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Education

- Ph.D.** **Northeastern University**, Boston, Massachusetts, March 2024, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
Dissertation: “Understanding Problem Places: Risky Facilities, Criminal Opportunities, and Persistent Crime Hot Spots.” Committee: Drs. Brandon C. Welsh (chair), Anthony A. Braga, and Gregory M. Zimmerman.
- M.A.** **Northeastern University**, Boston, Massachusetts, January 2020, Criminology and Criminal Justice, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- B.S.** **University of Ulster (Jordanstown)**, County Antrim, Northern Ireland, May 2014, Criminology and Criminal Justice.
Undergraduate dissertation: “Policing the Flag Protests: Police Responses to Public Disorder in H District.” Advisor: Dr. John Topping.

Professional Appointments

- Aug 2025-Present** Assistant Professor, Criminology and Criminal Justice, College of Human and Health Sciences, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- Oct 2021-Jul 2025** Research Associate. Crime and Justice Policy Lab, University of Pennsylvania.
- Sep 2017-Sep 2021** Doctoral Student and Research Assistant. School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Northeastern University.
- Jan 2015-Aug 2017** Police Officer, Community Policing Team. Peterhead Police Office, District A (Aberdeenshire), Police Scotland.

Peer Reviewed Publications

- Douglas, Stephen D.** (2025). The Impact of Environmental Features on Crime at Street Segments: A Case Control Study of Crime Hot Spots in a Small, Dense City. *American Journal of Criminal Justice* (under review).

- Braga, Anthony A., John M. MacDonald, **Stephen D. Douglas**, Brian Wade, and Ben Struhl. (2024). Focused Deterrence, Strategic Management, and Effective Gun Violence Prevention. *Criminology & Public Policy* (online only).
- Zimmerman, Gregory M., **Stephen D. Douglas**, Brandon S. Turchan, and Anthony A. Braga (2023). The Salience of Social Context, Opioid Antagonist Use, and Prior Opioid Exposure as Determinants of Fatal and Non-fatal Opioid Overdoses. *Health & Place* 79: 102970. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.healthplace.2023.102970>.
- Braga, Anthony A., Philip J. Cook, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2023). Prevention Strategies for Policing Gun Violence. *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 704(1): 158–180. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00027162231164481>.
- Douglas, Stephen D.**, and Brandon C. Welsh (2022). There has to be a Better Way: Place Managers for Crime Prevention in a Surveillance Society. *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice* 46(1): 67-80. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/01924036.2020.1788960>
- Welsh, Brandon C., David P. Farrington, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2022). The Impact and Policy Relevance of Street Lighting for Crime Prevention: A Systematic Review Based on a Half-century of Evaluation Research. *Criminology & Public Policy* 21(3): 739-765. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12585>.
- Douglas, Stephen D.** (2021). The Effect of Body-Worn Cameras on Violent Police Victimization. *Policing* 15(2): 1399-1416. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1093/police/paaa032>.
- Braga, Anthony A., Elizabeth Griffiths, Keller G. Sheppard, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2021). Firearms Instrumentality: Do Guns Make Violent Situations More Lethal? *Annual Review of Criminology* 4: 147-164. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-criminol-061020-021528>
- Douglas, Stephen D.**, and Brandon C. Welsh (2020). Place Managers for Crime Prevention: The Theoretical and Empirical Status of a Neglected Situational Prevention Technique, *Crime Prevention and Community Safety* 22(2): 99-109. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41300-020-00089-4>
- Braga, Anthony A., Lisa Barao, Gregory M. Zimmerman, **Stephen D. Douglas**, and Keller G. Sheppard (2020). Measuring the Direct and Spillover Effects of Body Worn Cameras on the Civility of Police-Citizen Encounters and Police Work Activities, *Journal of Quantitative Criminology* 36: 851-876. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10940-019-09434-9>.

Works In-Progress

- Douglas, Stephen D.** Do Property Owners Explain the Link Between Land Use and Crime? A Multi-level Analysis of Land Parcels, Street Segments, and Community Areas (manuscript in progress).

Book Chapters and Other Publications

- Douglas, Stephen D.** (2023). *Surveillance Technology in Law Enforcement*. Literature review prepared for Boston Police Department (unpublished report).
- Douglas, Stephen D.**, and Anthony A. Braga, (2021). Productive Research Partnerships to Facilitate the Adoption of Evidence-Based Policing. In *The Globalization of Evidence-Based Policing*. Edited by Eric L. Piza and Brandon C. Welsh.
- Braga, Anthony A., and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2021). The Influence of Bentham on the Development of Focused Deterrence. In *Jeremy Bentham on Police: The Unknown Story and What It Means for Criminology*. Edited by Scott Jacques and Philip Schofield.
- Douglas, Stephen D.** (2020). Community Policing. In *Criminal Justice in America: The Encyclopedia of Crime, Law Enforcement, Courts, and Corrections*. Edited by Carla Lewandowski and Jeff Bumgarner.
- McDevitt, Jack., Keller G. Sheppard, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2018). *Big Data Analysis: Examining the Meaning of Boston's 911 Call Data and Implications for Public Policy*. Policy essay submitted to Boston Area Research Initiative.

Technical Reports

- Barao, Lisa M., Anthony A. Braga, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2024). "San Francisco Violence Reduction Initiative Assessment. July 2024." Report submitted to the state of California in cooperation with the San Francisco Police Department and the California Partnership for Safe Communities.
- Douglas, Stephen D.**, and Daniel S. Trovato (2024). "City of Boston Community Risk Assessment: Final Report 2023/2024." Report submitted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security as part of the Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative (C.S.I.).
- Braga, Anthony A., and **Stephen D. Douglas**. (2023). "A Longitudinal Analysis of Drug Seizures in Massachusetts Correctional Facilities." Report submitted to Massachusetts Department of Corrections.
- Braga, Anthony A., Benjamin K. Struhl, Brandon S. Turchan, Brian Wade, Rod K. Brunson, **Stephen D. Douglas**, et al. (2021). "Developing New Tools to Fight the Opioid Epidemic: Problem Analysis and Response Development, Phase I Final Report." Report submitted to the Arnold Foundation.
- Welsh, Brandon C., David P. Farrington, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2021). "Effectiveness of Street Lighting in Preventing Crime in Public Places: An Updated Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis." Report submitted to the Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention.

McDevitt, Jack, **Stephen D. Douglas**, and Keller G. Sheppard (2018). “Descriptive Analysis of Police-Community Reactions to Body Worn Cameras, the Potential Influence of Body Camera Videos on Judicial Decision Making, and the Quality of Video and Audio Generated by Body Worn Cameras in Boston.” Report submitted to the Arnold Foundation.

National Conference Participation

Stephen D. Douglas, Lisa Barao, and Anthony A. Braga (2025). “Interim evaluation of San Francisco’s Violence Reduction Initiative.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Stephen D. Douglas (2024). “The influence of land use on spatial crime concentration in cities: a multi-level analysis of parcels, street segments, and community areas.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Stephen D. Douglas (2023). “Examining the Influence of Environmental Features on Crime at Street Segments.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Braga, Anthony A., Brian Wade, **Stephen D. Douglas**, and John M. MacDonald (2023). “Operation Ceasefire and Gang Violence Reduction in Stockton, California: A Mixed Methods Evaluation of a “Triple Bottom Line” Focused Deterrence Strategy.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Welsh, Brandon C., David P. Farrington, and **Stephen D. Douglas**. (2021). “Street Lighting for Crime Prevention: An Updated Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Braga, Anthony A., Brandon S. Turchan, Benjamin K. Struhl, Andrew V. Papachristos, Rod K. Brunson, Brian Wade, Gregory M. Zimmerman, and **Stephen D. Douglas** (2021). “Developing New Tools to Fight the Opioid Epidemic: What can Law Enforcement Do?” (Roundtable). American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Stephen D. Douglas (2019). “Place Managers for Crime Prevention: A Systematic Review.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Stephen D. Douglas (2018). “Police Victimization: The Impact of Organization and Style.” American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Research Experience

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| November 2025 | Submitted proposal titled “Outcome Evaluation of the Waukegan (Lake County) Co-Responder Program.” Funded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA). (Decision expected early 2026). PIs: Stephen Douglas and Kathryn Roosevelt |
| Mar 2024-Aug 2025 | Joint lead researcher in assessment of clearance rates for homicides and aggravated assaults in Denver, CO. Funded by the National Institute |

- of Justice (NIJ). PIs: Anthony A. Braga, Philip Cook, and Ajenai Clemmons.
- May 2023-May 2024** Lead quantitative researcher for updated community risk assessment of serious violence as City of Boston Local Action Research Partner for Shannon Community Safety Initiative (CSI). Funded by Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of Grants and Research. PI: Anthony A. Braga.
- Jan 2023-Present** Lead Quantitative Researcher. San Francisco, California. California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) grant. Funded by the State of California (\$852,631). PI: Anthony A. Braga.
- Sep 2021-Dec 2023** Lead Quantitative Researcher. Stockton, California. Evaluation of Ceasefire Violence Reduction Strategy in Stockton, CA. Funded by the U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance (\$778,628). PI: Anthony A. Braga.
- Sep 2020-Dec 2021** Quantitative Researcher. Boston, Massachusetts. Developing New Tools to Fight the Opioid Epidemic. Funded by the Laura and John Arnold Foundation (\$832,670). PIs: Anthony A. Braga, Rod K. Brunson, and Gregory M. Zimmerman.
- Jan 2020-Dec 2020** Led search for studies in systematic review of street lighting's effects on crime in public places. Funded by the Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention (\$15,000) PIs: Brandon C. Welsh and David P. Farrington.
- Jan 2018-Aug 2019** Quantitative and Qualitative Field Researcher. Cambridge, Massachusetts. Enhancing Procedural Justice in Hot Spots Policing: A Multi-Site Randomized Trial. Funded by the Laura and John Arnold Foundation (\$1,797,679). PIs: David Weisburd, Anthony A. Braga, Tracey L. Meares, and Cody Telep.
- Sep 2017-Jun 2018** Quantitative Researcher. Boston, Massachusetts. The Impacts of Body Worn Cameras on Police-Citizen Encounters, Police Proactivity, and Police –Community Relations in Boston. Funded by City of Boston and Rappaport Institute (\$546,429). PIs: Anthony A. Braga, Jack McDevitt, and Gregory M. Zimmerman.

Teaching & Service

- September 2025-Present** Member of Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Admission Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- Jan 2026-Apr 2026** Instructor, CCJ 306 – Policing in America, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- Aug 2025-Dec 2025** Instructor, CCJ 317 - Introduction to Criminal Justice Statistics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- Jan 2026-Apr 2026**
- August 2025** Volunteered to host CCJ table at New Student Academic Showcase, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- June 2022** Delivered training related to researching gangs and violent crime to Shannon Community Safety Initiative (C.S.I.) stakeholders in Boston, MA.

- Jan 2021-May 2021** Completed graduate-level teaching practicum as part of PhD curriculum at Northeastern University, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice.
- Jan 2018-Feb 2019** Delivered training to undergraduate students to prepare them for field research and data collection for Enhancing Procedural Justice in Hot Spots Policing project conducted in Cambridge, MA.

Professional Affiliations

- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Criminology*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Criminology and Criminal Justice*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Policing: A Journal of Policy and Practice*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Crime Prevention and Community Safety*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice*.
- Ad Hoc peer reviewer for *Police Quarterly*.
- Active member of the *American Society of Criminology* (2026).