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**EDUCATION:**

Rutgers University-Newark, School of Criminal Justice

May 2018- Bachelor’s Degree of Science in Criminal Justice, Summa Cum Laude

January 2019- Master’s Degree of the Arts in Criminal Justice

**RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

Racial inequality, corrections, criminological and social theory, and terrorism.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

Rutgers University: Newark, NJ

National Science Foundation and Racial Democracy Crime and Justice Network, Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Program Fellow January 2017- August 2017

1. I conducted field-based empirical research.
2. I collected and analyzed observational and field-based data.
3. Presentation of research findings at the Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network’s annual professional conference.

Further objectives of the REU Program:

1. Engagement with a core set of readings on community social organization and methodology.
2. Creation of a historical profile of one of the local neighborhoods that will be the focus of the REU.
3. Training and collaboration on a research project that examines neighborhoods, community organization, and crime.
4. Professional development activities at Rutgers University and the National Institute of Justice.

Rutgers University: Newark, NJ

Research Assistant - October 2016 – April 2017; Professor Andres Rengifo, Rutgers School of Criminal Justice. Project: "Blind spots. The practice of Justice in the United States".

1. I conducted systematic observations of court proceedings in Union County, NJ.
2. I filled out data collection instruments during observations of court proceedings.
3. I kept weekly diaries of observations during court proceedings.
4. I collected data from courtrooms and coded it.
5. I entered data in the form of observations and audio records of court proceedings into Statistical Package for Service Solution software (SPSS).
6. I also kept a professional demeanor and appearance while representing Rutgers University in the best form possible during court observations.
7. I transcribed audiotapes into word documents of interviews conducted during the research project.
8. I translated documents from English language to Spanish language.

**Publications**

Encyclopedia Entries:

Blount-Hill, Z. A., **Ghiorzo, J. C., &** Blount-Hill, K (2018). Inside-outside relationships. In V. B. Worley & R. M. Worley (Eds.). *Lockdown Nation: An Encyclopedia of Controversies and Trends in American Prisons*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

**Ghiorzo, J. C.**, & Blount-Hill, K (2018). Overcrowding. In V. B. Worley & R. M. Worley (Eds.). *Lockdown Nation: An Encyclopedia of Controversies and Trends in American Prisons*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

**Awards**

National Science Foundation and Racial Democracy Crime and Justice Network, Research Experience for Undergraduates Program Fellowship

Golden Key Honor Society Member

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society Member

Graduated May 2018 Summa Cum Laude

Dean’s List- September 2016- December 2019

**Professional Organizations**

American Society of Criminology

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

National Science Foundation and Racial Democracy Crime and Justice Network

Golden Key Honor Society

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society

**Presentations**

**Ghiorzo, J. C.**, & Blount-Hill, K. (2017, November 1). *Affective Architecture: Empirical Foundations for an OTI Framework*. Lecture presented at American Society of Criminology in November 1, 2017, Philadelphia, PA.

**Guest Lectures**

Guest Lecturer for Dr. Jody’s Miller class: Community, Crime and Justice in Newark, NJ- Rutgers University- Newark, School of Criminal Justice