

## **CURRICULUM VITA**

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### **EDUCATION:**

**Sam Houston State University**, Doctor of Philosophy, Criminal Justice, December 2009.

Dissertation: *Do Angels Fall? A Study of Late Onset Offending and Substance Use Based on Findings from the National Youth Survey Family Study*. Chaired by Scott Menard, Ph.D.

**Sam Houston State University**, Master of Arts, Criminal Justice and Criminology, August 2002.

Thesis: *Case Outcome by Type of Counsel: A 1999 Analysis of Indigent Defense in Tarrant County, Texas*. Chaired by Charles M. Friel, Ph.D.

**Texas A&M University at College Station**, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, December 1994.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

*Adjunct Professor, August 2015 to present.*

**College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

*Assistant Professor, August 2010 to 2014.*

**College of Liberal Arts, Dept. Social Sciences**

**Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, Texas.**

*Instructor, August 2008 to 2010.*

**College of Liberal Arts, Dept. Social Sciences**

**Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, Texas.**

*Doctoral Teaching Fellow, September 2004 to August 2008.*

**College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

## RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

*Research Assistant, August 2006 to August 2008.*

**Dr. Scott Menard, College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

Conduct research for National Youth Survey Family Study and National Institute of Alcohol Abuse. Duties include research and update of literature review on problem alcohol use and abuse across the life course and data analysis.

*Research Assistant, January 2007 to August 2007.*

**Dr. Vincent Webb, Dean of the College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

Conducted research on data collected by the Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring (ADAM) program in Arizona from 1999-2003. Duties included research on factors affecting gang membership and data analysis of the gang database.

*Research Assistant, January 2004 to January 2006.*

**Dr. Robert Keppel, College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

Developed exams, reviewed course materials, and evaluated student papers and exams. Researched various topics related to criminal investigation, profiling, and serial murder. Conducted statistical analysis of homicide databases. Researched and wrote articles in conjunction with Professor. Prepared and assisted students in lab exercises. Taught classes in Serial Murder and Crime Scene Investigation as a substitute teacher.

*Research Writer, February 2001 to August 2003.*

**POSEIT/TCLEOSE, College of Criminal Justice**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.**

Researched, wrote, and designed on-line courses entitled *Crime Victims, Hate Crimes*, and *Racial Profiling* for the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Officers Standards of Education. Wrote various scripts for law enforcement training courses. Edited scripts for courses on *Criminal Investigation, Use of Force*, and *Basic Corrections*. Digitized video and stills for on-line law enforcement courses.

## AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST:

### *Developmental and Life Course Criminology*

- 1 Late onset of criminal offending and substance use.
- 2 Onset, continuation, suspension, and resumption of problem behaviors.
- 3 Alcohol and substance abuse across the life course.

### *Homicide & Series Offenders*

- 3 Murder characteristics, investigation, and solvability factors.
- 4 Offender profiling, crime scene analysis, and signature analysis.
- 5 Serial murder and serial sexual assaults.

## PUBLICATIONS:

Welch, K.L. (2012). *Late onset offending and substance use: Findings from the NYSFS*. El Paso, TX, LFB Scholarly Publications LLC.

Keppel, R. D., Weis, J. G., Brown, K. M., & Welch, K. (2009). The Jack the Ripper murders: A modus operandi and signature analysis of the 1888-91 Whitechapel murders. In R. Keppel & W. Birnes (Eds.), *Serial violence: An analysis of modus operandi and signature characteristics of killers*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Keppel, R. D., Brown, K. M., & Welch, K. (Eds.). (2007). *Forensic pattern recognition: From fingerprints to toolmarks*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall.

Welch, K. & Keppel, R. D. (2006). Historical origin of offender profiling. In R. D. Keppel (Ed.), *Offender profiling (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)*, Ohio: Thomson Custom Publishing.

Keppel, R. D., Weis, J. G., Brown, K. M., & Welch, K. (2005). A modus operandi and signature analysis of the 1888-91 Whitechapel murders. *Journal of Investigative Psychology and Offender Profiling*, 2(1), pp.1-21.

## PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS:

Welch, K. (2008, November). *Late Onset Offending: Mountain or Molehill?* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, National Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.

Welch, K. (2008, February). *25 Years of HITS: An Analysis of 10,000 Murder Cases From 1981-2006*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensics Science, Washington, DC.

Welch, K. (2007, June). *History of Offender Profiling: The Role of Criminologists, Consulting Detectives, and Medical Examiners*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Homicide Research Working Group, Minneapolis, MN.

Welch, K. (2007, June). *Outlaws, Angels, & Badmen: 200 years of Texas Serial Murders*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Homicide Research Working Group, Minneapolis, MN.

Welch, K. (2007, March). *Legal Admissibility of Offender Profiling Evidence and Testimony*. Paper presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Seattle, Washington.

Brown, K. M. & Welch, K. (2006, June). *A Descriptive Analysis of Victims and Offenders in the HITS 1981-1995 Dataset and the Effect of Race, Gender, Age and Distance on Case Solvability in Murder Investigations*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Homicide Research Working Group, Richmond, VA.

### ACADEMIC AWARDS, HONORS, & RECOGNITIONS:

Outstanding Researcher, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi, *2012*.  
 Teaching Excellence Award, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi, *2010*.  
 Excellence in Writing Award, Sam Houston State University, *2006 & 2004*.  
 Meritorious Service Award, *2005*.  
 Margaret Farnworth Scholarship, *2003*.

### UNIVERSITY SERVICE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Chair Search Committee: Member, *2013 to 2014*.  
 Scholarship Committee: Member, *2012 to 2014*.  
 Faculty Search Committee: Member, *2011 to 2013*.  
 New Student Orientation: Academic Advisor, *2011*.  
 Faculty Mentor, *2010 to 2013*.  
 Island Days: Touch of Class Presenter & Representative, *2009, 2010, 2011, 2013*.  
 Faculty Mentoring and Development Workshop: Participant, *Spring 2010*.  
 Peer Collaboration Teaching Workshop: Participant, *Spring 2009*.  
 Ph.D. Peer Mentor, *2005 to 2008*.  
 Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Committee, *2007*.  
 Graduate Standards Committee: Graduate Student Representative, *2006 to 2007*.  
 Graduate Student Organization: Student Representative, *2006 to 2007*.

### REFERENCES:

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