###### **Alyssa Blanco**

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***Research Assistant,* Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. (JSS),** Mar. 2021 - Present.

Support and assist the research team in data entry, data analysis and implementing the research methodologies. Complete day-to-day activities of research projects including reviewing, analyzing, and summarizing literature, and conducting directed and self-initiated intermediate research analyses.

Recent Projects Include:

* *Research Assistant* for the for the Solving Crime Through Innovation: Investigating Homicides and Shootings in South Bureau.
* *Research Assistant* for Expanding Body Worn Video Technology to Small, Rural, and Tribal areas.

**PRESENTATIONS AND PANEL PARTICIPATION**

Poster, “Law Enforcement Policies and Performance and How it Influences Public Opinion.” Poster presented at Morgan State University’s undergraduate and graduate symposium, April 2016.

**PROFESSIONAL AND RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE**

***Research Assistant,* CSULB Research Foundation, Long Beach, CA.**

Research Assistant for a Board of State and Community Corrections grant that funds process and outcome evaluations of the Los Angeles and San Francisco Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) sites. Duties include coding data, cleaning data, and running analyses with data. Data was collected, cleaned, and included in brief reports based on analyses to present to supervising professor.

***Researcher,* Master’s Thesis, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Officer Interactions: Perceptions of Procedural Justice, California State University, Long Beach** Using data collected as a part of an evaluation of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program pilot sites in Los Angeles and San Francisco, this thesis examines LEAD clients’ perceptions of procedural justice based on their interactions with LEAD officers.

***Citizen Police Complaint Commission (CPCC) Intern,* City Manager’s Office, Long Beach, CA**

Work with CPCC investigators in their investigations of allegations of officer misconduct by reviewing citizen complaints, examining body-worn camera footage, police reports, call logs, witness reports and other relevant documents to the investigation. Assist with administrative duties such as filing complaints, drafting reports and briefs of the investigations, and generating documents (e.g., notification and acknowledgement letters) to deliver to the various parties of the complaint, such as the complainant(s) and the accused officer(s).

***Teaching Assistant,* California State University, Long Beach, CA**

Assisted in teaching one summer session of CRJU 525: Advanced Statistics for Criminal Justice and two sections of CRJU 490: Selected Topics in Criminal Justice. Responsible for grading students' weekly assignments and discussion posts, as well as midterms and finals. Provided feedback and corrections to students regarding their work.

**SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS**

* Computer skills include MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), and SPSS
* CITI Social and Behavioral Research Certification [completed 09/17/2019]

**EDUCATION**

* California State University, Long Beach, CA Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice, *In Progress*
* Morgan State University, MD Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and certificate in Criminal Justice, May 2017

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

**Alpha Phi Sigma, CSULB**

Serve as an Executive Board Member of the CSULB Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society.