

# USF NEXUS INITIATIVE 2019 AWARD RECIPIENT

## **Roger Peters**

*Examining Treatment Needs and Alternatives to Incarceration among Substance-Involved Women in the Justice System*

This UNI grant project will provide cross-cultural research in South America and the U.S. to investigate the need for substance abuse services among incarcerated women, and to identify strategies for diverting these women to community-based treatment programs that serve as alternatives to incarceration. Key project activities include comparative analysis of the prevalence of substance use disorders among female prisoners in Paraguay and the U.S., technical assistance to correctional authorities to improve screening procedures and identify strategies for diverting female prisoners to community treatment, and research colloquia at USF and the Universidad Católica in Asunción, Paraguay.

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