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EDUCATION

- 2024 Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice
University of South Carolina – Columbia
Dissertation Title: “Image-based sexual abuse victimization: Causes, consequences, and seeking justice”
Committee: Dr. Kaitlin Boyle (Chair), Dr. Barbara Koons-Witt, Dr. Brent Klein, and Dr. Cathy Marcum
- 2020 Master of Science, Department of Criminology Criminal Justice
Eastern Kentucky University
Thesis: “Navigating the manosphere: An examination of the incel movement’s attitudes of sexual aggression and violence against women”
Committee: Dr. Victoria Collins (Chair), Dr. Kristie Blevins, and Dr. Judah Schept
- 2017 Bachelor of Arts, Department of Criminology Criminal Justice
Morehead State University

EMPLOYMENT

Academic Employment

- August 2024 – Present Assistant Professor of Criminology/Criminal Justice, Department of Social and Applied Behavioral Sciences
Shepherd University
- August 2020 – May 2024 Graduate Assistant
University of South Carolina
- August 2023 – May 2024 Statistics Services Graduate Liaison
University Library, University of South Carolina
- July 2022 Data Collection Research Assistant
Gender-based Mass Violence Project, *Dr. Kaitlin Boyle*
University of South Carolina

May 2021 – July 2021	Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Graduate Mentor Funded by the National Science Foundation Incarcerated Motherhood Study, <i>Dr. Barbara Koons-Witt</i> <i>University of South Carolina</i>
August 2018 – May 2020	Graduate Assistant <i>Eastern Kentucky University</i>
August 2014 – Dec 2017	Undergraduate Research Fellow <i>Morehead State University</i>

Other Experience

June 2018 – December 2018	Transcriptionist Contractor <i>University of Cincinnati</i>
June 2017 – October 2017	Youth Care Worker <i>Kentucky United Methodist Home for Children and Youth</i>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cyber abuse and harassment; gender and crime; qualitative research methods; victimization; violence against women

AWARDS

West Virginia BRIDGE Open Education Resource (OER) Grant Recipient; \$2,500 (2025)

Larry J. Siegel Graduate Fellowship for the Study of Gender and Crime (Awarded by the Division of Feminist Criminology); **\$5,000 (2023)**

Division of Feminist Criminology (DFC) Graduate Student Poster Competition Winner; \$250 (2022)

Division of Victimology (DOV) Travel Scholarship Winner; \$500 (2022)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Laskovtsov, A., & Boyle, K.M. (2025). Explaining Image-Based Sexual Abuse: An Application of Cyber Routine Activity Theory. *Victims & Offenders*, 20(5–6), 1059–1085.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15564886.2025.2485125>

Daly, S., & Laskovtsov, A. (2021). “Goodbye, my friendcels”: An Analysis of Incel Suicide Posts. *Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice & Criminology*, 11(1), 1-37.
<https://doi.org/10.21428/cb6ab371.a9564fcd>

Under Review

Laskovtsov, A. (Expected 2025). Examining the Impacts of Image-Based Sexual Abuse Victimization in a Convenience Sample of Adult Women in the United States. *Submitted to the Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.

Manuscripts in Progress

Laskovtsov, A., & Benitez, I. Interaction Between Gender and Racial Biases and Perceptions of Police Misbehavior: A Feminist Critical Race Approach.

Laskovtsov, A., & Daly, S. “Tired of being a failure”: An Analysis of Reasons for Incel Suicide.

Laskovtsov, A. Politics of Visibility in Image-Based and Physical Sexual Abuse Evidence: The Case of Gisèle Pelicot.

Koons-Witt, B., **Laskovtsov, A.**, Chowdhury, K., Shaiman, S., & Soivilien, B. Exploring the Connections Between Motherhood Identity and Drug Experiences for Incarcerated Women.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2025

Laskovtsov, A. (*forthcoming*) “I Don't Really Have Anywhere to Turn”: Justice-Seeking Behaviors of Image-Based Sexual Abuse Victims. Presenting at *American Society of Criminology*, Washington, D.C.

2024

Laskovtsov, A. Explaining image-based sexual abuse: Applying cyber routine activity theory. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, San Francisco, CA.

Laskovtsov, A. Image-based sexual abuse and trauma-informed approaches for victim healing. Presented at the *National Art Education Association (NAEA) Coalition for Feminisms in Art Education (CFAE)*, virtual event.

Laskovtsov, A. Impacts of image-based sexual abuse: Violence in digital contexts. Presented at the *Women and Gender Studies 50th Anniversary Graduate Student Conference*, Columbia, SC.

2023

Laskovtsov, A. “This is why the system is corrupt”: Victims of campus sexual assault speak out. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, Philadelphia, PA.

Laskovtsov, A., Daou, J., & Kibler, M. Police sexual misconduct: Abusing the Law preliminary data review. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, Philadelphia, PA.

2022

Laskovtsov, A., & Daly, S.E. “Tired of being a failure”: An analysis of reasons for incel suicide. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

Laskovtsov, A., & Benitez, I. Interaction between gender and racial biases and perceptions of police misbehavior: A feminist critical race approach. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

2020

Laskovtsov, A. “It’s in the nature of all femoids to want to be violently taken:” Incel discourse in cyberspace. Presented at *Criminology Consortium*, virtual event.

2019

Laskovtsov, A. Navigating the Manosphere: An examination of the incel movements’ sexual aggression and attitudes of violence against women. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, San Francisco, CA.

2017

Laskovtsov, A. & Katz, R. Male peer support theory: Murder and sexual assault. Presented at the *American Society of Criminology*, Philadelphia, PA.

Laskovtsov, A. College parties and raunch culture. Presented at the *Celebration of Student Achievement*, Morehead, KY.

Laskovtsov, A., & Lawson, A. Microcosm of raunch: College parties at MSU. Presented at *Posters at the Capitol*, Frankfort, KY.

Katz, R., & Laskovtsov, A. State colonization of bodies: Police sexual assault and murder. Presented at the *American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences*, Las Vegas, NV.

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

Advanced Criminological Theory – CRIM 402 (1 section, *in person*, Spring 2025)
Gender and Crime – CRIM 415 (1 section, *in person*, Spring 2025)
General Sociology – SOCI 203 (2 sections, *in person/online*, Fall 2024)
Social Stratification – SOCI 321 (2 sections, *hybrid*, Fall 2024)
American Criminal Justice System – CRJU 101 (2 sections, *in person*, Fall 2022)
Victimization – CRJU 421 (4 sections, *in person*, Fall 2022)
Violence in America – CRJU 323 (1 section, *online*, Summer 2022)

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2020

CRJU 341 Sociology of Crime (1 section)

CRJU 554 Women and Crime (1 section)
CRJU 202 Research Methods (1 section)

Spring 2021
Sociology of Crime (1 section)

GUEST LECTURES

2025, April	Marijuana Legalization Symposium (Honors Instructor S. Brasher)
2024, March	“Digital Harms: Incels and Other Considerations” Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky
2023, March	“Incarcerated Women” (CRJU 341) Ethics in Criminal Justice, (Instructor E. Suiter), Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of South Carolina
2022, November	“Incarcerated Women” (CRJU 341) Ethics in Criminal Justice, (Instructor E. Suiter), Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of South Carolina
2019, September	“Who are Incels?” (CRJ 344) Violence Against Women, (Professor V. Collins), School of Justice Studies, Eastern Kentucky University
2018, March	“Who are Incels?” (CRJ 344) Violence Against Women, (Professor V. Collins), School of Justice Studies, Eastern Kentucky University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Society of Criminology

Division of Victimology (2022)
Division of Feminist Criminology (2022)
Division of Cybercrime (2023)

Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association (CCJGSA) Active Member (2020-2024)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) at USC: *2020-2024*

- Teaching Online Best Practices
- Introduction to Integrative and Experiential Learning
- Advanced Blackboard Grade Center
- Introduction to Online Teaching
- Getting Started with Blackboard
- Trauma 101 (Session 1 and 2)
- 10 Tips for Successfully Teaching Online
- Support Zone Training Part 1

- Intercultural Inclusion and Diversity Learning Series (*Certificate of Completion: December 2023*)
- Setting Classroom Expectations and Creating a Sense of Belonging
- Promoting Academic Integrity in the Classroom
- Creating an Inclusive Curriculum
- Addressing Common Academic Integrity Violations

2025

Laskovtsov, A. (2025, August 22). *Presented at Faculty Professional Development Day* at Shepherd University: “What Do Students Think about AI Use? Designing a Survey Tool to Assess In-Class Usability and Compatibility”

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2025

The Martinsburg Initiative (TMI) *Coalition Advisor* for Drug-Free Student Coalition.

2024

Sources of Strength Peer Leader - completed 6-hour training (this program aims to educate and empower the campus community by emphasizing suicide prevention and wellness support for students)

Department of Social Sciences *Search Committee Chair Member*

2023

Advanced Introduction to Criminal Justice *PhD Student Panelist*; Eastern Kentucky University

Book Proposal Review for Routledge Publishing: “Beta Uprising: Extremism and Radicalization in the Manosphere.”

Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) *Veteran TA Q&A Panelist*; University of South Carolina

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) *Graduate Student Panelist*; University of South Carolina

Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association *Professional Development Panelist*; University of South Carolina

2022

Discover UofSC Undergraduate Research *Graduate Reviewer*; University of South Carolina

VOLUNTEER WORK

2025-Present

Eastern Panhandle Empowerment Center

2022-2024

Meals on Wheels *Volunteer*, Senior Resource Center; Columbia, South Carolina

2019-2020

The Nest *Volunteer* (a local non-profit organization offering resources and support for mothers and families); Lexington, Kentucky

2017

Ramey-Estep Home *Practicum* (an organization offering residential placement, education, and treatment for juveniles); Rush, Kentucky

REFERENCES

***upon request ***