

BACKGROUND

Dr. Westlake earned his Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Sociology from the University of British Columbia (conducting early research on the Dark Triad), followed by an M.A. and Ph.D. in Criminology from Simon Fraser University. His doctoral research analyzed the structure, evolution, and network connectivity of online child exploitation platforms.

In 2015, Dr. Westlake joined San Jose State University (SJSU) as a faculty member in the Department of Justice Studies, where he developed the United States’ first in-person digital forensics bachelor’s degree program. In 2023, he founded the Silicon Valley Digital Forensics Laboratory, establishing operational partnerships with criminal justice and law enforcement agencies to train investigators in digital evidence collection, forensic report writing, and courtroom testimony. In 2025, he transitioned to Adelaide University within the School of Society and Culture.

RESEARCH PROFILE

Dr. Bryce Westlake, PhD is an interdisciplinary criminologist, digital forensics expert, and subcultural behavioral analyst. His practice centers on two primary domains:

- 1. **CSAM Digital Forensics & Platform Governance:** The production, dissemination, automated detection, and platform prevention of online child sexual abuse material (CSAM) across digital networks, forums, and social media platforms.
- 2. **BDSM & Kink Subcultural Behavior:** Empirical analysis of participant motivations, psychological well-being, interpersonal negotiation, subcultural vernacular, and evidence-based consent frameworks.

EDUCATION

08/2015	Doctorate of Philosophy (Criminology) Simon Fraser University <i>Dissertation: The criminal career evolution of child exploitation websites: Identification, survival, and community patterns</i>
04/2011	Masters of Arts (Criminology) Simon Fraser University <i>Thesis: Analyzing online child exploitation networks: An examination of severity and connectivity</i>
05/2007	Bachelor of Arts (Psychology/Sociology) University of British Columbia
05/2004	Associate of Arts (Economics) Thompson Rivers University

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

11/2026 – Present	School of Society and Culture (Adelaide University), Adjunct Associate Professor
08/2020 – 08/2025	Department of Justice Studies (San Jose State University), Associate Professor
08/2015 – 08/2020	Department of Justice Studies (San Jose State University), Assistant Professor

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS (*Denotes with Student)

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Brewer, R., Swearingen, T., Westlake, B., & Patterson, S. (in press). Modelling the convergence of victims, offenders and media files in child sexual abuse investigations: A method for directing workflows using biometrics and core-periphery analysis. *Trends and Issues in Crime and Criminal Justice*.
- Logos, K., Brewer, R., Seigfried-Spellar, K. C., Palmer, E., Napier, S., Nicholas, M., Westlake, B., & Cubitt, T. I. (2026). Examining how children experience, interpret, and respond to incidents of online grooming and solicitation: Results from an Australian study. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 181, 108291. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2026.108291>
- *Olson, I., & Westlake, B. (2026). Holes in kinky education: The role of pornography in learning about BDSM sexualities. *Sex Education*, 26(2), 263-278. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14681811.2025.2461301>
- *Forer, R., & Westlake, B. (2025). Pain for pain: The benefits and challenges of BDSM participation for people with chronic pain – An exploratory study. *Psychology and Sexuality*, 16(4), 1210-1226. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19419899.2025.2507699>
- *Westlake, B., & Mahan, I. (2025). An international survey of BDSM practitioner demographics: The evolution of purpose for, participation in, and engagement with, kink activities. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 62(3), 341-359. <http://doi.org/10.1080/00224499.2023.2273266>
- *Westlake, B., Kusz, J., & Afana, E. (2025). A double-edged sword: The role of pornography in learning about BDSM. *Sex Education*, 25(1), 23-37. <http://doi.org/10.1080/14681811.2023.2266808>
- Ratcliff, S., Westlake, B., & O'Neill, A. (2025). Only as a last resort: Perceptions of police among gender, sexual, and relationally diverse (GSRD) BDSM / kink participants. *Policing and Society*, 35(6), 849-866. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10439463.2024.2435405>.
- Westlake, B. G., Seigfried-Spellar, K., Brewer, R., Napier, S., Logos, K., & Davidson, J. (2024). Innovations from the launch of the child sexual abuse reduction research network. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 155(September), 10699. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2024.106999>
- Westlake, B., Brewer, R., Toole, K., Daly, T., Swearingen, T., Fletcher, S., Ucci, F., & Logos, K. (2024). Benefits and risks of implementing cloud-based technology for child sexual abuse investigations in Australia. *Trends and Issues in Crime and Criminal Justice*, 699, 1-18. <https://doi.org/10.52922/ti77550>
- Westlake, B. (2024). BDSM safety in pornography: Its perceived accuracy and impact on practitioners' safe word practices. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 53(9), 3475-3484. <http://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-024-02967-6>
- Logos, K., Brewer, R., Langos, C., & Westlake, B. (2023). Establishing a framework for the ethical and legal use of web scrapers by cybercrime and cybersecurity researchers: Learnings from a systematic review of Australian research. *International Journal of Law and Information Technology*, 31(3), 186-212. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ijlit/eaad023>
- *Westlake, B., & Guerra, E. (2023). Using file and folder naming and structuring to improve automated detection of child sexual abuse images on the Dark Web. *Forensic Science International: Digital Investigation*, 47(December), 301620. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fsidi.2023.301620>
- Brewer, R., Westlake, B., Swearingen, T., Patterson, S., Bright, D., Ross, A., Logos, K., & Michalski, D. (2023). Advancing child sexual abuse investigations using biometrics and social network analysis. *Trends and Issues in Crime and Criminal Justice*, 668, 1-16. <https://doi.org/10.52922/ti78948>

- *Westlake, B., Brewer, R., Swearingen, T., Ross, A., Patterson, S., Michalski, D., Hole, M., Logos, K., Frank, R., Bright, D., & Afana, E. (2022). Developing automated methods to detect and match face and voice biometrics in child sexual abuse videos. *Trends and Issues in Crime and Criminal Justice*, 648, 1-15. <https://doi.org/10.52922/ti78566>
- *Guerra, E., & Westlake, B. G. (2021). Detecting child sexual abuse images: Traits of child sexual exploitation hosting and displaying websites. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 122, 105336. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2021.105336>
- *Epstein, B., & Westlake, B. G. (2019). Determination of vehicle speed from recorded video using reverse projection photogrammetry and file metadata. *Journal of Forensic Sciences*, 64(5), 1523-1529. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1556-4029.14053>
- Westlake, B. G. (2018). Delineating victims from perpetrators: Prosecuting self-produced child pornography in Youth Criminal Justice Systems. *International Journal of Cyber Criminology*, 12(1), 255-268. <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1467907>
- Westlake, B. G., Bouchard, M., & Frank, R. (2017). Assessing the validity of automated web crawlers as data collection tools to investigate online child sexual exploitation. *Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment*, 29(7), 685-708. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1079063215616818>
- *Westlake, B. G., Bouchard, M., & Girodat, A. (2017). How obvious is it: The content of child sexual exploitation websites. *Deviant Behavior*, 38(3), 282-293. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01639625.2016.1197001>
- Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2016). Liking and hyperlinking: Examining reciprocity and diversity in online child exploitation network communities. *Social Science Research*, 59(September), 23-36. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2016.04.010>
- Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2016). Criminal careers in cyberspace: Examining website failure within child exploitation networks. *Justice Quarterly*, 33(7), 1154-1181. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2015.1046393>
- Paulhus, D. L., Westlake, B. G., Calvez, S. S., & Harms, P. D. (2013). Self-presentation style in job interviews: The role of personality and culture. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, 43(10), 2042-2059. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jasp.12157>
- Westlake, B. G., Bouchard, M., & Frank, R. (2011). Finding the key players in online child exploitation networks. *Policy and Internet*, 3(2), Article 6. <https://doi.org/10.2202/1944-2866.1126>

PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- *Lin, H. Y., Moh, T. S., & Westlake, B. (2021, December). Gun violence news information retrieval using BERT as sequencing tagging task. In *2021 IEEE International Conference on Big Data*. Orlando, USA, 15-18 December (pp. 2525-2531). IEEE. <https://doi.org/10.1109/BigData52589.2021.9671919>
- Westlake, B. G., Bouchard, M., & Frank, R. (2012, September). Comparing methods for detecting child exploitation content online. In *2012 European Intelligence and Security Informatics Conference*. Odense, Denmark, 22-24 August (pp. 156-163). IEEE. <https://doi.org/10.1109/EISIC.2012.25>
- Joffres, K., Bouchard, M., Frank, R., & Westlake, B. G. (2011, October). Strategies to disrupt online child pornography networks. In *2011 European Intelligence and Security Informatics Conference*. Athens, Greece, 12-14 September (pp. 163-170). IEEE. <https://doi.org/10.1109/EISIC.2011.32>
- Frank, R., Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2010, August). The structure and content of online child exploitation. In *ISI-KDD '10 ACM SIGKDD Workshop on Intelligence and Security Informatics*, Washington, USA, 25-28 July (Article 3). ACM. <https://doi.org/10.1145/1938606.1938609>

BOOK CHAPTERS

- *Brewer, R., Westlake, B., Hart, T., & Arauza, O. (2021). The ethics of web crawling and web scraping in criminological research: Navigating issues of consent, privacy and other potential harms associated with automated data collection. In A. Lavorgna & T. Holt (Eds.), *Researching cybercrimes* (pp.435-456). Palgrave Macmillian: Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-74837-1_22
- Westlake, B. G. (2020). The past, present, and future of online child sexual exploitation: Summarizing the evolution of production, distribution, and detection. In T. Holt & A. Bossler (Eds.), *The Palgrave handbook of international cybercrime and cyberdeviance* (pp.1225-1253). Palgrave Macmillian: Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-78440-3_52
- Westlake, B. G., & Frank, R. (2016). Seeing the forest through the trees: Identifying key players in online child sexual exploitation distribution networks. In T. Holt (Ed.), *Cybercrime through an interdisciplinary lens* (pp.189-209). New York: Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315618456>
- Bouchard, M., & Westlake, B. (2016). La détection de communautés au sein de réseaux criminels en ligne et ses implications pour les recherches en co-délinquance. In R. Boivin & C. Morselli (Eds.), *Les réseaux criminels* (pp.209-230). Montreal: Les Presses de l'Université de Montréal. <https://doi.org/10.4000/books.pum.11695>

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Westlake, B. (2023, April). The current and emerging landscape of child pornography on the internet: An overview guide for US Prosecutors in a courtroom setting. *Zero Abuse Project*. St. Paul, Minnesota.
- Brewer, R., Langos, C., Lagos, K., Westlake, B., & Spence, C. (2022, September). Examining the ethical and legal dimensions of using automated data collection technologies to combat cyber threats in Australia. *Cyber Security Cooperative Research Centre*. Joondalup, Western Australia. <https://adelaidecybercrime.org/legal>
- *Westlake, B. G., & Soliman, A. (2018, December). San Benito County Sheriff's Office Strengthening Families Program evaluation. *San Benito County Sheriff's Office*. Hollister, California. <https://www.bscc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/JAG-Final-Evaluations-San-Benito-County.pdf>

PRESENTATIONS

Invited

- Westlake, B. G., & Brewer, R. (2024, September 10th). *Revolutionizing Data Management: AI and Oracle Autonomous Database* [Oral Presentation]. Oracle CloudWorld 2024, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Brewer, R., & Westlake, B. G. (2024, April 10). *University of Adelaide and San Jose State University cybercrime researchers leverage Oracle Autonomous Database to help investigators combat child exploitation* [Oral Presentation]. Oracle Data and AI Forum, Sydney, Australia
- Westlake, B. G., & Brewer, R. (2023, November 9th). *Identifying key victims and offenders in child sexual abuse media files using voice and facial recognition within a social network analysis framework* [Oral Presentation]. Asia-Pacific Financial Coalition Against Child Sexual Exploitation, Virtual.
- Westlake, B. G. (2022, November 26). *What research on leather and kink is needed today?* [Panellist]. CARAS Conference: Leather-Kink Research and Clinical Knowledge (C2C) – West, Los Angeles, California. <https://www.carasresearch.org/c2c-west>
- Westlake, B. G., & Brewer, R. (2022, July 20). *Advancing child sexual abuse investigations using biometrics and social network analysis* [Oral Presentation]. Asia-Pacific Financial Coalition Against Child Sexual Exploitation, Virtual.

- Westlake, B. G., & Brewer, R. (2022, May 16). *Facial and voice recognition tool to identify victims and perpetrators in CSAM* [Oral Presentation]. 31st Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (United Nations), Vienna Austria. <https://youtu.be/g5E96XxiT-o?t=5222>
- Brewer, R., & Westlake, B. G. (2022, February 23). *Developing tools to detect and combat sexual abuse* [Panellist]. The Stretton Institute Webinar & Australian Institute of Criminology, Adelaide, Australia. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uwRuY98LhlU>
- Brewer, R., & Westlake, B. G. (2021, June 3). *Using automated audio and facial recognition biometrics tools for detecting child sexual abuse material* [Oral Presentation]. Asia-Pacific Financial Coalition Against Child Sexual Exploitation, Virtual.
- Brewer, R., Westlake, B. G., Fanucchi, F., & Guerra, E. (2021, May). *Using automated methods to detect, analyse, and investigate cybercrime* [Oral Presentation]. 2021 Cybersecurity Revolution, Virtual. <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLx-UAt5wSTnm4jnkXp4GnVocrMMz2in1Z>
- Westlake, B. G., & Alder, L. (2019, April 27). *Could sex in VR be exploitative? What is the potential for queering virtual bodies?* [Oral Presentation]. CFP: Gender, Bodies, & Technology 5th Transdisciplinary Conference, for Playing with Our Selves: Examining Life through Virtual Media Part II, Roanoke, VA.
- Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *Operation child pornography: How organized is the distribution of child sexual exploitation material?* [Oral Presentation] American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>
- Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *Roundtable: Understanding the state of research on organized cybercrime?* [Discussant]. American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>
- Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *Author Meets Critic: 'Cybercrime in progress: Theory and prevention of technology-enabled offenses', A. Bossler & T. Holt (Eds.)* [Critic]. American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>
- Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2014, March). *Monitoring the evolution of child exploitation networks* [Oral Presentation]. Interdisciplinary Conference on Cybercrime, East Lansing, MI.

Conferences

- Westlake, B. (2024, December 6). *Enhancing automated identification of child sexual abuse media files through file/folder naming practices and website structuring attributes*. [Oral]. 2nd Annual Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network Workshop, Leiden, Netherlands.
- Brewer, R., Patterson, S., Swearingen, T., & Westlake, B. (2024, December 6). *Modelling offender and victim networks across child sexual abuse investigations* [Oral]. 2nd Annual Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network Workshop, Leiden, Netherlands.
- Logos, K., Brewer, K., Palmer, E., Westlake, B., & Napier, S. (2024, December 5). *Understanding the experiences and navigation of online sexual abuse and solicitation amongst Australian adolescents* [Oral]. 2nd Annual Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network Workshop, Leiden, Netherlands.
- Westlake, B., Brewer, R., & Swearingen, T. (2024, November 15). *Modelling the convergence of victims, offenders, and media files in child sexual abuse investigations*. [Oral]. 79th American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- *O'Neill, A., & Westlake, B. (2024, November 14). *Perceptions of law enforcement's ability to respond to and protect sexually marginalized BDSM practitioners* [Oral]. 79th American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

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- *Bautista, K., Westlake, B., & Rippey, M. (2024, November 14). *Evaluating computer forensics curriculum outcomes among diverse student populations* [Oral]. 79th American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Westlake, B., Brewer, R., Logos, K., & Lagos, C. (2023, December 6). A framework for the ethical and legal use of web scrapers by cybercrime researchers [Oral]. Australia and New Zealand Society of Criminology, Melbourne, Australia.
- Westlake, B., Brewer, R., Swearingen, A., & Ross, A. (2023, December 4). *Developing automated methods to detect and match face and voice biometrics in child sexual abuse material* [Oral]. 1st Annual Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network Workshop, Adelaide, Australia. <https://www.csaresearch.org/december4>
- Brewer, R., Westlake, B., Swearingen, A., & Ross, A. (2023, December 4). *Understanding child sexual abuse offending and victimisation patterns through the extraction and analysis of biometrics: Results from an Australian seizure* [Oral]. 1st Annual Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network Workshop, Adelaide, Australia. <https://www.csaresearch.org/december4>
- Brewer, R., Westlake, B., Swearingen, T., Logos, K., & Ross, A. (2023, September 11). *Identifying offending and victimisation patterns in child sexual abuse investigations using face and voice biometrics* [Oral]. 2023 Human Factors in Cybercrime, Halle, Germany. <https://www.hfc-conference.com/day-two>
- *Westlake, B., & Mahan, I. (2022, November 26). *Surveying the motivations, benefits, and experiences of those who engage in BDSM/kink* [Lecture]. CARAS Conference: Leather-Kink Research and Clinical Knowledge (C2C) - West, Los Angeles, CA, United States. <https://www.carasresearch.org/c2c-west>
- Brewer, R., Westlake, B., Swearingen, T., Ross, A., Michalski, D., Logos, K., Frank, R., & Bright, D. (2022, September 21-24). *Developing automated methods to investigate child sexual abuse using face and voice biometrics* [Oral]. Eurocrim 2022, Malaga, Spain. <https://eurocrim.secure-platform.com/spain2022/solicitations/8/sessiongallery/356>
- *Fanucchi, F. & Westlake, B. G. (2021, November 17-20). *Promotion of extremist ideologies in online incel communities* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. <https://asc41.com/events/2021-asc-annual-meeting/>
- *Guerra, E., & Westlake, B. G. (2021, November 17-20). *Child sexual abuse material on the Dark Web: An analysis of TOR website structure* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL. <https://asc41.com/events/2021-asc-annual-meeting/>
- *Guerra, E., & Westlake, B. G. (2020, September). *Detecting child sexual abuse material: Traits of hosting and displaying websites* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology – Cybercrime Division Virtual Conference, Virtual. <https://csrcl.huji.ac.il/event/cyber-crime-day-1>
- Westlake, B. G. (2018, November 14-17). *Self-produced child pornography: When the victims are the perpetrators* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. <https://asc41.com/events/2018-asc-annual-meeting/>
- Westlake, B. G. (2018, February 1-3). *Delineating victims from perpetrators: Prosecuting self-produced child pornography in youth criminal justice systems* [Oral]. 45th Western Society of Criminology Conference, Long Beach, CA. https://westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2018_Conference_Program.pdf
- *Popovich, C. J., & Westlake, B. G. (2017, February 9-11). *Propagandized definitions: Understanding the effect media definitions have on public perceptions regarding law enforcement actions* [Poster]. Western Society of Criminology, Las Vegas, NV.

https://westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2017_Conference_Program.pdf

*Reynoso, M., & Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *Short term fixes to long term problems: An analysis of California's realignment plan for prison overcrowding* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>

*Soliman, A., & Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *'Aesthetically pleasing?': The portrayal of botched lethal injections in the American media*. [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>

Westlake, B. G. (2016, November 16-19). *Network Capital: Identifying key players within criminal networks through weighted measures of connectivity and resource-sharing* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, New Orleans, LA. <https://asc41.com/events/2016-asc-annual-meeting/>

Westlake, B. G., & Frank, R. (2016, June 12-14). *Seeing the forest through the tree: Identifying the key players in the online distribution of child sexual exploitation material* [Oral]. 4th Annual International Conference on Cybercrime and Computer Forensics, Vancouver, BC. <https://www.apatas.org/icccf/icccf-2016/>

*Girodat, A., Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2016, February 4-6). *How obvious is it: Do child sexual exploitation websites hide their intent?* [Oral]. 43rd Western Society of Criminology Conference, Vancouver, BC. https://westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2016_Conference_Program.pdf

*Soliman, A., & Westlake, B. G. (2016, February 4-6). *Three-drug cocktail: The media representation of botched lethal injections in the United States* [Oral]. 43rd Western Society of Criminology Conference, Vancouver, BC. https://westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2016_Conference_Program.pdf

Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2016, February 4-6). *Liking and hyperlinking: The community structure of child sexual exploitation distribution websites* [Oral]. 43rd Western Society of Criminology Conference, Vancouver, BC. https://westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2016_Conference_Program.pdf

Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2015, November 18-21). *Liking and hyperlinking: Community detection in online child exploitation networks* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, Washington, DC. <https://asc41.com/events/2015-asc-annual-meeting/>

Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2013, November 20-23). *Surviving online: Attributes which influence child exploitation website survival* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, Atlanta, GA. <https://asc41.com/events/2013-asc-annual-meeting/>

Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2012, November 14-17). *Conceptualizing co-offending online* [Oral]. American Society of Criminology Conference, Chicago, IL. <https://asc41.com/events/2012-asc-annual-meeting/>

Westlake, B. G., & Bouchard, M. (2012, October 1-2). *Conceptualizing co-offending for cybercrime: Reciprocity and homophily in the online child exploitation community* [Oral]. Illicit Networks Conference, Vancouver, BC. <https://illicitnetworksworkshop.com/>

Westlake, B. G., Frank, R., & Bouchard, M. (2011, February 3-5). *Finding the key players in online blog and non-blog child exploitation networks* [Oral]. 38th Western Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC.

https://www.westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2011_Conference_Program.pdf

Frank, R., Westlake, B., & Bouchard, M. (2011, February 3-5). *Extracting dark cyber networks* [Oral]. 38th Western Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC.

https://www.westerncriminology.org/documents/conference_proceedings/WSC_2011_Conference_Program.pdf

Westlake, B. G. (2010, June). *Normalizing polyamory in a mono-centric society* [Oral]. Work in Progress Conference, Burnaby, BC.

Paulhus, D. L., & Westlake, B. G. (2008, July 16-20). *Self-enhancers: Responsiveness and effectiveness* [Oral]. 14th European Conference on Personality, Tartu, Estonia.

<https://eapp.org/meetings/conferences/conference-2008/>

Paulhus, D. L., & Westlake, B. G. (2008, July 20-25). *Self-enhancers: Responsiveness and effectiveness* [Oral]. 29th International Congress of Psychology, Berlin, Germany. http://f20.blog.uni-heidelberg.de/files/2008/07/icp2008_finalprogram.pdf

Nathanson, C., Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2007, June). *Controlling response biases in the measurement of consumer knowledge* [Poster]. 19th Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Society, Washington DC.

Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2007, June). *Crime and Punishment: Personality and Mitigating Factors* [Poster]. 68th Annual Conference of the Canadian Psychological Association, Ottawa ON.

Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2007, May). *Evaluating the impact of presentational styles on job applicants' hirability* [Poster]. 87th Annual Western Psychological Association Convention, Vancouver BC.

Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2007, March). *Living in a material world: Accurate measure of consumer knowledge* [Oral]. 9th Annual UBC PSA Undergraduate Conference, Vancouver BC. <https://psa.psych.ubc.ca/psychology-undergraduate-research-conference-purc/>

Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2006, March). *Hiring biases as a function of narcissism and ethnicity: Quantity, quality, or style?* [Oral]. 8th Annual UBC PSA Undergraduate Conference, Vancouver BC. <https://psa.psych.ubc.ca/psychology-undergraduate-research-conference-purc/>

Williams, K. M., Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2005, August). *Comparing multiple-choice, essay and over-claiming formats as efficient measures of knowledge* [Poster]. 113th Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington DC.

Lau, K., Nathanson, C., Williams, K. M., Westlake, B. G., & Paulhus, D. L. (2005, May). *Investigating dishonesty with concrete measures* [Poster]. 17th Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Society, Los Angeles CA.

JOURNAL PEER REVIEWER

Aggression and Violent Behavior (1); Applied Sciences (2); Archives of Sexual Behavior (1); Child Abuse & Neglect (1); Child Maltreatment (5); Computers in Human Behavior (2); Crime Science (2); Deviant Behavior (1); Digital Transformation and Society (1); Global Crime (3); International Journal of Cyber Criminology (6); International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (1); International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology (7); Journal of Criminology (1); Journal of Homosexuality (1); Journal of Child Sexual Abuse (4); Policing: An International Journal of Police Strategies and Management (1); Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment (8); Social Science Computer Review (1); Social Science Research (3); Trends and Issues in Crime and Criminal Justice (3)

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND CONTRACTS**EXTERNAL**

Years	Grant/Contract Title	Amount	Funding Body	Investigators
2025 to 2028	Consolidating intelligence data to identify victims of child sexual abuse (LP240200944)	\$619,009 (AUD)	Australian Research Council – Linkage	Brewer (PI), Bright (Co-I), Logos (Co-I), Westlake, Patterson, Bulmer
2023 to 2026	SaTC: EDU: Training digital forensics examiners through hands-on education investigating live criminal investigations (NSF 22-517)	\$497,948 (USD)	National Science Foundation	Westlake (PI), Rippy (Co-PI), Park
2022	Research into AI cloud-based Algorithms to assist Policing Authorities in building legal cases (CPQ-2581842)	\$47,010 (USD)	Oracle	Brewer (PI), Westlake (Co-PI), Ross, Swearingen, Logos, Daly, Napier, Michalski
2022 to 2023	Advancing child sexual abuse victim and perpetrator identification using biometrics (P21/519)	\$271,540 (AUD)	Australian Institute of Criminology	Brewer (PI), Westlake (Co-PI), Logos, Swearingen
2021 to 2022	Examining the legal and ethical dimensions of using automated data collection technologies to combat cyber threats in Australia (C25-00210)	\$50,000 (AUD)	Cyber Security Cooperative Research Centre (Australia)	Brewer (PI), Westlake (Co-PI), Langos
2019 to 2020	Developing automated audio and facial recognition biometrics tools for detecting child exploitation material (P18/320)	\$169,298 (AUD)	Australian Institute of Criminology	Brewer (PI), Westlake (Co-PI), Ross, Frank, Bright
2018	Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (25-1020-5964)	\$7,529 (USD)	San Benito County Sheriff's Office	Westlake
2012 to 2015	Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada graduate scholarship – Doctoral (767-2012-2438)	\$105,000 (CDN)	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council	Westlake
2012 to 2015	Monitoring the evolution of online child exploitation networks (Insight Grant)	\$92,400 (CDN)	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council	Bouchard (PI), Westlake, Lussier, Morselli

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Master's Thesis (Senior Supervisor):

- Spring 2023 Enrique Guerra – Analyzing the structure of websites distributing child sexual exploitation/abuse media on the Dark Web. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.42pa-8qkh>
- Spring 2023 Francesca Fanucchi – The promotion of extremist ideologies within online incel communities that reinforce ideals of aggrieved entitlement. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.fm25-9gpx>
- Summer 2022 Allyson Cruz Galan – Experiences of transgender people who navigate the criminal justice system. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.35y6-qmv9>
- Summer 2022 Jai Vaca – The impact of policy uncertainty on SJSU deferred action for childhood arrivals students: Their use of mental health services. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.89hh-9e6p>
- Summer 2021 Erin Afana – Perception correction: Addressing social stigmatization around BDSM and mental health. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.dw37-z8hu>

Master's Thesis (Associate Supervisor):

- Summer 2022 Clarissa Punla – The struggles of both sides: Understanding the experiences of immigrant victims of DV and stakeholders amid the COVID-19 pandemic. <https://doi.org/10.31979/etd.8nqe-sgd7>

Master's Project (Senior Supervisor):

- Spring 2016 Marisela Reynoso – Short term fixes to long term problems: An analysis of California's realignment plan for prison overcrowding.
- Spring 2016 Yevgeniy Mayba – Gang affiliated tattoo removal: Examination of perceptions, reasons, and internalized values.

Other:

- Fall 2023 Karl Bautista – Expanding the field of digital evidence examiners through enhanced collegiate coursework and career preparation (California Association of Criminalists Funded Research, Supervisor)
- Spring 2021 Alvin Lin – Identifying trigger points on social media to preventing gang violence using machine learning (California Association of Criminalists Funded Research, Co-Supervisor)
- Spring 2019 Haley Smith – Evidence of a genetic origin for psychopathy (Honors Thesis, Topic Expert)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2015 – 2025 **San Jose State University (Graduate)** – Survey of Research Methods; Seminar in Qualitative Research Methods; Seminar in Applied Statistics; Seminar in Cybercrime; Seminar in Deviance & Social Control; Applied Research Methods and Statistics; Cyber Forensics; Applied Projects
- 2015 – 2025 **San Jose State University (Undergraduate)** – Introduction to Cybercrime; Forensic Criminology/Psychology; Research Methods in Justice Studies
- 2014 – 2015 **Simon Fraser University** – Psychological Explanations of Crime
- 2007 – 2007 **University of British Columbia** – Sociology of Sexual Violence

TEACHING CERTIFICATES

01/2022	Purposeful Pivoting for Academic Continuity at SJSU (6 Hours) San Jose State University
06/2021	2021 Summer Resilient Course Design Program (20 Hours) San Jose State University
08/2020	SJSU Teach Online Summer Certificate Program (16 Hours) San Jose State University
06/2019	Independent Improving Your Online Course (30 Hours) Quality Matters (California State University)
04/2014	University Teaching and Learning Certificate (120 Hours) Simon Fraser University
12/2013	Instructional Skills Workshop (24 Hours) Simon Fraser University
08/2006	Student Directed Seminar Training (18 Hours) University of British Columbia

CURRENT EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

2023 – Present	Found Member, Child Sexual Abuse Reduction Research Network
2020 – Present	Member, Division of Cybercrime, American Society of Criminology
2015 – Present	Audio Committee Member, Scientific Working Group on Digital Evidence
2010 – Present	Member, American Society of Criminology

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

09/2022 – 8/2025	Silicon Valley Digital Forensics Laboratory (San Jose State University), Director
09/2011 – 08/2015	International Cybercrime Research Centre (Simon Fraser University), Project Coordinator
12/2009 – 09/2011	International Cybercrime Research Centre (Simon Fraser University), Research Assistant
10/2007 – 06/2009	Centre for Rural Health Research (University of British Columbia), Project Manager
09/2004 – 04/2009	The Dark Triad Research Laboratory (University of British Columbia), Research Assistant