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EXCELLENCE IN PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATION AWARD Dr. Rebecca Kendall, Criminal Justice & Sociology

PUBLICATIONS:

- Empirical Journal Article: Cuevas, C. A., Sabina, C., Cudmore Kendall, R., Picard, E., & Goggin, K. (2020). Understanding the Victimization-Delinquency Overlap Among Latino Adolescents: The Role of Cultural and Mental Health Factors. Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 1-23.
 - o The aim of this analysis was to evaluate whether cultural factors and mental health variables distinguish Latino youth who are delinquent-victims, primarily victims, or primarily delinquent. This study used data from the Dating Violence among Latino Adolescents (DAVILA) Study, which surveyed 1,525 Latino youth and queried participants about past year victimization, delinquency, psychological distress, and cultural factors. Using multinomial logistic regression, we evaluated whether these variables differentiated youth who were delinquent-victims, primarily victims, primarily delinquent, or neither delinquent nor victims. Results suggest that delinquent-victim Latino youth are differentiated from other groups primarily by the degree of familial support and anger/hostility. Other cultural and mental health variables do not appear to differentiate the groups, suggesting a greater degree of similarity among them based on the variables used in the analysis. The results indicate that Latino youth that are victimized and engage in delinquent behavior are primarily differentiated by the degree of anger/ hostility they experience. Familial support, as has been seen with non-Latino groups, appears to present a significant protective quality and likely can serve as a prevention strategy, particularly for delinquent-victim youth. Study limitations include challenges with retrospective self-report and sampling using RDD methodologies.
- Two book chapters in preparation (the first with a Curry colleague, the second with a former MCJ student):
 - o Cappadona, S., & Kendall, R. C. Criminological theories of serial offending. In Borgenson, K., Maria Valeri, R., & Vogel, S. (Eds.). Understanding Serial Crime: A Criminological and Psychological Analysis.
 - o Book chapter in preparation. Kendall, R.C., & Fallon, K. Killing of George Floyd, 2020. In History of American Racial Violence: An Encyclopedia of Conflicts, Riots, and Revolution. Encyclopedia entry in preparation.

PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATION:

- Received a grant for research with Curry colleague Adam Stearn in partnership with the Brockton Police
 Department: 2021 Justice Research & Statistics Association (2018-V3-GX-K049): Law Enforcement-Based
 Direct Victim Services & Technical Assistance Program (Subrecipient, Principal Investigator), \$14,684.00.
 - o Funding under this award supports the provision of technical assistance for law enforcement agencies funded under the Law Enforcement-Based Direct Victim Services and Technical Assistance Program (LEV Program) to enhance trauma-informed, victim-centered services. This grant funds the initial research necessary for Curry College to construct a framework of best practices for the Brockton Police Department to follow in building a Victim Assistance Program with a robust language access plan and service provision strategy that provides the greatest benefit to the most crime survivors.