

EDUCATION

2022-Present	Ph.D. Forensic Psychology Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
2021-2022	M.Sc. Clinical, Legal, and Forensic Psychology Faculty of Psychology Complutense University of Madrid (Spain)
2013- 2018	B.Sc. Psychology Faculty of Psychology University of Barcelona (Spain)
2013- 2014	M.Sc. Criminal Investigation Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
2013-2014	Specialization diploma/Postgraduate diploma Advanced Techniques in Criminal Profiling and Investigative Psychology Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
2012-2013	Postgraduate diploma Criminal Profiling and Investigative Psychology Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
2011-2012	Postgraduate diploma Introduction to Criminal Profiling and Investigative Psychology Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
2011-2013	M.A. Criminology Faculty of Law University of Barcelona
2007-2011	B.A. Private Investigation – specialization Private Investigation Faculty of Law University of Barcelona

Additional courses and webinars:

February 2025	Advanced Suspect Interviewing. Online course Eastwood Consulting
January 2022	Inferential statistics. Online course University of Amsterdam
August 2021	Quantitative statistics. Online course University of Amsterdam
August 2021	Basic Statistics. Online course University of Amsterdam
August 2021	Writing in Science. Online course Stanford University
April 27, 2021	Use of MMPI-3 in forensic settings. Online webinar. Clinical training. Pearson.

Junio 8, 2021	Interviewing children for decision-making purposes in the family law context. Online Psychologische Hochschule Berlin
March 23, 2021	A.D.D.R.E.S.S.I.N.G. Cultural Competence in Forensic Assessments. Online webinar American Psychology-Law Society (APLS)
October 28, 2020	Child Abuse Allegations in Custody Evaluations. International Symposium on Forensic Psychology in Family Law (FPFL). Online Webinar. Psychologische Hochschule Berlin.
October – November 2020	Specialization in good practice for psychological interviews in child maltreatment and child sexual abuse cases: Explorative interview and investigative interview (forensic). Online course. Col·legi Oficial de Psicologia de Catalunya (Official Association of Psychology in Catalonia.)
October – November 2020	Ethics and deontology in psychological professional practice. Online course. Col·legi Oficial de Psicologia de Catalunya (Official Association of Psychology in Catalonia.)
August 26-30, 2019	Summer school on legal and criminological psychology Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium.

STAYS ABROAD

August 2015 – May 2016	Erasmus program Bachelor of Psychology University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland.
November 2006 – March 2007	Intensive English Course (7-11 weeks) Embassy CES, Melbourne, Australia.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

August 2023 – Present	Senior Peer Mentor Student Mental Health Services Ontario Tech University (Canada)
September 2022 - Present	Research assistant PLANT Lab Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
November 2020 – Present	External researcher Law Clinic “Dret al dret”. Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
July 2018 – June 2022	Researcher Grup de Perfilació i Anàlisi de la Conducta Criminal - PACC (Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis group.) Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)

October 2021 – December 2021	Researcher Amicus Curiae. Peru (Lima).
July 2018 – November 2020	Private Practice Psychologist and Criminologist specialized in Criminal Investigation. Criminal and civil cases. Barcelona (Spain)
February – May 2018	Internship in Criminal Psychology Knoops' Innocence Project. Amsterdam (the Netherlands)
October 2017 – January 2018	Internship in Clinical Psychology Consorci Sanitari Integral (CSI) Academic internship in clinical psychology within Fibromyalgia and Neuropsychology departments (Sant Joan Despí Moisès Broggi Hospital), VIH department (L'Hospitalet General Hospital), and Francisco Padilla residence for the elderly. Barcelona (Spain).
January – February 2016	Research Assistant Forensic Psychology group. Literature review and presentation of "Risk factors in contact, non-contact, and mixed child sex offenders" report. University of Helsinki and University Central Hospital in Helsinki. Helsinki (Finland)
January 2013 – November 2014	Internship in forensic psychology Assistant in cases related to forensic criminal behaviour analysis. Barcelona (Spain)

CRIMINAL AND CIVIL CASES AS EXPERT WITNESS IN SPAIN

Investigative court num. 1 de Almagro (Ciudad Real). Sumario ordinario 1/2018 (Child sexual abuse).

Investigative court num. 2, Gavà (Barcelona). DP 205/2019 (Child sexual abuse).

Investigative court num. 1, Girona. DP 100/2019 (Child sexual abuse).

First instance and investigative court num 2, Sant Feliu de Guíxols (Barcelona) 209/2020-S (Family – Review measures).

Provincial court of Barcelona – 1/2019 (Child sexual abuse).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

PUBLICATIONS

Sánchez, N., **Blanco-Velasco, G.**, Geven, L., Masip, J., Manzanero, A. L. (2024). Wrongful convictions with prison sentences in Spain: Exoneree characteristics, crime types, and contributing factors. *The Wrongful Conviction Law Review*, 5(1), 8-26.
<https://doi.org/10.29173/wclawr115>

- Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Geven, L., & Sánchez, N. (2023). Miscarriages of Justice in Spain. In J. Robins (Ed.), *Murder, Wrongful Conviction and the Law: An International Comparative Analysis* (pp. 122-135). Routledge <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003251484-8>
- Gao, A., Suranya, A., Shlesinger-Zribi, I., Mittelbronn, M., Wester, K., Goodyear-Smith, F., **Blanco Velasco, G.,** [...] & Vázquez, M.B. (2023). Shaken Baby Syndrome around the World. In K. A. Findley, C. Rossant, K. Sasakura, L. Schneps, W. Squier, & K. Wester (Eds.), *Shaken Baby Syndrome: Investigating the abusive head trauma controversy* (pp. 383-396). Cambridge University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009177894.027>
- Madrid Pérez, A., Viola, I., **Blanco, G.,** Bueno, M., & Peñalver, À. (2022). Estudio sobre los valores del alumnado de nuevo ingreso en Grados de ciencias jurídicas y políticas de la Universidad de Barcelona. *Revista De Educación Y Derecho*, 26, 1-31. <https://doi.org/10.1344/REYD2022.26.39599>
- Blanco Velasco, G.,** Mallandrich Miret, N., & Soria Verde, M. A. (2020). Valoración del falso testimonio como única prueba de cargo en sentencias firmes [False statement assessment as the main evidence in final judgments]. In J. Sanmarco, V. Marcos, Y. Gancedo, & D. Seijo (Eds.), *XII Congreso (Inter)Nacional de Psicología Jurídica y Forense – Libro de Actas* (pp. 205-207). Sociedad Española de Psicología Jurídica y Forense. Madrid, Spain.
- Schweizer, V., & **Blanco, G.** (2015). Aproximaciones a la problemática de la reincidencia sexual: Estadísticas, factores de riesgo y medidas de política criminal [Approaches to the sexual recidivism problem: Statistics, risk factors, and criminal policies]. *Revista Derecho penal*, II(6), 493-517.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

* represents supervised student

- Sánchez, N., **Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Geven, L., Masip, J., & Manzanero, A. (2024, July 10-11). *What do we know about wrongful convictions with prison sentences in Spain*. [Paper presented]. Annual Conference of the European Association of Psychology and Law (EAPL). Caparica, Portugal.
- Cardoso, C., **Blanco-Velasco, G.,** & Clow, K. A. (2024, March 21-23). *Examining the Influence of Historic Events on Public Attitudes Toward the Police* [Data Blitz accepted]. American Psychology – Law Society Annual Conference. Los Angeles, CA, the United States.
- Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Henry, T., & Clow, K. A. (2024, March 21-23). *Wrongful Convictions and Public Trust: Investigating the Role of Perceived Responsibility on Public Comfort and Confidence* [Poster accepted]. American Psychology – Law Society Annual Conference. Los Angeles, CA, the United States.
- Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Juárez López, J. R., & Soria Verde, M. A. (2023, November 15-18). *Resistance: The interaction between victims and offenders in stranger sexual assaults*. Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology conference. Philadelphia, PA, The United States.
- Henry, T., **Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Cardoso, C., Hamilton, K., & Clow, K.A. (2023, November 15-18). *By Any Other Name? Discussing a Holistic Framework of Innocence*. Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology conference. Philadelphia, PA, The United States.
- Sánchez, N., **Blanco-Velasco, G.,** Geven, L., Masip, J., & Manzanero, A. (2023, November 9). *Wrongful convictions in Spain* [Paper presentation]. Just Data: Advancing the Innocence Movement Conference. Online.
- Blanco-Velasco, G.** & Clow, K. A. (2023, July 4-7). Exoneration's ripple effect: Applying the Drama Triangle to postconviction dynamic [Paper presentation]. Annual Conference of the European Association of Psychology and Law (EAPL). Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

- Hamilton, K., **Blanco-Velasco, G.**, Clow, K., & Zanella, L. (2023, March 16-18). *The impact of emotional story telling on willingness to help exonerees* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology – Law Society Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA, The United States.
- Blanco-Velasco, G.**, Cardoso, C., & Clow, K. (2023, March 16-18). *Trending Innocence Campaigns: An overview of three death row cases* [Poster presentation]. American Psychology – Law Society Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA, The United States.
- Madrid Pérez, A., Viola Demestre, I., **Blanco Velasco, G.**, Bueno Salinas, M., & Peñalver i Cabré A. (2022, May 25-27). *Estudio sobre los valores del alumnado de nuevo ingreso en grados de Ciencias Jurídicas y Políticas de la Universidad de Barcelona* [Paper presentation]. Innovagogía – VI Congreso Internacional sobre Innovación Pedagógica y Praxis Educativa. Online.
- *Pastor-Cárcel, A., & **Blanco-Velasco, G.** (2022, February 14). *Physical and sexual violence in Multiple Perpetrators of Sexual Assault (MPSA) in Spain* [Paper presentation]. 2nd Annual Canadian Forensic Psychology Virtual Conference.
- Blanco Velasco, G.**, Mallandrich Miret, N., & Soria Verde, M. A. (2020, February 13-15). *Valoración del falso testimonio como única prueba de cargo en sentencias firmes* [False statement assessment as the main evidence in final judgments] [Paper presentation]. XII Congreso (Inter)Nacional de Psicología Jurídica y Forense, Madrid, Spain.
- Blanco, G.** (2019, May 13). *¿Cómo surge Barcelona Innocence Project?* [How was Barcelona Innocence Project created?] [Conference session]. “Canvia el teu món” Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- Mallandrich, N., Carpio, D., Soria, M. A., & **Blanco, G.** (2019, March 13). *Barcelona Innocence Project* [Poster presentation]. “Jornada L’aprenentatge servei i les missions de l’universitat”, Barcelona, Spain.
- Blanco, G.** (2018, November 9). *Innocence Projects in Europe: New and future projects* [Conference session]. 3rd European Innocence Network conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- Blanco, G.** (2016, June 16). *The landscape in countries wishing to start an innocence organization* [Conference session]. European Innocence Network conference, Prague, Czech Republic.
- Blanco, G.** (2015, November 23-24). *Mesa de expertos: Psicopatología criminal: Delitos violentos en el contexto de la enfermedad mental* [Expert table: Criminal Psychopathology: Violent crimes in mental illness context] [Conference session]. II Seminario Interuniversitario de Criminología, Barcelona, Spain.
- Blanco, G.**, García, V., & Soria, M. A. (February 2013). *El acoso sexual en las universidades de Barcelona* [Sexual harassment within universities in Barcelona] [Paper presentation]. VII Congreso (Inter)Nacional de Psicología Jurídica y Forense, Madrid, Spain.
- García, V., Soria, M. A., Queralt, J., & **Blanco, G.** (2012, December 5-7). *Intra-familial homicide in Spain: Patterns and crime dynamics* [Paper presentation]. 14th International Conference of The International Academy of Investigative Psychology: The Behavioural Analysis of Crime and Investigations, London, United Kingdom.

SERVICE

September 2024 – present	Advocacy Coordinator Executive Graduate Student Society Ontario Tech University (Canada)
September 2022 – present	Researcher collaborator Ohio Innocence Project

September 2022 – present	Forensic psychologist consultant Innocence Canada and Red Inocente (Latin America Innocence Network)
2023 – 2024	Graduate Student Representative Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
February – April 2022	Counseling Psychologist ANAR Foundation (Helpline to children and youth at risk) Madrid (Spain)
June 2016 – November 2020	Promoter, Co-founder, and Coordinator Barcelona Innocence Project (founded July 2018) Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
May - November 2018	Coordinator “3 rd European Innocence Network Conference.” November 9-10, 2018 Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
2016 - 2018	Founder member of the European Innocence Network Membership workgroup
January – March 2014	Coordinator Barcelona meeting “Fighting International Internet Paedophilia (FIIP) Project.” March 11-13, 2014 University of Barcelona (Spain)
2013 – 2014	Coordinator “Introduction to Psychological Criminal Profiling”. Optional course. Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)

TEACHING AND INVITED LECTURES

September 2022 – Present	Teacher Assistant “Data Analysis” Winter 2024 (<u>Tutorial based</u>) “Adv. Data Analysis in Psychology” Fall 2023, Fall 2024 (<u>Tutorial based</u>) “Technical Communications,” Spring 2023 (<u>Tutorial based</u>) “Introduction to Psychology” Fall 2022 “Eyewitness Testimony” Winter 2023 “Forensic Psychology” Spring 2024 “Motivation and Emotion,” and “Thinking and Decision Making” Winter 2025 Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
June 2024	Instructor “Risk assessment and Psychopathy” and “Sexual offenders” Forensic psychology Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
September 5, 2023	Guest Speaker Tools for Success: Peer Insights and Workflow Showcase iIIRG

March 13, 2023	Guest Speaker “Introduction to False confessions” Innocence Canada
June 11, 2021	Guest Speaker “Cognitive biases and psychological consequences of working in criminal cases” Universidad del Rosario (Colombia) Professor: Dr. Juan Sebastián Fajardo Vanegas
May 6, 2021	Guest Speaker “Wrongful convictions”. Guest exoneree – Dean Gillispie (Ohio Innocence Project) “Legal Psychology” course - BSc Psychology University of Salamanca (Spain) Professor: Dr. Jaume Masip Pallejà
November 18, 2020	Instructor “Sweet little angel: Criminal behaviour analysis and psychological profiling in murders” "State and Social Law" course University of Experience (for the elderly) Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
July 16, 2020	Guest Speaker “Techniques in investigative interviewing” Instituto Latinoamericano de Derecho y Justicia Consejo Honorario de Embajadores Coordinator: Ms. Ruby Anaya
December 16, 2019	Guest Speaker “Investigative interviewing and false confessions: Techniques and basic principles” “Witness testimony” optional course. BSc Psychology Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Dr. Fco. Javier de la Fuente
December 12, 2019	Guest speaker “Interview: Child sexual abuse” “Legal Psychology” optional course - BSc Criminology Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Dr. Miguel Ángel Soria.
November 27, 2019	Instructor “Sweet little angel: Criminal behaviour analysis and psychological profiling in murders” "State and Social Law" course. University of Experience (for the elderly.) Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
November 19, 2019	Instructor “Investigative interviewing: Introduction to PEACE.” MSc "Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis" Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
October 10, 2019	Guest speaker “Interview: Child sexual abuse” “Legal Psychology” optional course - BSc Psychology Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Dr. Miguel Ángel Soria

July 17, 2019	Guest speaker “Investigative interviewing and false confessions” Within the “Innocence Project London” Faculty of Law, University of Greenwich (United Kingdom) Director: Dr. Louise Hewitt
June 20, 2019	Guest speaker “Strategies in literature research” Workshop. MSc Clinical and Health Psychology Consorci Sanitari Integral, Universidad de Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Dr. Montserrat Vacas
December 17, 2018	Guest speaker “False confessions: Introduction to basic concepts.” “Witness testimony” optional course - BSc Psychology Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Dr. Fco. Javier de la Fuente.
March 7, 2014	Guest speaker “Sexual harassment within universities in Barcelona,” principal investigator. “Minority and equality” course - BSc Criminology Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain) Professor: Ms. Virginia García
March 4, 2013	Instructor “Psychological Criminal Profiling’s models.” “Introduction to Psychological Criminal Profiling” optional course - BSc Psychology. Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain)

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION

2019-2020	Anna Pastor Cárceles <i>“Anàlisi de la Violència Física i Sexual en Agressions Sexuals de Múltiples Perpetradors (ASMP) a Espanya”</i> [Analysis of Physical and Sexual Violence in Sexual Assaults of Multiples Perpetrators (ASMP) in Spain]. Language: Catalan. MSc "Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis. Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona.
2019-2020	Leandra Castro Carrera Freitas <i>“Dinamismo en el interrogatorio de Brendan Dassey”</i> [Dynamism in Brendan Dassey’s interrogation]. Language: Spanish. MSc "Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis. Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona.

LANGUAGES AND PROGRAMMING

Spanish – Native

English – TOEFL iBT (2021) 110/120 // Other: GRE (2020) V-148, Q-146, AWA-3.5

Catalan – B intermediate level (2012)

Finnish – Basic course (2016)

R – Advanced

Python – Intermediate

Web design: Frontend developer (HTML, HTML5, CSS) – Advanced

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Ontario Graduate Fellowship (2024) – 12,000 CAD
Teacher Assistant of the Year (2024) – Nominated
Ontario Graduate Scholarship (2023) – 15,000 CAD
Experiential Learning Award (2023) – 500 CAD
Dean's Graduate Scholarship (2022-2026) – 4,500 CAD/year
Graduate International Tuition Scholarship (2022-2026) – 11,586 CAD/year
Erasmus + (2015) – 2,500 €

MEMBERSHIPS AND LICENCES

American Psychology – Law Society (AP-LS)
European Association of Psychology and Law - EAPL
International Investigative Interviewing Research Group – iIIRG
Private Detective license – TIP 5.353

MEDIA EXPERIENCE

Invited guest as expert

Collaboration – Episode 8 – How a false culprit is created. False culprits. Audible. (Released 04-10-2021). [[Listen - Spanish](#)]
Collaboration - Commentary on Netflix series "Unbelievable". "Amb Josep Cuní" Cadena Ser (17-10-2019). [[Listen - Catalan and Spanish](#)]
Collaboration - Online newspaper section "Realidad y ficción" (El País). "Así se analiza realmente una escena del crimen" (09-08-2018). [[Video article - Spanish](#)]

Research in the media

“Falsos culpables en España: 88 inocentes condenados a prisión en 30 años (y subiendo)” – El País (05/01/2025). Main cover and article. [[Article-Spanish](#)]

Barcelona Innocence Project

Press

"Un proyecto para rescatar a los presos encarcelados por error en España"- ABC (08-01-2019). [[Article - Spanish](#)]
"¿Está preso y es inocente? Ellos son su última esperanza"- El Mundo (24-12-2018). [[Article - Spanish](#)]
"El equipo que saca a inocentes de la cárcel"- El País (19-12-2018). [[Article - Spanish](#)]

Radio

Interview - "Mundo Aparte" - RTVE (27-01-2019). [[Listen - Spanish](#)]
Interview - "La cadera" - Aragón Radio (24-12-2018). [[Listen minute 43.30 - Spanish](#)]
Interview - "Por fin no es lunes" - Onda Cero (23-12-2018). [[Listen - Spanish](#)]
Interview - "La ventana" - Cadena Ser (19-12-2018). [[Listen minute 6 – Spanish](#)]