**Christopher Torres, M.S.**

Curriculum Vitae

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Department of Criminology & Justice

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**EDUCATION**

**Florida International University** Miami, FL

*Ph.D. in International Crime and Justice* April 2022

**Florida International University** Miami, FL

*M.S. in Criminal Justice* December 2018

**Florida International University** Miami, FL

*B.S. in Criminal Justice (Magna Cum Laude)* May2016

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS**

**Torres, C. E.,** D'Alessio, S., & Stolzenberg, L. (2020). Market dynamics and systemic violence: A longitudinal examination of market penetration, entry deterrence, and excess capacity in the illicit drug market. *Journal of Drug Issues*, Advance online publication.

**Torres, C. E.,** D'Alessio, S., & Stolzenberg, L. (2020). Race and the probability of police injury. *Race and Social Problems*, Advance online publication.

**Torres, C. E.,** D'Alessio, S., & Stolzenberg, L. (2020). The replacements: The effect of incarcerating drug offenders on first-time drug sales offending. *Crime & Delinquency*, Advance online publication.

**Torres, C. E.,** D’Alessio, S., Stolzenberg, L., (2019) The effects of verbal, physical, social, and cyberbullying victimization on academic performance. *Victims & Offenders, 15*(1): 1-21

Yongeun, S., Back, S., **Torres, C. E.** (2017). The effects of socioeconomic factors on violent and property crime. *International Journal of Criminal Study*, 2(1): 21-27.

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES IN PROGRESS**

**Torres, C. E.,** D’Alessio, S., & Stolzenberg, L. Monetary incitement: Does the illicit incentive drive the commission of more serious forms of robbery?

**Torres, C. E.,** D’Alessio, S., & Stolzenberg, L. Examining the relationship between the certainty, severity, and celerity of punishment and first-time offenders.

**Torres, C. E.,** Cruz, E., J. Proposition 47: A longitudinal analysis of the severity of punishment and spillover effects on crime.

**Torres, C. E.,** Cruz, E., Environmental gentrification: How does development and elevation associate with race and crime in Miami-Dade County?

**Torres, C. E.,** Cruz, E., Shariati, A., Perceptions of crime and safety: Does campus design make a difference?

**GRANT ACTIVITY**

**Citizens Independent Transportation Trust, 2018**: “Strategic Planning: Citizens Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) Staff/Member Retreat,” $6,240.

* **Research Assistant**
  + Conducted strategic planning exercises, qualitative interviews, and project presentations.

**Florida Department of Transportation, 2018:** “Strategic Planning Retreat – Traffic Operations Cost Center, FDOT District 6,” $8,510.

* **Research Assistant**
  + Conducted strategic planning exercises, qualitative interviews, and project presentations.

**Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust, 2018:** “MDEAT Annual Report Card and Scorecard Update” $43,816.

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Used Geographic Information Systems to delineate the exact study area (U.S. Census block groups), quantify the demographic data, and clean/process the study’s database.
* **Research Assistant**
  + Acquired, cleaned, and calculated indicators representative of relative deprivation in the designated study area.

**Village of Wellington, 2018:** “Village of Wellington Housing and Economic Impact Study,” $103,000.

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Used Geographic Information Systems to conduct spatial analysis of the economic growth, employment change, and crime rates.

**State of Florida, 2018:** “Public sector hurricane mitigation and sea-level rise report,” $250,000.

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Mapped flood mitigation projects, developed relative distress index, and conducted the spatially-based statistical analysis.
* **Research Assistant**
  + Cleaned data, reported findings from spatial analysis, and formatted/wrote a portion of the research report.

**City of Miami Beach, 2017:** “Economic analysis: Potential short and long-term impact of reducing hours available for liquor sales,” $85,000*.*

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Used Geographic Information Systems to conduct spatial analysis of study area, crime rates, disseminate data and calculate distances between establishments and streets.
* **Research Assistant**
  + Conducted content analysis, provided supplementary research synopses, and disseminated quantitative demographic data.

**City of Miami Gardens, 2017:** “City of Miami Gardens Citywide Housing and Economic Revitalization Study” $31,500.

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Used Geographic Information Systems to disseminate and map levels of economic distress throughout the city.

**State of Florida, 2018:** “Hurricane mitigation: The insurance environment and government planning,” $250,000.

* **Geospatial Analyst**
  + Used Geographic Information Systems to map community rating system and flood zones relative to levels of distress and disadvantage.
* **Research Assistant**
  + Compiled data, disseminated results, wrote a section of the report and presented findings during a live webinar.

**PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS**

Ilcheva, M., **Torres, C.,** Boza, D. (2018) Public sector hurricane mitigation and sea-level rise report: 2018. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center*

Ilcheva, M., **Torres, C.,** Williams, K., Zozaya, M. (2018) Citizens independent transportation trust: Transportation summit report. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center*

Murray, E., Greiner, K., Ilcheva, M., **Torres, C.,** Williams, K. (2018) Miami-Dade County prosperity initiatives feasibility study: Update for 2016 American community survey data. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center*

Boza, D., Cristo, B., **Torres, C.** (2017). Miami-Dade’s national flood insurance program. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center.*

Greiner, K., **Torres, C.** (2017). City of Miami Gardens distressed property economic impact study. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center*.

Ilcheva, M., **Torres, C.,** Boza, D. (2017). Hurricane mitigation: The insurance environment and government planning. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center*

Ilcheva, M., **Torres, C.,** Martinez, Y. (2017). South Florida small business report. *Florida International University: Metropolitan Center.*

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Torres, C.,** Mendez, A. (2020) Assessing the relationship between alleyways, retail marijuana facilities, and marijuana possession arrests. Paper to be presented at the annual conference of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C. **[Postponed to November, 2021]**

**Torres, C.,** Cruz, E., Shariati, A. (2020) Perception of crime and safety: Does campus design make a difference? Paper to be presented at the annual conference of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C. **[Postponed]**

Przeszlowski, K., **Torres, C.,** Lee-Silcox., J. (2019) Assessing the journey to crime of robbery offenders within the City of Miami. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA

Lee-Silcox, J., Cruz, E., **Torres, C.,** Silcox., J. (2019)Crime movie database 1970 to 2014. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA

Back, S., **Torres, C.,** Williams, K., Comerford, C., Sharma, M. (2018) A Counter-terrorism strategy to cope with terrorist attacks by vehicles: A situational crime prevention approach. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Adjunct Lecturer:** Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

* (2020 – Spring; 2019 – Fall) CCJ 4700 (Hybrid) Research Methods and Analysis in Criminal Justice and Criminology.
* (2020 – Fall) CCJ 4014 (Fully Online) Criminological Theory.

**Guest Lecturer:** Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice (2020 & 2019 – Fall semesters) CCJ 6741 Advanced Data Analysis in Criminal Justice: Applied Multilevel Modeling.

* 2019 – Lecture in-person
* 2020 – Lecture delivered online (video available upon request)

**Guest Lecturer:** Florida International University, Miami, FL (2019 – Fall Semester) SYG 6932 Special topics: GIS and Disaster Management.

**Teaching Assistant:** Florida International University, Miami, FL (2019 – Spring Semester) CCJ 6706 Data Analysis in Criminal Justice (Linear Regression).

**Teaching Assistant:** Florida International University, Miami, FL (2018 – Fall Semester) CCJ 6025 Criminological Theory

Student Athletic Academic Center, Florida International University, Miami, FL (2016 academic year)

**Tutor**

CCJ 4700 - Research Methods in Criminal Justice

[CCJ 4014 - Criminological Theory](https://fiu.blackboard.com/webapps/blackboard/execute/launcher?type=Course&id=_107587_1&url=)

[CCJ 6040 - Comparative Criminal Justice Systems](https://fiu.blackboard.com/webapps/blackboard/execute/launcher?type=Course&id=_107614_1&url=)

CCJ 4701 - Measurement Analysis in Criminal Justice

DSC 4012 - Terrorism and Homeland Security

SYA 3300 – Research Methods

SYA 3400 – Introduction to Quantitative Social Research

Note: *Teaching philosophy available upon request.*

**APPLIED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

The City of Miami Police Department

**Crime Analyst Supervisor** 2021-Present

Responsibilities include: (1) Conduct statistical analyses that directly support field operations; (2) develop new standard operating procedures within the detail; (3) train personnel on data analysis and crime mapping techniques; (4) discover new and innovative ways to streamline COMPSTAT procedures.

The Metropolitan Center, Florida International University, Miami, FL

**Researcher & Geospatial Analyst** 2017-2018

Responsibilities include: (1) gathering and analyzing data across multiple platforms and topics such as economic, labor force, crime, wage, environmental, and health data; (2) geocode, disseminate, and clean data; (3) create, maintain, and manage geodatabases; (4) design, develop and maintain interactive web mapping applications; (5) produce maps for projects when necessary; (6) write reports and findings for the center.

**SERVICE TO THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY**

Committee Member. Green School Graduate Council. Florida International University Green School of International and Public Affairs. Appointment: 2019-2020 academic year.

Chair. Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Ph.D. student committee. Appointment: 2019-2020 academic year.

Employment exchange volunteer. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2019 annual meeting, Baltimore, MD.

Chair. Panel on terrorism and armed conflict. American Society of Criminology, 2018 annual meeting, Atlanta, GA.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Developer. Perceptions of Crime and Safety Mobile Survey Application (2020) Multi-university Application for Campus Safety.

Author. Crime Movie Database 1970 – 2014 (2019) Publicly Assessable Dataset Highlighting Criminal Elements in Movies.

Moderator. Expectations of Comprehensive Exam and Dissertation. (2019) Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Professional Development Workshop Series, Miami, FL.

Moderator. Colloquium: How to prepare for a research conference as a graduate student. (2019) Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Professional Development Workshop Series, Miami, FL.

Moderator. Colloquium: What can you do with your graduate degree? A discussion about non-academic professional careers. (2019) Florida International University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Professional Development Workshop Series, Miami, FL.

**SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

Assistant Instructor. Totkido program: A spatial coordination/cognitive developmental program for toddlers using martial concepts from the art of Aikido, Gold Coast Aikikai, (January 2019).

Assistant Instructor. Totkido program: A spatial coordination/cognitive developmental program for toddlers using martial concepts from the art of Aikido, Gold Coast Aikikai, (January 2018).

**CERTIFICATIONS**

Hybrid Teaching and Learning Certified, Florida International University Department of Education (Fall - 2019).

Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Systems, Florida International University Department of Earth and Environment (Spring - 2019).

**SKILLS**

*Statistical Analysis:*

HLM7, SPSS, R Studio, Excel, Tableau, ArcGIS Spatial Statistics Applications

*Geographic Information Systems and Spatial Analysis (GISSA):*

ArcGIS Desktop, ArcGIS Online, ArcGIS Online: Story Map Developer, ArcGIS Online: Interactive Web Mapping Application Developer

*Database Management:*

ArcGIS: Catalog

*Online Teaching:*

Canvas, Zoom meetings

**TEACHING INTERESTS**

Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminological Theory, Race and Equity, Corrections, Applications of Geographic Information Systems, Terrorism, Research Methods, Statistics, Comparative Criminal Justice Systems, Juvenile Justice

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Applied deterrence theory, marginal deterrence, quantitative research design, geospatial crime analysis, environmental criminology, cybercrime, terrorism, applications of geographic information systems (GIS) in the social environment, crime prevention through environmental design.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Alpha Phi Sigma (APS) – Criminal Justice Honors Society

Golden Key – National Honors Society

Florida Society of Geographers

International Journal of Criminal Study – Hope Member

International Association of Crime Analysts

American Society of Criminology

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

Note: *References available upon request.*