AGNETHA GILLBANKS

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Ph.D. Criminal Justice

Currently Pursuing

University of New Haven

West Haven, CT

M.A. Criminology and Criminal Justice Administration

August 2012 – May 2011

University of Madras

GPA - 3.93

Chennai, India

BA English, Psychology and Journalism

August 2008 - May 2011

Kristu Jayanti College Bangalore, India GPA - 3.43

Research Interests

Drug abuse, Drug trafficking, Substance-using behaviors, Mental health and crime, Violent crimes

Professional Experience

Assistant Professor, Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu Nov 2021 – June 2023

Counselor, CORD (Center for Rehabilitation Development and Therapies), Kothanur, Bangalore

Sep 2015 – Oct 2021

Skip Tracing Coordinator, Ocwen Financial Solutions, Bangalore

July 2011 – May 2012

Additional roles and responsibilities

- Apart from the usual roles and responsibilities of an Assistant Professor, I am also an Eduserve Coordinator, IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell) Coordinator, and NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) Coordinator of the Department of Criminology.
- Currently guiding 5 MSc. Applied Criminology students for their Master's thesis.
- Mentored over 20 Bachelor students for their part-semester projects in the academic year 2021-2022.
- Guided MSc and B.A. students with research papers that were published at various conferences over the past year.

Internship Experience

Indian Red Cross 2014 - Chennai, India

Counseling women who faced problems in their marriage Focus on domestic violence and gaslighting

Tamil Nadu Police 2014 - Chennai, India

Assisted in crime scene investigations, Crime analysis, day and night patrolling, law and order control, and analyzing postmortem autopsy

Research and extension

Published 2022 (NIU International Journal of Human Rights) - Gillbanks, Agnetha., and Surbhi Girdhar. An assessment of the effectiveness of early warning systems and coordination between GOs and NGOs in saving lives in Chennai and Ooty, TN

Published 2022 (Vidyawarta – Peer Reviewed International Journal) – Haleema Nowshad and Gillbanks, Agnetha. Poaching: A human Atrocity

Book Chapter – Published 2022 (National Foundation for Entrepreneurship Development – NFED)- Gillbanks, Agnetha., and Nanthieswar Sathian. Women Empowerment: Pre and Post-Independence

Paper Presentation 2022 (8th International and 12 Biennial Conference of the Indian Society of Victimology)- Gillbanks, Agnetha., and Surbhi Girdhar. An investigative study exploring female student's perception of cybercrime victimization, Coimbatore (T.N.)

Paper Presentation 2022 (11th International Conference on Victim Assistance) - Gillbanks, Agnetha., and Keerthik Ram. Ostracization of the Badaga community due to inter-community marriage in the Nilgiris

FDP (FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS)

Participated in ten days National Level Workshop on Data Analysis using SPSS

Participated in IP Awareness Training Program under National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission

Thesis and Academic Projects

2015 **Master's Thesis** The causes and implications of marijuana abuse by the youth in Chennai city: An Empirical study

Data collection was done through qualitative research and employed the snowball sampling technique. A questionnaire was prepared and sent to various youth in Chennai to understand the causes that lead to Marijuana abuse as well as their perception of the same

Awards and Distinctions

National Eligibility Test (NET) for Assistant Professor University Grants Commission, India.

2015 **Gold Medal and First Rank, Graduate program**, Criminology, and Criminal Justice, University of Madras, Chennai, India.

Other Skill Sets

Languages: English and Tamil

Operating Systems: Windows, Mac OS