

Jessica D. Findley, J.D., Ph.D.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (December 2010; GPA: 4.0), Psychology, Policy and Law Program, Department of Psychology, University of Arizona, College of Science, Tucson, AZ

M.A. (December 2009; GPA 4.0), Psychology, Policy and Law Program, Department of Psychology, University of Arizona, College of Science, Tucson, AZ

J.D. (May 2006; GPA: 3.29) James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

B.A. (May 2002; GPA: 3.67) Department of Psychology, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

PUBLICATIONS

Findley, J. D. & Sales, B. D. (2011). *The science of attorney advocacy: How attorney courtroom behavior affects jury decision making*. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association. Book evaluates evidence from social and behavioral science to determine the efficacy of trial strategies. Key topics include: attorney demeanor, verbal and nonverbal communications, the attorney-client relationship, and storytelling.

RESEARCH

University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, AZ

Research Scholar, 2019 – present

Co-Principal Investigator on two AccessLex-funded empirical evaluations of educational programs:

- 1) evaluation of the BA in Law program with a special intervention to support Latinas in the program; and
- 2) a Pre-Law program to prepare students for law school and predict success in school.

University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, AZ

Designated Campus Colleague, 2018 - 2019

Contributed to several research proposals with Dr. Christopher Robertson, JD, PhD, and Ms. Tara Sklar, JD, MPH. Projects included incentivized witness testimony and shared decision-making regarding surgery for elderly patients and surrogates.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Instructor, Pre-JD course (Contracts), 2019

Pima County Juvenile Court, Tucson, AZ

Mediator, August 20, 2012 – May 16, 2019

Arizona Superior Court in Pima County, Honorable Christopher Staring, Tucson, AZ
Judicial Law Clerk, April 25, 2011 – August 20, 2012

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Instructor, 2007-2010

- (1) “Law and Policy in Society” (Psychology & Sociology 277);
- (2) “Law and Psychology” (Psychology 377a).

Lead Teaching Assistant, 2003-2006

- (1) “Mind & Behavior” (Individuals and Societies 101);
- (2) “Law and Policy in Society” (Psychology & Sociology 277);
- (3) “Law and Psychology” (Psychology 377a).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Summer 2019 Workshop, AccessLex Grants, University of Arizona College of Law (2019)

Policy Experimentation Lab, Incentivized Witness Testimony, University of Arizona College of Law (2019)

Arizona Alternative Dispute Resolution Roundtable, Ethical Issues in Mediation, Pima County Juvenile Court (2018)

Brown Bag Series, Reunification Progress Mediation, Pima County Juvenile Court (2018)

Summer 2018 Workshop, Masters’ Degree Development, University of Arizona College of Law (2018)

Dispute Resolution Clinic, Guest Speaker, University of Arizona College of Law (2016)

SELECTED LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Strategic Planning Committee Lead, Pima County Juvenile Court (2017-2019)

Attorney General’s Basic Mediation Training (Coach), Tucson, AZ (2017-2019)

Grant Writing: CASA, VOCA, AZ Administration of the Courts, Pima County Juvenile Court (2017-2018)

Reunification Progress Mediation Developer, Pima County Juvenile Court (2017-2019)

Building Blocks Committee Co-Chair, Pima County Juvenile Court (2016-2019)

SELECTED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCES

Advanced Mediation Training (32 hours), National Conflict Resolution Center, San Diego (2017)

Advanced Family Mediation Training (16.5 hours), Pinal County Conciliation Court (2017)

Implicit Bias Training, Pima County Juvenile Court/Conciliation Court (2015)

Victim Offender Mediation, Pima County Juvenile Court (2015)

Attorney General's Basic Mediation Training (40 hours), Tucson, AZ (2014)

Our Family Services Basic Mediation Training (40 hours), Tucson, AZ (2012)

Child Protection Mediation Conference (30 hours), Pinal County Conciliation Court (2012)

Motivational Interviewing Training (19 hours), Pima County Juvenile Court (2012)