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## Education

- August, 2016**      **Ph.D., Clinical Psychology**  
*Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX* (APA accredited) Dissertation: Predictive validity of Static-99 and Static-99R scores among offenders scored on multiple occasions.
- December, 2012**      **Master of Arts, Clinical Psychology**  
*Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX*  
Thesis: Does rater agreement for Static-99 scores decrease as scores increase?
- May, 2010**      **Bachelor of Science, Psychology, Summa Cum Laude**  
**Bachelor of Arts, Spanish, Summa Cum Laude**  
*Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY*

## Licensure

**State: Tennessee**  
**License No: 3736**  
**Status: Active**

**State: Utah**  
**License No: 10345435-2501**  
**Status: Active**

**State: Wyoming**  
**License No: 674**  
**Status: Active**

## Academic Appointments

- 2020 – Present**      **Assistant Professor of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences**  
*Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Vanderbilt University Medical Center*

## Relevant Professional Experience

- 8/2020 – Present**      **Vanderbilt University Medical Center**  
**Forensic Evaluation Team**  
**Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences**
- Conduct court-ordered competency to stand trial and mental state at the time of alleged offense evaluations
  - Conduct private-hire evaluations through Vanderbilt
  - Provide expert testimony
- 1/2020 – 6/2020**      **Utah State Hospital**  
**Supervising Psychologist**  
**Director of Forensic Evaluation**
- Supervise hospital-employed forensic evaluators
  - Consult with hospital administration on forensic issues
  - Design and structure a forensic psychology postdoctoral fellowship for the hospital
  - Collaborate with the Department of Substance Abuse and Mental Health about forensic evaluation and issues throughout the state
- 11/2018 – 6/2020**      **Wyoming State Hospital**  
**Forensic Evaluator – Contract**
- Conduct court-ordered competency to proceed evaluations
  - Conduct court-ordered mental state at the time of offense evaluations
  - Provide expert testimony
- 09/2017 – 6/2020**      **Utah State Hospital**  
**Forensic evaluator**
- Conduct court-ordered progress to competency evaluations
  - Conduct competency evaluations referred by treatment teams
  - Provide expert testimony
- 11/2018 – 2/1/2020**      **PAIR Treatment**  
**Contract provider**
- Co-lead DBT group for adolescents
  - Provide individual DBT therapy to adolescent clients with self-harming or suicidal behaviors
- 03/2017 – 09/2018**      **Eastern Kentucky University**  
**Online instructor**
- Teach online course in forensic psychology
  - Plan course material and assessment methods
  - Provide graded feedback to students

- 09/2016 – 09/2017 Minnesota State Operated Forensic Services Forensic Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship – ABPP Waiver-Approved Fellowship Forensic psychology fellow**
- Conduct court-ordered adult and juvenile competency to proceed evaluations
  - Conduct court-ordered adult and juvenile mental state at the time of offense evaluations
  - Conduct risk assessments related to reduction of custody at the Minnesota Security Hospital
  - Conduct sex offender risk assessments
  - Conduct court-ordered civil commitment evaluations for those petitioned to be committed as mentally ill, chemically dependent, and/or mentally ill and dangerous
  - Attend weekly didactics and case law seminars
- 07/2015 – 07/2016 Utah State Hospital, Provo, Utah – APA Accredited Psychology Internship Forensic intern**
- Administer forensic assessment instruments
  - Write mock competency to stand trial reports
  - Co-lead competency restoration group
  - Conduct individual and group therapy, including CBT-P, ACT for psychosis, and DBT
  - Supervise and implement behavioral support plans
  - Supervise practicum students
- 08/2012 – 05/2015 Psychological Services Center (PSC), Huntsville, Texas Student forensic evaluator**
- Complete court-ordered competency to stand trial
  - Complete court-ordered juvenile fitness to proceed evaluations
  - Complete court-ordered mental status at the time of offense evaluations

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Boccaccini, M.T., **Rice, A.K.**, Helmus, M.L., Murrie, D.C., & Harris, P.B. (2017). Field validity of Static-99/R scores in a statewide sample of 34,687 convicted sexual offenders. *Psychological Assessment, 29*, 611-623. doi: 10.1037/pas0000377
- Harris, P.B., Boccaccini, M.T., & **Rice, A.K.** (2017). Field measures of psychopathy and sexual deviance as predictors of recidivism among sexual offenders. *Psychological Assessment, 29*, 639-651. doi: 10.1037/pas0000394
- DeClue, G., & **Rice, A.K.** (2016). Florida's released "sexually violent predators" are not "high risk." *Open Access Journal of Forensic Psychology, 8*, 1-33.
- Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., Harris, P.B., & Hawes, S.W. (2014). Does field reliability for Static-99 scores decrease as scores increase? *Psychological Assessment, 26*, 1085-1094. doi: 10.1037/pas0000009

Cramer, R.J., Gorter, E.L., Rodriguez, M.C., Clark, J.W., **Rice, A.K.**, & Nobles, M.R. (2013). Blame attribution in court: Conceptualization and measurement of perpetrator blame. *Victims & Offenders*, 8, 42-55.

Boccaccini, M.T., Murrie, D.C., Mercado, C., Quesada, S., Hawes, S., **Rice, A.**, & Jeglic, E. (2012). Implications of Static-99 field reliability findings for score use and interpretation. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 39, 42-58. doi: 10.1177/0093854811427131

### Conference Presentations

Bitting, B.S., Henderson, C.E., Boccaccini, M.T., & **Rice, A.K.** (2015, March). *Latent profile analysis and prediction of recidivism using the Personality Assessment Inventory in a group of high risk sexual offenders*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, San Diego, CA.

DeClue, G., **Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., & Montaldi, D. (2015, March). *Florida's released "sexually violent predators" are not "high risk."* Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, San Diego, CA.

Harris, P.B., Boccaccini, M.T., Murrie, D.C., & **Rice, A.K.** (2015, March). *A field study of the psychopathy sexual deviance interaction in predicting recidivism among sexual offenders*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, San Diego, CA.

**Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., & Murrie, D.C. (2015, March). *Predictive validity of Static-99 scores among offenders scored on multiple occasions*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, San Diego, CA.

Harris, P.B., Boccaccini, M.T., & **Rice, A.K.** (2014, March). *What happens when you score the Static-99 for female sex offenders?* Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., & Harris, P.B. (2014, March). *Field validity of the Static-99 and Static-99R among a large sample of Texas sex offenders*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., Hawes, S., & Harris, P.B. (2013, March). *Does rater-agreement for Static-99 scores decrease as scores increase?* Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Portland, Oregon.

**Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., & Varela, J.G. (2013, March). *Do Static-99 scores differ among White, Black, and Latino offenders?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Portland, Oregon.

**Rice, A. K.**, Boccaccini, M. T., & Collier, T. L. (2012, March). *Evaluator differences in assigning Static-99 scores*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology Law Society, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

**Rice, A.K.**, Boccaccini, M.T., Murrie, D.C., Mercado, C., Quesada, S., Hawes, S., & Jeglic, E. (2012, March). *Implications of Static-99 field reliability findings for score use and reporting*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Tellez, A., Varela, J. G., Boccaccini, M. T., Gonzalez, Jr., E., **Rice, A. K.**, Percosky, A. B., & Klein, S. A. (2012). *Role of language in perceptions of emotional expression and Miranda comprehension: An exploratory study*. Poster presented at annual meeting of the American Psychology and Law Society, San Juan, PR.

Cramer, R. J., Gorter, E. L., **Rice, A. K.**, Rodriguez, M. C., & Nobles, M. R. (2011, November). *Perpetrator blame a unitary or multi-faceted construct? The jury is still out*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C.

### **Training Activities and Professional Development**

*Cultural Competency Issues with Forensic Evaluation* – 6-hour training. ILPPP, Barry Rosenfeld, Ph.D., ABPP, Charlottesville, Virginia, February 2020.

*Practical Approaches to Formulating Criminal Responsibility Opinions* – 8-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Terry Kukor, Ph.D., ABPP and Maureen L. Reardon, Ph.D., ABPP, Washington, D.C., February 2020.

*Best Practices in the Evaluation of Adjudicative Competency – Utah* – 14-hour training. CONCEPT training, Patricia Zapf, Ph.D. and Randy Otto, Ph.D., ABPP, Salt Lake City, Utah, January 2020.

*Utah Forensic Legal Conference* – 8-hour training. Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2019.

*Psychological Evaluations in High-Stakes Sentencing Matters: Capital, Atkins, and Miller Cases* - 8-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Mark Cunningham, Ph.D., ABPP, Las Vegas, Nevada, January 2019.

*Cultural Considerations in Forensic Psychology* - 8-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Michelle Guyton, Ph.D., ABPP, Las Vegas, Nevada, January 2019.

*Capital Sentencing Evaluations* – 8-hour training. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference Workshop, Daniel Murrie, Ph.D., Portland, Oregon, March 2019.

*PCL-R and PCL-SV Live Webinar* – 16-hour training. Darkstone, Reid Meloy, Ph.D., ABPP, November 2018.

*Ethical Issues in Forensic Psychology Practice* – 8-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Randy K. Otto, Ph.D., ABPP, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2017.

*Assessing and Managing Violence Risk* – 8-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Mary Alice Conroy, Ph.D., ABPP, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2017.

*Challenges and Pitfalls in Using the DSM-5 in Forensic Evaluations* – 4-hour training. American Academy of Forensic Psychology (ABFP) Workshop, Christina A. Pietz, Ph.D., ABPP, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2017.

*Practice Update for Evaluations of Competence to Stand Trial* – 8-hour Training. Utah State Hospital, Ivan Kruh, Ph.D. and Julie Gallagher, Psy.D., November 2015.

### **Honors and Awards**

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| <b>March, 2014</b> | American Psychology-Law Society Travel Award for Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA |
| <b>March, 2013</b> | American Psychology-Law Society Travel Award for Annual Conference in Portland, OR    |
| <b>March, 2012</b> | American Psychology-Law Society Travel Award for Annual Conference in San Juan, PR    |

### **Professional Association Memberships**

American Psychological Association, Division 41, American Psychology-Law Society

### **References**

Available upon request