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CONTACT INFORMATION

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Instructor, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2022 – Present

Visiting Instructor, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2021 -2022

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2018-2021

Adjunct Instructor, Undergraduate Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2015 – 2017

Adjunct Instructor, College of Public Service, Bethel University, Nashville, TN 2012-2014

Seminar Instructor, Freshman Institute, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2011- 2012

Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Curriculum, South Bend, IN 2008- 2010

COURSES TAUGHT

University of South Florida

Race & Crime (Online)

Professionalism in Criminology and CJ (Live and Online)

Survey of the Criminal Justice System (Live and Online)

Patterns of Criminal Behavior (Online)

Myths of the Criminal Justice System (Live and Online)

Collateral Consequences of Incarceration (Online)

University Experience (Live)

Academic Foundations (Live)

Developing: Restorative Justice Concepts & Policies: A Comparative Analysis, Study Abroad Course (Projected Summer 2024)

Bethel University

Theories of Criminal Behavior (Online)

Introduction to the Criminal Justice System (Online)

Benedict College

Freshman Seminar (Live)

CAREER EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Coordinator, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2022 – Present

- Assist with course scheduling
- Maintain SACS accreditation processes and reporting,
- Decide issues related to academic grievances, academic integrity, and issues of related to student progression.
- Initiate program catalog requests
- Assist adjunct instructors and monitor adjunct compliance with USF policies.

Cybercrime Program Specialist, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2018- 2021

- Communicated information regarding degree progression and USF graduate policies.
- Certified student degrees upon completion of requirements
- Assist Criminology Department Chair with special projects as assigned (course development - producing Teams live events, newsletter development, department reports, etc.)

Life Coach Coordinator and Intake Specialist, Ready4Work, Tallahassee, FL 2018 - 2020 - A program that aims to teach career readiness and personal development skills to persons returning to the community from prison.

- Conducted Life Coach Training sessions for volunteer life coaches
- Matched vetted life coaches with a mentee and maintained monthly contact to support relationship progression and meeting documentation requirements.
- Connected with local faith-based and community organizations to recruit life coaches.
- Served as intake specialist to accept and onboard new program participants, maintained data input for state reporting purposes.
- Conducted risk assessments to identify areas of intervention for program participants.
- Substitute Career Development Instructor leading workshops related to career and personal development.

Academic Advisor II, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2015 – 2017

- Advised students regarding their academic plans and degree progress, academic

schedule, choice of major, academic opportunities and career goals.

- Co-developed and implemented intrusive advising model for students on academic probation.
- Led targeted communications to special populations (academic probation, FTIC, athlete, graduating students).
- Managed requests for double major and approved requests to declare ISS concentration.
- Presented criminology program information at new student orientation and recruiting events.
- Taught Criminology specific sections of Academic Foundations to freshman in a face-to-face setting. Served as co-instructor and chaperone for study abroad opportunity marketed to out-of-state, FTIC students.
- Monitored course availability to ensure meet demand for graduating seniors.

Academic Advisor I, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2014 – 2015

- Advised students regarding their academic plans and degree progress, academic schedule, choice of major, academic opportunities and career goals.
- Connected students with campus resources to address student need or enhance student experience.
- Maintained targeted outreach to special populations (academic probation, FTIC, athlete, graduating students).

Program Coordinator, School of Journalism, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV 2014

- Advised students transferring into the School of Journalism from other majors within WVU to create course schedules and facilitate academic planning.
- Presented program information at new student orientation and information sessions for parents and students.
- Coordinated scholarship matching process ensuring criteria and budget parameters are met. Scholarship budgets totaled over \$150,000.

Academic Advisor, College of Public Service, Nashville, TN 2012 – 2014

- Informed students of college policies and procedures and degree requirements.
- Monitored degree progression for multiple student cohorts and suggested alternate schedules for special circumstances.
- Conducted weekly monitoring to identify emerging academic challenges for students.
- Communicated with students regarding add, drop, and withdraw paperwork to meet deadlines established by federal financial aid.

Academic Success Coach, Freshman Institute, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2011 – 2012

- Served as academic coach to assigned to 140 students in cohorts majoring in criminal justice, sociology, history, political science, and religion.
- Provided mentoring, resource referrals, and academic interventions to improve retention and academic success.
- Served as a liaison with faculty and students requiring remediation.
- Monitored and encouraged student attendance and engagement at campus events. (Homecoming, guest lecture series, Harambee, convocation).
- Initiated freshman schedule re-assignment process to address faculty and spacing limitations.

JAG Specialist, Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Program, John Adams High School, South Bend, IN 2008 – 2010 - A drop-out prevention program that teaches employment skills, personal-development, academic remediation, and leadership skills to "at-risk" students in a high school setting.

- Provided daily instruction focusing on personal-development, academic remediation, and leadership skills to 35 program participants in a high school setting.
- Served as a mentor to students to guide decisions related to academics, peer relationships, decision-making, and offering non-parental, adult support.
- Informed students in areas of employment and post-secondary education options after high school.
- Assessed student backgrounds to create individual development plans and set benchmarks for improvement.
- Maintained input of daily activities and monthly progress notes into multiple database systems, ensuring adherence to grant standards of compliance and performance
- Provided follow-up services to ensure transition to college enrollment or employment after graduation.

School Case Manager, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Bluegrass, Lexington, KY 2007 - 2008 - A non-profit organization that provides school-aged children with a community mentor.

- Assessed client and volunteer applicants by conducting interviews and determining potential risks.
- Created and supported mentoring relationships by communicating with parents, volunteers, and teachers to maintain satisfaction and effectiveness.
- Assisted in organizing, soliciting donations, and promoting for fundraising and ceremonial events.
- Maintained monthly contact and documentation requirements ensuring safety and progress of match relationships.

Deputy Court Clerk, Administrative Office of the Courts - Fayette District Court, Lexington, KY 2001 - 2005 - A court of limited jurisdiction.

- Conducted small and large cash transactions for fine payments and bail bonds.
- Completed paperwork to process emergency petitions (domestic violence, custody orders, and mental health) and warrants.
- Clerked during traffic court proceedings to maintain court records and assist the commissioner.
- Maintained input of court decisions into statewide database ensuring accuracy and timeliness.

EDUCATION

MS, Criminal Justice, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY

BS, Criminal Justice, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY

PRESENTATIONS & TRAININGS

- Life Coach Training Workshop (2019) monthly sessions, Bethel Ready4Work Program, Tallahassee, FL
- Vance, J. , **Oderinde, A.**, & Ollins, J. (2019) *A 2nd Chance Life: The Utility of Life Coaches in Successful Reentry*. Invited presentation on June 12, 2019 at the Rotary Club of Tallahassee, Tallahassee, FL.
- Collins, L. & **Oderinde, A.** (2019) *A 2nd Chance Life: The Utility of Life Coaches in Successful Reentry*. Invited presentation on February 24, 2019 at St. John's Episcopal, Tallahassee, FL.
- Lewellen, C. & **Oderinde, A.** (2017). *Transitioning towards Potential: A Practical Approach to Academic Remediation*. National Academic Advising Association Region 4 Conference in Jackson, MS.
- BBBS Mentor Training (2007 – 2008) bi-weekly sessions, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Bluegrass, Lexington, KY

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Jaynes, C., Santos, M. R., Blout, R., Thomas, D., Smith, K., **Oderinde, A.**, Cochran, J. "Aiding in Reentry (AiR): Comprehensive Support For Reentering Individuals Pre- and Post-Release"

Pathway Home 3 (FOA-ETA-22-04)/ 2022

U.S. Department of Labor / Employment and Training Administration

Support requested: US\$1,463,830

WORKSHOPS, TRAININGS, & CERTIFICATIONS

Inclusive and Equitable Pedagogy Learning Community, 2023

Inclusive and Equitable Pedagogy Workshop: Course Covenants, 2023

Inclusive and Equitable Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of South Florida, 2022

Fundamentals in Teaching, University of South Florida, 2021
Implicit Bias Training, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, 2021
Online Instructor Certification, University of South Florida, 2020
Kognito Training, University of South Florida, 2019
Safe Zone Ally Training, University of South Florida, 2016
UndocuAlly Training, University of South Florida 2016
Bias Free Advising, University of South Florida, 2015
The Completion Agenda Webinar, NACADA, 2015
Freshman Institute Teaching Certification, Benedict College, 2011

SERVICE

Departmental Service

- Innovative Teaching and Learning with AI Workgroup, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida 2023 – Present
- Undergraduate Committee Chair, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida 2022 – Present
- Co-Advisor, National Criminal Justice Honor Society – Alpha Phi Sigma – Sigma Chapter, University of South Florida, 2022 – Present
- Social Justice Committee, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, 2020 - 2021
- Wall of Fame Committee, Department of Criminology University of South Florida, 2021
- Scholarship Committee, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, 2021
- Consolidation Committee, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, 2019
- Interim Internship Coordinator, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, 2015 - 2016
- Head Academic Success Coach, Freshman Institute, Benedict College, 2012

Service to the College & Institution

- Interim Academic Program Specialist for Rehabilitation & Mental Health Counseling, University of South Florida, 2021
- Member, Multi-Cultural Academic Advising Committee, University of South Florida, 2015 -2017
- Member, Academic Regulations Committee, University of South Florida 2014 - 2017
- Head Academic Success Coach, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2012
- Project Supervisor, Service Learning and Leadership Development, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2012
- Freshman Class Advisor, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2011 – 2012

Service to the Community

- Alpha Phi Sigma Philanthropy Initiative with Crisis Center of Tampa Bay (donation fundraiser and service project – March 2023)
- Abe Brown Ministries - attended annual fundraiser, Tampa, FL November 2022
- Paint the Town – single day event, University Area Community Development Center (CDC), Tampa, FL January 2022
- Serve Tallahassee – over 30 hours served to distribute grocery items to food insecure persons, Tallahassee, FL 2020
- Bethel Ready4Work – over 50 hours - substitute instructor, volunteer life coach coordinator, and general office support, Tallahassee, FL 2018 - 2019
- iGrow Community Garden – over 100 hours - planting, harvesting, and routine care for garden providing affordable, organic fruits and vegetables to food insecure families while teaching urban agriculture techniques to area youth, Tallahassee, FL 2018 – 2019
- Port Tampa Bay, single day event, annual fundraiser, April 2016
- Christmas Tent, single day event, Metropolitan Ministries Tampa, FL November 2016
- Christmas Tent, single day event, Metropolitan Ministries Tampa, FL November 2015
- Special Olympic Games, single day event, Columbia, SC April 2012
- Benedict-Allen Community Garden Service Learning Project, single day event, Columbia, SC March 2012
- Reading Day, single day event, Benedict College Learning Development Center, Columbia, SC January 2012
- Habitat for Humanity and Restore, single day event, Habitat for Humanity, South Bend, IN 2010
- Pay It Forward, multi day service, Santa's Pantry Inc., Elkhart, IN 2010
- Coats for Kids, single day event, single day event, South Bend Community School Corporation South Bend, IN 2010
- Bowling for Kids Sake, multi -day annual fundraiser, Lexington, KY 2008

RECOGNITIONS & AWARDS

Organizational Advisor of the Year, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2012
Campus Organization of the Year, Benedict College, Columbia, SC 2012
1st Place chapter yearbook JAG State Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana. 2010
3rd Place chapter posterboard JAG State Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana. 2010

MEMBERSHIPS

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), 2022 to present

National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) 2012 to 2017