

Francesco P. DiRienzo

Curriculum Vitae

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: Francesco “Frank” DiRienzo
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Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice
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EDUCATION

- 2026 PhD in Criminal Justice
University of Cincinnati
Dissertation: *The Application of Marginal Structural Models in Criminological Research: The Case of Peer Effects on Delinquency*
Committee: Dr. Hexuan Liu (chair), Dr. Francis T. Cullen, Dr. Audrey Hickert, Dr. Damon M. Petrich
- 2021 Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration
Niagara University
Thesis: *Exploring Moffitt’s Taxonomy: Using Group-Based Trajectory Modeling to Analyze Offending Trajectory Profiles*
Committee: Dr. Dana L. Radatz (chair), Dr. Craig Rivera, Dr. Michael Cassidy, Dr. Timothy Lauger, Dr. Timothy M. Osberg
- 2019 Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
State University of New York, Geneseo
Minor: Sociology

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Developmental and life-course criminology
Serious mental illness in the justice system
Program evaluation
Juvenile delinquency

Sociogenomics
Quantitative analyses
Criminological theory

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2026 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Moglovkin, T., & Liu, H. Nature, nurture, and public punitiveness: An experimental vignette study. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*, 0(0).
- 2025 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Manchak, S. M., Pate, S., Strange, C. C., & Guthrie, M. Implementation and outcomes from a Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) pilot program. *Journal of Community Justice*, 0(0).
- 2025 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Feldmeyer, B. The new dawn of NIBRS: Race/ethnicity and crime patterns and the NIBRS transition. *Race and Justice*, 0(0).
- 2025 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Maher, C. A., Hayes, B. E., & Daigle, L. E. (Cyber)bullying victimization of autistic college students. *Journal of School Violence*, 24(3).
- 2024 Hayes, B. E., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Radatz, D. L. Beyond a binary: Introducing the role of timing in understanding the link between childhood adversity and intimate partner violence victimization in the Global South. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 94.
- 2024 Manchak, S. M., Light, S., Farringer, A. J., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Gutierrez, L., & Warner, J. Reducing community supervision failure for people with mental illness: Strategies for promoting success. *Corrections*, 9(5).
- 2023 Nedelec, J. L., & **DiRienzo, F. P.** Predicting Moffitt's developmental taxonomy of antisocial behavior using life history theory: A partial test of the evolutionary taxonomy. *Evolutionary Psychology*, 21(4).

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- 2026 Hayes, B. E., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Cochran, J. C., Anderson, C. N., & Potts, A. Disability, victimization, and offending during incarceration (under review)
- 2026 Insko, L. Schilling, H. **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Light, S. Rankin, K., & Manchak, S. M. The professionalism of peer navigators in overdose treatment and recovery. (revise and resubmit at *Drugs: Education, Prevention, and Policy*).
- 2026 Manchak, S. M. & **DiRienzo, F. P.** Outpatient competency restoration programs for adults with serious mental illness (revise and resubmit at *Psychological Services*).
- 2026 Liu, H., Barnes, J.C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Tanksley, P. T., Ryan, C. P., Teschendorff, A. E., & Belsky, D. W. Arrest experiences and accelerated biological aging in childhood and adolescence: A longitudinal analysis (under review).

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

- 2026 Pearson, R., Kail, R. M., Liu, H., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Moglovkin, T. C., Motz, R. T., Stubbs, K., Tanksley, P. T., & Barnes, J. C. Considering schools as tools for intervention: A genetically sensitive, multilevel analysis of the relationship between ADHD and suspension/expulsion.
- 2026 Barnes, J. C., Caspi, A., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Liu, H., Moglovkin, T., Pearson, R., Stubbs, K., Tanksley, P. T., & Moffitt, T. E. Most people underestimate their relative involvement in illegal activity.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- 2025 Manchak, S. M., & **DiRienzo, F. P.** Adult Outpatient Competency Restoration Report. Written for SAMHSA's GAINS Center.
- 2024 Manchak, S. M., Light, S. C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Insco, L. *Year 1 Report. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 2023 Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) Grant.* Hamilton County Public Health. Hamilton County, OH.
- 2023 Manchak, S. M., Strange, C. C., Pate, S., Caballero, P., & **DiRienzo, F. P.** *Hamilton County Addiction Response Coalition LEAD Program Evaluation.* Hamilton County, OH.
- 2021 Radatz, D. L., & **DiRienzo, F. P.** *Family Violence Intervention Project Needs Assessment.* Written for the Family Violence Intervention Project Steering Committee, Niagara County, NY.

GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND CONSULTING

- 2025 University of Cincinnati Graduate College and Office of the Vice President for Research; University Research Council (URC) Graduate Student Stipend and Research Cost Program for Faculty—Student Collaboration Grant
Faculty Collaborators: Dr. Brittany Hayes and Dr. Joshua Cochran
Award: \$7,750
- 2025 University of Cincinnati College of Education, Criminal Justice, Human Services, and Information Technology (CECH) Graduate Student and Faculty Research Mentoring Grant
Faculty Collaborator: Dr. Hexuan Liu
Award: \$1,000
- 2024-present SAMHSA's GAINS Center for Behavioral Health and Justice Transformation
Consultant work on creating a systematic literature review on best practices in competency restoration diversion for individuals with serious mental illness

PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Liu, H., Barnes, J.C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Tanksley, P. T., Ryan, C. P., Teschendorff, A. E., & Belsky, D. W. *The Association Between Arrest Experiences and Biological Aging in Childhood and Adolescence: A Longitudinal Analysis*. To be presented at the Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences Conference, Stanford, CA. October 9-10.
- 2025 Moglovkin, T., Barnes, J. C., Caspi, A., Theodore, R., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Moffitt, T. E. *How Do People Form Perceptions of Arrest Risk?: A Prospective Longitudinal Study*. In **F. P. DiRienzo** (chair), Findings from the University of Cincinnati's Crime and Sociogenomics Throughout the Life course (CASTLE) Lab [Thematic panel]. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. November 12-15.
- 2025 Pearson, R., Kail, R. M., Liu, H., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Moglovkin, T. C., Motz, R. T., Stubbs, K., Tanksley, P. T., & Barnes, J. C. *Considering Schools as Tools for Intervention: A Genetically Sensitive, Multilevel Analysis of the Relationship Between ADHD and Suspension/Expulsion*. In **F. P. DiRienzo** (chair), Findings from the University of Cincinnati's Crime and Sociogenomics Throughout the Life course (CASTLE) Lab [Thematic panel]. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. November 12-15.
- 2025 **DiRienzo, F. P.** *Reconsidering the Effects of Peers on Delinquency: A Marginal Structural Model Approach*. In **F. P. DiRienzo** (chair), Findings from the University of Cincinnati's Crime and Sociogenomics Throughout the Life course (CASTLE) Lab [Thematic panel]. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. November 12-15.
- 2025 Barnes, J. C., Caspi, A., Moglovkin, T. C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Stubbs, K., Tanksley, P. T., & Moffitt, T. E. *High Volume Criminal Offenders Rate Themselves as Average for Offending Frequency*. In **F. P. DiRienzo** (chair), Findings from the University of Cincinnati's Crime and Sociogenomics Throughout the Life course (CASTLE) Lab [Thematic panel]. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. November 12-15.
- 2025 Liu, H., Barnes, J.C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Tanksley, P. T., Ryan, C. P., Teschendorff, A. E., & Belsky, D. W. *Arrest Experiences and Accelerated Biological Aging During Childhood and Adolescence*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. November 12-15.
- 2025 Smith, D., Arble, A., Light, S. C., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Insko, L., & Manchak, S. M. *Hamilton County Public Health 2024 Safe Services Survey*. Paper presented at the Ohio Deflection Association annual conference, Cincinnati, OH. January 22-24.

- 2024 **DiRienzo, F. P.** & Liu, H. *Nature vs. Nurture: An Assessment of Punitiveness*. In J. R. Silver (chair), Public perceptions of victims and defendants: Identity, traits, and stereotypes [Thematic panel]. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA. November 13-16.
- 2024 Light, S. Farringer, A., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Gutierrez, L. Warner, J., & Manchak, S. M. *Reducing Community Supervision Failure for People with Mental Illness: Strategies for Promoting Success*. In S. M. Manchak (Chair), Community Supervision of People with Mental Illness: Challenges and Solutions. Symposium presented at the annual conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Los Angeles, CA. March 21-23.
- 2024 Gutierrez, L., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Kiki, E., Moeller, C., Carter, C., & Manchak, S. M. *Noncompliance on Community Supervision: Type, Frequency, and PO Response for People with and without Mental Illness*. In S. M. Manchak (Chair), Community Supervision of People with Mental Illness: Challenges and Solutions. Symposium presented at the annual conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Los Angeles, CA. March 21-23.
- 2024 Manchak, S. M., Farringer, A., Light, S., Gutierrez, L., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Caballero, P. *Examining the Role of Mental Illness on Community Supervision Non-Compliance*. In S. M. Manchak (Chair), Community Supervision of People with Mental Illness: Challenges and Solutions. Symposium presented at the annual conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Los Angeles, CA. March 21-23.
- 2024 Hayes, B. E., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Radatz, D. L. *Childhood Adversity and Timing of Intimate Partner Violence Among Married Women in The Global South*. Presented at the Spring Research Conference, Louisville, KY. February 24.
- 2023 Hayes, B. E., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, & Radatz, D. L. *Childhood Adversity and Timing of Intimate Partner Violence Among Married Women in The Global South*. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA. November 15-18.
- 2022 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Radatz, D. L., & Rivera, C. *Gendered Perspectives on The Catholic Church Sex Abuse Crisis*. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. November 16-19.
- 2021 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Radatz, D. L., Rivera, C., & Cassidy, M. *Consequences of Childhood Risk on Later Criminal Offending*. Presented at the annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. November 17-20.
- 2020 **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Radatz, D. L., & Rivera, C. *Exploring Moffitt's taxonomy: Using Group-Based Trajectory Modeling to Analyze Offender Trajectory Profiles*.

Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington D.C. Conference cancelled due to pandemic.

- 2020 **DiRienzo, F. P., & Zestcott, C. A.** *The Tattooed Defendant: Courtroom Stereotypes of Tattooed Individuals*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA. February 27-29.
- 2018 **DiRienzo, F. P., Stone, J., & Zestcott, C. A.** *Healthcare Provider Implicit Bias Toward Native American Patients*. Poster presented at SUNY Geneseo GREAT Day, Geneseo, NY. April 17.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 Hayes, B. E., **DiRienzo, F. P.**, Maher, C. A., Daigle, L. E. *(Cyber)bullying in the Autistic College Student Community*. Presented to the College Autism Network Virtual Association of Scholars (CANVAS).
- 2024 **DiRienzo, F. P.** *Passing the Comprehensive Examination: Successful Practices*. Presented to Dr. Francis Cullen's Criminal Justice Research Practicum Class.
- 2021 **DiRienzo, F. P., & Radatz, D. L.** *Family Violence Intervention Project Needs Assessment*. Presented to the Family Violence Intervention Project Steering Committee, Niagara County, NY.

RESEARCH, INTERNSHIP, & PRACTITIONER EXPERIENCES

- 2025-present Research Group Member
School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati
Research associate in Dr. Joseph Nedelec's UC CYBORG Group
- 2025-present Lab Member
School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati
Several projects in Dr. J.C. Barnes' and Dr. Hexuan Liu's CASTLE Lab
- 2023 Completed Research Practicum training course; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati
Reviewed best practices in empirical research and dissertation writing
- 2022-present Graduate Assistantship
School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati
(2025-present) Several projects with Dr. J.C. Barnes.
(2022-2025) Several projects/grants in Dr. Sarah Manchak's Health & Justice Lab
Assisted in community interviews, jail interviews, phone interviews, ORAS assessments, survey development, and program evaluation

- 2021-22 Senior Residence Counselor
Community Missions of Niagara
Assisted residents with daily living skills, mental health symptom management, and medication management in a congregate care level II residential facility and created and implemented service plans to best address resident needs
- 2019-21 Graduate Assistantship
Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Niagara University
Reducing Revocations Challenge (funded by Arnold Ventures)
Data collection at the Niagara County Probation Department; qualitative-quantitative coding; data entry
- 2019-21 Graduate Research Assistant
Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Niagara University
Faculty Advisor: Dana L. Radatz, Ph.D.
Data collection from front page newspaper coverage; content analysis
- 2017-19 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Department of Psychology, SUNY Geneseo
Faculty Advisor: Colin Zestcott, Ph.D.
Developed a program of research examining biases toward individuals with tattoos in a courtroom setting; data entry
- 2018 Undergraduate Internship
Livingston County Probation Department, Geneseo, NY
Worked with probation officers conducting jail and office interviews, making home visits, writing presentence investigation reports and more

TEACHING AREAS/INTERESTS

Criminology

Introduction to Criminology
Developmental and Life-Course Criminology
Criminological Theory

Juvenile Delinquency

Intimate Partner Violence

Mental Illness and Criminal Justice

Research Methods (including Program Evaluation)

Statistics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2026	Teaching Assistant; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati Cybercrime (online, asynchronous)
2025	Course Facilitator; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati Criminal Justice Senior Seminar
2025	Course Tutor; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati Applied Statistics in Criminal Justice – Master’s Level (online)
2023	Undergraduate course curriculum development; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati Assisted in development of upcoming approved undergraduate course (Introduction to Research and Evaluation)
2022	Completed Teaching Practicum training course; School of Criminal Justice University of Cincinnati Reviewed best practices in lecturing, syllabus development and exam development
2021	Lecturer; Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice Niagara University Criminology (in-person)
2021	Teaching Assistant; Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice Niagara University Victimology (online, asynchronous)

STUDENT THESIS AND DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Thesis (Member)

Present Michael Skowronski, Niagara University. *MC3: A Call to New York State.*

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Present Article reviewer
American Journal of Criminal Justice
Journal of School Violence
International Journal of Psychology

2025-present Program Committee Member

ASC Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology

2025-present Program Committee Member
ASC Division of Public Opinion and Policy

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

2025 Developed a virtual library of readings for the Criminology Comprehensive Examination
School of Criminal Justice
University of Cincinnati

2023-25 Accepted Students Day Volunteer
School of Criminal Justice
University of Cincinnati

2022-25 Graduate Orientation Volunteer
School of Criminal Justice
University of Cincinnati

2024 Invited Speaker
School of Criminal Justice – Graduate Open House
University of Cincinnati

SCHOLARSHIPS

2022-present University of Cincinnati Graduate Tuition Funding Scholarship

2021 Niagara University Student Travel Scholarship

2020 Niagara University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice; Departmental Scholarship

2020 Niagara University Graduate Assistantship

2019 Niagara University Extension Scholarship

AWARDS

2021 Niagara University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice; Jay Albanese Award for Outstanding Graduate Student in Criminal Justice

2021 Niagara University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice; Excellence in Graduate Research Award

TRAININGS, CERTIFICATES, AND WORKSHOPS

2026	International Statistical Genetics Workshop 8-day virtual workshop offered by The Institute for Behavioral Genetics (IBG) at the University of Colorado Boulder.
2026	Stata Multiple Imputation Workshop Workshop presented by Meghan K. Cain, StataCorp LLC
2026	Mental Health First Aid Certified Certification offered by Michael Brubaker and Sarah Manchak, University of Cincinnati
2025	Statistical Horizons Missing Data Then and Now Workshop presented by Paul Allison, University of Pennsylvania
2025	Statistical Horizons Analysis of Biological Aging Seminar Four-day seminar presented by Lauren Gaydosh, University of North Carolina
2025	Stata Causal Inference and Treatment Effects Workshop Workshop presented by Alvaro Fuentes Higuera, StataCorp LLC
2025	Stata Latent Class Analysis Workshop Workshop presented by Meghan K. Cain, StataCorp LLC
2025	Systematic Reviews and Other Evidence Synthesis Workshop Workshop offered by the CECH Library, University of Cincinnati
2025	Digital Accessibility for Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Workshop Workshop offered by the Digital Accessibility Resources Office & Graduate College, University of Cincinnati
2024	Grants 101 for Criminal Justice Students Workshop offered by Impact Accelerator (IA), University of Cincinnati
2024	Conducting Research with Correctional Staff Online Course Online course offered by the Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network Coordination and Translation Center (JCOIN CTC)
2024	Working with Missing Data Online Course Online course offered by the Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network Coordination and Translation Center (JCOIN CTC)
2024	Getting Started with R for Data Analysis Workshop Workshop offered by Bradley O'Guinn, University of Cincinnati

- 2024 Understanding Neurodiversity: Strategies for Creating Neurodiverse Inclusive Courses Workshop
Workshop offered by the Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning (CET&L) with Accessibility Resources, University of Cincinnati
- 2024 Data Visualization Workshop
Workshop offered by Joseph Nedelec, University of Cincinnati
- 2023 QPR Suicide Prevention Certified
Certification offered by Sarah Manchak, University of Cincinnati
- 2022 Interviewing Skills Training Workshop
Training offered by Sarah Manchak, University of Cincinnati
- 2022 Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS) Assessment Tool Certified
Certification offered by the University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute (UCCI)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2025-present Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship Section
- 2020-present American Society of Criminology
- Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology
- Division of Biopsychosocial Criminology
- Division of Experimental Criminology
- Division of Public Opinion and Policy
- 2019-present Psi Chi (Psychology Honors Society)
- 2018-present Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology Honors Society)