

# Curriculum Vitae

## Personal Information

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## Licensure

Location: Licensed Psychologist, State of California  
Initially licensed: 2005  
License number: PSY 20263  
Expiration Date: May 31, 2023

Location: Licensed Psychologist with Health Service Provider Designation,  
State of Tennessee  
Initially licensed: 2007  
License number: P2777  
Expiration Date: May 31, 2023

Location: Licensed Psychologist, State of Georgia  
Initially licensed: 2009  
License number: PSY003274  
Expiration Date: December 31, 2022

Location: Licensed Psychologist, State of Nevada  
Initially licensed: 2021  
License number: PY0990  
Expiration Date: December 31, 2022

Certification

Sex Therapist – American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists. Granted 2015, certification current

Gottman Method Therapist – The Gottman Institute. Granted 2020, certification current

Gottman Institute Consultant to those pursuing certification – The Gottman Institute, 2022

Sex Therapy Supervisor – American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists. Granted 2022, certification current

Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) and Temporary Authorization to Practice (TAP) in multiple states under the authority of PSYPACT in PSYPACT participating states

Granted By: The PSYPACT Commission

Locations: When I am in GA, NV, or TN I can perform telepsychology in AL, AZ, CO, DE, DC, IL, MD, MN, MO, NE, NH, NC, OH, OK, PA, TX, UT, VA

I can additionally practice in person in each of these states for up to 30 days in a calendar year

Mobility Number: 6910

Date Issued: 4/1/2021 (APIT) / 10/5/2021 (TAP)

Expiration Date: October 5, 2023 (APIT) & (TAP)

Education

Institution: The University of Alabama  
Dates of Attendance: August 1996- August 2001  
Degree Earned: Ph.D.  
Area of Study: Clinical Psychology (Child Concentration)

Institution: University of Chicago Medical Center  
Dates of Attendance: July 2000- June 2001  
Degree Earned: Pre-doctoral Internship (APA Approved)  
Area of Study: Clinical Psychology (Child Specialization)

Institution: The University of Alabama  
Dates of Attendance: August 1996- July 1999  
Degree Earned: M.A.  
Area of Study: Clinical Psychology (Child Concentration)

Institution: Pepperdine University  
Graduate School of Education and Psychology  
Dates of Attendance: August 1993- April 1996  
Degree Earned: M.A.  
Area of Study: Clinical Psychology (Emphasis in Marriage Family Therapy)

Institution: University of California, Santa Barbara  
Dates of Attendance: September 1989- June 1993  
Degree Earned: B.A.  
Area of Study: Psychology & Black Studies (Double Major)

Postgraduate Training

Institution: Vanderbilt University  
Dates of Attendance: July 2006- September 2008  
Area of Study: Family Contexts and Interventions Research Training Program

Institution: University of Washington School of Medicine  
Dates of Attendance: July 2001- August 2002  
Area of Study: Juvenile Forensic Psychology and Adolescent Inpatient Tx  
(Research and Clinical Training)

**Domestic Violence Training:**

In Compliance with California Rules of Court Rule 5.230  
12 Hours 2019  
4 Hours Annual Update 2020  
4 Hours Annual Update 2021  
4 Hours Annual Update 2022

**Custody Evaluation Training:**

In Compliance with California Rules of Court Rule 5.225  
54.5 Hours 2010 – 2019  
26 Hours Annual Update 2020  
10 Hours Annual Update 2021  
8 Hours Annual Update 2022

**Training in Evaluation of Child Sexual Abuse:**

In Compliance with California Family Code 3110.5  
7 Hours 2019

**Training in High Conflict Parenting Interventions:**

28 hours      2019-2020

Employment History

Institution:                      Morehouse School of Medicine  
Position:                            Assistant Professor, Clinical – Series III  
Dates of Employment:            2013-2014

Position:                            Assistant Professor, Research – Series II  
Master of Public Health Program  
Dates of Employment:            2011-2013

Position:                            Instructor, Research – Series II  
Dates of Employment:            2010- 2011

Position:                            Research Associate  
Dates of Employment:            2008- 2010

Institution:                        Pepperdine University  
Graduate School of Education and Psychology  
Position:                            Assistant Professor of Psychology (Tenure Track)  
Dates of Employment:            2002- 2007

Honors and Awards

2013                                  Morehouse School of Medicine Master of Public Health  
Student-Initiated Teaching Award for Outstanding Service and  
Dedication

2013                                  Morehouse School of Medicine Master of Public Health  
Graduating Class Teaching Award

2013                                  Participant, Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Early  
Career Women Faculty Professional Development Seminar  
(competitive application process)

2012-2014                          Recipient of Loan Repayment Program Grant Award in Health  
Disparities Research, NIH

2012-2013                          Research Mentee, Emory Center for Injury Control Mentoring  
Program.  
Mentor: Debra Houry, MD Emory University

- 2012-2013 Member of Inaugural Class, Georgia Psychological Association Leadership Training Program
- 2012 Morehouse School of Medicine Master of Public Health Student-Initiated Teaching Award for Outstanding Service and Dedication
- 2012 Morehouse School of Medicine Master of Public Health Graduating Class Teaching Award
- 2009-2011 Recipient of Loan Repayment Program Grant Award in Health Disparities Research, NIH
- 2009-2010 Research Mentee, African American Mental Health Research Scientist Consortium Grant Mentoring Program.  
Mentor: Stephanie Jones, Ph.D. Harvard University
- 2009 Research Scholar, NIH Summer Institute on Community-based Participatory Research Targeting the Medically Underserved
- 2008 Research Scholar, NIDA-sponsored Addiction Research Training Institute held at Morehouse School of Medicine
- 2004 Summer Fellow, Visiting Scholars Fellowship Program Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey
- 2000 Student Government Association Research and Travel Funds Grant University of Alabama
- 1996-1998 Fellow, Future Faculty Fellowship University of Alabama
- 1993 Pan Hellenic Council Award  
Grade Point Average and Outstanding Volunteer Work  
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1993 Educational Opportunity Program Award  
Exceptional Academic Achievement  
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1991 Educational Opportunity Program Award  
Exceptional Academic Achievement  
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1991 Dean's List of Scholastic Excellence (Spring)  
University of California, Santa Barbara

- 1991 Dean's List of Scholastic Excellence (Winter)  
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1990 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated  
Scholastic Excellence Scholarship
- 1989 T.M. Durr Memorial Scholarship  
St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, Los Angeles, CA

Professional Societies

Member, American Psychological Association

Member, American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and  
Therapists

Member, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Associate Member, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Family Law Section

Associate Member, California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists

Professional Service

**Extramural**

2006-2011 Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology  
Editorial Board Member

2006-2014 Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology  
Ad Hoc Reviewer

**Morehouse School of Medicine University Service**

2010-2012 Co-Chair, Research Centers In Minority Institutions Translational Research  
Network: Community Engagement Cluster

2011-2014 Member, Research Centers In Minority Institutions Translational  
Research Network: Protocol Review Committee

2012-2013 Member, Committee on Ethics and Professionalism

2013-2015 Member, Internal Review Board (IRB)

**Pepperdine University Graduate School of Education and Psychology**

2002-2003	Member, Psychology Department Internal Review Board
2002-2003	Member, Psychology Department Diversity Committee
2002-2006	Member, University Faculty of Color Council
2002-2006	Member, Psychology Department Colloquium Committee
2003-2004	Member, Psychology Faculty Search Committee
2003-2004	Chair, Psychology Clinic Research Committee
2003-2004	Member, GSEP Rank, Tenure, and Promotion Committee
2003-2005	Member, Psychology Steering Committee
2003-2006	Member, Graduate School of Education and Psychology Diversity Council
2003-2006	Member, Pepperdine University Graduate and Professional Schools IRB
2004-2006	Member, Psychology Clinic Research Committee
2005-2006	Member, Psychology Faculty Search Committee

Community Service Activities

2021 – 2021	Volunteer Dispute Resolution Mediator, Centinela Youth Services Victim Offender Restitution Program
2020 – Present	Practicum Supervisor for Graduate Student in Doctoral Counseling Psychology program (Tennessee State University)
2020 – 2022	Supervisor Certification Committee Member, American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists
2015 – 2018	Practicum Site Supervisor for Graduate Students in Marriage Family Therapy Master’s programs and Psychology Doctoral programs (Mercer School of Medicine, Argosy University, Georgia State University)
2011 – 2015	Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence

- 2013 – 2014 National Board Member, Mental Health in the African American Community, Inc.
- 1992-Present Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated  
(2022 – Present Tau Beta Omega Chapter Standards Committee Chair)

Organizational Boards

- 2013 – 2015 Vice-Chair, Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence Board of Directors
- 2021 – 2021 Member at Large, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Tau Beta Omega Chapter Executive Board
- 2021 – Present Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, California Chapter Board of Directors
- 2022 – Present Chaplain, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Tau Beta Omega Chapter Executive Board

Teaching Activities

- February 2022 Faculty  
Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment (ISEE)  
Course: Child and Adolescent Sexual Development
- March 2022 Faculty  
Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment (ISEE)  
Course: Out of Control Sexual Behavior
- Spring 2019 Adjunct Assistant Professor  
University of Southern California, Master of Family Therapy Program  
Los Angeles, CA  
Course: EDUC 635 Psychotherapy with Children and Adolescents
- Summer 2018 Adjunct Assistant Professor  
University of Southern California, Master of Family Therapy Program  
Los Angeles, CA  
Course: EDUC 644 Practicum in Counseling
- Summer 2016 Adjunct Assistant Professor  
Mercer School of Medicine, Clinical Medical Psychology Program  
Atlanta, GA  
Course: Medical Family Therapy



- 2013-2014                   Assistant Professor  
Co-Instructor  
Morehouse School of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine Program  
Atlanta, GA  
Courses:   MED 1509   Community Health
- 2011-2013                   Assistant Professor  
Course Director & Instructor  
Morehouse School of Medicine, Master of Public Health Program  
Atlanta, GA  
Courses:   MPH504   Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health  
              (Fall Semester 2011 & 2012)  
              MPH506   Research Methods  
              (Spring Semester 2012 & 2013)
- 2002-2007                   Assistant Professor of Psychology (Tenure Track)  
Pepperdine University Graduate School of Education and Psychology  
Los Angeles, CA  
Course Load: 24 units/year  
Courses:   PSY 601   Assessment of Intelligence  
              PSY 641   Clinical and Evaluation Research Methods  
              PSY 658   Individual and Family Development  
              PSY 662   Clinical Practicum  
              PSY 668   Clinical Interventions with Children and  
                          Adolescents  
              PSYD795   Clinical Dissertation Supervision
- 1999-2000                   Instructor  
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
Department of Psychology  
Courses:   Abnormal Psychology (2 sections)
- 1999                         Guest Lecturer: Intellectual and Personality Testing Graduate Course  
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
Department of Psychology  
Topic:     Administering and Scoring the Rorschach Inkblot Test
- 1999                         Guest Speaker, Residents' Conference: Common Problems in Pediatrics  
Capstone Medical Center, Tuscaloosa, AL  
Topic:     Behavior Problems in School-aged Children

- 1998                      Guest Speaker, Residents' Conference: Common Problems in Pediatrics  
Capstone Medical Center, Tuscaloosa, AL  
Topic:      Behavior Problems in School-aged Children
- 1998                      Instructor  
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
Department of Psychology  
Course:      Introduction to Psychology (1 section)
- 1994 -1995                Substitute Teacher (K – 12)  
Lynwood Unified School District, Lynwood, CA
- 1993- 1994                Elementary School Teacher (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)  
Roosevelt Elementary School, Lynwood Unified School District.  
Lynwood, CA

Advising

**Morehouse School of Medicine, Master of Public Health Program**

- 2011-2013                Subject Matter Expert and Thesis Advisor for the Health Education/Health  
Promotion Track
- 2011-2012                Committee Member, Monique Eppinger Thesis – Currently director at a  
Community Based Organization
- 2012-2013                Committee Member, Amanda Catchings Thesis – Currently a Physician’s  
Assistant Student at Emory University
- 2012-2013                Committee Member, Shelton Stribling Thesis – Currently employed at  
CDC
- 2012-2013                Committee Chair, Christina Mason Thesis – Currently employed at Emory  
University

**Pepperdine University Graduate School of Education and Psychology**

- 2004-2005                Committee Chair, Tamar Apelian Dissertation – Psychologist
- 2004-2005                Committee Chair, Monica Mejia Dissertation – Psychologist

Clinical Activities

- 2018-2020                    Mentored Experience in the Conduct of Child Custody Evaluations:  
Mentor – Mary Lund, PhD, Lund & Strachan  
Santa Monica, CA
- 2018- 2020                    Psychologist/Consultant at Shaffer Psychological Institute (Provide  
Law Enforcement Psychological Assessment Services)  
San Pedro, CA
- 2013-2014                    Psychologist at Morehouse Healthcare  
Atlanta, GA
- 2012-2018                    Contract Psychologist for the Federal Aviation Administration (Tier 2  
Psychological Evaluations of Air Traffic Controllers, Pre-Employment  
Psychological Assessment)  
Washington, DC
- 2009-2011                    Psychologist and Clinical Director at Aaron Cohn Regional Juvenile  
Detention Center. Columbus, GA
- 2007-Present                    Clinical and Forensic Evaluation Private Practices (Dr. Ellis performs  
child custody, juvenile forensic, psychoeducational, developmental,  
and employment related evaluations in her evaluation practice. She  
performs psychotherapy and co-parent counseling with children,  
adolescents, adults, couples, and families in her therapy practice)  
Atlanta, GA, Torrance, CA, Las Vegas, NV, and Nashville, TN
- 2005-2006                    Therapy and Clinical Evaluation Private Practice (Dr. Ellis performed  
juvenile forensic, psychoeducational, and developmental evaluations  
in her evaluation practice. She also provided psychotherapy with  
children, adolescents, adults, couples, and families): Long Beach, CA
- 2004-2006                    Volunteer Mental Health Education Provider through the  
California Black Women’s Health Project (A nonprofit organization),  
Los Angeles, CA
- 2001- 2002                    Juvenile Forensic Psychology and Adolescent Inpatient Treatment  
Post-doctoral Fellow  
University of Washington School of Medicine Department of  
Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences/Child Study and Treatment  
Center, Seattle, WA  
**Supervisors:** Ivan Kruh, Ph.D. and Leah Landis, Ph.D.

- 2000-2001  
Psychology Intern  
University of Chicago Hospitals  
Chicago, IL (APA Approved)  
**Pediatric Neuropsychology Service Supervisors:** Carola Fuchs, Ph.D. and Scott Hunter, Ph.D. **Center for Cognitive Therapy Supervisors:** Greg Rogers, Ph.D., Mark Reinecke, Ph.D., and Robin Weill, Ph.D. **Corrections/Forensic Treatment and Research Supervisors:** Cynthia Catari, Psy.D. and James Janik, Psy.D. **ASAP Clinic Supervisors:** Kate Keenan, Ph.D. and Scott Hunter, Ph.D.
- 1999- 2000  
School-Based Outpatient Services Therapist  
University of Alabama Brewer-Porch Children's Center  
Tuscaloosa, AL **Supervisor:** James Collier, Ph.D.
- 1998-1999  
Psychology Clinic Evaluator and Teaching Assistant  
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisors:** Jean Spruill, Ph.D. and Paul Frick, Ph.D.
- 1998- 1999  
Advanced Family Therapy Practicum  
Capstone Medical Center, Psychiatry Suite  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Nancy Ruben, Psy.D.
- 1998- 1999  
Psychology Consultant-High Risk Clinic  
Capstone Medical Center  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Laura Klinger, Ph.D.
- 1998-1999  
Case Coordinator, Psychotherapist, and Social Skills Group Leader  
Specialized Psychotherapy and Assessment Practicum, Pervasive Developmental Disorders Clinic  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Laura Klinger, Ph.D.
- 1998-1999  
Advanced Therapy Practicum  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Laura Klinger, Ph.D.
- 1998-1998  
Pediatric Consultant  
Capstone Medical Center  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Paul Frick, Ph.D.

- 1997-1999 Case Coordinator and Psychometrician Alabama School-aged Assessment Service  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Paul J. Frick, Ph.D.
- 1997-1998 Basic Therapy Practicum  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisors:** Vonceil Smith, Ph.D., Stan Brodsky, Ph.D., and James Calvert, Ph.D.
- 1997 Classroom Evaluator  
Pickens County Head Start Program, AL  
**Supervisor:** James Calvert, Ph.D.
- 1995-1996 MFCC Trainee Internship  
Dupree Counseling Services  
Los Angeles, CA  
**Supervisor:** L. Gorman Walker, Ph.D.
- 1994- 1995 Volunteer Counselor  
Bryson Avenue Elementary School  
South Gate, CA  
Bryson Avenue Elementary School, South Gate, CA  
**Supervisor:** Gloria Steiner, M.F.C.C.

Journal Articles

- Lindsey, M.A., Romanelli, M., **Ellis, M.L.**, Barker, E.D., Boxmeyer, C.L., & Lochman, J.E. (2019). The Influence of Treatment Engagement on Positive Outcomes in the Context of a School-Based Intervention for Students with Externalizing Behavior Problems. *Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology*, 47, 1437-1454.
- Ellis, M.L.**, Lindsey, M., Baker, T., Lochman, J.E., & Boxmeyer, C. (2013). Predictors of Engagement in a School-Based Family Preventive Intervention for Youth Experiencing Behavioral Difficulties. *Prevention Science*.14, 457-467.
- Ellis, M.L.**, Weiss, B., Han, S., & Gallop, R. (2010). The Influence of Parental Factors on Therapist Adherence in MST Therapy. *Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology*, 38, 857-868.
- Ellis, M.L.**, Weiss, B., & Lochman, J.E. (2009). Executive functions in children: Associations with aggressive behavior and appraisal processing. *Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology*, 37, 945-956.

- Kruh, I.P., Sullivan, L., **Ellis, M.**, Lexcen, F., & McClellan, J. (2006). Juvenile Competence to Stand Trial: A Historical and Empirical Analysis of a Juvenile Forensic Evaluation Service. *International Journal of Forensic Mental Health*, 5, 109-123.
- Harding, N., **Ellis, M.**, Eldridge, K., Sanchez, M., & Rowe, D. (2005). A Christian School with a Commitment to Diversity: Oxymoron or What You Would Expect? *International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations*, 4.
- Loney, B.R., Frick, P.J, Clements, C., **Ellis, M.L.**, & Kerlin, K. (2003). Callous-unemotional traits, impulsivity, and emotional processing in adolescents with antisocial behavior problems. *Journal of Clinical Child & Adolescent Psychology*, 32, 66-80.
- Lochman, J.E., Curry, J.F., Dane, H., & **Ellis, M.** (2001). The anger coping program: An empirically-supported treatment for aggressive children. *Residential Treatment for Children and Youth*, 18 (3), 63-73. This article was reprinted in S. I. Pfeiffer & L.A. Reddy (Eds.), (2001) *Innovative Mental Health Interventions for Children: Programs That Work* (pp.63-73). New York: Haworth Press.
- Barry, C. T., Frick, P. J., DeShazo, T. M., McCoy, M., **Ellis, M.**, & Loney, B. R. (2000) The importance of callous-unemotional traits for extending the concept of psychopathy to children. *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*. 109, 335-340.
- Frick, P. J. & Ellis, **M. L.** (1999). Callous-unemotional traits and subtypes of conduct disorder. *Clinical Child and Family Psychology Review*, 2, 149-168.
- Frick, P.J., Lilienfeld, S.O., **Ellis, M.**, Loney, B., & Silverthorn, P. (1999). The association between anxiety and psychopathy dimensions in children. *Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology*. 27, 383-392.
- McCoy, M.G., Frick, P.J., Loney, B.R., & **Ellis, M.L.** (1999). The potential mediating role of parenting practices in the development of conduct problems in a clinic-referred sample. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 8, 477-494.
- Loney, B.R., Frick, P.J., & **Ellis, M.L.** (1998). Intelligence, callous-unemotional traits, and antisocial behavior. *Journal of Psychopathology and Behavioral Assessment*, 20, 231 - 247.

Edited Volumes and Book Chapters

- Ellis, M.L.** & Braithwaite, R.L. (2011). Using supplementary education to address health disparities. In H. Varenne, E. W. Gordon, & L. Lin (Eds.) *Educating Comprehensively: Varieties of Educational Experiences*. Volume Three of the Perspectives on Comprehensive Education Series. Lewiston, NY: The Edwin Mellen Press.

**Ellis, M.L.**, Griffin, J. & Resnicow, K. (2009). Social Marketing, Media & Health. In R. L. Braithwaite, S. E. Taylor, & H.M. Treadwell (Eds.) *Health Issues in the Black Community 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. San Francisco, CA: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Asamen, J.K., **Ellis, M.L.**, Berry, & G.L. (Eds.) (2008). *Handbook of Child Development, Multiculturalism, and Media*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

**Ellis, M.L.** (2008). Children and the principles of learning: Implications for multicultural development. In J.K. Asamen, M.L. Ellis, & G.L. Berry (Eds.) *Handbook of Child Development, Multiculturalism, and Media*, (pp. 17-32). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Lochman, J.E., Dane, H.E., Magee, T.N., **Ellis, M.**, Pardini, D.A., & Clanton, N.R. (2001). Disruptive Behavior Disorders: Assessment and Intervention. H. B. Vance & A. Pumariega (Eds) *Clinical assessment of child and adolescent behavior*. (pp. 231-262). New York, NY, US: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

### Presentations

Bloom, D.A., Boring, C.P., & **Ellis, M.L.** (2017, October). *What Are "Best Practices" To Use When A Concern of Child Sexual Abuse Appears In A Child Custody Case?* Panel presented at the Dekalb Bar Association, Family Law Section Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Eldridge, K., **Ellis, M.**, & Hall, S. (2005, October). *Bringing Research into MFT Practice*. Colloquium presented at the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference, Kansas City, Missouri.

**Ellis, M.** (2004, July). A Christian School with a Commitment to Diversity: Oxymoron or What You Would Expect? In *From Values to Action: Raising Faculty Consciousness of Diversity Issues at a Christian University*. Colloquium presented at The Fourth International Conference on Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations, Los Angeles, CA.

**Ellis, M.L.**, & Lochman, J.E. (2003, June). *Risk and Protective Factors Associated with Antisocial Behavior in Children*. Paper presented at the 9th Biennial Conference on Community Research and Action, Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Sullivan Saari, L., **Ellis, M.L.**, & Kruh, I. (2002, March). *Juvenile Forensic Evaluations of Competency to Stand Trial: Factors Associated with Forensic Examiners' Opinions*. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Austin, Texas.

Frick, P.J., Loney, B.R., **Ellis, M.**, & Wilson, D.L. (1999, November). *Anxiety, fearfulness, and antisocial behavior*. Paper presented as part of a symposium for the meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Toronto, Canada.

- Ellis, M.L.**, Wilson, D.L., & Frick, P.J. (1999, August). *Evaluating the Sensation Seeking Scale for Children; Ethnic differences*. Poster accepted for the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, M.A.
- Lochman, J.E., Dane, H., **Ellis, M.**, Magee, T., & Pardini, D. (1999, July). *Evidence-based treatments for conduct disorders*. Address to The Niagara Conference on Evidence-based Treatments for Childhood Mental Health Problems, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada.
- Lochman, J.E., Dane, H., **Ellis, M.**, Magee, T., & Pardini, T. (July, 1999). *Problem-solving treatments for externalizing disorders*. Workshop presented at The Niagara Conference on Evidence-Based Treatments for Childhood Mental Health Problems, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada.
- Lochman, J.E., Pardini, D.A., Magee, T.N., **Ellis, M.**, & Dane, H. (1999, August). Aggressive and conduct disorders. In C. Lonigan (Chair), *Evidence-Based Treatments for Childhood Mental Health Problems: Update and Extension of the Section 1 Clinical Child Task Force*, Symposium presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Grooms, T.D., McCoy, M.G., Loney, B.R., Frick, P.J., & **Ellis, M.L.** (1998, August). *Psychopathic traits and inflated perceptions of social status in children*. Poster presentation at the 1998 APA conference in San Francisco, California.
- Loney, B.R., & Frick, P.J., **Ellis, M.L.**, & McCoy, M.G. (1998, March). *Intelligence, psychopathy, and antisocial behavior*. Paper presentation at the Southeastern Psychological Association Conference, Mobile, Alabama.
- Caputo, A.A., **Ellis, M.L.**, & Frick, P.J. (1998, March). *Psychopathy and peer delinquency*. Poster presentation at the Southeastern Psychological Association Conference, Mobile, Alabama.
- Ellis, M.L.**, Loney, B.R., & Frick, P.J. (1998, March). *Psychopathy and aggression: An exploration of differences in aggressive behavior in clinic-referred children with conduct problems*. Poster presentation at the Graduate Research Exposition, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

*Invited Presentations*

- Ball, A.F., **Ellis, M.L.**, Ball, A. S. (2008, September) Invited Guest Speaker: Stellenbosch University, Stellenbosch, South Africa.



Scholarship and Research

**Funded Competitive Research Grants**

Granting Agency: National Institutes on Drug Abuse (NIDA)  
 Title of Grant: Morehouse School of Medicine Diversity Promoting Institutions' Drug Abuse Research Development Program Investigator Level Diversity Supplement  
 PI to M-MIDARP: Ronald Braithwaite, Ph.D.  
 Identifying Number: 1 R24 DA 021527 - 01 A2  
 Dates of Award: 2009-2011  
 Amount of Award: \$124,098 across two years  
 Role: Principal Investigator of Diversity Supplement

Granting Agency: National Institutes on Mental Health  
 Title of Grant: Family Contexts and Interventions Program- T32  
 PI: Bahr Weiss, Ph.D.  
 Identifying Number: T32-MH070329  
 Dates of Award: 2006-2008  
 Role: Research Fellow

Granting Agency: Pepperdine University GSEP Faculty Scholarship Award Program.  
 Title of Grant: Pepperdine Applied Research Center  
 PIs: Kathleen Eldridge, Mesha Ellis, & Susan Hall  
 Dates of Award: 2003-2006  
 Amount of Award: \$89,415.00 across three years  
 Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Additional Research Experience

1998 – 1999 Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Andrew Reaves, Ph.D.

1996 - 1998 Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Supervisor:** Paul J. Frick, Ph.D.

1995 - 1996 Senior Research Associate, Biobehavioral Research Center, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, Los Angeles, CA  
**Supervisors:** Hector Meyers, Ph.D. and Chinelo Haney

1994- 1996 Research Assistant, Graduate School of Education and Psychology, Pepperdine University, Culver City, CA  
**Supervisor:** Joy Asamen, Ph.D.

- 1995                      Research Associate, Biobehavioral Research Center, Charles R. Drew  
University of Medicine and Science, Los Angeles, CA  
**Supervisors:** Hector Meyers, Ph.D. and Sylvia Williams, P.A.
- 1992 - 1993              Research Assistant, Department of Education, University of California,  
Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA  
**Supervisor:** Michelle Wood