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EDUCATION

2001 **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA.** Tampa, FL

Degree: Ph.D.

Major: Cognitive Psychology

Minor: Law and Communication

Dissertation: "Effects of Collaboration and Pretrial Publicity on Juror Bias and Source Monitoring Errors" (Co-chairs: Judith B. Bryant, Ph.D. & Cathy McEvoy, Ph.D.)

1997 **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA.** Tampa, FL

Degree: M.A.

Major: Cognitive Psychology

Thesis: "The Impact of Age, Speech Style, and Question Form on Perceptions of Witness Credibility and Trial Outcome" (Chair: Judith B. Bryant, Ph.D.)

1990 **UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA,** Tampa, FL

Degree: B.A.

Major: Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

6/11–present **Associate Professor and Chair**, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, Sarasota, FL.

8/04 – 5/11 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, Sarasota, FL.

8/03–5/04 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida, Sarasota, FL.

8/01–5/03 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

9/94 - 1/00 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

Duties: I had complete responsibility for the following activities: syllabus preparation; lecture development and presentation; exam development, administration, and grading; development of projects, papers, demonstrations, and activities.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (continued)

1/00 – 5/01 ***Graduate Research Assistant***, Alcohol And Substance Use Research Institute, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

Duties: To work on Project ADVANCE: a multiple-year federally funded study involving college student drinking. My duties included the following: assisting in the hiring of lab personnel; supervising undergraduate and graduate research assistants; modifying the intervention methods, procedures, and stimulus materials from the original male oriented version to a female oriented one; data analysis; evaluation of the program intervention; modifying the program to increase participation and attendance across sessions as well as effectiveness of intervention; attending weekly research meetings.

Supervisors: Drs. Mark S. Goldman, Francis Del Boca, Jack Darkes, and Jane Noll.

5/91– 8/93 ***Correctional/Probation Officer***, State of Florida Department of Corrections.

Duties: Managing a caseload of approximately 100 felony offenders. From April 1992 - July 1992, I supervised a sex offender caseload, which subsequently was made into a Correctional/Probation Officer III position.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- State of Florida Department of Corrections, Basic Recruit Certificate: Correction/Probation Officer - 395 hours July - September 1991

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Association for Psychological Science
- American Psychological Association
- American Psychology – Law Society (Div. 41 APA)
- Psychonomic Society

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Provost's Teaching Award for Outstanding Teaching by a Graduate Student, March 2000.
- Provost's Commendation for Outstanding Teaching by a Graduate Student, April 1999.
- Eve Levine Graduate Student Teaching Award, April 1999.
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Tampa, December 1990.
- Elected as a member of Alpha Chi National College Honor Scholarship Society, February 1990.
- Dean's List every semester while attending the University of Tampa, January 1989 – December 1990.f

PUBLICATIONS/ MANUSCRIPTS (**Bold** indicates student author)

- Ruva, C.L., & **Guenther, C. C.** (2014, Online First). From the Shadows into the Light: How Pretrial Publicity and Deliberation Affect Mock Jurors' Decisions, Impressions, and Memory. *Law and Human Behavior*. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/lhb0000117>
- Ruva, C. L., **Dickman, M. C.**, & **Mayes, J. L.** (2014). Exposure to both positive and negative pretrial publicity effects juror bias and source memory errors. *International Journal of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences*, 4 (1). 30-40. DOI: 10.5923/j.ijpbs.20140401.05
- Ruva, C. L., **McGowan, & A. M.**, **Cirks, C. K.** The impact of pretrial publicity and need for cognition on juror's decisions and deliberation behavior. *R & R for Psychology Crime & Law*.
- Hudak, E. M.**, Edwards, J. D., Andel, R., Lister, J. J., McEvoy, C. L., Ruva, C. L., & Peronto, C. L. The effects of cognitive stimulation and adaptive cognitive training among older adults. *R & R for JGPS* (May 2013).
- Edwards, J. D., Ruva, C. L., O'Brien, J. L., Haley, C. B., Lister, J. J. (2013). An examination of mediators of the transfer of cognition speed of processing training to everyday functional performance. *Psychology and Aging*, 28, 314-321. doi: 10.1037/a0030474
- Ruva, C. L. & **Hudak, E.** (2013). Pretrial publicity and juror age affect juror decision making. *Psychology, Crime, & Law*. 19, 179-202. DOI: 10.1080/1068316X.2011.616509
- Ruva, C. L., **Mayes, J. L.**, **Dickman, M.C.**, & McEvoy, C. (2012). Timing and type of pretrial publicity affect jurors' decisions, predecisional distortion, and emotion. *International Journal of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences*, 2, 108-119. doi: [10.5923/j.ijpbs.20120204.06](http://dx.doi.org/10.5923/j.ijpbs.20120204.06)
- Ruva, C. L. & **LeVasseur, M. A.** (2012). Behind closed doors: The effect of pretrial publicity on jury deliberations. *Psychology, Crime and Law*, 18, 431-452. DOI: 10.1080/1068316X.2010.502120
- Ruva, C.L. (2011). Pretrial publicity affects jury decision making. In Carla E. Wilhelm (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Cognitive Psychology*. Nova Science Publishers: Hauppauge, NY.
- Ruva, C. L., **Guenther, C. C.**, & **Yarbrough, A.** (2011). Deciphering the effects of positive and negative PTP: Examining the roles of impression formation, emotion and predecisional distortion. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 38, 511-534. DOI: 10.1177/0093854811400823
- Ruva, C.L. (2010). *How Pretrial publicity affects jury decision making*. Nova Science Publishers: Hauppauge, NY.
- Ruva, C.L. (2010). Pretrial publicity affects jury decision making. In F. Columbus (Ed.) *Perspectives on cognitive psychology*. Nova Science Publishers: Hauppauge, NY.
- Ruva, C. L. & McEvoy, C. (2008). Negative and positive pretrial publicity affect juror memory and decision making. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied*, 14, 226-235. DOI: 10.1037/1076-898X.14.3.226

PUBLICATIONS/ MANUSCRIPTS (Continued)

- Ruva, C. L., McEvoy, C., & Bryant, J. B. (2007). Effects of pretrial publicity and collaboration on juror bias and source monitoring errors. *Applied Cognitive Psychology*, 21, 45-67. doi: 10.1002/acp.1254.
- Ruva, C. L. & Bryant, J. B. (2004). The impact of age, speech style, and question form on perceptions of witness credibility and trial outcome. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, 34, 1919-1944. DOI: 10.1111/j.1559-1816.2004.tb02593.x

PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

- Porter, A., Cruz, J. P., & Ruva, C. L.** (2013). *The CSI Effect: Expectation of Forensic Evidence and its Effects on Juror Verdicts* *Journal of Forensic Research*, 4 (4), (Published abstract).

PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

(**Bold** indicates student)

- Ruva, C. L., **Cimaszewski, F. A.**, & **Adekanye, O.** (2015, March). Exploring the roles pretrial publicity, jury composition, and individual characteristics on juror deliberation behavior and decisions. Paper to be present at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference (APA Div. 41), San Diego, CA.
- Ruva, C. L. (2014, July). How Do Jury Deliberations Affect Pretrial Publicity Bias? Symposium paper presented at the International Congress of Applied Psychology (Conference for the International Association of Applied Psychology), Paris, France. *Symposium title: Media, Crime Perception and Judgment.
- Ruva, C. L., **Cimaszewski, F. A.**, & **Cunningham, T.** (2014, March).). Exploring the roles of pretrial publicity and emotion on juror judgments in a criminal trial. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference (APA Div. 41), New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Ruva, C. L., **Cunningham, T.** & **Cimaszewski, F. A.** (2014, March). Deliberating with similarly versus dissimilarly biased individuals: Influence on jurors' decisions and impressions. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference (APA Div. 41), New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Ruva, C. L. (2013, October). Exploring What Goes on Behind Closed Doors: Pretrial Publicity and Jury Deliberations. Invited speaker/delegate paper presentation at the International Conference on Forensic Research and Technology, Las Vegas, NV.
- Porter, A., Cruz, J. P., & Ruva, C. L.** (2013, October). The CSI Effect: Expectation of Forensic Evidence and its Effects on Juror Verdicts. Poster presentation at the International Conference on Forensic Research and Technology, Las Vegas, NV.
- Alvarez-Ruiz, L.** & Ruva, C. L. (2013, October). Effects of Pretrial Publicity on Eyewitness Memory. Poster presentation at the International Conference on Forensic Research and Technology, Las Vegas, NV.

PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (Continued)
(**Bold** indicates student)

Ruva, C. L. (2013, March). The Influence of Different Types of Pretrial Publicity on Mock-Jurors' Decisions, Evidence Interpretation, and Emotions. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, Portland (APA Div. 41), Portland, Oregon.

Ruva, C.L., **Worley, J. C.**, & **Nieliwocki, M.** (2012, August). Pretrial publicity affects emotion, trial evidence interpretation, decisions, and victim credibility. Paper accepted and will be presented at the American Psychological Association Conference, Orlando, FL. (**Refereed**)

Edwards, J. D., Ruva, C. L., Haley, C. B., & O'Brien, J. L., **Hudak, E. M.**, Lister, J. L. (April 2012). Divided attention gains mediate transfer of speed of processing training to everyday functioning. Paper submitted to be presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, GA. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L., **Mayes, J. L.**, **Dickman, M. C.**, & **Worley, J. C.** (2012, March). Exposure to both positive and negative PTP can reduce or eliminate PTP bias and source memory errors. Symposium paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico. (**Refereed**)

Edwards, J. D., Ruva, C. L., Haley, C. B., & **Hudak, E. M.** (2011, September). Divided attention gains mediate transfer of speed of processing training to everyday functioning. Entertainment Software and Cognitive Neurotherapeutics Society Conference, San Francisco, CA. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L., **McGowan, A. M.**, **Cirks, C. K.**, & **Guenther, C. C.** (2011, March). The Impact of Pretrial Publicity and need for cognition on juror's decisions and deliberation behavior. American Psychology & Law Society *International Conference*, Miami, FL. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L., **Mayes, J. L.**, **Dickman, M. C.**, & **Guenther, C. C.** (2011, March). Timing and type of pretrial publicity affect jurors' decisions and predecisional distortion. American Psychology & Law Society *International Conference*, Miami, FL (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L. & **Hudak, E.M.** (2010, April). Pretrial publicity and juror age affect juror decision making. Paper presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, GA. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L. & **Hudak, E.M.** (2010, March). Pretrial publicity and juror age affect juror decision making. Paper accepted to be presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, Vancouver, BC. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L., **Guenther, C. C.**, & **Yarbrough, A.** (2010, March). The emotional decision maker: Jurors' emotional responses to pretrial publicity mediate their decisions. Paper accepted to be presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, Vancouver, BC. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L. & **Donaldson-Guenther, C.C.** (2009, March). Coding the effect of pretrial publicity on jury deliberations. Invited symposium paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, San Antonio, TX. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L., **LeVasseur, M.A.**, & **Frei, A.M.** (2009, March). Behind closed doors: Pretrial publicity affects the nature and quality of mock-jury deliberations. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, San Antonio, TX. (**Refereed**)

PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (Continued)
(**Bold** indicates student)

Donaldson-Guenther, C.C. & Ruva, C.L. (2009, March). The effects of pretrial publicity on evidence evaluation: A story model framework. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, San Antonio, TX. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L. & LeVasseur, M.A. (2008, May). Behind closed doors: A content analysis of the mock-jury deliberation process. Paper presented at the Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, Chicago, IL. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L. & LeVasseur, M.A. (2008, March). Observing jury interaction: pretrial publicity affects the qualitative nature of mock-jury deliberations. Paper presented at the American Psychology & Law Society Conference, Jacksonville, FL. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L. (2007, May). Pretrial publicity affects memory for and interpretation of trial evidence. Paper presented at Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, Washington, DC. (**Refereed**)

Loftus, H. & Ruva, C.L. (2007, March). Individual differences and their association with suggestibility and source monitoring errors. Paper presented at Off the Witness Stand: Using Psychology in the Practice of Justice, John Jay College, New York, NY. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L. (2006, November). Pretrial publicity and collaboration affect juror memory and decision making. Paper to be presented at the Psychonomic Society Annual Meeting, Houston, TX. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C.L. (2006, March). Eyewitness Memory: What judges and attorneys need to know. Presentation delivered at the Inns of Court, Tampa, FL.

Ruva, C.L. (2005, May). Pretrial publicity and length of delay effect juror memory and decision making. Paper presented at the American Psychological Society Annual Convention, Los Angeles, CA. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L. (2004, March). Leveling the playing field? The effect of positive versus negative PTP on trial outcome and source monitoring errors. Paper delivered at the American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Scottsdale, AZ. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L. (2003, May). Does exposure to pretrial publicity affect juror's memory for trial facts? Paper presented at the American Psychological Society Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA. (**Refereed**)

Ruva, C. L., McEvoy, C. & Bryant, J. B. (2002, June). Effects of collaboration and pretrial publicity on juror bias and source monitoring errors. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana. (**Refereed**)

Gonzalez, L. P., Bryant, J. B. & Ruva, C. L. (1999, April). Perceptions of witness credibility as a function of witness age and language translation. Paper presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM. (**Refereed**)

PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (Continued)
(**Bold** indicates student)

- Ruva, C., & Bryant, J. B. (1998, July). Perceptions of witness credibility as a function of witness age, speech style, and question form. Paper presented at the XVth Meetings of the International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development, Bern, Switzerland. (**Refereed**)
- Ruva, C., & Bryant, J. B. (1998, March). The impact of age, speech style, and question form on perceptions of witness credibility and trial outcome. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Biennial Conference, Redondo Beach, CA. (**Refereed**)
- Ruva, C., Bryant, J. B. & Brannick, M. (1996, March). Development of the Adults' General Beliefs about Children Scale for research on witness credibility. Paper presented at the Conference on Human Development, Birmingham, AL. (**Refereed**)
- Ruva, C. (1995, December). How does attorney questioning techniques and witness speech affect both perceived credibility of child witnesses and trial outcomes? National Science Foundation Conference (Women and Science), Washington, DC.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Journal & Grant Reviewer (Ad Hoc)

- Applied Cognitive Psychology
- Criminal Justice & Behavior
- Journal of Empirical Legal Studies ad hoc reviewer
- Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice
- Law and Human Behavior ad hoc reviewer
- Legal and Criminological Psychology
- Psychology Crime and Law ad hoc reviewer
- Wiley Publisher
- NSF: Law & Social Science Program

Editorial Board Member

- International Journal of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences (2011-2014)

Conference & Symposium Reviewer

- Student Research Symposium Reviewer & Judge
- Reviewer for AP-LS conference submissions
- Reviewer for APA conference for Div. 41 conference submissions

Service to University, College, and Department

- Annual Review Chair for CAS
- Chair of Psychology Area
- Academic Program Committee Member
- IRB Reviewer for USFSM College of Arts & Sciences
- Tenure and Promotion Committee for CAS: chair and committee member
- Psychology Assessment Committee
- Search Committee Chair & Member
- Psychology Program Review for USFSP (Spring/Summer 2014)

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Undergraduate: Honors Thesis & Senior Research Projects Chaired

- Ashley Porter and Justo Cruz (Spring and Fall 2013). The CSI Effect: Expectation of Forensic Evidence and its Effects on Juror Verdicts. Poster presentation at the International Conference on Forensic Research and Technology, Las Vegas, NV.
- Lorena Alvarez-Ruiz, Psychology Honors (Fall 2012-Fall 2013), Title Effects of Pretrial Publicity on Eyewitness Memory
- Jami Worley, Senior Research Project (2010-2011), “The Importance of Trial Ambiguity: Understanding the Influence of Pretrial Publicity on Jurors’ Decisions and Emotions”
- Christina Donaldson-Guenther, Psychology Honors (2007-2008), “The Effects of Pretrial Publicity on Evidence Evaluation: A Story Model Framework”
- Vivian Lotts, Psychology Honors (2006-2007), “Do Personality Differences Matter? The Effects of Misinformation and Delay on Eyewitness Performance”
- Shermel Ward, Psychology Honors (2006-2007), “Improving Healthy Families America’s Ability to Prevent Child Abuse in More Families throughout the United States”
- Holly Carvalho-Loftus, Senior Thesis (2005-2006), “Individual Differences and Their Association with Suggestibility and Source Memory Errors”

Undergraduate: Honors Thesis Committee Member

- Oluwatosin S. Adekanye, Psychology Honors (January 2014 – Present), A Re-visitation of Stanovich and West’s Cars Paradigm Study of Myside Bias
- Mary Dickman, Psychology Honors (2010-2011), “Attitudes toward Sexist Language and Epicene Reference”

Dissertation Committees: Committee Member

- Lindsey Rhead: Psychology and Law Experimental Track Doctoral Student at John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY)
 - Date of Service: November 2012 to present
 - Margaret Kovera is the Chair of this doctoral committee
 - Dissertation Title: Juror Target Monitoring Errors in Multiple Defendant Trials
- Stephanie Smith: Clinical Forensic Psychology, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology
 - Date of Service: May 2010 to June 2014 (successfully defended)
 - Jim Iaccino is the Chair of this doctoral committee
 - Dissertation Title: Moral Disengagement and Jury Decision Making
- Elizabeth Gagnon: Aging Studies, University of South Florida Tampa
 - Date of Service: September 2010 to July 2012 (successfully defended)
 - Jerri Edwards is the Chair of this doctoral committee
 - Dissertation Title: The Effects of Cognitive Stimulation and Computerized Memory Training among Older Adults

COURSES TAUGHT

- Applied Cognitive Psychology
- Cognitive Psychology
- Child Psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Directed Studies/Research
- Learning
- Psychology Honors Supervision
- Psychology and Law
- Psychology of Language
- Perception
- Pro-Seminar: Applying Psychology to the Legal System (Capstone Course)
- Research Methods
- Websites for most courses can found be by visiting my homepage at the following address:
<http://luna.cas.usf.edu/~ruva/index.htm>