

## Vita

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#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### **EDUCATION**

2024 Ph.D. Criminal Justice, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL 32816  
2014 M.S., Criminal Justice, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL 32514  
2013 B.A., Criminal Justice, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL 32514

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Police organizations, police culture, organizational justice, wildlife law enforcement, conservation rangers, police and mental health.

#### **ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

##### Current Position:

2024 – present Assistant Professor of Instruction, Department of Criminology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 33620

##### Previous Positions:

2020-2024 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Central Florida 32816  
2018-2024 Research Assistant, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Central Florida 32816  
2013-2014 Graduate Assistant, Department of Criminology, Criminal Justice, and Legal Studies, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL 32514

#### **CONTRACT AND GRANT EXPERIENCE**

2022-2024 Project Coordinator. *Evaluation of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Behavioral Health Services Expansion Efforts*, Childs, K. K. (PI), SCSO Contract, \$158,777.

- 2022-2024 Research Assistant. *Florida Pathways to Awareness, Support, and Services (FPASS)*. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Gryglewicz, K. (PI) and Childs, K.K. (Co-PI), \$625,000, SM084700.
- 2022 Consultant. *The Indigenous Ranger Project*. World Wide Fund for Nature, \$5,000.
- 2021-2022 Project Coordinator. *Examining the Role, Function, and Potential of Ranger Associations: A Multi-Method, Cross-National Assessment*, Global Wildlife Conservation, Moreto, W. D. (PI), \$25,890, #5423-0278.
- 2018-2021 Research Assistant. Central Florida Pathways to Awareness, Support, and Services (CPASS 2). Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Gryglewicz, K. (PI), Childs, K.K. (Co-PI), and Soderstrom, M. (Co-PI), \$375,000, SM081374.
- 2013-2014 Research Assistant. Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of West Florida.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS**

6. Childs, K. K., **Elligson, R. L.**, Brady, C. M. (2024). Testing the impact of a law enforcement-operated co-responder program for youths: A quasi-experimental approach. *Psychiatric Services*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.20240003>
5. **Elligson, R. L.**, Alvarez-Malvido, M., & Moreto, W. D. (2023). Female Rangers in Latin America: An assessment of role, recruitment, and work environment. *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*, 17, paad007. <https://doi.org/10.1093/paad007>
4. Moreto, W. D., Matusiak, M. C., **Elligson, R. L.**, Johnson, M. & Baber, J. (2022). The teeth which are together are the ones which bite the most: Sensemaking, interpersonal ranger relations, and organizational identification in Ugandan protected areas. *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*, 46(3), 233-252. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01924036.2021.1927123>
3. **Elligson, R. L.**, Peck, J. H., & Ray, J. V. (2022). Juvenile court outcomes for retail offenders: An examination of offense type, sex, and race/ethnicity. *Crime & Delinquency*, 68(9), 1427-1461. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00111287211022621>
2. **Elligson, R. L.**, Childs, K. K., & Gryglewicz, K. (2021). Youth mental health first aid: Examining the influence of pre-existing attitudes and knowledge on training effectiveness. *Journal of Primary Prevention*, 6(42), 549-565. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10935-021-00645-0>

1. Childs, K. K., Gryglewicz, K., **Elligson, R. L.** (2020). An assessment of the utility of the youth mental health first aid training: effectiveness, satisfaction, and universality, *Community Mental Health Journal*, 56(8), 1581-1591. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10597-020-00612-9>

## **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

Moreto, W. D., & **Elligson, R. L.** (under review). Expanding Conservation Social Science: Integrating Criminal Justice Scholarship

**Elligson, R. L.**, Moreto, W. D., Aisha, H., & Singh, R. (in progress) 'I am theirs': Indigenous Rangers' Responsibilities, Benefits, and Challenges in Monitoring Protected and Conserved Areas.

Paoline, E. A. III, Gau, J., & **Elligson, R. L.** (in progress). Police Culture and Body Worn Cameras: Examining Officer Perceptions.

Moreto, W. D., Gau, J. M., & **Elligson, R. L.** (in progress). Organizational justice, job satisfaction, and emotional burnout of rangers.

## **INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDITED VOLUMES**

Crow, M.S., & **Elligson, R. L.** (2016). Court Concerns. In William.G. Doerner (Ed.), *Criminal Justice Basics and Concerns* (pp. 257-290). Carolina Academic Press.

## **ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES**

Peck, J. H., & **Elligson, R. L.**, (2021) Race, Ethnicity, and Police Community Relations. In Henry. N. Pontell and Gerben Bruinsma (Eds.) *The Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. Oxford University Press.

## **OTHER SCHOLARLY WORK (TECHNICAL REPORTS, RESEARCH BRIEFS, ETC)**

**Elligson, R. L.**, & Moreto, W. D. (2022). *Final Results of Ranger Association Study*. Re:Wild and International Ranger Federation.

Moreto, W. D., & **Elligson, R. L.** (2022). *Final Results of Indigenous Ranger Project*. World Wide Fund for Nature.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*At the University of Central Florida*

### **Undergraduate Level**

Research Methods	Instructor of Record Modalities: Face to Face Sections Taught: 1
Police and Society	Instructor of Record Modalities: Online; Face to Face Sections Taught: 7
Crime Prevention	Instructor of Record Modalities: Online; Face to Face Sections Taught: 2

*At the University of West Florida*

### **Undergraduate Level**

Terrorism (teaching assistant)
Survey of Criminal Justice (teaching assistant)
Ethics and Criminal Justice (teaching assistant)
Judicial Process (teaching assistant)

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

*External Awards*

2024 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Doctoral Summit Scholarship.

*Internal Rewards at the University of Central Florida*

2024 Department of Criminal Justice Outstanding Doctoral Student Scholar Award

2024 College of Community Innovation and Education Travel Initiate (financial reward valued at \$700)

2023 Department of Criminal Justice Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award (with financial reward valued at \$500)

2023 Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association Student Mentorship Award

2023 Graduate Presentation Fellowship (with financial reward valued at \$500)

- 2020 College of Community Innovation and Education, Research Administration Services Team, Graduate Research Showcase (with financial reward valued at \$150)
- 2018-2019 Graduate Dean's Fellowship (with financial reward valued at \$5,000)
- 2021 Graduate Presentation Fellowship (with financial reward valued at \$500)
- 2019 Graduate Presentation Fellowship (with financial reward valued at \$500)

*Internal Rewards at the University of West Florida*

- 2014 Mabie Graduate Scholarship for Conference Travel (with financial reward valued at (\$500)
- 2014 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Winner.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Elligson, R. L., Childs, K. K., Brady, C. M. (2024). *Impact of Juvenile Mobile Crisis Intervention on Involuntary Commitment Decisions: A Quasi-Experimental Approach*. College of Community Innovation and Education Research Showcase. University of Central Florida. Orlando, FL.

Lockwood, A., Gryglewicz, K., Childs, K., Soderstrom, M., & Elligson, R. (2024) *Youth Mental Health First Aid Training: An evaluation of effectiveness following completion among service providers and police*. College of Community Innovation and Education Research Showcase. University of Central Florida. Orlando, FL.

Elligson, R. L. & Moreto, W. D. (2023). *Role Ambiguity and Role Conflict Among Wildlife Rangers: The Influence of Job Attitudes and Organizational Climate*. *American Society of Criminology*. Philadelphia, PA.

Elligson, R. L. (2023). *'Because We Connect': Exploring the Experiences and Perspectives of Indigenous Rangers*. Southern Criminal Justice Association, Mobile, AL.

Elligson, R. L. (2022). *Examining Ranger Self-Legitimacy: The influence of work motivation*. *American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

Elligson, R. L., Paoline, E., & Gau, J. (2022). *Predictors of Officer Perceptions of Body-Worn Cameras*. *American Society of Criminology*. Atlanta, GA.

Elligson, R. L., Alvarez-Malvido, M., & Moreto, W. D. (2022). *Female Rangers in Latin America: An assessment of role, recruitment, and work environment*. Southern Criminal Justice Association, Asheville, NC.

Elligson, R. L., Moreto, W. D. (2021). *Ranger Associations: A Qualitative Examination*. Southern Criminal Justice Association, Daytona Beach, FL.

Moreto, W. D., Gau, J. M. , & Elligson, R. L. (2021). *Organizational justice, job satisfaction, and emotional burnout of rangers*. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Daytona Beach, FL.

Elligson, R. L., Peck, J. H., Ray, J. (2019). *Examining juvenile court outcomes for retail offenders: an examination of offense type, sex, and race*. American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

Elligson, R., Childs, K. K. & Gryglewicz, K. (2019). *An assessment of the utility of the Youth Mental Health First Aid Training: effectiveness, satisfaction, and universality*. Southern Criminal Justice Association, Nashville, TN.

Smith, J., Moreto W. D., & Elligson, R. L. (2019). *Negotiating Ranger Deviance: Applying the Ecological Theory of Policing in Understanding Ranger Corruption and Misconduct*. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Nashville, TN.

Moreto, W. D., Burton, C., & Elligson, R. L. (2019). *Collaboration and Multi-Authorship in Qualitative International Research*. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Nashville, TN.

Elligson, R. L., & Crow, M. S. (2014). *Policing the Wild? Work Routines of Conservation Officers*. Southern Criminal Justice Association, Clearwater Beach, FL.

### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Elligson, R. L., & Moreto, W. D. (2023). *Ranger Associations: Role, Functionality, and Effectiveness*. Invited presentation for the executive board of the International Ranger Federation.

### **SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, AND UNIVERSITY**

*At the University of Central Florida*

#### **College-Level**

2022                      College of Community Innovation and Education International Committee (Member) (Since 2021)

#### **Department-Level**

2022-2024              Graduate Student Professional Development Committee (Member)

2022-2024 Criminal Justice Student Ambassadors (Member)  
2018-2024 Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association (President) (Secretary)

*At the University of West Florida*

**University-Level**

2013-2014 Student Conduct Committee, University of West Florida

**Department-Level**

2011-2014 Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association (Vice President)

**SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE**

**Referee for Peer-Reviewed Journals**

Security Journal, Race and Gender, Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

*At the University of Central Florida*

2022 Journal Editors, Publication Process, and Peer Reviewing Workshop  
Data Literacy and Management Workshop

2021 Ethical and Legal Issues within Teaching Workshop

2019 Meta-Analyses Statistics Workshop  
Survival Analysis Statistics Workshop  
Comprehensive Exams Workshop

2018 Mentorships in Academia and Work Life Balance Workshop  
Academic Conferences: Expectations and Best Practices  
Authorship Credit and Collaboration Workshop  
Preventing Plagiarism Workshop  
Research Ethics and Integrity Workshop

*External*

2021 Introduction to Structural Equation Modeling, CENTERSTAT

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

2018 – Present American Society of Criminology  
2018 – Present Southern Criminal Justice Association  
2018 – Present Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

