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## EDUCATION

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- 2016 University of California, Irvine Ph.D.  
Field: Criminology, Law and Society  
Dissertation: *Regulating Cyber Space: An Examination of U.S.-China Relations*
- 2012 University of California, Irvine M.A.  
Field: Social Ecology  
Thesis: *Corporate Crime and State Legitimacy: The 2008 Chinese Melamine Milk Scandal*
- 2010 California State University, Long Beach M.S.  
Field: Criminal Justice
- 2007 University of California, Davis B.A.  
Major: Political Science. Minor: Philosophy

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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- 2023 – Present Associate Professor, University of Alabama  
Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice
- 2016 – 2023 Assistant Professor, University of Alabama  
Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice

## BOOK

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1. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.**, & Pontell, H. N. (2022). *Wayward Dragon: White-collar and Corporate Crime in China*. Springer International Publishing. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-90704-4>

## PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

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13. McNealey, R. L., & **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.** (2023). Risky digital behavior or risky digital places? Victimization risk perception and evaluation on the internet. *Journal of Crime and Justice*, 1–15. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2023.2244927>
12. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.** (2023). Mapping Real-World Use of the Onion Router. *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice*, 39(2), 239–256. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10439862231157553>
11. Dolliver, D. S., **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.**, & Poorman, K. T. (2021). Building a robust cyberthreat profile for institutions of higher education: An empirical analysis of external cyberattacks against a large University's computer network. *International Journal of Law*,

- Crime and Justice*, 66, 100484. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijlcj.2021.100484>
10. Pontell, H. N., Tillman, R., & **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.** (2021). In-your-face Watergate: Neutralizing government lawbreaking and the war against white-collar crime. *Crime, Law and Social Change*, 75(3), 201–219. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10611-021-09954-1>
  9. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A. K.**, & Pontell, H. N. (2021). Phishing Evolves: Analyzing the Enduring Cybercrime. *Victims & Offenders*, 16(3), 316–342. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15564886.2020.1829224>
  8. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Kearns, E. M. (2020). Biased Coverage of Bias Crime: Examining Differences in Media Coverage of Hate Crimes and Terrorism. *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism*, 1–21. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1057610X.2020.1830573>
  7. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Pontell, H. N. (2020). Corruption in the United States and China: Codes of conduct vs. crackdowns. *Crime, Law and Social Change*, 73(1), 73–92. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10611-019-09848-3>
  6. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (2019). Regulating Cyber Space: Advanced Persistent Threats. *Critical Issues in Justice and Politics*, 11(1) 236-255.
  5. Pontell, H. N., **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Chang, T. (2017). Economic Crime and China’s High-Speed Railway: A Case Study of the Wenzhou Crash. *Asian Journal of Criminology*. <http://doi.org/10.1007/S11417-016-9242-5>
  4. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, Williams, L., Fun, Y., & Pontell, H. (2017). State Legitimacy and Government Crime: The China-Japan Rare Earth Element Case. *Critical Issues in Justice & Politics*.
  3. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Pontell, H. N. (2015). Corporate crime and state legitimacy: the 2008 Chinese melamine milk scandal. *Crime, Law and Social Change*, 63(5), 247–267. <http://doi.org/10.1007/s10611-015-9567-5>
  2. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (2015). The current state of cybercrime in Thailand: Legal, technological, and economic barriers to effective law enforcement. *Journal of Thai Justice System*, 1(1), 1-28. ISSN: 19063253
  1. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, Pushkarna, N., Shen, P., Geis, G., & Pontell, H. N. (2013). White-collar and corporate crime in China: a comparative analysis of enforcement capacity and non-issue making. *Crime, Law and Social Change*, 60(3), 241–260. <http://doi.org/10.1007/s10611-013-9454-x>

## **BOOK CHAPTERS, REPORTS, AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES**

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10. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** & Pontell, H. (2022). Researching Political Corruption and White-Collar Crime on the Internet. In Rita Faria & Mary Dodge (Ed.) *Qualitative Research in Criminology: Cutting Edge Methods*.
9. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (2020). Review of: *Hypocrisy: The Tales of Realities of Drug Detainees in China*, by Vincent Shing Cheng. Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2019. In: *The China Journal*. (pp. 152-154).: University of Chicago Press.
8. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (2019). Review of: *Crime and the Chinese Dream*, edited by Børge Bakken. Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2018. In: *The China Journal*. (pp. 133-134).: University of Chicago Press.
7. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (2018). Corporate Crime and the State. In Robert Tillman (Ed.) *Oxford Research Encyclopedia*. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press.

6. Pontell, H., **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, Burton, B. (2018). White-Collar and Corporate Crime in China. In M. Rorie (Ed.), *Wiley Handbook of White-Collar Crime* (pp. 30). Wiley.
5. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** & Smith, G. (2018). Smishing. In Phil Reichel (Ed.) *Global Crime: An Encyclopedia of Cyber Theft, Drug Smuggling, Human Trafficking, Weapons Sales, and Other Illicit International Activities*. Amsterdam, Netherlands: ABC-CLIO.
4. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, Burton, B., Pontell, H. (2017). Deviant Executives: Crime in the Suites. In Stephen Brown (Ed.) *U.S. Criminal Justice and Criminology Handbooks*. London: Routledge.
3. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, Burton, B., & Pontell, H. N. (2016). Forgery. In David Levinson (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Crime and Punishment*. London: Sage Publications Ltd.
2. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Burton, B. (2014). Reactivist Definitions of Deviance. In George Ritzer (Eds.) *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, 2nd Edition. London: Blackwell.
1. Pontell, H. N., Geis, G., **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Burton, B. (2014). Public Policy and White-Collar and Corporate Crime. In Stacy Mallicoat & Christine Gardiner (Eds.) *Criminal Justice Policy*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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### **Book**

1. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** (Ed.). (2022). *Cyber Criminology*. Oxford University Press.

### **Papers**

3. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** “Passwords Then and Now: How Modern GPUs Defeat Your Parents.”
2. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.**, & Kearns, E. “Differentiating Between Terrorism, Hate Crimes, and Other Violence: A Conceptual Approach.”
1. Kearns, E., & **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** “Differentiating Between Terrorism, Hate Crimes, and Other Violence: An Experimental Approach.”

## **GRANTS**

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### **Externally Funded**

2021 Role: Co-Principal Investigator  
 Title: CyberCorps Scholarship for Service  
 Funder: National Science Foundation  
 Funded amount: \$1,650,474 (10% credit)

### **Internally Funded**

2021 Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Erin Kearns)  
 Title: "How Public Perceptions of Terrorism, Hate Crimes, and other Forms of Mass Violence Influence Support for Various Policy Responses"  
 Funder: University of Alabama, College Academy for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity (CARSCA)  
 Funded amount: \$6,000

### **Unfunded Grant Applications**

2022	<b>Manifestos: Correlations and Cross-References</b> , NCITE (\$120,000)
2019	<b>MEKONG</b> , U.S. State Department (\$25,000)
2019	<b>REU Site: UA Cyber Security</b> , National Science Foundation (\$100,000)
2017	<b>Regulating Cyber Space</b> , UA CARSCA (\$5,000)
2016	<b>What Does A Darknet Look Like?</b> , Experiment.com (\$5,000)
2016	<b>El Paquete Semanal: Piracy in Cuba</b> , UA Cuba Initiative (\$10,000)

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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2023	<b>Outstanding Book Award</b> , <i>Wayward Dragon: White-Collar and Corporate Crime in China</i> , American Society of Criminology's Division on White-Collar and Corporate Crime
2023	<b>Outstanding Article Award</b> , <i>"In-Your-Face Watergate": Neutralizing Government Lawbreaking and the War Against White-Collar Crime</i> , American Society of Criminology's Division on White-Collar and Corporate Crime
2015	<b>Chancellor's Club Fellowship</b> , UC Irvine (\$10,000)
2013	<b>Pedagogical Fellow</b> , Social Ecology, UC Irvine (\$2,000)
2012	<b>Pedagogical Fellow</b> , Social Ecology, UC Irvine (\$2,000)
2011	<b>Research Fellowship</b> , Criminology, Law & Society, UC Irvine (\$2,400)
2010	<b>Research Fellowship</b> , Criminology, Law & Society, UC Irvine (\$2,400)
2007	<b>Best Paper Awarded</b> , <i>Death of "Real News": The Effect of the 24-hours News Cycle</i> , UCDC, Washington DC

### **INVITED TALKS**

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2. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** *Tinder in Thailand: Western Apps and Eastern Sex Crimes*. Presented at University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK, April 2019.
  1. **Ghazi-Tehrani, A.** *Rule of Law in the People's Republic of China?* Presented at Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT, April 2018.

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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- American Society of Criminology: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID19), 2021, 2022, 2023
  - Asian Criminological Society: 2014
  - Law and Society Association: 2012, 2015

### **FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2023	<i>Mahidol International College, Thammasat University, Chiang Mai University; Thailand</i>
2014	<i>Ministry of Justice; Bangkok, Thailand</i>
2014	<i>UCI Long US—China Institute; Hong Kong &amp; Macau</i>

## **INTERVIEWS AND MEDIA FEATURES**

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2022 *American Society of Criminology*, “Oral History Criminology Project”  
2021 *Crime, Law & Social Change*, “Highly Mentioned in Social Media”  
2016, Sept. 23 WIAT-TV News, “Yahoo Data-Breach”

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**Courses Taught** † Graduate course \* Online course

### **Mean Instructor Evaluation Score**

#### **The University of Alabama**

Fall 2023	Hate Crimes	4.7 out of 5
	Intro. to Cyber Crime	4.8 out of 5
Summer 2023	Hate Crimes*	4.8 out of 5
Spring 2023	Blockchain Cryptocurrencies	5.0 out of 5
Fall 2022	Intro. to Cyber Crime	4.9 out of 5
	White-collar Crime	4.8 out of 5
Summer 2022	Drugs, Crime & Policy*	4.8 out of 5
Spring 2022	Blockchain Cryptocurrencies	5.0 out of 5
	JECTF Internship Coordinator	N/A
Fall 2021	Hate Crimes	4.5 out of 5
	Intro. to Cyber Crime	4.6 out of 5
Summer 2021	Hate Crimes*	4.0 out of 5
Spring 2021	Cyber Law & Policy	4.5 out of 5
	JECTF Internship Coordinator	N/A
Fall 2020	Research Methods†	2.9 out of 5
	JECTF Internship Coordinator	N/A
Summer 2020	Drugs, Crime & Policy*	4.6 out of 5
Spring 2020	Research Methods†	4.0 out of 5
	White-collar Crime	4.3 out of 5
Fall 2019	Cyber Crimes†	4.5 out of 5
	Intro. to Cyber Crime	4.6 out of 5
Summer 2019	Hate Crimes*	4.4 out of 5
Fall 2018	Hate Crimes	4.4 out of 5
Spring 2018	Cyber Law & Policy	5.0 out of 5
	White-collar Crime	4.8 out of 5
Fall 2017	Hate Crimes	4.7 out of 5
	Cyber Crimes†	5.0 out of 5

Spring 2017	Cyber Law & Policy	4.9 out of 5
Fall 2016	White-collar Crime	4.2 out of 5
	Intro. to Cyber Crime	4.6 out of 5

### **University of California, Irvine**

Summer 2016	Hate Crimes	7.0 out of 7
Winter 2015	Hate Crimes	7.0 out of 7
Fall 2015	White-collar Crime	6.5 out of 7
Summer 2015	Hate Crimes	7.0 out of 7
Fall 2014	Hate Crimes	7.0 out of 7

### **NON-UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND WORK EXPERIENCE**

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2009 – 2010	<i>Teacher (Classified)</i> , Diamond Elementary School, Santa Ana, CA
2009 – 2010	<i>SAT Tutor</i> , Evergreen Learning Center, Walnut, CA
2008	<i>Substitute Teacher</i> , Placer County Office of Education, Rocklin, CA

### **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

#### **Leadership Position**

- ASC, Division of White-Collar Crime, Vice Chair (2024 – Present)
- ASC, Division of White-Collar Crime, Executive Counselor (2019 – 2024)

#### **Committee Member**

- ASC, Student Affairs Committee (2019 – 2023)

#### **Ad-Hoc Reviewer**

- Criminology (2021 – Present)
- Law & Society Review (2017 – Present)
- Oxford University Press (2016 – Present)
- European Journal of Criminology (2016 – Present)
- Asian Journal of Criminology (2015 – Present)

### **SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT**

#### **Leadership Positions**

- Director of Undergraduate Studies, University of Alabama (2022 – Present)
- Faculty Advisor, “Cryptocurrency Club”, University of Alabama (2022 – Present)
- Director of Network Intrusion Lab, University of Alabama (2021 – Present)
- Library and Technology Committee, University of Alabama (2019 – 2022)
- Intern Coordinator @ Joint Elec. Crime Task Force, Univ. of Alabama (2018 – 2022)
- Diversity Committee, University of Alabama (2018 – 2020)
- Faculty Advisor, “Cyber Crime Club”, University of Alabama (2016 – 2020)

## **Committee Member**

- Diversity Committee, University of Alabama (2021 – Present)
- Search Committee, University of Alabama (2017 – 2018; 2020 – 2021)
- Colloquium Committee, University of Alabama (2018 – 2020)
- Graduate Committee, University of Alabama (2016 – 2018)
- Outreach Committee, University of Alabama (2016 – 2017)
- Peer Mentor, University of California, Irvine (2011 – 2016)
- Workshops, IRB & Grants Committee, University of California, Irvine (2011 – 2012)
- Online Master’s TA Development, University of California, Irvine (2010 – 2016)

## **RESEARCH SUPERVISION**

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### **Graduate Students**

- 2017 – 2019 Rachel McNealey, graduate advisee  
2016 – 2019 Kevin Poorman, M.S. thesis committee

### **Undergraduate Students**

- 2011 – 2015 Hei Lam Cho, accepted to graduate school  
2014 – 2015 Amelia Holm, accepted to graduate school  
2011 – 2014 Haruna Asakawa, mentored in data collection and organization  
2011 – 2014 Sam Posner, mentored in data collection and organization  
2012 – 2013 Maritza Escobedo, mentored in data collection and organization  
2011 – 2013 Vivian Lee, accepted to law school

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & MEMBERSHIPS**

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### **Professional Development**

- 2016 – 2017 Bauer Grant Writing, University of Alabama  
2016 Publisher in Residence, University of Alabama  
2016 Active Learning Initiative, University of Alabama

### **Professional Memberships**

- 2016 – Present Scholars Strategy Network  
2014 – Present Asian Criminological Society  
2012 – Present Law and Society Association  
2010 – Present Western Society of Criminology  
2010 – Present American Society of Criminology  
2010 – Present White-Collar Crime Research Consortium of the National White-Collar Crime Center

## REFERENCES

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### **Lesley Reid, Ph.D.**

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