

ROMY ZINGRAFF

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Education

- Ph.D. | Criminal Justice, Texas State University (*Expected: 2026*)
- M.S. | Criminal Justice, University of Louisiana at Lafayette (2023)
Thesis: *Stolen Lives on Stolen Land: The rape and sexual assault of Native women in Indian Country, a feminist routine activity theory approach.* (Michelle Jeanis, Ph.D., chairperson)
- B.A. | Applied Foreign Languages, University of Strasbourg, France (2020)

Research Interests

- Women in the criminal justice system (female officers, victimized women, women who offend)
- Missing persons
- Crime and media

Publications

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., da Silva, D. A., & **Zingraff, R.** (2025). Officer gender and suspects resisting arrest: A case-control study in Brazil. [*Women & Criminal Justice*](#), 1–18.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., Silva, D. A. da, & **Zingraff, R.** (2024). The presence of a female officer is not significantly associated with the likelihood of a suspect resisting arrest or assaulting a police team in a southern Brazilian state: results from a case-control study. [*CrimRxiv*](#).

Zingraff, R. (2023). *Stolen Lives on Stolen Land: Rape and Sexual Assault in Indian Country: A Scoping Review* (Order No. 30574413). Available from [*ProQuest One Academic*](#); Publicly Available Content Database. (3073028704).

Relevant Experience

Doctoral Research Assistant – Texas State University

Spring 2025: Data collection for upcoming study (Ashley Arnio, Ph.D., supervisor)

Instructor – Texas State University

Summer 2026: CJ 1310 Introduction to Criminal Justice

Summer 2025: CJ 1310 Introduction to Criminal Justice

Fall 2024: CJ 4340 Crime Theories & Victimization

Summer 2024: CJ 1310 Introduction to Criminal Justice

Spring 2024: CJ 4326 Women and Criminal Justice

Graduate Teaching Assistant – Texas State University

Fall 2023: CJ4326 Women and Criminal Justice

Graduate Research Assistant – University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Last updated 07/06/2026

2022-2023: *The Missing Media: A National Analysis of Media Bias in Missing Persons Case Coverage* – upcoming publication (Michelle Jeanis, Ph.D., supervisor)

Graduate Teaching Assistant – University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Spring 2023: CJUS305 Criminal Behavior | CJUS 401 Serial Killers

Fall 2022: CJUS360 Sexual Offending

Services

- 2025-present: Academic Website Administrator – romyzingraff.com
- 2022-2023: Criminal Justice Department Graduate Student Representative – Graduate Student Organization.
- 2021-2023: Ambassador to French students at ULL.
- 2016: Gender equality debate host at the European Parliament – Strasbourg, France.

Certifications

- 09/14/2024: Mental Health First Aid Certified (*Expires: 09/14/2027*)
- 11/13/2023: IRB CITI Program Human Research, Social and Behavioral Research Students, and Basic Course (*Expires: 11/13/2025*)

Charity & Volunteering

- 2024: Crisis Negotiation Competition & Seminar – “Hostage taker” during mock hostage negotiation exercises for the winning team.
- 2020-2021: Les Velos du Coeur (The Heart’s Bikers) – Outreach volunteer