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EDUCATION

PhD	University of South Florida	2021 – Present
MA	University of West Georgia	2019 – 2021
	Graduate Certificate: Data Analysis and Evaluation Methods	
BS	University of West Georgia	2015 – 2019
	Undergraduate Certificate: Forensic Science	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Psychology and Criminal Behavior, Human Trafficking, Violent Crime/Interpersonal Violence, Program Evaluations, Impacts of Trauma

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Williamson, S.H., Creel, S., & **Walker, E.** (2023). #WayfairGate and the growth of human trafficking panics across social media. *Critical Criminology*.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Walker, E. & Reid, J.A. (Under Review). On the overlap of CSE and IPV: An exploratory examination of trauma-related shame. Submitted to *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.

Williamson, S.H., **Walker, E.**, & Kawaguchi, R. (Under Review). Evaluating effective antitrafficking efforts: The role of push and pull factors. Submitted to *Crime Law and Social Change*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Bilali, K., **Walker, E.**, & Reid, J. Community-engaged evaluation research focused on the prevention of domestic minor sex trafficking: “Dropping F-Bombs” website.

Walker, E., & Reid, J. Trauma Bonding and the Law. In *Trauma Bonding and Interpersonal Crimes*. (Book Chapter).

Reid, J., Bilali, K., **Walker, E.**, & Cain, C.M. Recommendations for Child Trafficking Rapid Screening & Assessment Tools. (Technical Report)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

SPRUCE LAB, USF 2021 – Present

- NIJ Grant – Prisoner Reentry
- Rural Gang Risk Factors

Trafficking in Persons (TiP) Lab – Risk to Resilience

2021 – Present

- Turn Your Life Around (TYLA) Court Evaluation
- OPTIONS Court Evaluation
- Florida HTST Validation

Data Collection on Female Registered Sex Offenders

PRESENTATIONS

- Walker, E.,** Holman, K., Ruiz, R.A., Ngo, F., & Santos, M.R. (2023). *Turn Your Life Around: Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Prostitution Diversionary Court Program*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Bilali, K., **Walker, E.,** Crook, K., Reid, J., Ngo, F., Santos, M.R., & Chenneville, T. (2023). *Offering Potentially Trafficked Individuals Options Now: Evaluation of a Florida-Based, Youth Trafficking Specialty Court*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting
- Walker, E.** (2023). *Turn Your Life Around: Perspectives of Service Providers in a Prostitution Diversionary Program*. USF Student Research Showcase
- Valentine, C., **Walker, E.,** Bilali, K. (2023). *Eradicating Human Trafficking in Our Own Communities and Beyond*. USF Honors College.
- Walker, E.,** Ngo, F., Ruiz, R., Walsh, E., Holman, K., Santos, M.R., Reid, J. (2023). *An Evaluation of the Turn Your Life Around (TYLA) Prostitution Diversion Program*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Laugalis, G., **Walker, E.,** Weber, C., Fox, B., Moule, R.K., Verona, E. (2023). *The Interaction of Psychological and Social Pulls Towards Gang Membership among Rural Jail Inmates*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Williamson, S.H., Creel, S., **Walker, E.** (2023). *#Wayfairgate and the Growth of Sex Trafficking Panics across Social Media*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Walker, E.D.,** & Reid, J. (2022). *Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Violence in Intimate Partner Relationships*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting.
- Walker, E.D.,** & Weber, C., Laugalis, G., Fox, B., Moule, R.K., & Verona, E. (2022). *Risk Factors Associated with Rural Gang Membership*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting.
- Walker, E.D.,** & Reid, J. (2022). *Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Violence in Intimate Partner Relationships: The Potential Role of Shame and Traumatic Sexualization*. University of South Florida's Graduate Research Symposium.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of South Florida** 2021 – Current
- Undergraduate “Miscarriages of Justice”
 - Undergraduate “Death Penalty”
 - Undergraduate “Victimology”
 - Undergraduate “Theories of Criminal Behavior”
 - Undergraduate “Research Methods”
 - Graduate (MACJA) “Current Issues in Law Enforcement”
 - Graduate (MACJA) “Research Methods”
- Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of West Georgia** 2019 - 2021
- Undergraduate “Global Crime and Justice”
 - Undergraduate “Family Violence”
 - Undergraduate “Victimology”
 - Undergraduate “Women & Criminal Justice”
 - Undergraduate “Survey of Criminology”
- Instructor of Record**
- Undergraduate “Survey of the Criminal Justice System”

HONORS AND AWARDS

- USF Sarasota – Manatee Trail Blazers Award Scholarship** 2023 – 2024
Amount: \$15,000
- USF Sarasota – Manatee Trail Blazers Award Scholarship** 2022 – 2024

Amount: \$25,000	
USF Student Research Award	2021
Turn Your Life Around (TYLA) Court Evaluation	
William T. Simons Award	2021
Outstanding Graduate Student	

SERVICE

To Community

- Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity
Vice President
Vice President of Service
Vice President of Membership

To Department/College

- Criminology Graduate Student Organization
Vice President
President
- Student Grievance Committee

To Discipline

- Article Review – Victims & Offenders

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Alpha Phi Sigma

MEDIA REPRESENTATION

- Hahamy, M. (2023). "USF lab Will be the first in Florida to create human trafficking database". Tampa Bay Times. <https://www.tampabay.com/news/education/2023/06/09/usf-lab-will-be-first-florida-create-human-trafficking-database/>
- Lucky, S. (2022). "Apple AirTags and 'High-Tech Stalking' in FL: What to Know". Patch. <https://patch.com/florida/stpete/apple-airtags-high-tech-stalking-fl-what-know>
- McGivern, K. (2022). "USF's new research lab could become statewide hub for human trafficking data". ABC Action News. <https://www.abcactionnews.com/news/local-news/iteam-investigates/usfs-new-research-lab-could-become-statewide-hub-for-human-traffickingdata>
- Rankin, M. (2022). "Tracking human trafficking: Small USF team creates statewide database". First Coast News. <https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/local/trackinghuman-trafficking-usf/67-d4fd4f30-b66a-4e74-83dc-ab057b63b7f9>
- "USF researchers, students study court program to help sex-trafficking victims. USF Sarasota – Manatee Newsroom. <https://www.sarasotamanatee.usf.edu/news/2022/usf-researchersstudents-study-court-program-to-help-sex-trafficking-victims.aspx>