

# USF NEXUS INITIATIVE 2019 AWARD RECIPIENT

## **Fawn Ngo**

*A Cross-National Comparative Study on the Effectiveness of Formal and Informal Responses to the Crime of Stalking*

This project entails a cross-national comparative study on stalking. Drawing from quantitative and qualitative data from the United States and Spain, this research examines how different socio-political contexts impact victims' experiences with the criminal justice system, their behavioral and emotional coping strategies, and the effectiveness of formal and informal responses to this type of crime. This study also explores perceptions on stalking among laypersons and criminal justice officials. It also defines the challenges and barriers in both enforcing stalking laws and prosecuting the offenders from the point of views of police officers, prosecutors, and judges.

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