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EDUCATION

University of Maryland

PhD, Criminology and Criminal Justice
 M.A. Criminology and Criminal Justice

May 2028 (Expected)

May 2025 (Expected)

Villanova University

M.S., Psychology
Thesis: *Detecting deception in 911 homicide calls*
 Advisor: Patrick Markey, Ph.D.

May 2022

The Pennsylvania State University | Cum Laude

B.A., Psychology
 B.A., Criminology

May 2019

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications

Chou, J., Patton, R., Aletraris, L., Zaarur, A., Grella, C., Roman, P. & **Feeney, E.** (2024). Examining utilization and trends of family-based treatment in substance use treatment. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.

Patton, R., Chou, J., Kedtner, T., & **Feeney, E.** (2024). Exploring social connectedness, isolation, support, and recovery factors among women seeking substance use treatment. *Women & Health*, 1-14.

Chou, J., Patton, R., Katafiasz, H., Dang, Y., Swift, P., Zaarur, A., & **Feeney, E.** (2023). Understanding families impacted by opioid use: Outcomes of a therapist training program. *Families, Systems, & Health*, 41(4), 425-433.

Markey, P.M., Martin, A., Berry, B., **Feeney, E.**, & Slotter, E. (2023). The continuous expression of emotional and helpful behavior during high-stakes deception: 911 homicide calls. *Journal of Police and Criminal Psychology* 38, 519-527.

Markey, P.M., **Feeney, E.**, Berry, B., Martin, A., & Slotter, E. (2022). The (mis)utilization of cues during deception detection in 911 homicide calls. *Homicide Studies*.

Markey, P.M., Berry, B., & **Feeney, E.** (2022). Video games and mental health. Invited chapter in H. Friedman (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Mental Health*, 3rd Edition. Elsevier Ltd., Oxford, UK.

Markey, P. M., **Feeney, E.**, Berry, B., Hopkins, L., & Creedon, I. (2022). Deception cues during high-risk situations: 911 homicide calls. *Psychological Science*, 33(7), 1-8.

Book Chapters

Markey, P.M., Berry, B., & **Feeney, E.** (2022). Video games and mental health. Invited chapter in H. Friedman (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Mental Health*, 3rd Edition. Elsevier Ltd., Oxford, UK.

Technical Reports

Bianca, B., Glazener, E., Sperry, T., Donohue, F., & **Feeney, E.** (2024). Annapolis police department comprehensive workload analysis. Maryland Crime Research and Innovation Center.

Manuscripts in Preparation/Under Review

Chou, J., Bennett, D., **Feeney, E.**, Irving, S., Patton, R., Snyder, J., Rutherford, T., Schindler, B. Stigma, family relationships, and medication for opioid use among women. [Manuscript in preparation].

Chou, J., Muruthi, B.A., Krauthamer-Ewing, E.S., Lynch, L., **Feeney, E.**, Avula, D.S., Rutherford, T. & Tyler, V. (Under Review) Couple/marriage and family therapists (C/MFTs) extent of training experiences for racism-related stress and racial trauma.

PRESENTATIONS

- Feeney, E.**, Sperry, T., Donohue, F., & Glazener, E. (2024, November). *Understaffed and overwhelmed: Analyzing officer workload and well-being in a medium sized police precinct* [Poster presentation]. American Society of Criminology (ASC) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Chou, J., Bennett, D., Irving, S., **Feeney, E.**, & Schindler, B. (2024, November). *Utilizing dyadic perspectives to address family stigma and attitudes toward medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD) among women* [Poster presentation]. Association for Multidisciplinary Education and Research in Substance Use and Addiction (AMERSA), Chicago, IL.
- Young, N., **Feeney, E.**, Chou, J., & Rootes, K. (2024, November). *Insights on unique treatment needs of women with substance use disorders who have been incarcerated* [Poster presentation]. Drexel University's Discovery Day, Philadelphia, PA.
- Kim, J., **Feeney, E.**, Chou, J., & Patton, R. (2024, November). *Understanding experiences of simulation for behavioral health students working with families impacted by opioid/substance use* [Poster presentation]. Drexel University's Discovery Day, Philadelphia, PA.
- Patton, R., Chou, J., **Feeney, E.** (2022, November). *Utilizing mixed reality simulation in substance use training: Considering curricular evaluation and quality improvement* [Poster presentation]. Association for Multidisciplinary Education and Research in Substance Use and Addiction (AMERSA), Boston, MA.
- Nelsen, R., Zaarur, A., Chou, J., Patton, R., **Feeney, E.** (2022, October). *Exploring attitudes of behavioral health trainees working with families impacted by substance use* [Poster presentation]. Drexel University Discovery Day, Philadelphia, PA.
- Ing, C., **Feeney, E.**, Krauthamer-Ewing, S. (2022, August). *Mentalizing on emotion regulation and depression severity* [Poster presentation]. Drexel University STAR Scholars Research Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Feeney, E.**, Berry, B., Hopkins, L., Markey, P.M. (2022, February). *Detecting deception in 911 homicide calls* [Poster presentation]. Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Hopkins, L., **Feeney, E.**, Berry, B., Creedon, I., Markey, P.M. (2022, February). *Behavioral correlates of deception in 911 calls reporting homicide* [Poster presentation]. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Berry, B., Hopkins, L., **Feeney, E.**, Markey, P.M. (2022, February). *Evaluating behavioral characteristics related to guilt and innocence of 911 missing person callers* [Poster presentation]. Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Feeney, E.** (2019, April). *Continuous versus dimensional: Looking at male preparation of intimate partner violence through a dimensional lens* [Poster presentation]. The Pennsylvania State University Undergraduate Research Exhibition, University Park, PA.
- Feeney, E.S.** (2019, April). *Continuous versus dimensional: Looking at male preparation of intimate partner violence through a dimensional lens* [Poster presentation]. The Pennsylvania State University Psi Chi Research Conference, University Park, PA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Maryland, College Park, MD

Graduate Research Assistant

Baybrook Violence Reduction Implementation and Expansion Project

PIs: Lauren Porter, PhD and Dr. Bianca Bersani, PhD

Oct 2024-Present

Research Focus: Engaging with community partners to identify, implement, and analyze violence reduction strategies within a Baltimore neighborhood.

Roles: Conduct systematic social observations (SSOs), focus groups with community partners, and ride along interviews of police officers. Analyze data, including 911 and 311 calls, to create violence reduction plan. Implement, monitor, and evaluate outcomes of intervention.

Analysis of Baltimore Recreation Centers

Aug 2024-Oct 2024

PI: Lauren Porter, PhD

Research Focus: Analyzing characteristics of recreation centers in Baltimore and their relationship to crime.

Roles: Conducted systematic social observations of and around recreation centers. Interviewed recreation center staff.

Workload Study of Annapolis Police Department

Jan 2024-Present

PI: Bianca Bersani, PhD

Research Focus: Determining optimal officer staffing, deployment, response times, and effectiveness under budget constraints at the Annapolis Police Department.

Responsibilities: Created surveys and interview guides to gather opinions from patrol officers and administrators. Conducted, transcribed, coded, and analyzed interviews. Created report for police department using data to propose methods of optimal officer staffing.

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

Lab Manager and Research Assistant

Exploring Community Empowerment Lab (EXCEL)

July 2022-Aug 2024

PI: Jessica Chou, PhD

Research Focus: Treatment and recovery for families impacted by substance use disorders.

Responsibilities: Collected, transcribed, coded, and analyzed qualitative and quantitative data. Created Qualtrics and REDcap surveys. Wrote successful local and federal grant submissions and IRB protocols. Disseminated findings through presentations and peer-reviewed publications. Project management including oversight of undergraduate and graduate research assistants.

Attachment, Caregiving, and Emotions (ACE) Lab

July 2022-Jan 2024

PI: Stephanie Krauthamer Ewing, PhD

Research Focus: Emotional development in adolescents, specifically in racial and ethnic minorities, and suicidality in adolescents.

Roles: Project management and collaboration with subcontractors. Conducted extensive literature reviews. Data entry and dissemination of findings through publications.

Vera Institute of Justice, Washington, D.C.

Research Intern

Unlocking Potential Initiative

June 2024-Aug 2024

Supervisor: Kelsie Chestnut, PhD

Research Focus: Increasing assess to and completion rates of secondary education within prisons.

Responsibilities: Cleaned, managed, and analyzed quantitative data and codebooks. Conducted literature reviews, created visual and literary representations of data for dissemination.

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA**Program Manager****Viet-Capacity Project**

Jan 2023-Oct 2023

PI: Van Hellerslia, PharmD

Research Focus: Equipping community pharmacists with the knowledge and skills to disseminate health information.

Responsibilities: Conducted, transcribed, coded, and analyzed qualitative interviews and quantitative survey data. Communicated with stakeholders and prepared reports for funder.

Villanova University, Villanova, PA**Graduate Research Assistant****Interpersonal Research Lab**

Sept 2020-May 2022

PI: Dr. Patrick Markey, PhD

Research Focus: Detecting deception in 911 calls, both missing persons and homicide calls.

Responsibilities: Conducted literature reviews, wrote IRB protocols, managed data collection, conducted statistical analyses, coded 911 homicide calls using Q-sort, and presented findings through presentations and publications.

Reliant Medical Group, Worcester, MA**Research Assistant****All of Us Research Program**

Nov 2019-Nov 2020

PI: Larry Garber, MD

Research Focus: Creating a national health database to move towards more individualized healthcare.

Responsibilities: Educated the public about the program; recruited participants; assisted participants with filling out questionnaires; took participants' physical measurements.

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA**Undergraduate Research Assistant****Personality Psychology Lab***PI: Dr. Arron Pincus, PhD*

Research Focus: Assessing dimensional models of psychopathology; interpersonal behavior.

Aug 2017-Aug 2019

Responsibilities: Coded diagnostic assessments; trained other research assistants in coding procedures; coded video-recorded behavior continuously on the interpersonal circumplex using CAID technology.

Castonguay Psychotherapy Lab

Aug 2017-May 2018

PI: Louis Castonguay, PhD

Research Focus: Practice-oriented research; processes and outcomes of different forms of psychotherapy.

Roles: Data entry; conducted thematic analyses of articles about empirically validated treatments and practitioner effects.

CLINICAL AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**WOAR Philadelphia Center Against Sexual Violence**

May 2021-August 2023

Sexual Assault Counselor, Volunteer

- Provided support and resources to survivors of sexual assault and their families on the WOAR hotline

- Accompanied survivors to the Philadelphia Sexual Assault Response Center to have a rape kit performed or to report an assault to the police

Concept**January 2021-May 2022***Peer-Reviewer*

- Reviewed submissions on a variety of topics to Concept, Villanova's interdisciplinary journal of graduate studies
- Evaluated submissions based on several criteria
- Gave recommendations for submissions to be included in the journal

Worcester Recovery Center and Hospital**Summer 2018***Mental Health Worker*

- Ensured the safety of patients at a psychiatric hospital
- Trained extensively in crisis management and patient care
- On forensic units, observed forensic assessments, patients working on their appeals, and assisted with the de-escalation of patients who were on varying degrees of medications

Office of the District Attorney, Worcester, MA**Summer 2017***Intern*

- Collaborated with Assistant District Attorneys to prepare paperwork for trial and observed a variety of cases
- Gained extensive knowledge of the operation of and participants in the court system

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

College of Behavioral Social Sciences, College Park, MD**August 2023-Present***Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice*

Course: Introduction to Criminal Justice

College of the Liberal Arts, University Park, PA**Summer 2019***Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Criminology*

Course: Law and Society

College of the Liberal Arts, University Park, PA**August 2018-December 2018***Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology*

Course: Social Psychology of Interpersonal/Intergroup Relationships

HONORS

The Pennsylvania State University's Dean's List**Summer 2016-Spring 2019****Penn State Honor Society of Leadership and Success****Inducted January 2017****PSI CHI National Honor Society****Inducted September 2017**

- Served as secretary on Villanova Psi Chi's executive board

SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Data Analysis and Coding

- SPSS • STATA • NVIVO • Riverside Accuracy Project Q-sort Program

Computer

- Microsoft Office • Google Applications • Qualtrics Survey Software • REDcap