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Degrees

Doctor of Philosophy, Fisheries & Wildlife Michigan State University	May 2018 East Lansing, MI
Master of Science, Fisheries & Wildlife Michigan State University	December 2010 East Lansing, MI
Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology The Ohio State University	December 2003 Columbus, OH
Bachelor of Science, Natural Resources Management The Ohio State University	December 2003 Columbus, OH

Academic Position & Affiliations

Assistant Professor Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law University of Florida	August 2018-present Gainesville, FL
Affiliate Professor University of Florida Archie Carr Center for Sea Turtle Research Center for African Studies School for Natural Resources and Environment Tropical Conservation and Development Program	Gainesville, FL January 2019-present August 2018-present January 2019-present August 2019-present

Research Interests

I am a conservation criminologist who uses theories and methods from criminology, natural resources management, and risk and decision sciences to study the various actors involved in, the implications of, and interventions to prevent wildlife crimes in socio-ecological systems. My areas of specialization are community-based management, (non)compliance, guardianship, and situational prevention of wildlife poaching and illegal trade. I integrate research into my teaching and mentoring, involving graduate and undergraduate students in research and publications. My policy-relevant, applied conservation social science research spans varied geographies, from Southeast Asia to Sub-Saharan Africa and from Florida to the Caribbean and Latin America.

Grants

Externally funded research projects

- **Kahler, J. (PI).** (2024). "Contradicting the illegal, unsustainable songbird trade in Guyana." The Consultancy Group, Georgetown Guyana (Prime Sponsor U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service): (Funded \$112,069)

- **Kahler, J. (PI).** (2019). “Prevention of wildlife trafficking in Zambia.” Wildlife Crime Prevention (WCP), Lusaka, Zambia (Prime Sponsor U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service): (Funded: \$92,393).
- **Kahler, J.** and Gore, M. (2013). “Improving management of wildlife poaching risks: Using perceptions of risk and situational crime prevention to protect endangered wildlife.” National Science Foundation, Division of Social and Economic Sciences, Decision, Risk and Management Sciences, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant. Award # 1257869 (Funded \$28,500).

Internally funded projects and awards

- Andreau, M. & Hull, V. (PIs), **Kahler, J.** and Watine, L. (Co-PI). (YEAR). “Building capacity for natural resource protection in Belize: An interdisciplinary approach.” University of Florida’s Biodiversity Institute Seed Fund (Funded: \$25,000)
- **Kahler, J.** (2020). Global Fellow 2020, University of Florida International Center (\$5,000)

Unfunded research proposals and fellowships

- **Kahler, J.** (Fellow Candidate). (2023). “Understanding climate change and energy development risks.” Gulf Research Program’s Early Career Research Fellowship. National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine. (Not funded: \$76,000)
- **Kahler, J. (PI)**, Pienaar, E. & Child, B. (Co-PIs). (2019). “Khetha program: Wildlife crime prevention programmatic review and recommendations.” World Wildlife Fund (Prime Sponsor U.S. Agency for International Development). (Not funded: \$63,782)
- **Kahler, J. (PI)**, Romagosa, C. & Pienaar, E. (Co-PIs). (2019). “Evaluating public support of Rhesus macaque population.” Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. (Not funded: \$93,792)
- **Kahler, J. (PI)**, Perz, S. & Loiselle, B. (Co-PIs). (2018). “Combating wildlife trafficking in Latin America and the Caribbean.” U.S. Department of State. (Not funded: \$2,373,844)

Scholarly publications

* denotes graduate student co-author; ** denotes undergraduate student co-author

Peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters:

16. Kahler, J. and Ceccato, V. (in press) Situational precipitators of Environmental and Wildlife Crimes in Namibia and Sweden. *Chapter 26 (pgs. 290-306) in Crime, Peoples, and Places: Perspectives on Rural Safety and Justice.* Routledge Press.

15. Merz, L., Kahler, J., Mwale, G., and Child, B. (2024). “Although elephants bring problems, they also bring benefits:” The complexities of human-wildlife coexistence. *The Stacks: 24001.*

<https://doi.org/10.60102/stacks-24001>

14. Kahler, J., Reynald, D., and Gore, M. (2023). “I let it go:” Quantifying residential wildlife guardianship intentions when witnessing wildlife poaching. *Biological Conservation 227:*

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biocon.2022.109829> [IF: 4.9]

13. Kahler, J., Rivera, C*, and Gore, M. (2022). Introducing IPOACHED: A conservation criminology-based framework to understand wildlife species targeted by poachers in protected areas. *Frontiers in Conservation Science 20(3):* <https://doi.org/10.3389/fcsc.2022.992621> [IF: 1.9]

12. Kahler, J. and Rinkus, M. (2021). Women and wildlife crime: Hidden offenders, protectors, and victims. *Oryx 55(6), 835-843.* <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0030605321000193> [IF: 2.699]

11. **Kahler, J.**, Rivera, J.*, Steele, Z.*, A., Giner-Morales, P.*, Rivera, C.*, Ahossin, C.*, Kaur, A.*, & Episcopio-Sturgeon, D* (2021). Advancing applied research in conservation criminology through the evaluation of corruption prevention, enhancing compliance, and reducing recidivism. *Frontiers in Conservation Science*: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fcosc.2021.698755> [IF:1.9]
 10. **Kahler, J.** (2020). *Invited commentary*- Alarm call: innovative study highlights the need for robust conservation crime science to effectively impede specialized songbird trafficking. *Animal Conservation*, 23, 149-150. <https://doi.org/10.1111/acv.12581> [IF: 3.650]
 9. **Kahler, J.**, Liu, R., Newcomb, T., Herbst, S., and Gore, M. (2020). Public risk perceptions associated with Asian carp introduction and corresponding response actions. *Management of Biological Invasions*, 11(1), 80-95. <https://doi.org/10.3391/mbi.2020.11.1.06> [IF: 2.663]
 8. **Kahler, J.**, Boratto, R., Vanegas, L., Wieland, M. and Gore, M. (2019). Using conservation criminology to explore the opportunity structures, obstacles, and deterrence of urban bushmeat trafficking in Lékoumou District, Republic of Congo. Chapter 5 in M. Lynch and S. Pires (Eds.) *Quantitative Studies in Green and Conservation Criminology*. Routledge: New York.
 7. **Kahler, J.**, and Gore, M. (2017). Chapter 2: Conservation Crime Science. In M. Gore (Ed.) *Conservation Criminology*. Wiley: Hoboken, NJ.
 6. Gore, M., Ratsimbazafy, J., Rajaonson, A., Lewis, A. and **Kahler, J.** (2016). Public perceptions of poaching risks in a biodiversity hotspot. *Journal of Trafficking, Organized Crime, and Security* 2: 1-20.
 5. **Kahler, J.** and Gore M. (2015). Local perceptions of risk associated with poaching of wildlife implicated in human-wildlife conflicts. *Biological Conservation* 189, 49-58 (Editor's Choice Article September 2015: <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/biological-conservation/editors-choice/september-local-perceptions-of-risk-associated-with-poaching>) [IF: 5.990]
 4. Gore, M. and **Kahler, J.** (2015). Using visual scales in researching global human dimensions of wildlife. *Human Dimensions of Wildlife* 20, 159-166. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10871209.2014.992501> [IF: 2.769]
 3. **Kahler, J.**, Roloff, G. and Gore, M. (2013). Poaching risks in a community-based natural resource management system. *Conservation Biology* 27: 177-186. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1523-1739.2012.01960.x> [IF: 6.560]
 2. **Kahler, J.**, and Gore, M. (2012). Beyond the cooking pot and pocket book: Factors influencing noncompliance with wildlife poaching rules. *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*, 36 (2): 103-120. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01924036.2012.669913> [Most cited article in journal all time-CrossRef citations=86]
 1. Gore, M. and **Kahler, J.** (2012). Gendered Risk Perceptions Associated with Human-Wildlife Conflict: Implications for Participatory Conservation. *PLoS ONE* 7(3): e32901. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0032901>
- Technical reports and peer-edited works:**
12. **Kahler, J.S.** with Head, C.B., and Merz, L. (2023). Final Report: Preventing wildlife trafficking in Zambia: Contradicting the trade of leopards, lions, and pangolins. Wildlife Crime Prevention, Lusaka: Zambia.

- 11. Kahler, J.S.** with Head, C.B., and Merz, L. (2022). *Research update 2022: Preventing wildlife trafficking in Zambia (Year 3)*. Wildlife Crime Prevention, Lusaka: Zambia.
- 10. Kahler, J.S.** with Head, C.B., and Merz, L. (2021). *Research update 2021: Preventing wildlife trafficking in Zambia (Year 2)*. Wildlife Crime Prevention, Lusaka: Zambia.
- 9. Kahler, J.S.** (2020) Elephant Crisis Fund: Description of elephant relevant confiscations in 2017 and 2018 according to the Zambian Department of National Parks and Wildlife data. Analysis and technical report completed for *Wildlife Crime Prevention*, Lusaka: Zambia
- 8. Kahler, J.S.** with Head, C.B., and Merz, L. (2020). *Preliminary findings: Preventing wildlife trafficking in Zambia (Year 1)*. Wildlife Crime Prevention, Lusaka: Zambia.
- 7. Kahler, J.** (2018). *The situational prevention of wildlife poaching in Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park, Sumatra Indonesia* (Doctoral dissertation). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database. (UMI No.10815833)
- 6. Kahler, J.S.** (2017) Manual 1: Implementation Guidelines- Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention. Zero Poaching Toolkit, Wildlife Crime Initiative. World Wildlife Fund (WWF): Washington, DC.
- 5. Kahler, J.S.** (2017) Manual 2: Training of the Trainers- Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention. Zero Poaching Toolkit, Wildlife Crime Initiative. WWF: Washington, DC.
- 4. Kahler, J.S.** (2017) Manual 3: Manual of Site-Based Exercises- Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention. Zero Poaching Toolkit, Wildlife Crime Initiative. WWF: Washington, DC.
- 3. Kahler, J.S.** (2016, October). Post-Mission Report: Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention in Eastern Plains Landscape, Cambodia. Zero Poaching Toolkit, Wildlife Crime Initiative. World Wildlife Fund: Washington, DC.
- 2. Kahler, J.S.** (2016, April). Post-Mission Report: Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention in Jengi South East Forest Program, Cameroon. Zero Poaching Toolkit, Wildlife Crime Initiative. World Wildlife Fund: Washington, DC.
- 1. Kahler, J.S. (2010).** Local Perceptions of Risk and Vulnerability Associated with Human-Wildlife Conflicts in Namibian Conservancies. Retrieved from Pro-Quest Digital Dissertations, (AAT: 1483617).

Manuscripts under review:

Advanced preparation (Revised drafts, revision for resubmission):

Ferrer, R.*, Alvarez, H.*, Swanson, E*. & **Kahler, J.** (*in revision*). “Compliance on the line”: Black and Latino fishers’ perceptions of motivations for compliance and law enforcement in Florida’s fisheries sector. *Deviant Behavior* revise decision 11/6/24

Rojas-Bonzi, V*, Hull, V., Branch, L., **Kahler, J.** and Krauer, J.C. (*in revision*). Exploring hunting dimensions in rapidly changing landscapes. *Submitted to Conservation Biology* 8/2/24

Rivera, C. and **Kahler, J.** (*in revision*). A criminological approach to examine the live primate trade in Indonesian urban markets. Submitted to: *Conservation Science and Practice* 3/13/23

Middle preparation (Advanced drafts):

Pierre, M.A.*, Melville, A., Hallett, M.T., and **Kahler, J.** (*in preparation*). Tolerance of jaguars predicts guardianship intention towards jaguars in the presence of human-wildlife conflict in Guyana, South America. Target journal: *Oryx*

Kahler, J., Alvarez, H*, Jin, B*, Kunwar, A*, and Li, W*. (*in preparation*). A threat assessment of the Illegal Harassment, Take, and Trade of Florida's Sea Turtles. Target journal: *Marine Policy*

Betancourt, F.N., **Kahler, J.** (*in preparation*). Quantifying local vessel captain's Humpback whale stewardship behaviors in calving habitat: A co-occurrence area analysis (Bahía de Banderas, Mexico). Target journal: *Marine Policy*

Initial preparations (Initial drafts, analysis)

Merz, L. & **Kahler, J.** (*in preparation*). Balancing rhinos and communities in Zambia. Target journal: *Conservation Letters*

Kahler, J., Chen, R.*, Foyet, M.*, & Hsu, CH*. (*in preparation*). Life course theories: Applications in the conservation social sciences. Target journal: *Society & Natural Resources*

Kahler, J., Klevtcova, A.*, Merz, L., Zambian authors TBD. (*in preparation*). Big cats in the Greater Luangwa Ecosystem, Zambia: Motivations for use, crime scripts, and situational prevention of trade. Target journal: *Conservation Biology*.

Klevtcova, A.*, **Kahler, J.**, Merz, L., Zambian authors TBD. (*in preparation*). Wildlife conservation and crime in Zambia: Regional network analysis for combating illegal wildlife trade. Target journal: *Biological Conservation*

Kahler, J., Carothers, I.*, Klevtcova, A.*, Swanson, E.*, Tierney, C.*, Ferrer, R.,** & Reynald, D. (*in preparation*). Angling for guardianship: Perceptions of crime seriousness and willingness to intervene when witnessing fisheries violations. Target journal: *Biological Conservation*

Kahler, J., Giner-Morales, P., Hull, V., and Southworth, J. (*in preparation*). Complex interactions between climate change and wildlife crime in social-ecological systems. Target journal: *People and Nature*

Head, C.B*, Rinkus, M. and **Kahler, J.** (*in preparation*). New approaches to women's empowerment in conservation: Sub-Saharan Africa's all female ranger units." Target Journal: *Society and Natural Resources*

Academic and professional presentations***Invited talks and seminars:***

6. Kahler, J. (4 April 2023). "Necessarily interdisciplinary: Deciphering drivers of wildlife poaching and protection using conservation criminology." School of Natural Resources and Environment Annual Research Symposium. University of Florida.

5. Kahler, J., Southworth, J., Hull, V., and Morales-Giner, P. (15 Sept 2022). "Climate change & wildlife crime in social-ecological systems: A conceptual framework and examples from the Global South." When Climate Change Intersects Crime Webinar Series

(<https://www.sakraplatser.abe.kth.se/sv/2020/12/05/when-climate-change-intersects-crime/>), Safeplaces Network, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden, & Northumbria University, UK. Recording found here: https://bit.ly/Jessica_Kahler_CCC_Webinar

4. Kahler, J. (2021, December). “Women and wildlife crime: Hidden offenders, protectors, and victims.” Invited talk: 32nd Meeting of the INTERPOL Wildlife Crime Working Group, *Special session: Rising Women Leaders in Conservation Law Enforcement*, INTERPOL Environmental Security Programme: Lyon, France. (Hosted Virtually)

3. Kahler, J. (2018, November). “Women in wildlife conservation: A missing majority”. Invited lecture as part of a 3-person panel, *Women Empowerment through Science and Technology*, hosted by SMART City Universitas Indonesia (UI) as part of USAID SHERA Center for Collaborative Research (CCR). UI Campus, Depok, Indonesia. “Talkshow” available online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rmZfViV4Qrk>

2. Kahler, J. and Long, B. (2016, January). “Beyond the “Carrot or the Stick:” Introducing the Community-Based Wildlife Crime Prevention Framework.” Brown Bag presentation given at World Wildlife Fund USA. Washington D.C., USA.

1. Kahler, J., Gore, M. and Roloff, G. (2013, March). “Novel approaches to environmental compliance research: a case study of the risk of poaching in Namibian conservancies.” Invited talk presented to ITC’s 1st Annual Environmental Compliance Conference, Windhoek, Namibia.

Academic conferences:

15. Bonzi, V.R., Hull, V., Kahler, J. and Branch, L. (26-28 Mar 2024; Poster presentation). Perceptions of hunting in protected areas in the Dry Chaco of Paraguay. Student Conference on Conservation Science. University of Cambridge, UK.

14. Bian, X., Hull, V. and Kahler, J. (2 Jun 2023). Human-snow leopard conflict in Tibet. Pathways: Human Dimensions of Wildlife Conference. Fort Collins, CO. (Bian oral presenter)

13. Kahler, J., Morales-Giner, P., Hull, V. and Southworth, J. (19 May 2023). Complex interactions between climate change and wildlife crime in social-ecological systems. Species on the Move Conference, Bonita Springs, FL. (*presented remotely*)

12. Kahler, J., Morales-Giner, P., Hull, V., and Southworth, J. (16 Nov 2022). “Climate change and wildlife crime in social-ecological systems: A conceptual framework and examples from the Global South” American Society of Criminology Conference, Atlanta GA, USA.

11. Kahler, J., Morales-Giner, M.P*, Hull, V., and Southworth, J. (2021, December). “Complex interactions between climate change and wildlife crime in social-ecological systems.” 30th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Kigali, Rwanda (Held Virtually).

10. Head, C.B.*, Rinkus, M. and Kahler, J. (2021, December). “New approaches to women’s empowerment in conservation: Sub-Saharan Africa’s all female ranger units.” 30th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Kigali, Rwanda (Held Virtually).

9. Kahler, J., Lane, J. and Gore, M. (2019, November). “How serious is environmental crime? Comparing local perceptions of crime seriousness and preferences for interventions in Indonesia” The American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. San Francisco, USA.

8. Gluszek, S. (chair), **Kahler, J.**, Lemieux, A., Moreto, W. & Petrossian, G. (2019, November). Crime theory, conservation practice and communities in the middle. American Society of Criminology Roundtable Session. San Francisco, USA.

7. **Kahler, J.** and Gore, M. (2019, July). “How serious is conservation crime? Examining local perceptions of conservation crime seriousness and preferences for interventions” 29th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

6. **Kahler, J.**, Viollaz, J., and Gore, M. (2018, June). “Beyond the urban crime jungle: Refining the situational crime prevention framework for conservation crime.” Presented by J. Viollaz at the International Symposium on Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis (ECCA). Elche, Spain.

5. **Kahler, J.** and Gore, M. (2017, July). “Wildlife Guardianship: Understanding local willingness to intervene in the face of wildlife crime.” Invited talk presented at the Wildlife Crime: Bridging the gap between conservation science and criminology Symposium Panel, 28th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Cartagena, Columbia.

4. Gore, M and **Kahler, J.** (2017, July). “Conservation criminology approaches for managing demand for wildlife products.” Invited talk presented at the Wildlife Crime: Bridging the gap between conservation science and criminology Symposium Panel, 28th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Cartagena, Columbia.

3. **Kahler, J.** and Gore, M. (2015, August). “Applying Situational Crime Prevention Techniques to Global Conservation Crimes.” Invited talk presented at the New Frontiers in Conservation Criminology Symposium Panel, 27th International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference. Montpellier, France.

2. **Kahler, J.**, Roloff, G. and Gore, M. (2013, July). “Community mapping and poaching in Namibia.” Invited talk at the Detecting, Understanding and Deterring Conservation Crime Symposium, 26th International Society for Conservation Biology Conference. Baltimore, USA.

1. **Kahler, J.** and Gore, M. (2010, July). “Redefining human-wildlife conflicts using local perceptions of risk to wildlife and livelihoods.” Poster presented at the International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference, Edmonton, Canada.

Academic guest lectures since 2018:

9. “Conflict and crime: Exploring the implications of human-wildlife interactions on human health through conservation criminology.” (12 Feb 2025). University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professionals, Department of Environmental and Global Health.

8. “Necessarily interdisciplinary: The importance of the conservation social sciences to marine conservation” (27 March 2024). Sustainable Ocean Alliance Student Group. University of Florida.

7. “Necessarily interdisciplinary? Grappling with the plausible connections between climate change and environmental crime.” Kahler, Southworth, Hull and Pilar-Giner (7 Dec 2022). Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law Lunchtime Colloquium.

6. “Complex interactions between climate change and wildlife crime in social-ecological systems” in Department of Geography Colloquium, UF, Spring 2022

5. “Reducing the Illegal Harassment, Take and Trade (IHTT) of Florida Sea Turtles” in Archie Carr Center for Sea Turtle Research Meeting, UF, Fall 2021
4. “Applications of Conservation Criminology in Wildlife Crime Prevention” in Archie Carr Center for Sea Turtle Research Meeting, UF, Fall 2019
3. “Scales, fur and Bone: Situational Factors in the Illegal Supply Chain of Pangolins and Big Cats in Zambia” in Natural Resource Management Working Group, Center for African Studies, UF, Fall 2019
2. “In pursuit of wildlife guardianship: Poaching, communities, and willingness to intervene” in Department of Geography Weekly Seminar Series, UF, Fall 2018
1. “The environment and terrorism: Eco-terrorism, environmental terrorism & links to wildlife crime” in *Special Issues in Crime and Justice: Terrorism* (University of Louisiana at Lafayette CJUS 399), Spring 2018

Media:

Interviewed by C. Geib for “The turtle egg that pinged back: Tracing a poaching pathway in Costa Rica” (22 Oct 2020) Mongabay: <https://news.mongabay.com/2020/10/the-turtle-egg-that-pinged-back-tracing-a-poaching-pathway-in-costa-rica/>

Interviewed by L.E. Ogden for “Why you should beware a laughing or yawning hippo” (2 Jan 2016) BBC Earth (The Truth About Animals): <http://www.bbc.com/earth/story/20160108-why-you-should-beware-a-laughing-or-yawning-hippo>

Teaching and mentoring

My teaching philosophy has roots in my education at land-grant universities and was bolstered by my service as a U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer. As an interdisciplinary, applied social scientist conducting research and teaching on complex socio-ecological problems, I use research and case studies from around the world in an active learning environment to give students the knowledge to interpret and critically evaluate complex and nuanced contemporary issues in conservation and environmental justice. My teaching follows an experiential, multi-method approach that aims to engage students in academic literature while also keeping them in discussion with current events, media, and experiences beyond the classroom. Overall, I have prepared four courses since arriving at UF, including the creation of two new undergraduate courses and one new graduate course that explores contemporary and pertinent issues in conservation criminology and environmental justice.

Course preparations and teaching

Graduate:

Crime and the Environment, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, UF (CCJ 5934/SYA 7933) (New graduate course at UF, Spring 2020)

- Required course for the Sociology Track of the Interdisciplinary Ecology Ph.D. program, School for Natural Resources and Environment
- Elective course for the Tropical Conservation and Development Graduate Certificate, Tropical Conservation and Development Center, Center for Latin American Studies

Undergraduate:

Criminological Theory, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, UF (CCJ 4014) (New preparation Fall 2022)

Environmental Change & Environmental Justice, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, UF (CCJ 4934/SYA 4930/ SYA 7933) (New undergraduate course at UF, Spring 2019)

- Required course in the Environmental Justice and Policy Minor

Introduction to Conservation Criminology, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, UF (CCJ 4934/SYA 4930) (New undergraduate course at UF, Fall 2018)

- Elective course in the Environmental Justice and Policy Minor

Supervision of Master's Theses and Doctoral Dissertations***Chair or Co-Chair Doctoral Committees***

#	Student	Title of proposal/thesis/ dissertation	Home unit	Completion date, Placement
6	Kirstin Lewis	Climate change and crime: The compliance challenge	Criminology, Law & Society	<i>In progress</i>
5	Anna Klevtcova	Amur tigers of the Russian Far East	SNRE- Interdisciplinary Ecology (Sociology)	<i>In progress</i>
4	Ashra Kunwar	Application of General Strain Theory to Human-Wildlife Conflict Involving Big Cats in Nepal	Sociology	<i>In progress</i>
3	Hernan Gonzalo Alvarez	Understanding compliance and cooperation with illegal wild meat trade regulations in the Western Amazon of Ecuador	SNRE- Interdisciplinary Ecology (Sociology)	ABD; <i>In progress</i>
2	Cari Beth Head	"You Hide Me!": Epistemology as a Path to Power	Co-Chair Sociology	ABD; <i>In progress</i>
1	Fernando Noriega Betancourt	Integrating Ecological and Social Dimensions: A Study of Spatiotemporal Vessel Dynamics, Cetacean Habitat Selection, and Stakeholder Perceptions in Bahia De Banderas, Mexico	Co-Chair SNRE - Interdisciplinary Ecology (TCD)	2024, Ecología Y Conservación de Ballenas (ECOBAC, Mexico)

Chair or Co-Chair Master's Committees

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2	Wistride Lumas	Haitian Environmental Justice	SNRE- Interdisciplinary Ecology (TCD)	<i>In progress</i>
1	Meshach Pierre	The Conservation Criminology of Human-Jaguar Conflict in the Rupununi Region of Guyana, South America	Criminology, Law & Society	2023, University of Guyana (<i>deceased 2024</i>)

Member of Doctoral Committees

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12	Wania Gangeiro Cardoso	The recognition of traditional territories as a tool to address deforestation and promote human rights to Amazonian peoples	SNRE-Interdisciplinary Ecology (Geography)	<i>In progress</i>
11	Emily Swanson	<i>Developing novel theoretical frameworks to examine the environment and society</i>	Sociology, UF	<i>In progress</i>
10	Beatrice Kyasiimire	Living near Uganda's Queen Elizabeth National Park: Evaluating Alternative Livelihood Initiatives	SNRE-Interdisciplinary Ecology (WEC)	ABD, <i>In progress</i>
9	Morgan Manning	<i>Mammal Occupancy in the Ecuadorian Amazon; Dark-web Illegal Wildlife Trade</i>	SNRE-Interdisciplinary Ecology (WEC)	ABD, <i>In progress</i>
8	Viviana Rojas Bonzi	The Paradox of Conservation: Averting Protected Area Failure in a Deforestation Hotspot, Dry Chaco, Paraguay	Wildlife Ecology and Conservation	ABD, <i>In progress</i>
7	Amanda Fitch	Forensic anthropology and dog fighting	Anthropology	<i>In progress</i>
6	Diane Episcopio-Sturgeon	Case Studies Exploring Social Science Approaches to Charismatic Species Conservation	SNRE-Interdisciplinary Ecology (Family, Youth and Community Services)	2023, Invasion Science Research Institute, UF
5	Xiaoxing Bian	A Multi-Dimensional Assessment on the Co-Existence of the Snow Leopard and Local Pastoralist Communities in the Changtang, China	SNRE-Interdisciplinary Ecology (WEC)	2024, San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance
4	Carole Ahossin	Marriage and Integration: Exploring the Perceptions of Belonging of Black African Immigrants in the United States	Sociology	2023, Ball State University
3	Maria del Pilar Morales Giner	"We Only Have to Look Around Us": An Analysis of Sense of Place in a Context of Climate Change	Sociology	2022, Universidad de Granada, Spain
2	Christian Josue Rivera	Interdisciplinary Approaches to Analyzing the Harvest and Trade of Wildlife	Wildlife Ecology and Conservation (TCD)	2022, Princeton Fellow
1	Joseph W. Rivera	On Law and Wildlife: American Law in a Global Legal Scheme	Criminology, Law & Society	2021, University of Florida

Member of Master's Committees

#	Student	Title of proposal/thesis/ dissertation	Home unit	Completion date, Placement
1	Andrew David Glass	Florida Residents' Understanding of and Preference for Wildlife Management Terminology	Wildlife Ecology and Conservation	2020

Undergraduate thesis advising

#	Student	Title of proposal/thesis/ dissertation	Role, Home unit	Completion date, Placement
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3	Roberto Ferrer (High Honors)	An examination into Black and Latino fishers' perceptions of fishing regulations and enforcement in Florida	Criminology & Law, UF	2022, Florida Sea Grant, University of Florida
2	Falisha Kurji (Honors)	Tying the Threads: Contextualizing U.S. Media's Discussion of Fast Fashion within an Environmental Justice Framework	Sociology, UF	2020, Seattle Parks Foundation
1	Rebecca Bristow (BSc Honors)	Does perception of vulnerability and risk vary between people living in well-established and emerging conservancies?	Member, Department of Zoology & Entomology, University of Pretoria, South Africa	2019

Supervision of Graduate Research Assistants:

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| • Fall 24-Spring 25 | Anna Klevtcova (SNRE) | Wildlife Conservation Society Fellow |
| • Fall 23-Spring 24 | Anna Klevtcova (SNRE) | Wildlife Conservation Society Fellow |
| • Semesters YEAR | Hernan Alvarez (SNRE) | Wildlife Conservation Society Fellow |
| • Fall 21- Spring 22 | Cari Beth Head (Sociology) | External research (Zambia) |
| • Fall 20 -Spring 21 | Cari Beth Head (Sociology) | Start-up funds |
| • Summer 2020 | Leandra Merz (Geography) | External research (Zambia) |
| • Fall 19- Spring 20 | Carole Ahossin (Sociology) | External research (Zambia) |
| • Summer 2019 | Carole Ahossin (Sociology) | Wildlife Crime Prevention (Zambia) |

Supervision of Graduate Teaching Assistants:

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| • Fall 2024 | Rachel Chen (CLS) | Criminological Theory |
| • Fall 2024 | Alvaro Tomas (Sociology) | Criminological Theory |
| • Fall 2023 | Rachel Chen (CLS) | Criminological Theory |
| • Fall 2023 | Meshach Pierre (CLS) | Criminological Theory |
| • Spring 2023 | Anna Klevtcova (SNRE) | ECEJ; Conservation Criminology |
| • Fall 2022 | Stephanie Koskinen (CLS) | Criminological Theory |
| • Spring 2022 | Wonki Lee (CLS) | Criminological Theory |
| • Fall 2019 | Cari Beth Head (Sociology) | ECEJ; Conservation Criminology |

Service to the profession, university, and home department

My service duties include departmental, college, university, and international academic and professional level commitments. At the department level, I have served on a number of committees and frequently am an active participant in departmental meetings and affairs. At the college and university level, my Affiliate Faculty status with the Center for African Studies (CAS), School for Natural Resources and Environment (SNRE), and the Tropical Conservation and Development Program (TCD) has led to service activities to enhance these unique programs. My services relevant to the profession external to UF have included providing capacity building trainings, alongside other UF professors, to Indonesian scholars, and serving peer reviewer and Associate Editor for professional conferences and scholarly journals.

Professional service

Service to the profession and outside institutions

- Associate Editor (September, 2020-October, 2022), journal of Animal Conservation (IF: 3.21), Zoological Society of London
- Reviewed abstracts in March, 2019 submitted for oral presentation at the 29th International Congress of Conservation Biology (ICCB) Conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to be held 21-25 July, 2019.
- Reviews since August 2018
 - *Justice Quarterly* (Submitted 12/14/2022)
 - Paused on outside peer-reviews while Associate Editor at *Animal Conservation* 9/2020-10/2022 (see above)
 - Book Proposal, Routledge: Environment and Sustainability: *Introduction to - Environmental Justice* (Submitted 8/20/20)
 - Human Dimensions of Wildlife (Submitted 6/24/20; Revision review submitted: 8/24/20)
 - Human Dimensions of Wildlife (Submitted 5/30/20)
 - Human Dimensions of Wildlife (Submitted 10/6/18)
 - Biological Conservation (Submitted 4/14/20)
- **(November 2018) Part of UF delegation to USAID SHERA Center for Collaborative Research (CCR), SMART City Universitas Indonesia (UI)**
 - Gave a lecture on *Introduction to Academic Writing* and provided group and individual mentoring and feedback on academic writing and manuscripts written by graduate students and junior faculty from Indonesian academic institutions with the goal of increasing publication in indexed journals. Morrissey Hotel Residences: Jakarta, Indonesia.
 - Invited lecturer on *Women Empowerment through Science* panel at Universitas Indonesia (UI): Jakarta, Indonesia (see above link in invited lecture section)

Service to the University of Florida

- Hiring committee member, Director of the Center for African Studies *home department review* in Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law Review, University of Florida, Spring 2022
- Chair of the Center of African Studies Advisory Council, elected 2021; selected Chair November 2022, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, term 2022-2024.
- Working Group Grants Selection Committee, Tropical Conservation and Development Program, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Fall 2021
- Working Group Grants Selection Committee, Tropical Conservation and Development Program, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Fall 2019

Service to the Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, UF

- Market Equity committee member, Fall 2024-Spring 2025
- Hiring committee member, *Teacher-Scholar Tenure Track Assistant Professor position* in Health Inequalities and Environmental Justice, Fall 2023-Spring 2024.
- Market Equity committee member, Fall 2023-Spring 2024
- Faculty Advisory Council, Academic Year 2022-2023, Fall 2022-Spring 2023
- Strategic Planning Subgroup on the *New Ph.D. and Non-Academic Graduate Training*, Fall 2022-Spring 2023
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, Fall 2021-Disbanded
- Criminology & Law Graduate Selection Committee, Spring 2021
- Criminology & Law Graduate Selection Committee, Spring 2020
- Hiring committee member, *Teacher-Scholar Tenure Track Assistant Professor position Law, Society, and Justice*, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, 2018-2019