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EMPLOYMENT

CUNY John Jay College, New York, NY

Assistant Professor, *Department of Criminal Justice*

August 2025 – Present

Faculty Affiliate, *International Criminal Justice Program*

Faculty Fellow, *The Corrections Lab*

January 2024 – Present

Adjunct Instructor, *International Criminal Justice Program*

August 2020 – May 2023

New York University, Brooklyn, NY

Senior Research Associate

July 2023 – August 2025

Human Exploitation and Resilience Program

Marron Institute of Urban Management

Vera Institute of Justice, Brooklyn, NY

Research Fellow

June 2020 – October 2020

Reimagining Public Safety

CUNY Research Foundation, New York, NY

Research Assistant

August 2018 – May 2023

The Exploitation and Resilience Initiative

EDUCATION

CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY

Ph.D., Criminal Justice

February 2024

- Dissertation Title: The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts

Committee: Dr. Samantha Majic (chair), Dr. Rosemary Barberet, Dr. Valli Rajah, Dr. Crystal Jackson (external)

M.Phil., Criminal Justice

September 2021

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH

M.S., Criminal Justice

December 2017

University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

B.S., Criminal Justice

April 2014

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

International criminal justice; human trafficking & exploitation; gender-based violence; organized crime; technology; qualitative & mixed methods; intervention development research

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

Forth. **Moton, L.** Intersections of Exclusion: The Lived Realities and Resistance of Trans Women of Color Sex Workers in New York City. *Feminist Criminology*.

- 2023 Norman White Outstanding Student Paper Award, ASC Division on People of Color and Crime
- 2023 Student Paper Award, ASC Division of Queer Criminology
- 2022 Graduate Student Paper Award, ASC Division of Feminist Criminology

2026 Abeyta, S., **Moton, L.**, Dank, M. A Comparative Latent Class Analysis of Data Collection Methods on Labor Exploitation on Two Samples of Workers in the Costa Rican Fishing Industry. *PLOS One*. 21(2), e0341336. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0341336>

May 2026

- 2025 Abeyta, S. & **Moton, L.** Employers as Occupational Deviants: Child Labor Violations in the U.S. *Deviant Behavior*. 1-19. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01639625.2025.2551218>
- 2025 **Moton, L.** “Victim is such a touchy word”: Rethinking victimhood among human trafficking intervention court defendants in the US. *International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice*, 82, [100763](#).
- 2025 **Moton, L.,** Abeyta, S., Dank, M., Mulugeta, T. Ethiopian Domestic Workers and Exploitative Work in the Middle East: The Role of Familial and Community-Based Social Networks. *Anti-trafficking Review*.
- 2025 Dank, M., Zhang, S., Abeyta, S., **Moton, L.,** Stoklosa, H., Cuadrado, N., ... & Farabee, D. J. A public health community health worker-delivered intervention to reduce human trafficking among Denotified Tribes in India: A protocol paper. *PLoS one*, 20(3), [e0317733](#).
- 2024 **Moton, L.** Merken, S., Slakoff, D., Aujla, W. Trans-Neutrality in Intimate Partner Violence Service Provision in the USA and Canada. *Critical Criminology*, 31(4), 1007-1023. doi.org/10.1007/s10612-024-09748-6
- 2024 Slakoff, D., Aujla, W., **Moton., L.,** Merken, S. “There are Not Enough Lawyers, and There are Not Enough Financial Resources”: Canadian and American Intimate Partner Violence Service Providers’ Perspectives for Better Supporting Immigrant Women Survivors. *Crime & Delinquency*. [00111287241248103](#).
- 2023 **Moton, L.,** Dank, M., Yu-Hsuan, L., Hughes, A. Forced Begging and Selling among Children in Kampala: An Exploration of Lived Experience. *Journal of Human Trafficking*. DOI: [10.1080/23322705.2023.2247922](https://doi.org/10.1080/23322705.2023.2247922)
- 2023 Piza, E., **Moton, L.** Proactive monitoring, crime reporting, and operator discretion: A systematic social observation of CCTV control room operations. *Journal of Criminal Justice*. 86, [102071](#).
- 2023 Merken, S., Slakoff, D., Aujla, W. **Moton, L.** Navigating Biases and Distrust of Systems: American and Canadian Intimate Partner Violence Service Providers' Experiences with Trans and Immigrant Women Clients. *Victims & Offenders*. 18:1, 141-168, DOI: [10.1080/15564886.2022.2136319](https://doi.org/10.1080/15564886.2022.2136319).
- 2022 Blount-Hill, K., St. John, V. J., **Moton, L.,** & Ajil, A. In their experience: A review of othered experience in academe and proposals for building an inclusive criminology. *Race and Justice*. Vol. 12(3), 457-480. DOI: [10.1177/21533687221087352](https://doi.org/10.1177/21533687221087352).
- 2021 Colvin, R. & **Moton, L.** Lesbian police officers: A review of television portrayals and their lived experiences. *Public Integrity*, 23(3), 253-268. DOI: [10.1080/10999922.2020.1794267](https://doi.org/10.1080/10999922.2020.1794267).
- Book Chapters, Technical Reports, Encyclopedia Entries, & Essays*
- 2025 Dank, M., Tafesse, T., **Moton, L.,** and Zhang, S. Balancing hopes and fears: Experiences of Ethiopian women intending to migrate to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia under the new Ethiopia government scheme. New York: *The Freedom Fund*. [Technical Report](#).
- 2025 Zhang, S., Dank, M., **Moton, L.,** Mulugeta, T. Managing Uncertainty: Factors shaping Ethiopian domestic workers’ migration decisions. *The Freedom Fund*. [Technical Report](#).
- 2024 **Moton, L.,** Dank, M., Zhang, S., Mulugeta, T. “They Don’t Give You Accurate Information about Anything: Pre-migration experiences of Ethiopian domestic workers. *The Freedom Fund*. [Technical Report](#).
- 2024 **Moton, L.,** Merken, S. “An outlet for American Rage”: A Critical Analysis of Crime in Urban and Suburban Settings in *The Purge* Film Series. In Lenning, E., Merken, S., Gehring, K., Dekeseredy, W. (Eds.), *Criminological Understandings of Horror Films: Reel Fear*. [Lexington Books](#).
- 2024 **Moton, L.** Existence as Resistance: The Case of Lesbian Police Officers. In Colvin, R., Dwyer, A., & Giwa, S. (Eds.), *Q+ Policing: Experiences, Perspectives, and Passions*. [Southern Illinois University Press](#).

- 2024 Slakoff, D., Merken, S., **Moton, L.**, Gilbert, S. Toward an Equitable True Crime? A Content Analysis of Documentaries About Missing/Harmed Black and Indigenous Women. (Chapter 6). In Paquet, L., & Williamson, R. (Eds.), *True Crime and Women: Writers, Readers and Representations*. [Routledge](#).
- 2023 Pfeffer, R., Barrick, K., Dank, M., Tibuaduiza, E., Scalise, P., Yu, L., Hughes, A., Grossman, R., **Moton, L.** Understanding What Works in the Successful Identification, Investigation, and Prosecution of Labor Trafficking Cases in the United States. *National Institute of Justice*. [Technical Report](#).
- 2023 **Moton, L.**, Blount-Hill, K. Inclusive Criminology: Embracing a Comprehensive Scope of the Discipline. [The Criminologist](#). Lead Article for March/April 2023 Issue.
- 2023 Merken, S., **Moton, L.** Luck Be a Lady: Misrepresentations of Lesbian Serial Killers in the Media. (Chapter 2). In Goldberg, A., Slakoff, D., & Buist, C. (Eds.), *The Misrepresentation of Queer Lives in True Crime*. [Routledge](#).
- 2022 **Moton, L.** & Blount-Hill, K. “How bell hooks taught us to talk back: A love letter.” *Race and Justice*. 12(3). 618-619. DOI: [10.1177/21533687221101207](https://doi.org/10.1177/21533687221101207).
- 2020 **Moton, L.**, Blount-Hill, K., Colvin, R. Squaring the Circle: Exploring Lesbian Experience in a Heteromale Police Profession. *Women and Minorities in Criminal Justice: An Intersectionality Approach.*, [Kendall Hunt Publications](#).
- 2020 Dank, M., Vincent, K., Hughes, A., **Moton, L.**, Liu, Y. The Prevalence and Scope of Sex Trafficking and Forced Begging and Sales in Kampala, Uganda. [UYDEL Technical Report](#).
- 2020 **Moton, L.**, & Blount-Hill, K. Glenn Thrush scandal. *Sexual Harassment and Misconduct: An Encyclopedia*. Santa Barbara, CA: [ABC-CLIO](#).
- 2020 **Moton, L.**, Bodah, D., Belfort, J., Reuland, M., Beck, J., Walcott, C. CS360: *Denver Police Department Open Data Product*. New York, NY: Vera Institute of Justice in partnership with the National Police Foundation.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Blount-Hill, K., Evans, D., **Moton, L.** The Queer World of App-Based Dating: Exploring Criminal Stigma, Gay Identity, and Mate Selection across Parole Sentence Status. **Accepted at *Criminal Justice & Behavior***.

Moton, L. Ethical Research on Gender and Crime. **Accepted at *The Sage Encyclopedia of Crime and Gender***.

Hughes, A., Dank, M., **Moton, L.**, Yu-Hsuan, L. ‘Then I began getting used to the situation’: A mixed methods study exploring the barriers to exiting sex work and sex trafficking in Kampala, Uganda. **Revise & resubmit**.

Liu, S, Lo, M., **Moton, L.** Natural Language Processing Approach in Extracting the Elements and the Topics of Terrorism. **Revise & resubmit**.

Moton, L., Mbise, A., Dank, M, Zhang, S. “You are not alone”: Digital Kinship and Empowerment of Tanzanian Domestic Workers Abroad. **Under review**.

Abeyta, S., **Moton, L.** The Politics of Organizing for Healthcare Access. **Under review**.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Moton, L., Edwards, K., Schwalbe, C., Koetzle, D. Cultivating a Critically Race Conscious Practice in Community Corrections.

Edwards, K., **Moton, L.**, Schwalbe, C., Koetzle, D. Exploring Probation and Parole Officers Perceptions of Racial Equity Policies and Their Impact on Practice.

Moton, L., Merken, S. Bad Date Lists: Reducing Vulnerability to Victimization in the Sex Trade.

Moton, L., Blount-Hill, K., Colvin, R. What About the “L”: A PRISMA-Guided Scoping Review on Lesbian Police Officers.

Moton, L., Abeyta, S. Contextualizing the historic neglect of non-sexual labor trafficking in anti-trafficking discourse.

Aujla, W., **Moton, L.,** Merken, S., Slakoff, D. A Scoping Review of the Use of Interpreters in US and Canadian Criminal Legal Systems.

Abeyta, S., **Moton, L.** Using Computational Methods to Explore Labor Activism in the US.

Moton, L., Guerrero, J.*, Ragnik, V.* A Scoping Review of Forced Criminality.

Aris, K.*, Nembhard, S.*, **Moton, L.** Socio-Economic & Cultural Dimensions of Transnational Crime.

GRANT FUNDED RESEARCH

2026-2027 **Principal Investigator.** Organized Criminal Exploitation in Urban Street Economies: Recruitment Networks, Forced Begging, and Institutional Responses in Tanzania. Citizen Security Research Initiative. Innovations for Poverty Action, \$75,000. Co-PI: Amana Mbise. **Under Review.**

2026-2027 **Principal Investigator.** Understanding Youth Trafficking Through Forced Begging and Street-Based Labor in Tanzania: An Exploratory Qualitative Study. PSC CUNY Cycle 57, \$15,000. CUNY John Jay College. **Under Review.**

2025-2027 **Co-Principal Investigator.** Disconnected at the Margins: LGBTQ+ Youth, Policy Retrenchment, and Service Gaps in New York City. W.T. Grant Foundation. PI: Brian Frederick. Co-PIs: Brandon May, Stacie Merken. SUNY Empire State. **Unfunded.**

2023-2025 **Project Director.** Understanding the Scope and Nature of Forced Criminality in the United States. National Institute of Justice, \$997,729. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2023-2025 **Project Director.** Estimating the Prevalence of Domestic Servitude among Tanzanian Migrant Workers who Returned from Overseas. US Department of State (JTIP), \$2,000,000. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2023-2025 **Project Director.** Estimating the Prevalence of Forced Labor in the Fishing Industry in Costa Rica. US Department of State (JTIP), \$2,050,000. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2023-2025 **Project Director.** Future-proofing LGBTQ+ populations’ livelihoods to reduce trafficking vulnerability. US Department of State (JTIP), \$3,998,275. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2023-2025 **Project Director.** A Community Health Worker (CHW) Delivered Intervention for DNTs in India. US Department of State (JTIP), \$5,499,885. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2023-2024 **Project Director.** Exploring Vulnerability and Resilience to Forced Labor among Ethiopian Domestic Workers in the Middle East: A Panel Design. Freedom Fund, \$207,000. PI: Meredith Dank. NYU Marron Institute of Urban Management.

2022-2023 **Consultant.** Policing the Rainbow: LGBTQ Experiences with and Attitudes Toward the Police. National Institute of Justice, \$654,179. PI: Stefan Vogler. NORC.

2022-2023 **Principal Investigator.** The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts. Law &

Science Dissertation Grant, National Science Foundation (NSF), SBE #2016661, \$8,243. John Jay College, CUNY.

- 2022-2023 **Principal Investigator.** The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts. Doctoral Student Research Grant, The Graduate Center, CUNY, \$1,400. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2021-2023 **Principal Investigator.** The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts. Larry J. Siegel Graduate Fellowship, Darald and Julie Libby Foundation, \$5,000. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2021-2023 **Consultant.** NYC Mayor's Office Task Force on the Health and Safety Needs of Sex Workers. Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice to End Domestic and Gender Based Violence. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2021-2022 **Consultant.** Exploring Probation and Parole Officers Perceptions of Racial Equity Policies and Their Impact on Practice. PSC-CUNY, \$11,999. PI: Deborah Koetzle. John Jay College, CUNY
- 2019-2022 **Research Assistant.** Evaluation of Access to Services for Survivors of Crime Initiative: Evaluation of Sanctuary for Families Career Readiness Training Program. District Attorney of New York, \$142,862. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2019-2022 **Research Assistant.** Estimating the Prevalence of Sex Trafficking in Belize. Human Trafficking Institute, \$244,204. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2019-2021 **Research Assistant.** Estimating the Prevalence of Sex Trafficking and Forced Begging and Sales in Kampala, Uganda. Human Trafficking Institute, \$325,176. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2019-2021 **Research Assistant.** Estimating the Prevalence of Forced Labor & Labor Trafficking Among Child & Adult Workers in the Vietnamese Apparel Industry & Vietnamese Adult Migrant Laborers to Japan & Taiwan. Global Fund to End Modern Slavery, \$199,713. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.
- 2017-2021 **Research Assistant.** An Exploratory Study of Labor Trafficking Among U.S. Citizen Victims. National Institute of Justice, \$873,508. PI: Meredith Dank. John Jay College, CUNY.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2023 Student Paper Award, ASC Division of Queer Criminology (\$500)
- Norman White Outstanding Student Paper Award, ASC Division on People of Color and Crime (\$500)
- 2022 Graduate Student Paper Award (1st Place), ASC Division on Women and Crime (\$500)
- Student Travel Award, ASC Division of Policing (\$500)
- Claire M. Renzetti Domestic Travel Grant, ASC Division on Women and Crime (\$2,000)
- Applied Criminology and Data Management Program, American Society of Evidence Based Policing (ASEBP) funded by National Institute of Justice (NIJ)
- ACJS Doctoral Summit 2022 Scholarship, Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV
- Audre Lorde Award for Social Justice, John Jay College, CUNY
- The CUNY Graduate Center Dissertation Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$10,000)
- 2021 Criminal and Social Justice Media Fellows Program, John Jay College, CUNY (\$1,000)
- 2020 Vera Institute Summer Research Fellowship, Vera Institute of Justice (\$4,000)

INVITED TALKS & GUEST LECTURES

“Behind the Hustle: The Reality of Work, Survival and Exploitation”

- Panelist, invited by New York State Senator Jessica Ramos, New York City, May 2026

“Alumni Job Market Experiences”

- Invited talk for Criminal Justice Doctoral Program, John Jay College, New York City, May 2026

“Sex Trafficking Victimization, Policy Implications & Needs for Change”

- Guest lecture for Undergraduate Sex Crimes course, California State University, Sacramento, April 2026

“ICJ MA x Criminology Club: Faculty Research Event”

- Invited talk for Criminology undergraduates on my research portfolio, John Jay College, New York City, March 2026

“Sex Trafficking Victimization, Policy Implications & Needs for Change”

- Guest lecture for Master’s Level Victim Advocacy and Victimology course, Indiana University South Bend, November 2025

“True Crime? Queer and Trans Victims and Offenders in Media”

- Invited talk for Carceral Studies Consortium and LGBTQ R&E Collective at the University of Oklahoma, April 2025

“Participatory Action Research”

- Guest lecture for the Annual Undergraduate Methods Lecture, New York University, January 2025

“Ethiopian Domestic Workers and Exploitative Work in the Middle East: The Role of Social Networks and Gender in Migration Decisions”

- Invited talk at CUNY John Jay College, December 2024

“Project Possible: Future-proofing LGBT+ populations’ livelihoods to reduce trafficking vulnerability”

- Invited talk at the NYU Marron Institute Community Building Series, May 2024

“ASA Sociology of Law Alt-Ac Panel”

- Panelist, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, April 2024

“Luck Be a Lady: Misrepresentations of Lesbian Serial Killers in the Media”

- Guest lecture in True Crime Seminar (PSYCH 245), Clark University, February 2024

“Task Force on the Health and Safety Needs of Sex Workers”

- Group Facilitator at Gracie’s Mansion, Mayor’s Office of New York City, January 2024

“Racial Equity in Community Corrections”

- Invited talk at University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute, University of Cincinnati, October 2023

“Sex Work Policy”

- Guest lecture in Capstone Seminar in International Criminal Justice undergraduate course (ICJ 401), CUNY John Jay College, April 2023

“Research Methods”

- Guest lecture in Capstone Seminar in International Criminal Justice undergraduate course (ICJ 401), CUNY John Jay College, March 2023

“Data Skepticism”

- Guest lecture in Capstone Seminar in International Criminal Justice undergraduate course (ICJ 401), CUNY John Jay College, February 2023

“Playing the Victim: The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts”

- Invited talk at University of Nebraska Omaha, October 2022

- Invited talk at Clemson University, October 2022
- Invited talk at University of Denver, November 2022
- Invited talk at California State University Long Beach, November 2022
- Invited talk at The Ohio State University, November 2022
- Invited talk at University of Nevada Las Vegas, December 2022

“Introduction to Feminist Criminology.”

- Guest lecture in International Criminology undergraduate course (ICJ 341), CUNY John Jay College, November 2021.
- Guest lecture in International Criminology undergraduate course (ICJ 341), CUNY John Jay College, November 2020.

“Vera Institute of Justice CS360: *Denver Police Department Open Data Product.*”

- Invited talk for Research Series at Vera Institute of Justice, August 2020.

“Research Ethics in an International Context: *Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in Uganda.*”

- Invited talk to International Criminology undergraduate course (ICJ 341), CUNY John Jay College, February 2020.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2025 **Moton, L.** Transnational Exploitation in the Digital Age: Lessons from East African Migration for the Cambodia Scam Centre Crisis. Invited Talk for International Conference on Combatting Transnational Organized Crime, Korean Institute of Criminology & Justice, Seoul, South Korea.

Moton, L., Merken, S. Bad Date Lists: Exploring Community-based Violence Intervention Tools in the Sex Trade. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC.

Dank, M., Farrell, A., Levine, E., Pfeffer, R. **Moton, L.** Understanding the Scope and Nature of Forced Criminality in the United States. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC.

Abeyta, S., **Moton, L.,** Dank, M., Zhang, S. A Community Health Worker (CHW) Delivered Intervention for DNTs in India: Baseline Study. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC.

Moton, L., Mbise, A., Dank, M, Zhang, S. “You are not alone”: Digital Kinship and Empowerment of Tanzanian Domestic Workers Abroad. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the European Society of Criminology, Athens, Greece.

2024 **Moton, L.,** Abeyta, S., Dank, M. “It is desperation that is forcing us to go to Arab countries”: Pre-Migration Decision Making Among Ethiopian Domestic Workers. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

Abeyta, S. **Moton, L.,** Dank, M. A Comparative Latent Class Analysis on Data Collection Methods on Labor Exploitation on Two Samples of Workers in the Costa Rican Fishing Industry. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

Moton, L., Merken, S. Criminological Understandings of Horror Films. Round Table at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

- Moton, L.** Contextual Identities in Columbus: How defendants conceptualize victimhood in an Ohio Human Trafficking Intervention Court. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of NGO Committee on the Status of Women 68, New York, NY.
- 2023 **Moton, L.,** Merken, S., Slakoff, D., Aujla, W. “I would just treat her like a human being”: Trans-Blindness in Intimate Partner Violence Service Provision in the U.S. and Canada. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- Merken, S., **Moton, L.** Luck Be A Lady: Misrepresentations of Lesbian Serial Killers in the Media. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- Moton, L.** On the Market: Tips, Tricks, and Experiences. Round Table at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 **Moton, L.** (2022, November). *The Construction of Victimhood in Human Trafficking Intervention Courts.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- Moton, L.,** Piza, E. (2022, November). *CCTV Operator Discretion During the Newark CCTV Directed Patrol Experiment.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- Sponsored by ASC Division of Policing
- Blount-Hill, K., St. John, V. J., **Moton, L.,** & Ajil, A. (2022, November). *In their experience: A review of othered experience in academe and proposals for building an inclusive criminology.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- Slakoff, D., Merken, S., **Moton, L.** (2022, November). *Toward an Equitable True Crime? A Content Analysis of Documentaries About Missing/Harmed Black and Indigenous Women.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- Pepin-Neff, C., **Moton, L.** (2022, June). *Policy Entrepreneurship and the Gay Sex Industry.* Paper presented at the International Workshop on Public Policy, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2021 Perez-Torres, J., **Moton, L.,** Headley, A., St. John, V., Vasquez, L., Blount-Hill, K. (2021, November). *On Public Scholarship and connecting to the World Outside of Academia.* Round Table at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
- Moton, L.** (2021, November). *What About the “L”: A Systematic Quantitative Literature Review of Lesbian Police Officers.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
- 2020 **Moton, L.** (2020, November). *CCTV Operator Discretion.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C. *canceled due to COVID-19.*
- 2019 **Moton, L.** (2019, November). *Squaring the Circle: Exploring Lesbian Experience in a Heteromale Police Profession.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

TEACHING & RESEARCH MENTORSHIP

Instructor of Record

Graduate

Human Trafficking in the Digital Age (ICJ730)

- Fall 2025, Spring 2026

Statistical Software in Criminal Justice (CRJ 716)

- Spring 2022

Research Design and Methods (CRJ 715)

- Fall 2021

Undergraduate

Introduction to International Criminal Justice (ICJ 101)

- Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2025, Spring 2026

Research Methods in Behavioral Science (SSC 325)

- Spring 2021

Race & Ethnic Relations (SOC 213)

- Fall 2020

Teaching Assistant

Criminal Justice Research Methods (CJBS 250)

- Fall 2019, Spring 2020

Research Mentorship

Capstone Seminar in International Criminal Justice (ICJ 401)

- Fall 2022, Spring 2023

Curriculum Development

Human Trafficking in the Digital Age (ICJ730)

- Contracted to develop an International Criminal Justice Master's Program elective course, 2025-2026

Professional Development

What's Love Got to Do with It: Understanding Emotions in Critical Pedagogy

- Participant, Fall 2025

John Jay College Faculty Development Day

- Participant, Fall 2025, Spring 2026

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Discipline

2026 Member, Division of Queer Criminology Awards Committee, Student Paper Award

2025 Member, ASC Program Committee, Sex Work section, Washington DC

2024 Member, ASC Program Committee, Human Trafficking section, San Francisco, CA

2024 Member, Student Travel Awards for People of Color and Women Committee, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

2022 Member, Division of Queer Criminology Social Events Committee, American Society of Criminology

2022 Member, Division of Queer Criminology Mentoring Committee, American Society of Criminology

2020 Member, Advisory Committee Member, Race and Policing Certificate Program, San Diego State University

Journal Reviewer: *Justice Quarterly*, *Police Practice and Research: An International Journal*, *Routledge*, *Journal of Human Trafficking*, *Child and Youth Services*, *Child Abuse & Neglect*, *Anti-Trafficking Review*, *Victims & Offenders*, *Women and Criminal Justice*

Department

Faculty

Moderator, Human Trafficking in the Digital Age: Exploring New Frontiers in Exploitation and Prevention. April 22, 2026.

- I co-organized and moderated the interdisciplinary event *Human Trafficking in the Digital Age: Exploring New Frontiers in Exploitation and Prevention* at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. My role included developing the event concept and agenda, recruiting and coordinating panelists from government, legal, and community-based organizations, managing event logistics and outreach, and facilitating the panel discussion and audience Q&A. I also

curated the discussion themes and questions to foster dialogue between researchers, practitioners, students, and community stakeholders on emerging issues related to cyber-enabled trafficking and survivor-centered responses.

Faculty co-lead of the delegation from John Jay College of Criminal Justice for the UNTOC Review Mechanism Constructive Dialogue on Trafficking in Persons held at UNODC in Vienna. October 8, 2025.

- Led training meetings, provided one-on-one coaching for the student presenter, identified relevant materials for the students to consult, provided feedback on their draft and edited and submitted the final document to UNODC.

Student

Mentor, Student Mentor Program, John Jay College Department of Criminal Justice, 2019 - 2023

Member, Diversity Committee, John Jay College Department of Criminal Justice, 2021 - 2022

Panelist, Current Student Q&A Panel, John Jay College PhD Program Diversity Recruitment Workshop, April 2021

Vice President, Criminal Justice Doctoral Student Association, John Jay College, 2020 - 2021

Member, Admissions Committee, John Jay College Department of Criminal Justice, 2019 – 2021

College

Faculty

Presenter, Undergraduate Commencement Awards Ceremony, ICJ Representative. May 11, 2026.

Faculty Mentee, Junior Faculty Mentorship Program

- Assigned Mentor: LaDawn Haglund, Political Science

University

Program Representative, Doctoral Student Council, The Graduate Center, CUNY, 2019– 2021

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology

Division of Feminist Criminology; Division of Queer Criminology; Division of Victimology; Division on People of Color and Crime; Division of Critical Criminology; Division of Convict Criminology; Division of Policing, Division of Qualitative Research

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

The People of Color and Women Section

The Society for the Study of Social Problems

MEDIA FEATURES

Interview with legal reporter at *Bloomberg Law* (March 2026)- Docket Watch: OneTaste, Palin, DLA Piper

Interview with technology reporter at the *Wall Street Journal* (May 2022)- [The Five Most Dreaded Words at the Office: 'Let's Start a Google Doc'](#)

Interview with Editorial Director at John Jay College for Research on the Rise Series (March 2022)- [National Criminal Justice Month: Lauren Moton '23 Empowers Victims of Human Trafficking](#)

Interview with Impact: The research magazine for John Jay College (September 2020)- [Student Notes](#)