2014-2015	Search Committee

2012-2014	Undergraduate Committee
2009-2013	Development/Communications Committee
Spring 2019	Ad-hoc, Graduate Student Grievance Committee
Summer 2016	Ad-hoc, Fyfe Award Committee for best graduate student research paper
Spring 2016	Ad-hoc, Host of CJ Session during Experience Temple Day series
2009-present	Ad-hoc Reviewer, Graduate Student Research Papers (stepping-stone requirement)

## **SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AT TEMPLE UNIVERSITY**

2024-	Public Policy Lab (PPL) Advisory Board
2022-2025	Research Council
2020-2022	Merit Committee, Tenure Track
2017-2020	Research and Service Awards Committee
Fall 2021	Represent CLA/CJ at Preview Temple Open House
Fall 2018	Represent CLA/CJ at Temple Open House
Spring 2016	Represent CLA/CJ Experience Temple Day

## **SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

Fall 2020	Focus group participation in Center for Advancement of Teaching (CAT) effort to gauge effects on instruction of online transition
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## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

Ongoing	<b>Reviewer</b> <i>American Journal of Criminal Justice; American Sociological Review; Behavioral Sciences &amp; the Law; Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research; Crime and Delinquency; Crime, Law, &amp; Social Change; Criminal Justice &amp; Behavior; Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law &amp; Society; European Journal on Criminal Policy and Research; International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology; Journal of Criminal Justice; Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice &amp; Criminology; Justice Quarterly; Justice System Journal; Psychology, Crime, and the Law; Psychology, Psychiatry, and the Law</i>
2018-2020	Member, Research Advisory Board, Pretrial Justice Institute, Washington, D.C.

## **Conference Program Committees, Sessions Organized**

March-June 2023	Program Committee Member, <i>American Society of Criminology</i> meeting, Philadelphia, USA. International.
Nov 2019	Commemorating the Life and Works of Kay Harris. Organizer & Moderator. <i>American Society of Criminology</i> meeting, San Francisco, USA. International.
March-June 2014	Program Committee Member, <i>American Society of Criminology</i> meeting, San Francisco, USA. International.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2019-2020      Technical Assistance, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office & Stoneleigh Foundation/Fellow Sangeeta Prasad; Early Probation Termination for Young Adults Initiative

## RESEARCH CONSULTING

Sep 2018 -  
- June 2019      **Philadelphia District Attorney's Office & Stoneleigh Fellow Sangeeta Prasad**  
Project: Early Probation Termination for Young Adults Intervention. Feasibility study (data collection protocol) and process evaluation (implementation assessment).

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2004-present      American Society of Criminology (ASC)  
2008-present      ASC, Division of International Criminology, ASC (DIC, ASC)  
2014-present      Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS)  
2014-present      ACJS, International Section, ACJS  
2014-present      Societatea Romana de Criminologie (Romanian Society of Criminology)  
2018-present      Western Society of Criminology  
2022-present      European Society of Criminology  
1998-2003      Association of the Young Judicial Magistrates of Romania

## HONORS & AWARDS

2025-2026      Public Policy Lab Research Team Fellowship, Temple University  
  
March 2025      Taiwan National Science and Technology Council Visiting Scholar Award  
  
2022-2023      Public Policy Lab Faculty Fellowship, Temple University  
  
June 2008      Ph.D. dissertation nominated by Temple University for the biannual US Council of Graduate Schools Distinguished Dissertation Award in Social Sciences  
  
2003-2007      Temple University Presidential Fellowship, the university's most prestigious award for Ph.D. students (full tuition and stipend)  
  
June 1998      Romanian National Institute of Magistrature Top Graduate Award  
  
1996-1997      National Union of Public Notaries of Romania Scholarship Award (one of ten nationally, for senior law students)  
  
1993-1997      Outstanding Merit Scholarship (most prestigious award, full tuition and stipend), School of Law, University of Bucharest, Romania