Curriculum Vitae

Arturo Garcia, M.A., BCBA

Applied Behavior Analysis Program
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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida	2021 ± Prese	ent
	Major: Applied Behavior Analysis		
	Advisor: Kimberly Crosland, Ph.D., BCBA-D		
M.A.	Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida	2016 ± 2020	
	Major: Applied Behavior Analysis and Clinical Sciences		
	Advisor: Kara L. Wunderlich, Ph.D., BCBA-D		
B.S.	University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida	2011 ±2013	

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Fall 2023

RESEARCH INTERESTS

ABA within the Child Welfare System to improve the quality of life of children who have been abused, abandoned, or neglected.

Preventing placement disruption and decreasing runaway behavior for youth in the foster care system

ABA within the Department of Juvenile Justice to prevent/reduce recidivism.

Assessment and treatment strategies for human trafficking victimization

Assessment and treatment of problem behaviors maintained by automatic reinforcement

PUBLICATIONS

Garcia, A., Wunderlich, K. L., Pelfrey, C., & Sheppard, C. M. (2023). Experimental analysis of voice volume for children with autism spectrum disorder. Behavioral Interventions Advanced online publication. https://doi.org/10.1002/bin.1984

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Garcia, A., Crosland, K., Reyes, C., Del Vecchio, M. & Pannone, C. Prevention and intervention strategies for the sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation of children who run away from foster care: A scoping review. (Submitted to Journal of Child Sexual Abuse

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

- Fuller, A., Crosland, K., **Garcia**, **A**., & Dubois, G. A systematic review of delay discounting and alcohol use interventions in humans.
- **Garcia, A.**, Crosland, K., Pannone, C.& Babb, A. Propensity to victimization: Form and function of commonly used lures.
- Grossman, Z., Crosland, K., & **Garcia**, **A.** Music as an instructional modality to increase attending behavior of elementary students.
- Scarff, M. N., Crosland, K., Miltenberger, R., & Garcia, A. Functional analysis and treatment of bruxism in children with autism spectrum disorder.
- Sheppard, C., Wunderlich, K. L., & **Garcia**, **A.** Validity analysis of a modified Questions About Behavioral Function (QABF) assessment: A preliminary analysis.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- Cernosek, K., Crosland, K., & Garcia, A. Evaluating the use of behavior skills training and tactile prompts to increase positive staff interactions in residential care.
- Crosland, K., Fuller, A., & **Garcia**, **A.** Training case managers to use the FAIR and create function-based interventions to address runaway behavior.
- Crosland, K., Fuller, A., **Garcia**, **A.**, & Ester, R. Evaluating an online training to teach case managers to utilize the FAIR and create interventions to address runaway behavior.
- Del Vecchio, M., Crosland, K., & Garcia, A. A systematic literature review of traumainformed behavioral approaches and interventions.
- Hernandez-Bautista, M., Crosland, K., & Garcia, A. Evaluating the use of text message prompts to increase staff behavior-specific praise in adult residential care
- Wagers, S., Garcia, A., & Del Vecchio, M. Fighting Human Trafficking Housing: Program evaluation.

Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior (IME) Scholarship 2022 ±2023

Awarded: \$4,000.00

National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA)

Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior (IME) Scholarship 2021 ±2022

Awarded: \$2,000.00

University of South Florida, College of Behavioral & Community Sciences

2023 Student Employee of the Year Award 2023

GRANT SUBMITTED (FUNDED)

Graduate Student Research Collaboration Award

Title: Fighting Human Trafficking Housing Program Evaluation

Role on GrantCo-Principal Investigator (Co-PI)

Others on GrantMarissa Del Vecchio (Co-PI), Shelly Wagers (Faculty Advisor)

Funding AgencyUniversity of South Florida, Internal Grant Program, St. Petersburg Campus

AmountAwarded \$22,000.00

Project Dates Aug. 2023 ±Jul. 2025

GRANT SUBMITTED (UNFUNDED)

Nitle:Y23 Graduate Research Fellowship

Professional Service

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Child & Family Behavior Therapy	2023
Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis	2023
Journal of Educators Online	2023
Reviewer / Discussant	
Association for Behavior Analysis International, Denver, CO.	2023
Poster Session Chair & Discussant	