

# Makayla Mason

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## EDUCATION

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- 2025 (Expected)      **Michigan State University**  
*Ph.D. Criminal Justice*
- 2020                    **Sam Houston State University**  
*B.S. Criminal Justice*  
Summa Cum Laude  
Highest Honors  
Academic Distinction  
Honors Thesis: *An Examination of Chinese Police Cadets' Knowledge of Domestic Violence*  
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Brittany Hayes

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Victimology
- Domestic Violence
- Sexual Violence
- Cyber Victimization

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2020 – Present      Graduate Research Assistant  
School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University
- Dr. Chris Melde (2020-2021)
  - Dr. Karen Holt (2021-Present)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Peer-Reviewed Manuscripts*

- 2020                    Hayes, B.E., Connolly, E.J., Wang, X., Ingham, C., & **Mason, M.** (2020)  
“Prevalence of Child Maltreatment and the Effects of the Intergenerational Transmission of Violence on Attitudes towards Domestic Violence in Chinese Police Cadets.” *Journal of Family Violence*.
- 2020                    Hayes, B.E., Connolly, E.J., Wang, X. **Mason, M.**, & Ingham, C. (2020)  
“Chinese Police Cadets’ Attitudes Toward Domestic Violence: A Pretest/Posttest Design.” *Crime & Delinquency*.

### ***Technical Reports***

- 2019 Hayes, B.E., Ingham, C., **Mason, M.**, & Franklin, C.A. (2019) “Types of Hate Crimes.” *Crime Victims’ Institute*, 2 (2).
- 2018 **Mason, M.**, & Hayes, B.E. (2018) “The Consequences of Hate Crime Victimization.” *Crime Victims’ Institute*, 1 (3).

### **MANUSCRIPTS IN-PROGRESS**

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- Forthcoming Almanza, M., **Mason, M.**, & Melde, C. *Perceptions of School Resource Officers: Protectors or Prosecutors?*
- Forthcoming LaBerge, A., **Mason, M.**, & Sanders, K. *Police Dispatch Times for Burglary, Assault, and Shots Fired Locations by Community Disadvantage in Detroit*
- Forthcoming **Mason, M.** & Melde, C. *Attitudes Toward Police and Reporting Intentions of Adolescents*

### **PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE**

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- 2021 LaBerge, A., **Mason, M.**, & Sanders, K. “Police Dispatch Times for Burglary, Assault, and Shots Fired Locations by Community Disadvantage in Detroit” *American Society of Criminology Annual Conference*. Chicago, IL. November 2021.
- 2019 **Mason, M.** “Chinese Police Cadets’ Knowledge of Domestic Violence: A Pretest-Posttest Design.” *American Society of Criminology Annual Conference*. San Francisco, CA. November 2019.
- Mason, M.** “An Examination of Chinese Police Cadets’ Knowledge of Domestic Violence.” *Sam Houston State University Undergraduate Research Symposium*. Huntsville, TX. April 2019.
- Received the “EURECA Fast Award” for best presentation of funded research.

### **SERVICE & VOLUNTEERISM**

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- 2021 – Present MSU, School of Criminal Justice, Graduate Student Association (GSA)  
*Treasurer*

### **FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS**

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- 2020 – Present Early Start Program Fellowship, College of Social Science - \$10,000

- 2016 – 2020 Smith-Hutson Scholarship Recipient
- Full-ride scholarship including tuition, room and board, and textbooks
- 2016 – 2020 Elliott T. Bowers Honors College - \$4,000
- 2018 – 2020 Raven Scholars of Sam Houston Award Recipient, 2018, 2019, & 2020
- Awarded to the top students who have achieved academic success as well as integrated campus life, service, and leadership into their college career
- 2017 – 2020 Center for Law, Engagement, and Politics Advisory Board Scholarship - \$2,750
- 2017– 2020 Nominated for the Sam Houston State University:
- “Outstanding First-Year Student Leader” Award (2017)
  - “Outstanding Junior Student Leader” Award (2018)
  - “Excellence in Service College of Criminal Justice” Award (2018)
  - “McDermett Memorial Award” for outstanding female senior (2019)
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  - “McDermett Memorial Award” for outstanding female senior (2020)
  - “Sammy” Award (2020) - Most prestigious, campus-wide, award given to a student
- 2018 Enhancing Undergraduate Research Experiences and Creative Activities (EURECA) FAST Award - \$2,000