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EDUCATION

2011 Ph.D., Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice/The CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY
2005 M.A., Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, NY, NY
2002 B.A., Criminal Justice, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ
2002 B.A., Psychology, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Correctional Rehabilitation and Policy, Community Corrections, Prisoner Reentry, Correctional Education, Crime Prevention, Program Evaluation, Qualitative Methods

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2018 – Present **Associate Professor**, School of Criminal Justice, *University of Baltimore*, MD
2012 – 2018 **Assistant Professor**, School of Criminal Justice, *University of Baltimore*, MD

CRJU 302 Research Methods (undergraduate)
CRJU 306 Criminological Perspectives (undergraduate)
CRJU 341 Correctional Perspectives (undergraduate)
CRJU 442 Community Corrections (undergraduate)
CRJU 485 Advanced Criminal Justice Studies (undergraduate)
CRJU 602 Research Methods (graduate)
CRJU 610 Administration of Justice (graduate)
CRJU 611 Contemporary Corrections (graduate)
CRJU 615/445 Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program (undergrad/graduate)

2008 – 2011 **Adjunct Professor**, Law and Police Science Department, *John Jay College of Criminal Justice*, New York, NY
COR 202 The Administration of Juvenile Correctional Programs
CRJ 425 Colloquium on Major Works in Criminal Justice
CRJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2016 – present **Director** of University of Baltimore’s Second Chance College Program (*at Jessup Correctional Institution, Jessup Maryland*)
- 2013 – 2016 **Researcher** on the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant in East Baltimore (*Grant awarded to Baltimore City Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice*)
- 2013 **Ethnographer**, National Institute of Health, Baltimore City Research Project on Health and Behavior in Drug and Violent Hot Spots (*George Mason University*)
- 2010 – 2012 **Research Associate** at the *Vera Institute of Justice, Center on Sentencing and Corrections*, New York, NY
- 2007 – 2011 **Qualitative Researcher (dissertation)** at the *Volunteers of America Delaware Valley*, Camden, NJ
- 2009 – 2010 **Senior Research Assistant** at *Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation Center at John Jay College of Criminal Justice*, New York, NY
- 2006 – 2009 **Junior Research Assistant** at *Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation Center at John Jay College of Criminal Justice*, New York, NY
- 2005 – 2007 **Reentry Coordinator** at the *South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation*, Bronx, NY (Operation Weed and Seed)
- 2003 – 2005 **Field Interviewer** at the *Vera Institute of Justice*, New York, NY

PUBLICATIONS

*Refereed Journal Articles (*student)*

Cantora, A., Miller, J. and White, K. (2020). Implementing Pell: Challenges and Successes of Implementing the U.S. Department of Education’s Second Chance Pell Experimental Sites Initiative. *Journal of Correctional Education*, 71(1), 2-17.

Cantora, A., Wasileski, G., Iyer, S. & Restivo, L. (2019). Examining Collective Efficacy and Perceptions of Policing in East Baltimore. *Crime Prevention and Community Safety*, 21, 136-152.

Cantora, A., Iyer, S., & *Restivo, L. (2016). Understanding drivers of crime in East Baltimore: Resident perceptions of why crime persists. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 41, 686-709.

Cantora, A., Mellow, J. and Schlager, M. (2016). Social relationships and group dynamics inside a community correction facility for women. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 60, 1016-1013.

Cantora, A. (2015). Navigating the job search after incarceration: The experiences of work-release participants. *Criminal Justice Studies*, 28(2), 141-160.

Cantora, A., Mellow, J. and Schlager, M. (2014). What about nonprogrammatic factors? Women's perceptions of staff and resident relationships in a community corrections setting. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 53, 35-56.

Cantora, A. (2013). Building grounds for release: Women's perceptions of a community corrections program. *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology*, 1(2), 197-220.

Book Chapters

Aseltine, E. & Cantora, A. (2020). Supporting formerly incarcerated people within institutions of higher education. In, *Handbook of Research on Higher Education Accessibility Behind and Beyond Prison Walls*. IGI Global.

Iyer, S. D., Knott, C., & Cantora, A. (2020). Community-Based Empowerment and Learning, Assessment of Collective Efficacy, and Collaborative Data-Sharing: Key Elements of the Byrne Criminal Justice Grant in Baltimore 2013-2016. In, *Innovations in Community-Based Crime Prevention: Stories from the Field*. Under contract with Springer.

Cantora, A. (2019). Chapter 4: Second Chance Pell: Policy, politics, and programs. In, *Education for liberation: The politics of promise and reform inside and beyond America's Prisons*. Eds. Robinson, G. and English, E. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

Cantora, A. & Parkman, T. (2018). Mentally Ill Offenders. In, *Handbook of Special Needs Offenders*. Editor Dodson, K. D. New York, NY: Routledge.

Cantora, A. & Seabrook, R. (2017). Community Corrections. In, *Maryland Criminal Justice System*. Carolina Academic Press.

Media (Interviews, Op-Eds, and News Articles)

Guest on BYU radio. Top of Mind with Julie Rose. Topic: Prison Pell Grant. January 6, 2021. [Prison Pell Grant - BYU Radio](#)

Cantora, A. (December 23, 2020). Congress lifts long-standing ban on Pell grants to people in prison. *The Conversation*. [Congress lifts long-standing ban on Pell grants to people in prison \(theconversation.com\)](#)

Featured in: *Higher Education Today* article. "University of Baltimore Program offers Human Services Degree to Incarcerated People. May 13, 2019. <https://www.higheredtoday.org/2019/05/13/university-baltimore-program-offers-human-services-degree-incarcerated-people/>

Guest on WYPR's On the Record Program with Sheilah Kast. "A Second Chance." (with CPA student Marcus Lilly). May 28, 2019.

Guest on WYPR's Future City Program with Wes Moore. "The Future of Incarceration." May 15, 2019. <https://www.wypr.org/post/future-incarceration>

Cantora, A. (April 23, 2019). Why federal student aid should be restored for people in prison. *The Conversation*. <https://theconversation.com/why-federal-student-aid-should-be-restored-for-people-in-prison-115215>

Featured in: Schwartz, N. (April 1, 2019). How the University of Baltimore is teaching a bachelor's program inside a Maryland prison. *Education Dive*. <https://www.educationdive.com/news/how-the-u-of-baltimore-is-teaching-a-bachelors-program-inside-a-maryland-p/551670/>

Cantora, A. (March 18, 2019). Teaching in America's prisons has taught me to believe in second chances. *The Conversation*. <https://theconversation.com/teaching-in-americas-prisons-has-taught-me-to-believe-in-second-chances-112583>

Cantora, A. (May 31, 2018). Prison education a proven investment. *Baltimore Sun*. Letter to the Editor. <https://www.baltimoresun.com/news/opinion/readersrespond/bs-ed-rr-prison-education-letter-20180531-story.html>

Robinson, G., Hartley, R., & Cantora, A. (December 7, 2016). Prison Time Should be well Spent. *Baltimore Sun Op-Eds*. <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/opinion/oped/bs-ed-re-entry-20161207-story.html>

Quoted in "Will Trump back Criminal Justice Reform?" by Chikomo, V. November 18, 2016. AMI Newswire, American Media Institute. <https://aminewswire.com/stories/511045962-will-trump-back-criminal-justice-reform>

Quoted in "Give Prisoners a Second Chance" by Gerard Robinson and Elizabeth English. October 18, 2016. U.S. News Opinion Article. <http://www.usnews.com/opinion/knowledge-bank/articles/2016-10-18/pell-grants-are-a-good-investment-for-prisoners-and-taxpayers>

Interviewed for Strong Returns, Millennial Prison Reform Project. "Teaching college courses in prison." February 29, 2016. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oRK0ubrcAhI>

"Criminal Justice Professor in Baltimore Advocates Internship, Volunteer Work." Interview with CBS Baltimore. September 8, 2014. <http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2014/09/08/criminal-justice-professor-in-baltimore-advocates-internships-and-volunteer-work/>

Technical Reports

Iyer, S., Knott, C., Cantora, A. (2016). McElderry Park: Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant. Final Report for Year 3 Funding (2015-2016). Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance, Jacob France

Institute, University of Baltimore. <http://bniajfi.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/BCJI-Year-3-Report.pdf>

Iyer, S., Knott, C., Cantora, A. (2015). McElderry Park: Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant. Final Report for Year 2 Funding (2014-2015). Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance, Jacob France Institute, University of Baltimore.
<http://www.bnaijfi.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/BCJI%20Year%20%20Report%20FINAL.pdf>

Iyer, S., Knott, C., Cantora, A. (2013). McElderry Park: Community Plan for Crime Reduction. Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance, Jacob France Institute, University of Baltimore.
<http://www.bnaijfi.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/McElderry-Park-BCJI-Plan-Year-1-Final.pdf>

Cantora, A. (2011). *Perceptions of Community Corrections: Understanding how Women Offenders Respond to an Evidence-Based/Gender-Responsive Halfway House*. Doctoral Dissertation. New York, NY: The City University of New York, The Graduate Center.

Cantora, A. (2010). *Reforming the New Orleans Criminal Justice System*. Vera Institute of Justice Research Newsletter, Fall 2010, Issue 2. New York, NY: Vera Institute of Justice.

Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation Center. (2009). *The Collaborative Family Initiative: Community Based Mental Health Treatment for Juveniles*. Final Report submitted to the New York City Department of Juvenile Justice. New York: CJREC, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Cantora, A. (2007). *Assessing the Impact of a Female Halfway House in Camden, NJ: A Qualitative Approach*. Evaluation report submitted to the Volunteers of America/Delaware Valley.

Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation Center. (2007). *The Collaborative Family Initiative*. Interim Report submitted to the New York City Department of Juvenile Justice. New York: CJREC, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Cantora, A. (2005). *Extremism inside the U.S. Prison System: A Potential Security Threat*. Masters Thesis. New York, NJ: John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Encyclopedia Entries (*student)

Cantora, A. (2018). Halfway Houses. *American Prisons and Jails: An Encyclopedia of Controversies and Trends*.

Cantora, A. & *Moon, T. Best Practices for Reentry. *The Sage Encyclopedia of Psychology*. [accepted March 2016].

Cantora, A. & *Restivo, L. (2017). Guantanamo Bay. *Encyclopedia of Corrections*. Sage Publications.

*Stewart, K. & Cantora, A. (2015). Urban Crime. *Encyclopedia of Crime and Punishment*. Wiley-Blackwell. (published online December 28, 2015)

Cantora, A. (August, 2014). Prison Gangs. In Arrigo, B. A. & Golson, G. J. (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of Criminal Justice Ethics*. Sage Publications.

Cantora, A. (August, 2014). Supermax Prisons. In Arrigo, B. A. & Golson, G. J. (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of Criminal Justice Ethics*. Sage Publications.

GRANTS/AWARDS

- 2020 U.S. Department of Education, Second Chance Pell Grant Experimental Sites Initiative, (for AY2020-21)
- 2019 U.S. Department of Education, Second Chance Pell Grant Experimental Sites Initiative, (for AY2019-20)
- 2018 U.S. Department of Education, Second Chance Pell Grant Experimental Sites Initiative, (for AY2018-19)
- 2017 U.S. Department of Education, Second Chance Pell Grant Experimental Sites Initiative, \$414,400 (for AY2017-18)
- 2017 (February) University of Baltimore Fund for Excellence to support staff working on the Second Chance College Program, \$25,000
- 2016 U.S. Department of Education, Second Chance Pell Grant Experimental Sites Initiative (selected to participate June 2016), \$109,031 (for AY2016-17)
- 2016 (January) University of Baltimore Fund for Excellence to support the development of a prison college program, \$15,885
- 2015 Applied and accepted to participate in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Fellowship Program with the Center for Excellence in Learning, Teaching, and Technology at the University of Baltimore, September 2015 – May 2016, \$2,000
- 2015 Subcontract Award from Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance for Baltimore City Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice, Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant, \$9,800
- 2014 Subcontract Award from Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance for Baltimore City Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice, Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant, \$9,726
- 2013 (October) University of Baltimore Fund for Excellence, with Tara Richards to develop global education program, \$19,729
- 2013 (November) University of Baltimore, Baltimore Renaissance Seed Scholar Fund, to attend Inside-Out Prison Exchange Training Program, \$2,425
- 2013 Subcontract Award from Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance for Baltimore City Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice, Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant, \$16,302
- 2013 Applied and accepted to participate in the Faculty Cohort on Community-Based Learning with the Center for Excellence in Learning, Teaching, and Technology at the University of Baltimore, May 2013 – May 2014, \$2,500
- 2010 Criminal Justice Doctoral Program Scholarly Award Competition, \$200
- 2009 Doctoral Student Research Grant, the Graduate Center (CUNY), \$343
- 2009 Criminal Justice Doctoral Program Scholarly Award Competition, \$200
- 2008 Criminal Justice Doctoral Program Scholarly Award Competition, \$300
- 2007 PSC-CUNY University Committee on Research, \$4,744
- 2007 Doctoral Student Research Grant, the Graduate Center (CUNY), \$1,000

INVITED PRESENTATIONS, AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Invited panelist at the University of Baltimore, *UB the Change Series*, “The Fight We Face” Criminal Justice Reform. November 19, 2020.

Invited presenter at the University of Baltimore, College of Public Affairs, *Public Affairs in the Age of Coronavirus YouTube Series* – “COVID in Corrections.” November 17, 2020.

Invited speaker at Bard High School Early College Program. *Civic Engagement Speaker Series*. September 29, 2020.

Invited presenter at the Vera Institute of Justice. *Second Chance Pell, First Class Webinar*. July 2, 2020.

Invited participant and presenter at Towson University. “Supporting returning citizens at Towson University: Working Group Convening.” April 5, 2019.

Invited presentation at American Enterprise Institution, “Preparing people to reenter society: The role of education inside prisons.” Washington, DC: March 19, 2019.

Invited presentation at American Enterprise Institution, “Education for Liberation: The Politics of Promise and Reform Inside and Beyond America’s Prisons.” Washington, DC: November 14, 2017.

Award for the University System of Maryland Board of Regents faculty award in public service, AY2017-18.

Excellence in Service to Students Award, National Society of Leadership and Success at University of Baltimore, December 16, 2016

Invited presentation (and moderator) on Maryland Second Chance Pell Grant Program Sites at “Opportunities and reentry: Creating pathways for returning citizens in Maryland and beyond”, conference hosted by American Enterprise Inc. (AEI) and University of Baltimore, College of Public Affairs. December 8, 2016

Invited presentation on Obama Administration Second Chance Pell Program. At “Prison Education and Reentry Working Group” August 31, 2016 at American Enterprise Inc. (AEI)

Inside-Out Prison Exchange Course featured in University of Baltimore Magazine “A Matter of Course.” Fall 2016.

“The Jessup Correctional Institution Scholars”. Profiled in the 2015 Maryland/DC Campus Compact’s annual Model Programs magazine.

“University of Baltimore Experiential Learning Project of the Month.” Office of Academic Innovation, University of Baltimore. September 9, 2014.

<http://blogs.ubalt.edu/academicinnovation/category/experiential/>

Learning Without Walls: An Information Session about the Jessup Correctional Institution (JCI) Scholars Program”, Information Session organized by the Center for Excellence in Learning, Teaching, and Technology at the University of Baltimore May 7, 2014.

Invited presentation on “Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant, Baltimore Maryland Project.” At the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Training Conference, April 9-10th, 2014. San Antonio, TX.

Invited Moderator of Crime and Safety Panel at Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance Annual Data Day at the University of Baltimore, July 12, 2013

Panel on entering the workforce after obtaining doctorate degree. Roundtable at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Doctoral Program, May 17, 2013. New York, NY.

Cantora, A. (2012). *Still Under Surveillance? The Experience of Women’s Reentry from a Halfway House Setting*. Presented at the Eastern Sociological Society Conference, February 26, 2012. New York, NY.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (* student)

Cantora, A. (2019). *Learning by Doing: How to incorporate experiential and service learning opportunities into the classroom*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 17, 2018. New Orleans, LA.

Facilitated roundtable on “*But I Don’t Want to Teach? Exploring Careers Outside of Academia.*” At the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 17, 2018. New Orleans, LA.

Cantora, A. (2018). *Learning by Doing: How to incorporate experiential and service learning opportunities into the classroom*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 17, 2018. New Orleans, LA.

Cantora, A. (2018). *Tips on writing a successful grant proposal*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 17, 2018. New Orleans, LA.

Facilitated roundtable on “*But I Don’t Want to Teach? Exploring Careers Outside of Academia.*” At the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 17, 2018. New Orleans, LA.

Cantora, A. (2017). *Overcoming Barriers to Higher Education for People with Criminal Records: Achieving the Promise of the Pell Initiative*. Presented at a roundtable at the American Society of Criminology, November 17, 2017, Philadelphia, PA.

Cantora, A. (2017). *Learning by Doing: How to incorporate experiential and service learning opportunities into the classroom*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March 23, 2017. Kansas City, KS.

Latessa, E. & Cantora, A. (2017). *Tips on writing a successful grant proposal*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March 24, 2017. Kansas City, KS.

Cantora, A. (2017). *Examining collective efficacy in East Baltimore*. Presented at the CPA Dean Lecture Series, University of Baltimore.

Cantora, A. (2016). *Uncovering levels of community trust, fear of crime, and police-community relations in Baltimore City*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology, November 16, 2016, New Orleans, LO.

Cantora, A. (2016). *Roundtable discussion on creating successful prison college programs*. At the American Society of Criminology, November 17, 2016, New Orleans, LO.

Pfeifer, H. & Cantora, A. (2016). *Transitioning to the Front of the Classroom: Tips on what makes an effective teacher*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March 31, 2016. Denver, CO.

Latessa, E. & Cantora, A. (2016). *Tips on writing a successful grant proposal*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March 31, 2016. Denver, CO.

Cantora, A. (2016). *Shifting towards a more humane approach to incarceration*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, April 1, 2016. Denver, CO.

Cantora, A. (2016). *Scholarship behind bars*. RED Talk at University of Baltimore. February 4th.

Cantora, A. (2015). *Learning by Doing: Criminal Justice Field Experiences for Students on Urban Campuses*. Roundtable presentation at the American Society of Criminology Conference, November 18, 2015. Washington, DC. [Organized and moderated this roundtable event]

Invited participant at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Harm Reduction Meeting. *Developing Evidence-Based Policy to Address Addiction and Drug-Related Violence in Maryland*. October 29, 2015. [All day conference and policy workgroup session]

Cantora, A. *Douglas-Hopkins, D., & *Williams, K. (2015, October 23). *Experiential Learning Behind Bars: The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Course*. University of Baltimore, Teaching and Learning Day.

Cantora, A. (2015, October 22). *Teaching College Courses in Prison*. Presentation to University of Baltimore's Student Association: Criminal Justice Association.

Cantora, A. & Iyer, S. (2015). *"You Can't Stop Crime Here": Understanding Local Crime Problems in East Baltimore*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March, 2015. Orlando, FL.

Pfeifer, H. & Cantora, A. (2015). *Transitioning to the Front of the Classroom: Tips on Teaching and Classroom Management*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March, 2015. Orlando, FL.

Cantora, A. (2014). *Implementing the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program at the University of Baltimore, School of Criminal Justice*. Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Conference, April 5th, 2014. Baltimore, Maryland.

Roundtable Moderator (2014). *From the Classroom to the Field: Graduate Student Experiences with Research*. Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 19-22, 2014. Philadelphia, PA.

Cantora, A., *Restivo, L., & Iyer, S. (2014). *Conducting Focus Groups to Understand Drivers of Urban Crime*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 19-22, 2014. Philadelphia, PA.

Panel Chair (2014). *Qualitative Methods for Studying Crime and Deviance*. Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, February 19-22, 2014. Philadelphia, PA.

Cantora, A. (2013). *Job Searching after Incarceration: The Experiences of Halfway House Residents*. Presented at American Society of Criminology Conference, November 20-23, 2013. Atlanta, GA.

Panel Chair (2013). *Prison Reentry, Employment, and Reintegration*. American Society of Criminology Conference, November 20-23, 2013. Atlanta, GA.

Joint presentation with the Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance. *Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant - Data Presentation to McElderry Park Community*. Presented at Amazing Grace Lutheran Church in East Baltimore, MD. November 11, 2013.

Cantora, A. (2013). *Avoiding "Chaos": Relationship Dynamics inside a Female Halfway House*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, March 19-23, 2013. Dallas, TX.

Cantora, A. (2012). *What about Nonprogrammatic Factors? Women's Perceptions of Staff, Relationships, and Environment in a Community Corrections Setting*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Conference, November 14-17, 2012. Chicago, Ill.

Panel Chair (2012). *Meeting Health Care Needs in Community Correction Settings*. American Society of Criminology Conference, November 14-17, 2012. Chicago, Ill.

Cantora, A. (2010). *Women's Perceptions of Community Correctional Treatment*. Presenting at the American Society of Criminology Conference. November 16-20, 2010. San Francisco, CA.

Cantora, A. (2009). *Barriers to Receiving Gender-Responsive Treatment in an Institutional Setting*. Presenting at the American Society of Criminology Conference. November 4-7, 2009. Philadelphia, PA.

Cantora, A., West, V., and White, M. (2008). *The Development of a Reentry Initiative for Youth Returning Home from Detention*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Conference. November 12-15, 2008. St. Louis, MO.

White, M., Mellow, J., Englander, K., Cantora, A. and Fretz, R. (2008). *An Alternative to Revocation for Technical Parole Violators: The New Jersey Halfway Back Program*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Conference. November 12-15, 2008. St. Louis, MO.

Cantora, A. (2007). *The Impact of a Gender-Specific Halfway House on Reentry Outcomes: A Qualitative Approach*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Conference. November 14-17, 2007. Atlanta, GA.

Cantora, A. (2006). *Extremism inside the U.S. Prison System: A Potential Security Threat*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 43rd Annual Meeting. February 28 - March 4, 2006. Baltimore, Maryland.

ACADEMIC SERVICE (internal and external)

- University of Baltimore
 - Implementation workgroup member of Board of Regents Task Force Report, Marketing and Branding Section. As of November 2020.
 - Workgroup member of criminal history on admissions application, AY2016-17
 - Undergraduate Research Day, Inspired Discoveries judge, May 2017
 - Institutional Review Board member, July 2013-January 1, 2017
 - Reviewer for Baltimore Renaissance Seed Scholar Fund, fall 2014
 - Strategic Planning Coordinating Committee Member, Cultivating Innovation Subcommittee, November 2012 – December 2013
- College of Public Affairs
 - CPA Faculty Senate appointment to the General Education Council, since May 2017
 - CPA Faculty Senate appointment to Helen P. Denit Honors Council, 2015-2017
 - Committee members on CPA Civic Engagement Committee, spring 2016
 - Search Committee member for Public Policy Faculty Search, spring 2014
 - Sophomore Seminar Workgroup member, spring 2014
- School of Criminal Justice
 - Director of Second Chance College Program at Jessup Correctional Institution, since August 2016
 - Participant of monthly department faculty meetings, since fall 2012
 - Master's Thesis Proposal Committee, spring 2014 (one student); spring 2018 (two students)
 - Master's Thesis Proposal Chair, spring 2018 (Sarah Curreri-Hartman)
 - Comprehensive exam grader for graduate program, spring 2013-2015
 - Search committee member for new faculty, spring 2013 and 2014

- External
 - Various consultations with colleges and universities starting new college in prison programs. Since 2017.
 - Greater Baltimore Committee, Coalition for Second Chances. Member since 2019.
 - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Doctoral Student Summit Presenter, 2015 – 2019.
 - The Jacob and Valeria Langeloth Foundation grant proposal reviewer, January 2017
 - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Program Chair of Corrections, Reentry, & Parole Issues, 2014 annual meeting
 - Member of the Jessup Correctional Institution College Program (JCI Scholar Program), December 2013 – May 2016
 - College Instructor at the Jessup Correctional Institution, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Summer 2015, Spring 2016
 - Member of McElderry Park (East Baltimore) Revitalization Committee, 2013-2016
 - Alumni Association, Doctoral Alumni Representative, John Jay College, since March 2012
 - Manuscript reviewer *Crime and Criminal Justice International*, April 2014
 - Manuscript reviewer *Justice Quarterly*, February 2014
 - Manuscript reviewer *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, February 2013, October 2013, August 2013, and August 2014
 - Manuscript reviewer *Criminal Justice Review*, October 2012, November 2013, April 2014, January 2016, April 2016

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

- Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program Training Institute. Philadelphia, PA. January 13 – 19, 2014
- Professional Development Teaching Workshop. March 19-20, 2013 at Academy of Criminal Justice Conference in Dallas, TX.
- Data Management. August 5, 2011 at Columbia University
- Propensity Score Matching. January 1, 2011 at the Vera Institute of Justice
- Survival Analysis. April 20, 2011 at the Vera Institute of Justice
- *Atlas.ti* Web Training Series. April 2010. Hosted by Research Talk, Inc.
- Time Series Analysis. November 3, 2009 at the American Society of Criminology Conference, Philadelphia, PA
- Qualitative Analysis. November 11, 2008 at the American Society of Criminology Conference, St. Louis Missouri
- Introduction to *Atlas.ti* Qualitative Software. July 8, 2008 at John Jay College

MEMBERSHIPS AND HONORS

- Member of the Academy of Criminal Justice Science, (since 2009)
- Member of the American Society of Criminology, (since 2008)
- Secretary of Psi Chi Honor Society, Seton Hall University, 2002
- Member of the Psychology Club at Seton Hall University, 2001-2002
- Dean's List Recipient, Seton Hall University, 1999-2002