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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

1997	Ph.D. Criminology. University of Maryland at College Park
1994	M.A. Criminology. University of Maryland at College Park
1991	B.A. Law and Society, Hood College, Frederick, Maryland

Professional Experience

August 2018 to Present	Professor, California State University—Los Angeles, School of Criminal Justice & Criminalistics
August 2024 to Present	Program Development Manager, California State University—Los Angeles, Prison Graduation Initiative. Coordinate overall management of degree programs delivered in three California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) facilities.
August 2019 to December 2024	Co-Designer and Director, <i>The Promote, Raise & Optimize (PRO) Positive Youth Development Certificate Program</i> . The PRO Approach is a professional training program developed as an extended education program through the College of Professional and Global Education. It launched to the public in November 2024.
August 2018 to December 2024	Designated Chair for the Rongxiang Xu College of Health & Human Services Introduction to Higher Education (IHE) courses and the IHE Redesign Leadership and Oversight Team.
July 2011 to June 2024	Research Director, GRYD Research and Evaluation Team, City of Los Angeles, Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office

Fall 2016 to August 2018	Interim Associate Dean, California State University—Los Angeles, Rongxiang Xu College of Health & Human Services
Fall 2012 to August 2016	School Director, California State University—Los Angeles, School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics
September 2007 to August 2012	Professor, California State University—Los Angeles, School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics
September 2002 to August 2007	Associate Professor, California State University—Los Angeles, School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics
August 2001 to August 2002	Director of Juvenile Justice Research, University of Nebraska— Omaha, Department of Criminal Justice.
August 1996 to May 2002	Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska—Omaha, Department of Criminal Justice. Received Tenure and Promotion to Associate in Spring 2002.
September 1992 to May 1996	Research Assistant, University of Maryland. Worked as a research assistant for Dr. Denise Gottfredson and the Center for Substance Abuse Research (CESAR).

Awards and Honors

2025	Georgetown University, Center for Youth Justice, Shay Bilchik Innovation in Youth Justice Award
2024	Nominated for the California State University, Los Angeles Outstanding Professor Award
2009	Faculty/Staff Appreciation Award, Cal State LA's Intercollegiate Athletics, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
2002	Heartland Juvenile Services Training Institute Recognition of Contributions to the Community and the Field of Juvenile Justice
2000	Sarpy County S.A.F.E. P.O.L.I.C.Y. Recognition of Service to the Community
1999	Nebraska U.S. Attorney's Award of Excellence

**Funded Grants and Contracts
(Abbreviated List for Past 10 Years)**

January 2024 thru December 2028	Co-Principal Investigator, <u>An Assessment of Dual System Data and Practices Capacity across Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Systems</u> . Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. U.S. Department of Justice, \$2,000,000.
January 2014 to June 2024	Principal Investigator, <u>City of Los Angeles' Mayor's Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development Research and Evaluation</u> . City of Los Angeles Annual Contract (approximately \$1,300,000 annually). Since 2014, this amount has totaled over \$10,000,000.
July 2021 to December 2022	Principal Investigator, <u>California Department of Justice Research Consultant</u> . California Department of Justice. \$203,355.
June 2018 to May 2021	Principal Investigator, <u>Dual Status Workgroup</u> . County of Los Angeles, Office of Child Protection. \$168,000.
February 2020 to July 2020	Principal Investigator, <u>Assessment of the Law Enforcement First Responder Protocol (FRP) for Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC)</u> . Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office. \$109,000.
September 2018 to August 2019	Principal Investigator. <u>Homeboy Industries Evaluation</u> . Los Angeles County Probation Department. \$150,000.
October 2015 to September 2017	Principal Investigator, <u>Dual Systems Youth Design Study</u> . Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. U.S. Department of Justice, \$1,250,000.
November 2015 to December 2016	Principal Investigator, <u>Probation Workgroup</u> . Los Angeles County Probation Department. Los Angeles County, \$12,000
March 2013 to June 2016	Principal Investigator, <u>Paragraph 73 Study</u> . Los Angeles County Probation Department Los Angeles County, \$108,000
January 2013 to December 2013	Principal Investigator, <u>Evaluation of the Camp Kilpatrick AWARE Program</u> . Los Angeles County, \$118,679

August 2012 to December 2014	Principal Investigator, <u>Los Angeles County Juvenile Probation Outcomes Study</u> . Advancement Project (with Keck Foundation Funding), \$45,500
July 2007 to September 2008	Principal Investigator. <u>Gang Reduction and Youth Development Needs Assessment Studies—Part I</u> . City of Los Angeles, \$70,000
	Principal Investigator. <u>Gang Reduction and Youth Development Needs Assessment Studies—Part II</u> . Advancement Project, \$70,000
December 2008 to April 2008	Principal Investigator. <u>Evaluation of the Mental Health Advocacy Team</u> . Children’s Law Center, \$35,000

Publications

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Herz, D.C., Eastman, A. L., Suthar, H. & McCroskey, J. (2025). Exploring child welfare pathways and dual system involvement. *Journal of Criminal Justice* 98, May-June. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2025.102421>

Eastman, A.L., Park, K., Herz, D.C., Dierkhising, C.B., McCroskey, J., & Guo, L. (2024). Contact with foster care and the juvenile delinquency court: A prospective examination from birth through age 18. *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal* (Open Access). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10560-024-00964-1>

Eastman, A.L., Herz, D.C., Palmer, L. et al. (2023). Comparing Maltreatment Experiences for Young People with Child Protection or Dual System Involvement. *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10560-023-00918-z>

Herz, D.C., Eastman, A. L., & Suthar, H. (2022). An Empirical Test of Dual System Pathways. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*, 21(3). <https://doi.org/10.1177/15412040221138042>

Herz, D.C., Eastman, A., Putnam-Hornstein, E., & McCroskey, J. (2021). Dual system youth and their pathways in Los Angeles County: A replication of the OJJDP Dual System Youth Study. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 118. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.201.105160>

Brantingham, P.J., Tita, G., & Herz, D.C. (2021). The impact of the City of Los Angeles Mayor’s Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) Comprehensive Strategy on crime in the City of Los Angeles. *Justice Evaluation Journal*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24751979.2021.1887709> Open Access Link: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/24751979.2021.1887709>

Brantingham, P.J., Yuan, B., & Herz, D.C. (2020). Is gang violent crime more contagious than non-gang violent crime? *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10940-020-09479-1>

Herz, D.C., Dierkhising, C. B., Raithel, J., Schretzman, M. Guiltinan, S., Goerge, R.M., Cho, Y., Cuolton, C., & Abbott, S. (2019). Dual system youth and their pathways: A comparison of incidence, characteristics and system experiences using linked administrative data. *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, 48(12), 2432-2450. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10964-019-01090-3>
Weinberg, L., Herz, D.C., Smith, J., & Chan, K. (2019). Reforming juvenile detention for youth with developmental disabilities: I.T. v. Los Angeles County. *Justice Evaluation Journal* 2 (2): 118-138, DOI: [10.1080/24751979.2019.1625717](https://doi.org/10.1080/24751979.2019.1625717)

Ananth, A.I, Willard, M., & Herz, D.C. (2019). A service-learning partnership between Cal State LA and the Los Angeles County Probation Department: Making the case for civic professionalism. *Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement*, 23(2): 117-128.

Dierkhising, C.B., and Herz, D.C., Hirsch, R., and Abbott, S. (2018). System backgrounds, psychosocial characteristics, and service access among dually involved youth: A Los Angeles case study. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*, 1-21.

Hirsch, R., Dierkhising, C., & Herz, D. (2018). Educational risk, recidivism and service access among youth involved in both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. *Children and Youth Services Review* 85: 72-80.

Huang, H., Ryan, J. P., & Herz, D. (2012). The journey of dually-involved youth: The description and prediction of re-reporting and recidivism. *Children and Youth Services Review* 34(1): 254-260.

Chiu, Y., Ryan, J.P., & Herz, D. (2011). Allegations of maltreatment and delinquency: Does risk of juvenile arrest vary by substantiation status? *Children and Youth Services Review* 33: 855-860.

Herz, D., Ryan, J.P., & Bilchik, S. (2010). Challenges facing crossover youth: An examination of juvenile justice decision-making and recidivism. *Family Court Review*, 48(2): 305-321.

Ryan, J., Hong, J., Herz, D., & Hernandez, P. (2010). Kinship foster care and the risk of juvenile delinquency. *Children & Youth Services Review* 32(12): 1823-1830.

Warf, C., Clark, L., Herz, D., & Rabinovitz, S. (2009). The continuity of care to nowhere: Poverty, child protective services, juvenile justice, homelessness and incarceration: The disproportionate representation of African-American children and youth. *International Journal of Child and Adolescent Health* 2(1): 49-64.

This article is also published as a chapter in Poverty and Children: A Public Health Concern, (2009), Alexis Lieberman, and Joav Merrick, editors.

Ryan, J.P., Marshall, J., Herz, D. Hernandez, P. (2008). Juvenile delinquency in child welfare: Investigating group home effects. *Children and Youth Services Review*.

Guevara, L., Herz, D., Spohn, C. (2008). Race, Gender, and Legal Counsel: Differential Outcomes in Two Juvenile Courts. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice: An Interdisciplinary Journal*.

Ryan, J. P., Hernandez, P. & Herz D. (2007). Developmental Trajectories of Offending for Adolescents Aging out of Foster Care. *Social Work Research Volume 31*(2): 83-94.

Rosay, Andre, Skroban, Stacy, & Herz, D. (2006). Differences in the validity of self-reported drug use across five factors: Gender, race, age, type of drug and offense seriousness. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology (On-Line)*, October 13: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10940-006-9018-7>

Guevara, Lori, Herz, D., & Spohn, Cassia. (2006). Gender and Juvenile Justice Decision-Making: What Role Does Race Play? *Feminist Criminology, Oct. (1)*: 258-282.

Herz, D., Stroshine, M., & Houser, K. (2006). Exploring agreement on appropriate responses to domestic violence & sexual trauma across victim advocates, mental health service providers, & substance abuse treatment providers. *Women & Criminal Justice, 16* (4).

Herz, D. & Walsh, J.E. (2004). Faith-based programs for reentry courts: A summary of issues and recommendations. *Juvenile & Family Court Journal (Winter)*: 15-25.

Guevara, L., Spohn, C., & Herz, D. (2004). Race, legal representation, and juvenile justice. *Crime and Delinquency 50* (3).

Herz, D. & Murray, R. (2003). Exploring arrestee drug use in rural Nebraska. *Journal of Drug Issues (Winter)*: 99-117.

Herz, D. (2001). Improving police encounters with juveniles: Does training make a difference? *Justice Research and Policy 3*(2): 57-78.

Herz, D. (2001). Understanding the use of mental health placements by the juvenile justice system. Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders 9(3): 172-181.

Herz, D. (2000). *Drugs in the heartland: Methamphetamine use in rural Nebraska*. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice.

Herz, D. (1998). The differential effects of informal and formal controls on the processing of status offenders. *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice*, 14(2): 173-192.

Tibbetts, Stephen G., & Herz, D. (1996). Gender differences in factors of social control and rational choice. *Deviant Behavior*, 17, 183-208.

Book Chapters

Herz, D., Harada, S., Lecklitner, G., Rauso, M. & Ryan, J. (2009). Identifying and responding to criminogenic risk and mental health treatment needs of crossover youth. In Andrade, J. (editor), *Handbook of Violence Risk Assessment and Treatment* (pp. 495-528). New York: Springer Publishing Company.

Simpson, S. & Herz, D. (1999). Gender, crime, and criminal justice. In Jan Chavetz (Ed.), *Handbook on Gender*. New York: Plenum Publishing Co.

Invited Author Publications

Herz, D. (2021). Book Review—"Crossover" Children in the Youth Justice and Child Protection Systems by Susan Baidawi and Rosemary Sheehan. Rutgers School of Law and School of Criminal Justice *Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books*.

<https://clcjbooks.rutgers.edu/books/crossover-children-in-the-youth-justice-and-child-protection-systems/>

Herz, D. & Crossland, C. (2009). Drug Abuse Warning Network and Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring Program. In *Criminology in the 21st Century*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Herz, D. & Ryan, J. (2008). *Exploring the characteristics and outcomes of 241.1 youth crossing over from dependency to delinquency in Los Angeles County*. San Francisco, CA: California Superior Court, Administrative Office of the Courts.

Herz, D. (2007). Building a seamless system of care for substance abuse services in Nebraska: The Implementation of the standardized model for delivery of substance abuse services. *Community Corrections and Probation Exchange*—on-line publication for probation and correction administrators.

Herz, D., Krinsky, M., & Ryan, Joseph P. (Summer 2006). Improving system responses to crossover youth: The role of research and practice partnerships. *The LINK (Child Welfare League of America)* 5 (1).

Herz, D. (2005). Building a system of care: Part I. *Juvenile Sanctions Center: First Mondays National Monthly Newsletter*, August. National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Juvenile Sanctions Center: Reno, NV.

Herz, D. (2005). Building a juvenile justice system of care: What does it require, Part III. *Juvenile Sanctions Center: First Mondays National Monthly Newsletter*, October. National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Juvenile Sanctions Center: Reno, NV.

Herz, D. (2004). Rediscovering the purpose of teaching. *Writing Center News* 4, 1: 1-2. California State University—Los Angeles: Writing Center.

Herz, D. (2000). Status offenders. In Nicole Rafter (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Women and Crime* (pp. 254-255). New York: Onyx.

Herz, D. (2000). Gender discrimination and juvenile justice. In Nicole Rafter (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Women and Crime* (pp. 96-97). New York: Onyx.

Herz, D. (2000). Juvenile delinquency and race. In Nicole Rafter (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Women and Crime* (pp. 128-129). New York: Onyx.

Herz, D. (1995). Justice for children: The right to counsel and the juvenile courts. *Criminal Justice Review*, 20(1).

Research & Policy Briefs

GRYD Research & Evaluation

The GRYD Research & Evaluation Team produced findings from research and evaluation studies using GRYD data annually and disseminates them as part of the GRYD Research Brief Series. A total of 13 briefs were produced. As GRYD Research Director, I was responsible for overseeing and editing all the studies. I also co-authored many of the briefs.

University of Southern California Children's Data Network (CDN), Los Angeles Dual System Youth Project

As part of the CDN Los Angeles Dual System Youth Project. Two research briefs were produced to provide easy-to-digest versions of our academic articles.

Reports

Herz, D. (2021). [Delinquency Prevention Recommendations for the County of Los Angeles](#). Los Angeles, CA: California State University, Los Angeles.

Herz, D. (2020). [Assessment of the Law Enforcement First Responder Protocol \(FRP\) for Commercially Sexually Exploited Children \(CSEC\)](#). Los Angeles, CA: California State University, Los Angeles.

Herz, D. and Dierkhising, C. (2019). [The OJJDP Dual System Youth Study: Summary of Findings and Recommendations for Pursuing a National Estimate of Dual System Youth](#). Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. (Document #252717; Award #2015-CV-BX-0001)

Herz, D. and Chan, K. (2017). [The Los Angeles County Probation Workgroup Final Report](#). Los Angeles, CA: California State University, Los Angeles.

Herz, D. and Chan, K. (2017). [The Los Angeles County Juvenile Probation Outcomes Study, Part II](#). Los Angeles, CA: California State University, Los Angeles.

Herz, D. (2016). [A Summary of Findings for the Los Angeles County 241.1 Multidisciplinary Team](#). Los Angeles, CA: California State University, Los Angeles.

Herz, D., Abbott, S., & Stewart, M. (2015). [Developing a Research Agenda on Crossover Youth: Recommendations from the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform Crossover Youth Research Roundtable](#). Washington, DC: Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy, Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.

Herz, D., Weinberg, L., Smith, J., Oshiro, M., and Chan, K. (2015). [Probation Developmental Disabilities Study](#). Los Angeles, CA: Public Counsel Law Center.

Herz, D., Chan, K., Lee, S., Nalani Ross, M., McCroskey, J., Newell, M., and Fraser, C. (2015). [The Los Angeles County Juvenile Probation Outcomes Study](#). Los Angeles, CA: Advancement Project.

Herz, D., Leap, J., McCroskey, J., Franke, T., Chan, K., Rivas, L., and Lane, A. (2014). [Camp Kilpatrick AWARE Program Evaluation Study](#).

Herz, D. (2014). [Enhancing Services to Strengthen 241.1 Project for Crossover Youth Annual Report: Research Report to the Board of Supervisors](#).

Herz, D. & Fontaine, A. (2013). Final Data Report for the Crossover Youth Practice Model: Aggregate Report. Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, Georgetown University School of Public Policy.

Herz, D., Lee, P., Lutz, L., Stewart, M., Tuell, J., & Wiig, J. (2012). Addressing the Needs of Multi-System Youth: Strengthening the Connection between Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice. Washington, DC: Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corp.

Cespedes, Guillermo & Herz, D. (2011). The GRYD Comprehensive Strategy. Los Angeles, CA: The City of Los Angeles' Mayor's Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office.

Stewart, M., Lutz, L., and Herz, D. (2010). Crossover Youth Practice Model. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.

Co-Author with Advancement Project. (2009). Los Angeles County Comprehensive Gang Strategy: Community need assessment reports. Los Angeles, CA: Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office. [Individual reports completed for the following areas: Harbor/Gateway, Florence/Firestone, Monrovia/Duarte, and Pacoima.]

Herz, D. & Ryan, J. (2008). Bridging two worlds: Youth involved in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems, A summary of research. Washington, DC: Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.

Herz, D., Tellis, K., Kalmbach, K., & Graziano, L. (2008). Gang Reduction and Youth Development needs assessment report: 77th II GRYD area. Los Angeles, CA: Mayor's Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office.

Herz, D., Tellis, K., Kalmbach, K., & Graziano, L. (2008). Gang Reduction and Youth Development needs assessment report: Southwest II GRYD area. Los Angeles, CA: Mayor's Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office.

Herz, D., Kalmbach, K., Tellis, K., & Graziano, L. (2008). Gang Reduction and Youth Development needs assessment report: Baldwin Village GRYD area. Los Angeles, CA: Mayor's Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office.

Herz, D., Kalmbach, K., Tellis, K., & Graziano, L. (2008). Gang Reduction and Youth Development needs assessment report: Ramona Gardens/Hollenbeck GRYD area. Los Angeles, CA: Mayor's Gang Reduction and Youth Development Office.

Herz, D., Estep, D., and Dunlap, B. (2005). Review of dual adjudication approaches in jurisdictions around the country. Los Angeles: Children's Law Center.

Herz, D., Phelps, Judy, & DeBuse, Abby. (2003). The tri-county juvenile drug court evaluation: A final report. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska State Probation Administration.

Herz, D. (2003). Building partnerships between juvenile reentry courts and faith-based programs: A summary of issues and recommendations. Invited to produce this report by the National Council of Family and Juvenile Court Judges for inclusion in a forthcoming report on juvenile reentry courts.

Kadleck, Colleen, Herz, D., & Gallagher, Kenneth. (2003). An evaluation of substance abuse screening and risk assessment in Nebraska's juvenile justice system. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Crime Commission.

Herz, D., Robinson, Hank T., & Stroshine, Meghan S. (2002). Understanding the relationship between domestic violence, sexual trauma services, & behavioral health treatment in Nebraska. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Coalition.

Herz, D. & Poland, Amy. (2001). Assessing the need for and access to mental health treatment for juvenile offenders in Nebraska. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Crime Commission.

Herz, D. (2001). Statewide task force on substance abuse treatment: Final report, 2001. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Crime Commission

Herz, D. & Irlbeck, Dawn. (2001). Nebraska United States Attorney's Office Victim's Assistance Unit Pilot Project evaluation report. Omaha, NE: U.S. Attorney's Office.

Herz, D. & Mathias, Amanda. (2001). Juvenile Probation Services and Detention Implementation Team: Year 1 report. Omaha, NE: University of Nebraska—Omaha.

Herz, D. & Mathias, Amanda. (2000). Juvenile Probation Services and Detention Implementation Team interim report. Omaha, NE: University of Nebraska—Omaha.

Herz, D. (2000). Statewide Task Force on Substance Abuse Treatment: Final Report, 2000. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Crime Commission.

Herz, D. & Vincent, Melissa. (1999). Substance Abuse Needs Assessment for Adult and Juvenile Offenders in Nebraska: A Report to the Statewide Task Force on Substance Abuse Treatment. Nebraska Crime Commission.

Herz, D., Vincent, Melissa, & Guevara, Lori. (1999). Evaluation of the Juvenile Aggression De-Escalation Training Program for Law Enforcement Officers. Lincoln, NE: The National Justice Group.

Herz, D., Guevara, Lori, & Brown, Molly. (1998). Assessing Disproportionate Minority Confinement in Nebraska's Juvenile Justice System: Executive Summary. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Crime Commission.

Herz, D., Esbensen, Finn-Aage, Miller, Michelle Hughes, Taylor, Terence, & Freng, Adrienne. (1998). Report to Cities Participating in the National Evaluation of the G.R.E.A.T. Program. Lincoln, NE: University of Nebraska at Omaha

Presentations (Abbreviated List)

Invited Presentations for Conferences & Policy Forums

Herz, D.C., Larson, A., DeLeon, M., & McKenzie, D., (2025). Activating Intentional Moments to Promote Thriving for Young People. OJJDP Continuum of Care Building Local Continuums of Care to Support Youth Success Webinar, May.

Herz, D.C., (2025). Panelist and presenter for Participatory Call to Action Workshop. New York Youth Justice Institute, Developing the Path Forward: 2025 Youth Justice Summit, July, New York City.

Herz, D. (October 2024). Invited presenter for the Youth Violent Crime: Reduction and Diversion Strategies Webinar Series as part of The Importance of Collaboration in Youth Crime Reduction Efforts hosted by the National District Attorneys' Association as a partner for the Bureau of Justice Assistance PSN Project.

Herz, D. (September 2024). Invited presenter for the panel titled, At the Intersection of Child Maltreatment and Delinquency: Advancing Timely Identification and Collaborative Intervention for Youth Served both by Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice as part of the 2024 National Institute of Justice Advancing Justice through Science Conference in Pittsburgh, PA.

Herz, D. (September 2024). Invited panel presenter for Shaping Tomorrow: Empowering Voices for Change in the Juvenile Justice System at the 2024 California Child and Family Services Conference in San Diego.

Herz, D. (May 2024). Invited keynote presenter for the 2024 Youth Services Workers Conference hosted by the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families in Wisconsin Dells, WI. Presentation title: Disruption and Transformation: Dual System Pathways & The PRO Approach.

Herz, D. (November 2023). Presenter for Where are We with Research and What Have We Learned from Practice panel at the Dual-System Youth: Mapping an Agenda for Research and Policy invitation-only event sponsored by Evident Change and the Drexel University Juvenile Justice Research and Reform Lab in Philadelphia at Drexel University.

Herz, D. (October 2023). Understanding Dual System Involvement. Presented at the Penn State Social Science Research Institute, Child Maltreatment Solutions Network Annual Conference: Supporting Crossover Youth Involved with Child Welfare and Juvenile Court Systems. Annual Conference at Penn State University.

Herz, D. (September 2023). Invited panel presenter for Innovations and Pressing Issues in Advancing Youth Justice Panel at the Fair and Just Prosecution Convening for District Attorneys in Washington, DC at Georgetown Law School.

Herz, D. (May 2023). Presenter on panel What Works in Community-Based Violence Intervention Strategies: Lessons Learned and Implications for Practice at the National Institute of Justice Annual Conference in Washington, DC.

Herz, D. (February 2023). Plenary Discussion with NIJ Director Nancy LaVigne. 2023 Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative Grantee Conference. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Administration. February 14-16, St. Louis, Missouri.

Herz, D. (July 2021). Moving Forward: Framing the Prevention Continuum to Interrupt the Intersection of Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice. Presented at The 2021 Janet Reno Forum—A Better Path Forward: Restructuring Systems to Support Crossover Youth. Sponsored by Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform (CJJR).

Herz, D. (June 2021). The Intersection of Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Systems. Presented at Supporting Dual Status Youth: Intersections in Advocacy. Sponsored by CASA Los Angeles.

Herz, D. (2018). What We Know about 241.1 Youth and the MDT Approach. Los Angeles County SIP Conference on Improving Practice for Transitional Aged Youth, Los Angeles, CA.

Herz, D. (2018). Evaluating Programs—What You Should Know. Fair and Just Prosecution Conference for District Attorneys, Washington, DC.

Herz, D. (2017). An Update on Crossover Youth in Los Angeles County. Children's Data Network Intersections Conference, University of Southern California.

Herz, D. (2016). Crossover Youth. Child Protection and Parental Termination Conference, Boise, Idaho.

Herz, D. (2009-2016). Annual presenter on crossover youth research and research findings from the Crossover Youth Practice Model at the Multi-Systems Integration Certificate Program held by the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University.

Herz, D. (2015). Crossover Youth: What Does the Research Tell Us? Association of Criminal Justice Research—California Annual Conference, October, Long Beach, CA.

Herz, D. (2015). Crossover Youth: What Does the Research Tell Us? Association of Criminal Justice Research—California Annual Conference, October, Long Beach, CA.

Herz, D., Tremblay, A., Mitchell, D., Walker, M., and Leap, J. (2015). Promising Approaches to Juvenile Justice in Los Angeles County. CSUN-UCLA Conference on Nonprofit Sector Research and Community Organization, March, Los Angeles .

Herz, D. (2014). Achieving Effective Practice: The Case for Integrating Research and Practice. Los Angeles Gang Conference, May, Los Angeles.

Herz, D. (2012). Panel presenter at the Symposium for Addressing the Needs of Multi-System Youth: Strengthening the Connection between Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice. Sponsored by the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corp on March 1 in Washington, DC.

Herz, D. (2009). Policy Forum: Youth Known to Both Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Systems. Sponsored by the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and Casey Family Programs in Miami, Florida.

Herz, D. (2008). Multi-Systems Approaches in Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice. Sponsored by American Public Human Services Association, Casey Family Programs, the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, The Johnson Foundation on May 7-9 at the Johnson Foundation Wingspread Conference Center.

Submitted and Selected Abstract Conference Presentations

Larson, A., DeLeon, M., McKenzie, D., & Herz, D.C. (2025) Activating Intentional Positive Youth Development – Even in Brief Interactions! CA Child and Family Services Conference, September, Anaheim, CA.

Larson, A., DeLeon, M., McKenzie, D., & Herz, D.C. (2024). Creating the Core Environment to Activate Positive Youth Development. The Corps Network Annual Conference, March, Washington, DC.

Herz, D. (2018). Moderator for two panels related to the OJJDP Dual System Youth Study at the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Conference in Washington, DC.

Tatem-Kelley, B., Herz, D., Dierkhising, C. B., & White, R. (2018). How common is crossover and what can we do about it? Estimating incidence rates and implementing best practices for dual system youth. National Conference on Juvenile Justice in San Diego, CA.

Cespedes, G. and Herz, D. (2013). An Overview of the Gang Reduction and Youth Development Comprehensive Strategy. The New Beginnings Court Partnership Conference, October, Los Angeles

Service Highlights (Abbreviated for the Last Five Years)

Service Highlights for the University

- Currently serve on the President's RAAC (Cal State LA's Budget and Planning Committee) and the University Credit for Professional Learning Committee, and Post-Award Review Committee.
- Currently serve as the Program Development Manager for Cal State LA's Prison Graduation Initiative. In this role, I coordinate the operations of degree programs in correctional facilities in partnership with degree program chairs and PGI staff. I also lead the development of the Activating Career Engaged Success (ACES) Program for PGI students in coordination with the lead instructor for ACES and the Career Center.
- Led the development and implementation of a revised, standardized curriculum for the Rongxiang Xu College of Health & Human Services.
- Led the development of the *Promote, Raise & Optimize (PRO) Positive Youth Development Certificate Program* and currently oversee the implementation of the program. The PRO Certificate Program expands its reach to professional training for violence prevention and intervention programs in underserved communities. This certificate program launched as a professional training program through the College of Professional and Global Education in November 2024. It is an on-line, self-paced program providing training to anyone working with at-risk, opportunity, gang-involved, and system-involved young people.

Service Highlights for the School and College

- Served on departmental RTP committees for Nursing, Communication Disorders at their request.
- Served as School representative for the College RTP for 3.5 years, and in this capacity, I served as chair from Fall 2019 through Spring 2022 and as a committee member during AY 2022/23.
- At the request of Dean Vogel, I assessed research productivity in the college and made recommendations for building a college-based entity to support faculty scholarship and community research in FY 2019-2020. The proposed entity is called CERC—Community Engagement and Research Collaborative, and I led the initial stages to establish CERC during AY 2020/2021 and AY 2021/2022.

- Regularly complete peer classroom observations of tenure/tenure-track faculty and lectures for the School of Criminal Justice & Criminalistics.
- As the designated “chair” of IHE courses, I was also responsible for overseeing conducting and assigning over 15 peer classroom observations for IHE lecturers, and I chaired the college’s RTP Committee for the review of IHE lecturers each spring.
- Served on the School of Nursing RTP A Committee in Fall 2023. In Spring 2023, I was a guest lecturer in Dr. Carly Dierkhising’s juvenile justice class.
- Served as Interim Associate Dean for the Rongxiang Xu College of Health & Human Services.
- Served as Director of the School of Criminal Justice & Criminalistics.

Service Highlights to the Profession

- 2024-2025: Advisory Group for the OJJDP Continuum of Care Technical Assistance Grant.
- 2023: Served by invitation as part of the Steering Committee for the Dual-System Youth: Mapping an Agenda for Research and Policy—an invitation-only event organized by Evident Change and the Drexel University Juvenile Justice Research and Reform Lab and sponsored by the William T. Grant Foundation.
- 2020-2021: Expert Panel member for the Research-Based Practice Guide to Prevent and Address Youth Gun and Gang Violence Project, Urban Institute.
- December 2022 through May 2023: Expert Panel member for RAND Corporation and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) to review, discuss, and provide suggestions for the revisions of the National Youth Gang Survey (NYGS).
- 2019-2022: Editorial Board Member, *Justice Evaluation Journal*.
- 2019-Present: Manuscript reviewer for *Child Abuse and Neglect*, *Children and Youth Services Review*, *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*, *Justice Evaluation Journal*, and the *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*

Service Highlights for the Community

- 2023: Invited presenter at the National Partner Table meeting hosted by The Justice Lab at Columbia University.
- 2022: Consultation call with researchers and practitioners in Melbourne, Australia who were Youth Justice government partners from one of our Australian states (New South Wales) and setting up innovative new model for supporting crossover children in their jurisdiction.
- 2022: Invited panelist for the Juvenile Advocacy Roundtable Discussion at Loyola Law School's Public Interest Forum hosted by Public Interest Law Foundation.
- 2022: Consultation calls with Council for Court Excellence, National Association for County Counsel (NACC), and Treehouse, a nonprofit in Washington State.
- 2021 through 2023: Consultation calls after being contacted by researchers at the Vera Institute who were involved in recent initiatives related to dual system youth in Los Angeles County to provide technical assistance.

- Fall 2021: Served on the Youth Justice Reimagined, Research & Data Workgroup for Los Angeles County and gave a presentation at the request of the co-chairs summarizing research related to juvenile justice in Los Angeles County.
- 2021: Invited participant to Crime and Justice Research Priorities for a New National Longitudinal Survey (NLS) Cohort discussion.
- 2019: Presented results of the Los Angeles County Dual System Youth study to the Los Angeles County Commission of Children, Youth, and Families at their request.

Media/Press Involvement

- 2025: Guest on the *Youth Voices Rising Mini Podcast Series* on Juvenile Justice Experiences.
- 2023: Interviewed by Fair and Just Prosecution for their video series, “Reform Makes Us Safer.” This video focuses on reforming the juvenile justice system. The video is in its final editing stages and will be released this spring.
- 2023: I was interviewed for and quoted in the New York Times article, “[Can a Dance Class Free Men’s Bodies in a Place Meant to Contain Them?](#)” –an article about a dance program in California prisons.
- 2022: The research we conducted as part of the Children’s Data Network Dual System Youth Study was highlighted in a [USC Public Relations](#) article about the incarceration of girls and young women.
- 2021: The research we conducted as part of the Children’s Data Network Dual System Youth Study was highlighted in a [Witness LA](#) article discussing the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisor’s motion on decarcerating girls in LA County Probation halls and camps.