

EDUCATION

2022-2026	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) <i>Erasmus Programme, University of Helsinki (Finland), August 2015–May 2016</i>
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 Faculty of Law University of Barcelona

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

September 2022 – August 2026	Teaching Assistant Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada) ○ Data Analysis - Winter 2024, Winter 2026 (<u>Tutorial based</u>) ○ Adv. Data Analysis in Psychology - Fall 2023, Fall 2024, Fall 2025 (<u>Tutorial based</u>) ○ Technical Communications - Spring 2023 (<u>Online tutorial based</u>) ○ Motivation and Emotion - Winter 2025 ○ Thinking and Decision Making - Winter 2025 ○ Forensic Psychology - Spring 2024 ○ Eyewitness Testimony - Winter 2023 ○ Introduction to Psychology - Fall 2022
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February 2025 and 2026	Instructor “Advanced Statistics Workshop” Honours Thesis in Psychology II (BSc in Psychology) Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
June 2024	Instructor “Risk assessment and Psychopathy” and “Sexual offenders” Forensic psychology Course (BSc in Psychology) Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
November 2019 and 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)
November 19, 2019	Instructor “Investigative interviewing: Introduction to PEACE.” MSc Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona (Spain)
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)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September 2022 – Present	Research Assistant PLANT Lab (Psycho-legal Analysis of Non-individualized Tests; Directed by Dr. Kimberley A. Clow) Faculty of Social Science & Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
August 2023 – August 2026	Senior Mental Health Peer Mentor Student Mental Health Services Ontario Tech University (Canada)
April – May 2022	Internship in Forensic Psychology Majadahonda Civil and Criminal Court; Institute of Legal Medicine and Forensic Science. Madrid (Spain)
November 2020 – September 2023	External Researcher Law Clinic “Dret al dret” [Right to Law]. 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; directed by Dr. Miguel Ángel Soria Verde) Faculty of Law University of Barcelona (Spain)
October 2021 – December 2021	Researcher Amicus Curiae. Peru (Lima).

July 2018 – December 2021	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 (Directed by Dr. Taina Laajasalo) 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).

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS

- Henry, T. D., **Blanco-Velasco, G.**, Cardoso, C., Hamilton, K. M., & Clow, K. A. (2026). Are they Synonyms?: A review and critique of the use of the terms Innocence, Miscarriages of Justice, Wrongful Conviction, and Exoneration. *Psychology, Public Policy, and Law*, 32(1), 37–47. <https://doi.org/10.1037/law0000468>
- Henry, T. D., **Blanco-Velasco, G.**, & Mayerson, D. (2025). "I made it home and I'm flourishing": Qualitative interviews investigating Post-Traumatic Growth among the Ohio Innocence Project's freed clients & exonerees. *Psychology, Crime, and Law*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1068316X.2025.2585352>

- Sánchez, N., **Blanco-Velasco, G.**, Geven, L., Masip, J., Manzanero, A. L. (2025). Wrongful convictions in Spain: Systematic analysis of judgments from 1996 to 2022. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 101, 102527. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2025.102527>
- 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>
- 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 [Study on the values of new students in Degrees of legal and political sciences at the University of Barcelona]. *Revista De Educación Y Derecho*, 26, 1-31. <https://doi.org/10.1344/REYD2022.26.39599>
- 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.

NON-PEER REVIEWED PAPERS

- 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.

CHAPTERS

- 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>

INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Blanco-Velasco, G.** (2026, July 11). *Procedural errors in wrongful convictions in Spain*. Innocence Project Deutschland Conference. Berlin, Germany & Online.
- 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.
- 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.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

* represents supervised student

Blanco-Velasco, G. & Clow, K. A. (2026, July 8-11). *Content in police interviews: A micro-level analysis of speech units in false and presumed true confessions* [Paper presentation]. International Investigative Interviewing Research Group Conference. Leuven (Belgium).

Blanco-Velasco, G., & Clow, K. A. (2025, November 26). *Differences in the communicative intent among speakers in false and (presumed) true confessions* [Poster presentation]. SGPS Research Showcase, Oshawa, ON, Canada.

Blanco-Velasco, G., & Clow, K. A. (2025, August 4-6). *The structure of police and suspect utterances in false and (presumed) true confessions* [Paper presentation]. Annual Conference of the European Association of Psychology and Law (EAPL). Vilnius, Lithuania.

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 presentation]. 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]. 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 presentation]. 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* [Paper presentation]. 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* [Paper presentation]. 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, The Innocence Project, 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 storytelling 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* [Study on the values of new students in Degrees of legal and political sciences at the University of 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. Online.
- 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.
- 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.**, 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

June 2026 – Present	Statistical Analyst Wrongful Conviction International Law Task Force
January 2025 – Present	Collaborator European Registry of Exonerations
September 2023 – present	Researcher collaborator Dr. Donna Mayerson. Ohio Innocence Project
May 2025 – August 2026	President Graduate Student Society Ontario Tech University (Canada)
2023 – 2024	Graduate Student Representative Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities Ontario Tech University (Canada)
February – April 2022	Counseling Psychologist ANAR Foundation (Helpline for 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)

INVITED TALKS

February 3, 2027

Guest speaker (*upcoming*)

“Wrongful Conviction International Law Task Force seminar”

Manchester Innocence Project (University of Manchester)

September 5, 2023

Guest Speaker

“Tools for success: Peer insights and workflow showcase”

International Investigative Interviewing Research Group (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)

May 6, 2021

Guest Speaker

“Wrongful convictions”. Guest exoneree – Dean Gillispie (Ohio Innocence Project)

“Legal Psychology” course - BSc Psychology

University of Salamanca (Spain)

July 16, 2020

Guest Speaker

“Techniques in investigative interviewing”

Instituto Latinoamericano de Derecho y Justicia

Consejo Honorario de Embajadores

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)

December 12, 2019

Guest speaker

“Interview: Child sexual abuse”

“Legal Psychology” optional course - BSc Criminology

Faculty of Psychology, 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)

July 17, 2019

Guest speaker

“Investigative interviewing and false confessions”

Within the “Innocence Project London”

Faculty of Law, University of Greenwich (United Kingdom)

June 20, 2019

Guest speaker

“Strategies in literature research”

Workshop. MSc Clinical and Health Psychology

Consorci Sanitari Integral, Universidad de Barcelona (Spain)

December 17, 2018

Guest speaker

“False confessions: Introduction to basic concepts.”
Witness testimony optional course (BSc Psychology)
Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona (Spain)

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)

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION

2019-2020

Anna Pastor Cárcel
“*Anàlisi de la Violència Física i Sexual en Agressions Sexuals de Múltiples Perpetradors (ASMP) a Espanya*” [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
“*Dinamismo en el interrogatorio de Brendan Dassey*”
[Dynamism in Brendan Dassey’s interrogation]. Language: Spanish.
MSc "Profiling and Criminal Behaviour Analysis."
Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona.

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Most Innovative Research – School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies conference (2025) – 250 CAD
Ontario Graduate Scholarship (2023; 2025) – 15,000 CAD
Ontario Graduate Fellowship (2024) – 12,000 CAD
Teacher Assistant of the Year (2024) – Nominated
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
REDICE grant (2020) – 1,500 €
Erasmus + (2015) – 2,500 €

LANGUAGES AND PROGRAMMING

Spanish – Native	R – Advanced
English – TOEFL iBT (2021) 110/120	Python – Intermediate
Catalan – B intermediate level (2012)	Web design: Front-end development
Finnish – Basic course (2016)	(HTML, HTML5, CSS) – Intermediate

Experience using supercomputers (SHARCNET, CANADA) and training Large Language Models

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 (Spain) – TIP 5.353

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](#)]