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Research Interests

Juvenile Delinquency, Victimization, Developmental and Life-Course Criminology, Narrative Criminology, Psychosocial Processes in Offending and Desistance

Education

Temple University, College of Liberal Arts	Philadelphia, PA
<i>Doctor of Philosophy, Criminal Justice</i>	2020 - Present
Temple University, College of Liberal Arts	Philadelphia, PA
<i>Master of Arts, Criminal Justice</i>	2020 - 2022
Temple University, College of Liberal Arts	Philadelphia, PA
<i>Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice Minor, Psychology</i>	2016 - 2020

Relevant Coursework

Research: Research Methods in Criminal Justice; Advanced Methods and Issues in Criminal Justice Research; Statistical Issues and Analysis of Criminal Justice Data; Advanced Statistical Issues and Analysis of Criminal Justice Data; Criminal Justice Spatial Statistics in R; Evidence Synthesis

Theory and Justice: Theories of Crime and Deviance; Developmental and Life-Course Criminology; Topical Seminar in Developmental Psychology: Social Development; Policy and Practice in Juvenile Justice; Gangs; Privacy, Surveillance, & Cybercrime; Decision Making in Criminal Justice; Law and Social Order

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Temple University

Course: CJ 2401 – <i>Nature of Crime (online asynchronous)</i>	Summer 2024; 2025; 2026
Course: CJ1001 – <i>Introduction to Criminal Justice</i>	Fall 2025

- Designing and developing a comprehensive course, including syllabus, lectures, and assessments
- Creating interactive learning modules and engaging discussion activities
- Providing weekly progress updates and timely student support
- Assessing student performance through assignments, exams, and participation

Teaching Assistant, Temple University Aug 2020 – December 2025

Courses: CJ 0812 - *Criminal Behavior*; CJ 0852 - *Justice in America*; CJ 0853 - *Doing Justice*; CJ 1002 - *Professional Development in Criminal Justice*; CJ 2002 - *Victims in Society*; CJ 2304 - *Ethics, Crime, and Justice*; CJ 2501 - *Introduction to Criminal Law*; CJ 2597 - *Criminal Justice Research Methods*; CJ 2602 - *Criminal Justice Statistics*; CJ 3402 - *Street-Level Criminology*; CJ 3404 - *Urban Crime Patterns*; CJ 3503 - *Restorative Justice*; CJ 4097 – *CJ Capstone Seminar: Gender and Criminal Justice*; CJ 8320 - *Criminology of Place*

- Preparing and proofreading course materials
- Hosting weekly office hours to assist students with course content
- Providing supplemental in-class support and instructing class as needed
- Grading a range of assignments, from class exercises to term papers
- Monitoring students' academic progress and reporting to faculty

Leadership & Service

Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association (CJGSA)

- Vice President 2024-2026
 - Coordinating and promoting the Criminal Justice Mentoring Center
 - Assisting with the annual John S. Goldkamp Lecture
 - Helping with planning and coordinating the prospective student visiting day along with the Graduate Chair and other pertinent faculty members
 - Updating and maintaining the Constitution and Bylaws along with the President
- Treasurer 2021 - 2022
 - Maintaining financial records and banking information
 - Helping coordinates a fundraiser for the department
 - Planning and leading fundraising events

The Association of Chinese Criminology and Criminal Justice (ACCCJ)

- Student Affairs Committee Member 2024 - 2025
 - Stimulating and facilitating communication among student members within the association
 - Representing student voices in the association's initiatives supporting students
 - Organizing workshops, webinars, conferences and related activities focusing on career development and academic advancement for students
 - Assisting the board with initiatives/activities about students' affairs
- Mentorship and Database Program Student Member 2024-2025
 - Co-hosting Mentorship and Database Program Meetings in collaboration with a faculty member
 - Developing and distribute meeting agenda and materials with specific discussion topics
 - Documenting and sharing meeting summaries

Division of Victimology, American Society of Criminology (ASC)

- Publications Committee Member 2026-2027
 - Working toward developing a journal for the Division
 - Organizing a special issue to be published in a collaborating victimology-related journal

Ad Hoc Peer Review

- Justice Quarterly 2024

Publications

Manuscripts under Review

- Jia, Y. (2026, tentative). Investigating Cross-Lagged Effects Across Substance Use, Self-Esteem, and Physical Health.

Manuscripts in Preparation

- Jia, Y., & Ward, J. T. (2026, tentative). The Function of Big-Five Personality Traits in Resiliency to Adverse Consequences of Exposure to Violence.
- Jia, Y., Park, H., & Ward, J. T. (2026, tentative). Technology Impairment and Adolescent Delinquency: Assessing Buffering Effects of Initiation and Inhibitory Self-Control.
- Park, H., Jia, Y., & Ward, J. T. (2026, tentative). Examining Cumulative Impacts of Inner and Outer Containment Factors on Youth Delinquency.
- Shaud, M., Jia, Y., & Ward, J. T. (2026, tentative). Specifying the Developmental Processes in the Normalization of Violence During Adolescence.

Presentations

- Jia, Y., & Ward, J. T. (2021, November). Assessing How Personality Attenuates or Exacerbates Adverse Consequences of Exposure to Violence. Paper presentation at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois.
- Jia, Y. (2022, November). Investigating Direct and Indirect Impacts of Head Injury on Youth Offending. Paper presentation at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Jia, Y., Park, H., & Ward, J. T. (2024, November). Technology Impairment and Adolescent Delinquency: Assessing Buffering Effects of Initiation and Inhibitory Self-Control. Paper presentation at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.
- Jia, Y. (2025, November). Investigating Cross-Lagged Effects Across Substance Use, Self-Esteem, and Physical Health. Paper presentation at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Awards & Fellowships

- The First Summers Research Initiative (FSRI) Award, Temple University 2022
- Research Team Fellowship, Public Policy Lab (PPL), Temple University 2026-2027

Skills & Certifications

- Completion of The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program at SCI-Phoenix, Temple University
- The 99th International Instructor Training Institute of The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program
- College of Liberal Arts Online Teaching Certification, Temple University
- Teaching in Higher Education Certificate
- Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program Certification for Social, Behavioral, and Educational Research with Human Subjects
- Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Quantitative Analysis in SPSS, R-Studio, Stata
- Qualitative Analysis in ATLAS.ti
- Data Visualization in ArcGIS Pro, Tableau