Alison B. Concannon

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**Education**

**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX**

Ph.D. Candidate in Clinical Psychology

Research Supervisor: Jared Ruchensky, Ph.D.

**University of Colorado in Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, CO**

M.A. in Clinical Psychology

Psychology and Law Sub-Plan

Master’s Thesis: *Assessing Risk for Sexual Recidivism: How Inclusion of Psychologically Meaningful Risk Factors Can Improve Predictive Validity of the Static-99R*

Thesis Committee: Kelli Klebe, Robert Durham, Andrew Lac, Fred Coolidge

Graduated August 2020

**Creighton University, Omaha, NE**

B.A. in Psychology

Minor in Theology

Graduated May 2017

**Publications**

**Concannon, A. B.**, & Huss, M.T. (2019). *Forensic psychology.* Oxford Psychology Bibliographies. Oxford University Press.

**Manuscripts in Progress**

**Concannon, A. B.,** Huss, M. T., & Tatman, T. W. (in preparation). *Investigation of the factor structure and validity of the Texas Christian University Criminal Thinking Scales.*

**Concannon, A. B.,** Percell, J., Tambone, I., Gainer, M., Huss, M. T., & Crosby, B. (in preparation). *Use of the Polygraph in Identifying Crossover Sexual Offenders and Informing Treatment.*

**Concannon, A**. **B.,** Ruchensky, J. R., Donnellan, M. B., Penson, B., & Edens, J. (in preparation). *Development of an inconsistent responding scale for the HEXACO Personality Inventory-Revised.*

Concannon, A. B., Tansey, A. R., Ruchensky, J. R., & Boccaccini, M. T. (in preparation). *Associations between psychopathy and the alternative model of personality disorders in a sample of individuals evaluated for sexually violent predator status.*

**Conference Presentations**

**Concannon, A. B.,** Tansey, A. R., Ruchensky, J. R., & Boccaccini, M. T. (2022, March). *Associations between psychopathy and the AMPD in a sample of individuals evaluated for SVP status.* Paper presented at the annual American Psychology and Law Society conference, Denver, CO.

Tansey, A. R., **Concannon, A. B.,** Ruchensky, J. R., & Boccaccini M. T., (2022, March). *Predictive validity of PAI estimates of the alternative model for personality disorders for recidivism in sexually violent predator cases*. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society conference, Denver, CO.

Paez, M. M., **Concannon, A. B.,** Ruchensky, J. R. (2022, March). *Factor Analysis of the Personality Assessment Screener*. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society conference, Denver, CO.

**Concannon, A. B.,** Ruchensky, J. R., Varela, J. G., Holdren, S. M., Kurus, S. J., Harris, P. B., & Turner, D. B. (2022, March). *Estimating scores for the alternative model for personality disorders in sexually violent predator evaluations: Associations with the Psychopathy-Checklist—Revised*. Paper presented as part of the symposium “*Using the Personality Assessment Inventory to Assess the Alternative Model for Personality Disorders*” at the 2022 Annual Conference of the Society for Personality Assessment, Chicago, IL.

**Concannon, A. B.**, Freeman, J., Tourville, T., & Morison, M. (2020, August). *“It was a matter of time”: Perceptions of school shooters.* Poster virtually presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association (APA).

**Concannon, A. B.**, Percell, J., Tambone, I., Gainer, M., Huss, M. T., & Crosby, B. (2020, March). *Use of the polygraph and psychologically meaningful risk factors in informing sex offender treatment.* Paper presented at the annual American Psychology and Law Society (AP-LS) conference, New Orleans, LA.

Morison, M., **Concannon, A. B**, Freeman, J., & Tourville, T. (2019, August). *Violence begets violence: Juror perceptions of sex offenders with trauma histories.* Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association (APA), Chicago, IL.

**Concannon, A. B.**, Huss, M.T., & Tatman, A. W. (2019, March). *Investigation of the factor structure and validity of the TCU CTS.* Paper presented at the annual American Psychology and Law Society (AP-LS) conference, Portland, OR.

**Concannon, A. B.**, Concannon, K. V., & Fairchild, J. (2018, August). *Examining the compensation effect in hiring decisions.* Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association (APA), San Francisco, CA.

**Concannon, A. B.**, Huss, M. T., & Tatman, A. W. (2018, March). *Assessing the construct validity of the TCU Criminal Thinking Scales using the Jesness Inventory.* Poster presented at the annual American Psychology and Law Society (AP-LS) conference, Memphis, TN.

Tambone, I. R. & **Concannon, A. B.**, Gainer, M., Huss, M. T., & Crosby, B. (2017, August). *Use of the polygraph in sex offender treatment.* Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association (APA), Washington, D.C.

**Research Experience**

**Graduate Research Assistant of the Personality, Evaluation, and Psycholegal Lab**

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Department of Psychology and Philosophy, August 2021-present

Faculty Supervisor: Jared Ruchensky, Ph.D,

**Responsibilities:** Helping the supervisor and other lab members with study conceptualization and development, analyzing data, developing tasks and surveys for research studies, submitting IRB applications, recruiting research subjects, collecting data with participants, conducting literature reviews, running statistical analyses, and writing up findings for publications. Assisted with a grant-funded project involving ecological momentary assessment.

**Research Assistant at UCCS**

University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, CO

Department of Psychology, August 2018-August 2020

**Thesis:** Assessing Risk for Sexual Recidivism: How Inclusion of Psychologically Meaningful Risk Factors Can Improve Predictive Validity of the Static-99R (M.A. Thesis)

*Thesis Supervisor: Kelli Klebe, Ph.D. & Robert Durham, Ph.D. Spring 2019- August 2020*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, designed study procedure and protocol, obtained IRB approval, analysis of data, proposal and defense of thesis, preparation and submission of thesis manuscript

**Project:** Distress and Physical Complaints in Survivors of Sexual Victimization: Findings from the National Crime Victimization Survey

*Faculty Sponsor: Andrew Lac, Ph.D. Fall 2019*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, analyzed archival data from ICPSR with SPSS AMOS

**Project:** “It Was a Matter of Time”: Perceptions of School Shooters

*Faculty Sponsor: Andrew Lac, Ph.D. Spring 2019*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, designed study procedure and protocol, including development and refinement of the codebook, coded all pilot and final sample units, analyzed data, presented findings

**Project:** Violence Begets Violence: Juror Perceptions of Sex Offenders with Trauma Histories

*Faculty Sponsor: Andrew Lac, Ph.D. Fall 2018*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, designed study procedure and protocol, created survey materials, obtained IRB approval, recruited participants, collected and analyzed experimental data, presented findings

**Research Assistant**

Creighton University, Omaha, NE

Department of Psychological Science, May 2016-present

Faculty Supervisor: Matthew Huss, Ph.D.

**Project:** Investigation of the Factor Structure and Validity of the Texas Christian University Criminal Thinking Scales (manuscript in preparation)

*Summer 2017-present*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, obtained IRB approval, constructed SPSS spreadsheet for data entry and analysis, use of SPSS AMOS for data analysis, prepared manuscript, presented findings

**Project:** Use of the Polygraph in Identifying Crossover Sexual Offending and Informing Treatment (manuscript in preparation)

*Summer 2016-present*

Responsibilities: conducted literature review, obtained IRB approval, constructed SPSS spreadsheet for data entry, coded raw data, archived and analyzed data, prepared manuscript, presented findings

**Clinical Experience**

**Practicum Clinician**

*Psychological Services Center*

*August 2022-present*

Provided treatment for mental health concerns in a community-based treatment clinic under the supervision of Craig Henderson, Ph.D. and Mary Alice Conroy, Ph.D. ABPP.

**Behavioral Support Specialist**

*Lasting Hope Recovery Center, Omaha, Nebraska*

*June 2020-August 2021*

Worked to manage the mental health care of individuals in acute treatment settings following a trauma informed care model.

Responsibilities:

* Conduct individual sessions for crisis management, identifying areas to target in therapy, and gauging inpatient stabilization
* Lead groups on various topics related to developing mental health skills, with a focus on CBT and DBT, including managing anxiety and anger, stress management, goal setting, challenging thoughts, identifying strengths and protective factors, among others
* Conduct safety planning with individuals prior to discharge and inform individuals of community resources available upon discharge to promote wellness and successful transition out of inpatient care
* Work with voluntary and civilly committed individuals, as well as those in emergency protective custody
* Consult with treatment team consisting of RNs, psychiatrists, social workers, counselors, therapists, behavioral support, and peer support specialists

**FCC Florence Practicum**

*Florence Federal Correctional Complex, Florence, Colorado*

*August 2019-March 2020*

Worked with and under supervision to assist in the assessment and management of mental health care for individuals in maximum- and minimum-security confinement conditions.

Responsibilities:

* Participate and assist with leading group therapy related to cognitive processing for traumatic experiences, transgender identity exploration, criminal thinking, insomnia, and dialectical behavioral therapy for individuals in maximum security and for substance use in the Residential Drug Abuse Program (RDAP)
* Conduct diagnostic clinical interviews and psychosocial interviews to determine RDAP eligibility
* Attend and conduct individual sessions with individuals for therapy as well as for evaluations of care level
* Review therapeutic “homework” for in-cell programming, as well as for individual components of group therapy
* Administer and score testing where applicable (VIP, PAI-CS, etc.)
* Review suicide watch logs for reporting accuracy
* Assist in conducting suicide risk assessments
* Ensure security and safety of incarcerated individuals and staff through completing rounds

**Children At Risk Education (CARE) Program Intern**

*Patrick J. Thomas Juvenile Justice Center, Omaha, NE*

*August 2016-December 2016*

Worked with program supervisors to assist in the supervision of adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system.

Responsibilities:

* Assist CARE officers in conducting home visits for those on monitored supervision
* Introduce adolescents and parents to the CARE program for home monitored supervision
* Assist in supervision of adolescents in on-site residential housing
* Attend court hearings with adolescent defendants

**Victim Advocacy Intern**

*Douglas County Victim Assistance Unit, Omaha, NE*

*January 2016-May 2016*

Guide victims through the legal system through the progression of their case.

Responsibilities:

* Assisted in the filing of legal documents and walk victims through the process of getting protection orders
* Notify victims of updates in their case
* Engaged with victims to ensure well-being and offer eligible services and referrals
* Worked with other branches of the justice system to best assist victims

**Teaching Experience**

**Instructor**

*Sam Houston State University*

*August 2022-present*

Served as an instructor for an undergraduate Abnormal Psychology course in an online asynchronous format.

Responsibilities:

* Teach lab sections, including giving lectures and leading discussions
* Give feedback on and score written work
* Hold office hours for student consultation
* Grade essays, quizzes, exams, and extra credit

**Lab Instructor**

*University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, CO*

*August 2018-May 2020*

Served as a Lab Instructor for undergraduate Introduction to Psychological Research and Measurement course.

Responsibilities:

* Teach lab sections, including giving lectures and leading discussions
* Give feedback on and score written work
* Hold office hours for student consultation
* Assist students in designing and conducting research, including analysis of data in IBM SPSS Statistics
* Grade essays, research assignments, quizzes, and extra credit

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

*Creighton University, Omaha, NE*

*January 2017-May 2017*

Served as teaching assistant for Dr. Joshua Fairchild’s Introductory Psychology, Industrial Psychology, and History and Systems of Psychology courses.

Responsibilities:

* Design course research assignments
* Augment course power point presentations with relevant examples and media
* Hold office hours for student consultation
* Assist students with exam review and general APA formatting for written assignments
* Assist grading of exam essays, research assignments, and extra credit

**Editorial Activities**

**American Psychological Association Annual Convention** 2019-2022

Student Reviewer for Division 41

**American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference** 2019-2023

Student Reviewer

**Professional Affiliations**

**Society of Personality Assessment** November 2021-present

Graduate Student Member

**AP-LS Professional Development of Women Committee** August 2021-2024

Student Member

**AP-LS** August 2018-present

Graduate Student Affiliate

**AP-LS Continuing Education Committee Student Member** August 2019-2021

Student Member

**APA** June 2019-August 2021

Graduate Student Affiliate

**AP-LS UCCS Campus Representative** July 2019-August 2020