

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Sept 2023 – Present

Master of Arts, Forensic Psychology, Carleton University

- Thesis: Searching for Child Sexual Exploitation Material (CSEM) on Adult Pornographic Websites: Risk Profiles and Correlates of Child Sexual Offending
- Prospectus accepted without revisions in August 2023.
- Supervisor: Dr. Kelly Babchishin, Sexually Harmful Behaviours Research Lab
- Current GPA: 12.0/12.0 (Letter equivalent: A+)

Sept 2017 – Apr 2021

Bachelor of Arts (Hons), Forensic Psychology, Carleton University

- Dean's Honour List: 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021
- GPA: 11.4/12.0 (Letter equivalent: A)
- Graduated with high distinction
- Thesis: Perceptions of Police Interactions When Race and Incident Type is Considered
- Supervisors: Dr. Chelsea Sheahan and Dr. Joanna Pozzulo

HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2023-2025	Teaching Assistantship (\$22,122)
2023-2025	Psychology Departmental Scholarship 2 (\$4,000)
2023-2024	Psychology Departmental Scholarship 1 (\$2,000)
2023-2024	Domestic Entrance Masters (\$2,000)
2023	Graduate Travel Research Grant (\$500)
2023-2024	Research Assistantship (\$2,225)
2020-2021	David A. Golden Scholarship (\$500)
2019-2020	A. Davidson Dunton Scholarship (\$2,000)
2017-2018	Entrance Scholarship (\$2,000)

PUBLICATIONS

O'Donaghy, M., Babchishin, K. M., Culp, G., Zarbl, R., & Hinkson, A. (2024). An efficient measure of sexual interest in children: The Revised Screening Scale for Pedophilic Interests (SSPI-2). *Sexual Abuse* [Submitted].

O'Donaghy, M., Babchishin, K. M., Schmidt, A. F., Quinten, L., Gannon, C., & Lehmann, R. J. B. (2024). *Piloting a new viewing time as a measure of sexual interest in children* [Manuscript in preparation].

- O'Donaghy, M.,** Sheahan, C. L., Pica, E., & Pozzulo, J. (2024). *Evaluating perceptions of police interactions: The impact of race and incident type* [Manuscript in preparation]. Department of Psychology, Carleton University.
- Baskurt, S., **O'Donaghy, M.,** & Babchishin, K. M. (2024). *Comparative analysis of CSEM-exclusive and mixed offending characteristics: A cumulative meta-analysis* [Manuscript in preparation]. Department of Psychology, Carleton University.

PRESENTATIONS

- O'Donaghy, M.,** & Babchishin, K. M. (2024, October 24-26). *A new viewing time measure of sexual interest in children: A pilot study* [Poster to be presented]. Canadian Sex Research Forum (CSRFB) Annual Meeting, Halifax, NS, Canada.
- O'Donaghy, M.** (2024, June 21-23). Incremental validity of the SSPI-2. In K. M. Babchishin (Chair), *An independent validation of a filed-based measure of sexual interest (SSPI-2)* [Symposium]. 85th Annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) Convention, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- Hinkson, A., & **O'Donaghy, M.** (2024, June 21-23). Convergent and divergent validity of the SSPI-2. In K. M. Babchishin (Chair), *An independent validation of a filed-based measure of sexual interest (SSPI-2)* [Symposium]. 85th Annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) Convention, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- Zarbl, R., & **O'Donaghy, M.** (2024, June 21-23). Predictive validity of the SSPI and SSPI-2. In K. M. Babchishin (Chair), *An independent validation of a filed-based measure of sexual interest (SSPI-2)* [Symposium]. 85th Annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) Convention, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- O'Donaghy, M.,** & Babchishin, K. M. (2024, May 15). *Piloting a New Viewing Time as a Measure of Sexual Interest in Children* [Paper presentation]. Mind and Law: Exploring Mental Health in the Criminal Justice System Conference, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- O'Donaghy, M.,** & Babchishin, K. M. (2024, February 9). *SSPI vs. SSPI-2: Which measure is a better predictor of sexual recidivism?* [Paper presentation]. 4th Annual Canadian Forensic Psychology Virtual Conference.
- Baskurt, S., **O'Donaghy, M.,** & Babchishin, K. M. (2024, February 9). *Comparative analysis of CSEM-Exclusive and mixed offending characteristics: A cumulative meta-analysis* [Paper presentation]. 4th Annual Canadian Forensic Psychology Virtual Conference.
- O'Donaghy, M.,** Roche, K., Pellegrini, E., & Seto, M. C. (2023, September 29). *Canadian news articles reporting on risk status and ethnicity of those who have committed sexual offences re-entering the community* [Data Blitz]. 42nd Association for the Treatment and Prevention of Sexual Abuse (ATSA) Conference, Aurora, CO, United States.
- Roche, K., **O'Donaghy, M.,** Pellegrini, E., & Seto, M. C. (2023, September 29). *"High-risk sex offender in your area": A content analysis of Canadian reporting on the release of those who've committed sexual offences* [Poster presentation]. 42nd Association for the Treatment and Prevention of Sexual Abuse (ATSA) Conference, Aurora, CO, United States.
- O'Donaghy, M.,** Sheahan, C., & Pozzulo, J. (2022, June 17-19). *Perceptions of police interactions when race and incident type is considered* [Poster presentation]. 83rd Annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) Convention, Calgary, AB, Canada.

O'Donaghy, M., Sheahan, C., & Pozzulo, J. (2021, April 9). *Perceptions of police interactions when race and incident type is considered* [Poster presentation]. Annual Psychology Undergraduate Research Event (PURE), Ottawa, ON, Canada.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

July 2024 – Present

Project Lead – Sex and Violence Evaluation (SAVE) Lab

- Supervised by Dr. Andrew Brankley
- Conducting a meta-analysis on the relationship between computer-generated stimuli and attraction

June 2024 – Present

Junior Research Analyst – Public Safety Canada

- Conducting an annotated bibliography and literature review on the effectiveness of gender and race/ethnicity matching on treatment outcomes
- Compiled data to develop a pamphlet on Structured Intervention Units
- Assisted with the development of the 2023 Corrections and Conditional Release Statistical Overview (CCRSO) report

Sept 2023 – Present

Research Assistant – Sexually Harmful Behaviours Research (SHB) Lab

- Supervised by Dr. Kelly Babchishin
- Design surveys on Qualtrics
- Transcribe qualitative interviews
- Review and submit Research Ethics Board submissions
- Proofread journal articles and grant applications
- Generate weekly reports for external stakeholders

Dec 2023 – April 2023

Research Assistant – Community Autism Research Lab

- Lead focus groups for a community-based feasibility evaluation of the Secret Agent Society socioemotional program for children with autism

July 2023 – Dec 2023

Research Assistant – Department of National Defence (DND)

- Research assistant on the Applied Research and Resource team at the Sexual Misconduct Support and Resource Centre (SMSRC)
- Coding administrative files to examine sexual misconduct perpetration in the Canadian Armed Forces

July 2022 – Sept 2023

Research Assistant – Forensic Research Unit, Royal’s Institute of Mental Health Research (IMHR)

- Co-supervised by Kailey Roche (Ph.D. Candidate, University of Ottawa) and Dr. Michael Seto (Director of the Forensic Research Unit)
 - *“High-risk sex offender in your area”: A content analysis of Canadian reporting on the release of those who’ve committed sexual offences*
 - Created a codebook operationalizing variables pertinent to the project
 - Identified and coded CBC news articles that reported on those who have committed sexual offences being released back into the community or moving to a new Canadian community
- Supervised by Kailey Roche (Ph.D. Candidate, University of Ottawa)
 - *Paraphilic interests and behaviours: The age of onset and role of gender*
 - Data cleaning and statistical analyses in SPSS

May 2020 – Feb 2022

Research Assistant – Gender and Crime Research Lab, Carleton University

- Supervised by Dr. Shelley Brown (Director of the Gender and Crime Research Lab)
- Conducted a systematic search of the literature examining gender differences in different forms of maltreatment among justice-involved populations
- Inter-rater coding:
 - Coded interviews of justice-involved youths using a narcissistic grandiosity scale
 - Coded journal articles in terms of how gender responsive/neutral they were and whether questionable research practices were used

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Apr 2021 – July 2023

Program Administrator – Information and Communications Technology Council (ICTC)

- Receive and understand WIL Digital requests
- Review applications in Survey Monkey Apply (SMA)
- Preparing reports for stakeholders weekly
- Contact external stakeholders regularly via email and phone
- Preparing notes and briefing reports for weekly meetings

Feb 2022 – April 2022

ATIP Junior Analyst – Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC)

- Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) Department
- Prepare proposed disclosure packages for review in AccessPro Redaction
- Decisions/recommendations on disclosure or non-disclosure of information must be made within legislative requirements of the Privacy Act
- Identify duplicate and non-relevant records and support these decisions with documented justification

June 2017 – July 2021

ATIP Clerk – Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)

- Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) Department
- Receive and understand ATIP requests
- Ensure data integrity under the Access to Information Act and Privacy Act
- Create a file into AccessPro Case Management (APCM) with the given data and master databases such as Global Case Management System (GCMS), and Field Operations Support System (FOSS)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sept 2023 – Present

Teaching Assistant – Department of Psychology, Carleton University

- PSYC 3403A (Addiction; Fall 2023, Summer 2024, Fall 2024), PSYC 2001B (Research Methods; Winter 2024)
- Monitor and manage student chat forum
- Grade assignments and exams
- Conduct tutorial, review course material

Sept 2019 – April 2021

Teaching Assistant – Department of French, Carleton University

- Lead group discussions
- Review students’ assignments and suggest edits
- Help students with their learning of French (both written and oral)

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

July 2024	Key considerations when working with men with developmental and intellectual disabilities (DD/ID) who also have histories of sexual offenses Training delivered by Dr. Robin J. Wilson
June 2024	Considérer les facteurs de pronostic et de réceptivité dans l'élaboration du plan de supervision et d'intervention en délinquance sexuelle [<i>Considering prognostic and receptivity factors while developing a supervision and intervention plan for sexual delinquency</i>] Dr. Maxime Chrétien
May 2024	VRAG-R Certificate (8 hours), Dr. Brian Judd and Dr. Laetitia Geoffroy-Dallery
Nov 2023	Data Management in R
Sept 2023	Assessment and Treatment Considerations for Offenders Who Access CSEM Workshop delivered by Dr. Lyne Piché and Dr. Anton Schweighofer

*Association for the Treatment and Prevention of Sexual Abuse
Aurora, CO, United States*

- Sept 2023 TA Orientation in Psychology Workshop
- May 2023 Risk Matrix 2000 Certificate (8 hours), Dr. Maaïke Helmus
- June 2022 Addressing Values and Life Priorities with Justice-Involved Clients in a
Risk Reduction Framework
Workshop delivered by Dr. Raymond Tafrate and Dr. Damon Mitchell
*Canadian Psychological Association
Calgary, AB, Canada*
- Sept 2020 TCPS 2: Core Certificate

RESEARCH ANALYSES

- R EFA, ANCOVA, ANOVA, Regression, t-test
- SPSS ANOVA, Regression, t-test

MEMBERSHIPS

- 2024 Regroupement des intervenants en matière d’agression sexuelle (RIMAS)
- 2023-Present Forensic Psychology Research Center (FPRC)
- 2023 Association for the Treatment and Prevention of Sexual Abuse (ATSA)