

Curriculum Vitae
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Contact Information

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Educational Background

- 2005 Ph.D. in Legal Psychology
 Florida International University
 Advisor: Christian A. Meissner, Ph.D.
 Dissertation Topic: *The Influence of the Cross-Race Effect on Lineup Construction and Fairness*
- 2005 Graduate Teaching Certificate Program
 Florida International University
- 2002 M.S. in Legal Psychology
 Florida International University
 Advisor: Margaret Bull Kovera, Ph.D.
 Thesis Topic: *The Effects of Attribution of Responsibility and Work History on Perceptions of Reasonable Accommodations*
- 1998 B.S. in Psychology
 Stetson University
 Advisor: Carrie Nance, Ph.D.
 Independent Research Topic: *Factors Effecting Eyewitness Credibility*

Professional Experience

- 2005 – Present Assistant Professor
 Department of Psychology, Lock Haven University
- 2004 – 2005 Graduate Research Assistant, Psychology & Law Laboratory,
 Department of Psychology, Florida International University;
 NSF Grant: "*They really are different!*": *Skilled perceptual-memory and the cross-race effect*; PI: Christian A. Meissner, Ph.D.
- 2002 – 2003 Instructor/Lecturer
 Department of Psychology, Florida International University

Professional Experience cont.

- 2000 – 2002 Teaching Assistant
Department of Psychology; Florida International University;
- 2000 – 2001 Undergraduate Advisor
Department of Psychology, Florida International University

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

- 2006 American-Psychology Law Society (Division 41 of APA)
Dissertation Award (First Place)
- 2005 Achievements in Legal Psychology Award at Florida International
University
- 2002 Graduate Student Association Research Travel Award (\$500);
Project Title: *Classification and the cross-race effect: Evidence of skilled
perceptual memory?*
- 2001 American-Psychology Law Society (Division 41 of APA)
Grant-in-Aid (\$500); Project title: *What We Know: A Survey
Comparison of Community and Expert Knowledge*
- 1998 Psi Chi Southeastern Division Excellence in Research Award;
Project Title: *The Associations between Race, Gender, and Aspects of
Depression*
- 1996 - 1998 Recipient of Departmental Honors in Psychology at Stetson
University; Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society; Psi Chi National Honor
Society

Publications

- Brigham, J. C., Bennett, L. B., Meissner, C. A., & Mitchell, T. L. (in press). The influence of race on face identification. To appear in R. Lindsay et al.'s (Eds.), *Handbook of Eyewitness Psychology (Vol. 2): Memory for People*. Lawrence Erlbaum & Associates.
- Mitchell, T. L. (2003). Reducing mistaken identifications through lineup procedures. *The Canadian Journal of Police & Security Services*, 1(2), 148 – 151.
- Mitchell, T. L. (2005). Exploring visual metacognition. *Applied Cognitive Psychology*, 19, 964 – 966.

Publications cont.

Mitchell, T. L., Haw, R. M., Pfeifer, J., and Meissner, C. A. (2005). Racial bias in juror decision-making: A meta-analytic review. *Law & Human Behavior*, 29, 621 – 637.

Mitchell, T. L. and Kovera, M. B. (in press). The effects of attribution of responsibility and work history on perceptions of reasonable accommodations. *Law & Human Behavior*.

Manuscripts under review

Mitchell, T. L., Meissner, C. A., & MacLin, O. The Influence of the Cross-Race Effect on Lineup Construction and Fairness. Manuscript under review.

Mitchell, T. L., & MacLin, P. K. The presence and influence of criminal stereotypes on decision-making. Manuscript under review.

Conference Presentations

Mitchell, T. L., & Meissner, C. A. (March 2006). The cross-race effect in lineup construction. Poster presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference as Dissertation Award Winner, St. Petersburg, FL.

Mitchell, T. L., Narchet, F. M., & Russano, M. B. (March 2006). *The influence of race and crime on legal decision-making*. Poster presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference, St. Petersburg, FL.

Marcon, J. L., Meissner, C. A., & Mitchell, T. L. (November 2005). *Eyewitness memory for own- and other-race faces: The mitigating effects of sequential presentation and conservative instructions*. Poster presented at the Psychonomic Society Conference, Toronto, OT.

Mitchell, T. L., & Meissner, C. A. (March 2005). The cross-race effect in lineup construction. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference, La Jolla, CA.

Mitchell, T. L., & MacLin, P. K. (March 2005). The presence and influence of criminal stereotypes on decision-making. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference, La Jolla, CA.

Mitchell, T. L., Haw, R. M., Pfeifer, J., and Meissner, C. A. (March 2004). *Racial bias in juror decision-making: A meta-analytic review*. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Scottsdale, AZ.

Conference Presentations cont.

Pavone, J. V., Mitchell, T. L., Haw, R. M., and Piwko, M. (March 2004). *The role of defendant and juror gender in verdict*. Paper presented at the annual American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Scottsdale, AZ.

Greathouse, S., Mitchell, T. L., and Fisher, R. P. (July 2003). *Exposure Time and Accuracy: Metacognitive Awareness Influence on Eyewitness Accuracy?* Poster presented at the APLS/EAPL 2003 Psychology & Law International Interdisciplinary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Haw, R. M., Mitchell, T. L., and Wells, G. (July 2003). *The influence of lineup administrator knowledge and witness perceptions on eyewitness identification decisions*. Poster presented at the APLS/EAPL 2003 Psychology and Law International Interdisciplinary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mitchell, T. L., Haw, R., and Fisher, R. P. (July 2003). *Eyewitness Accuracy: Can Accuracy For One Statement Be Predictive of More "Global" Accuracy?* Poster presented at the APLS/EAPL 2003 Psychology and Law International Interdisciplinary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mitchell, T. L., Haw, R., and Fisher, R. P. (July 2003). *What We Know: A Survey Comparison of Community and Expert Knowledge*. Poster presented at the APLS/EAPL 2003 Psychology and Law International Interdisciplinary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mitchell, T. L., and Meissner, C. A. (July 2003). *Classification and the cross-race effect: Evidence of skilled perceptual memory?* Poster presented at the APLS/EAPL 2003 Psychology and Law International Interdisciplinary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mitchell, T. L. and Kovera, M. B. (March 2002). *The effects of attribution of responsibility and work history on perceptions of reasonable accommodations*. Paper presented at the biennial American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Austin, TX.

Mitchell, T. L. (March 1997). *The association(s) between race, gender, and aspects of depression*. Poster presented at the annual Southeastern Regional Psi Chi Conference, Mobile, AL.

Teaching Experience

Introduction to Psychology
Experimental Social Psychology
Forensic Psychology
Psychology of Personality
Research Methods
Sensation and Perception
Social Psychology
Writing for Psychology

University/Department Service

2006 - present President's Commission on the Status of Women

2006 - present Women's Studies Minor Committee

2006 - present APSCUF Web Team

2005 - present Local Negotiations Committee

2005 - present Action Research Journal Editorial Board

2005 Psychology Department Search Committee
 Assistant Professor of Psychology

2005 Faculty Representative - Search Committee for Assistant Registrar

Professional Service

2006 - present Dissertation Award Committee of the American Psychology-Law Society

2004 - present Mentoring Committee of the American Psychology-Law Society

2006 Ad-hoc reviewer for *Cultural Diversity & Ethnic Minority Psychology*

2005 Ad-hoc reviewer for *Law and Human Behavior*

2005 Ad-hoc reviewer for American Psychology-Law Society 2006 Annual conference, St. Petersburg, Florida

2002 - 2005 Chair of the American Psychology-Law Society Student Section Chair-Elect (2002), Chair (2003), Past Chair (2004)

Professional Service Cont.

- 2004 Consultant for Association of Women in Psychology 2005 Conference, Tampa, FL
- 2004 Ad-hoc reviewer for American Psychology-Law Society 2005 Annual conference, La Jolla, California
- 2002 - 2003 Conference Assistant to Co-Chairs for the American-Psychology Law Society 2003 Annual conference, Scottsdale, Arizona
- 2003 Ad-hoc reviewer for American Psychology-Law Society 2004 Annual conference, Scottsdale, Arizona
- 2002 Ad-hoc reviewer for the American Psychological Association 2003 Annual conference, Toronto, Canada
- 2001 Ad-hoc reviewer for American Psychology-Law Society 2002 Biennial conference, Austin, Texas

Professional Affiliations

- American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS)
American Psychological Society (APS)