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## EDUCATION

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**MS in Information Systems**, Information Assurance and Security concentration | anticipated May 2027

**BA in Cybersecurity** | anticipated May 2027

**BA in French**, Translation concentration | anticipated May 2027

Harding University, Searcy AR

GPA: 4.0

*On track to graduate with distinction from the Honors College*

### Relevant Coursework:

- *Criminology & Policy*: Terrorism, Crime & Deviant Behavior, Info Security Policy
- *Technical Forensics*: Computer Forensics, Cyber Investigations, Database Management Systems
- *Theory*: Theory & Culture (Critical Theory), Russian Literature, Francophone Literature

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Rural Criminology, Digital Forensics, Fourth Amendment Jurisprudence, Police Technology Adoption, Cyber-Social Systems

## WORKING PAPERS

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**Haustein, C.** "The Rolling Bailment: *Carpenter v. U.S.* and the Future of Vehicle Privacy." (Manuscript in preparation).

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**Haustein, C.** "Digital Evidence in Rural Policing." Anticipated presentation at the *Arkansas Association of Chiefs of Police (AACP) Convention*, Hot Springs, AR, Sep 2026.

**Haustein, C.** "Vehicle Forensics for Sheriff's Departments." Anticipated presentation at the *Arkansas Sheriffs Association (ASA) Convention*, Fort Smith, AR, May 2026.

**Haustein, C.** "Stalled at the County Line." Anticipated paper presentation at the *Harding Undergraduate Research Conference (HURC)*, Searcy, AR, Apr 2026.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE) Student Undergraduate Research Fellow (SURF)** | Searcy, AR | *Principal Investigator* (Awarded Dec 2025; Project Term: Jan 2026 – Present)

- Awarded \$4,000 state grant to investigate organizational barriers to digital forensics in rural Arkansas law enforcement
- Designed an explanatory sequential mixed-methods study utilizing a survey of 75+ law enforcement agencies and semi-structured interviews with chiefs and sheriffs
- Conducted quantitative analysis using R to measure resource constraints and technology adoption rates
- **Advisor**: Dr. John Stone

## EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

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**Ex Sapientia Loqui** – *Managing Editor* | Searcy, AR | Aug 2025 – Present

## EMPLOYMENT

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**Harding University Digital Forensics Lab** – *Research Fellow* | Searcy, AR | May 2025 – Present

- Analyzed mobile phone extractions using Cellebrite in digital forensic investigations
- Designed a chain-of-custody database system to ensure legal admissibility of digital evidence for local law enforcement agencies

**Harding University DormNet** – *Senior IT Support Assistant* | Searcy, AR | Aug 2024 – Present

- Utilized effective communication orally and in writing within a customer service context
- Developed diagnostic and troubleshooting skills applicable across platforms and technologies

## LANGUAGES

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Advanced oral and written use of French

## CERTIFICATIONS

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**Cellebrite Certified Physical Analyzer (CCPA)** | Sep 2025

**Cellebrite Certified Operator (CCO) Inseyets** | Sep 2025

**CompTIA Security+** | May 2025

**CompTIA Network+** | December 2024

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES

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**Alpha Chi** – *President of Arkansas Eta Chapter* | Aug 2025 – Present

**Phi Sigma Iota** – *Vice President of Harding Chapter* | Aug 2025 – Present

**Harding Honors College Student Government** – *Vice President* | May 2025 – Present

**Harding Honors College Student Government** – *Service Director* | May 2024 – May 2025

**Harding Undergraduate Research Conference (HURC) Committee** – *Member* | Jan 2025 – Present

**American Studies Institute** – *Student Officer* | May 2025 – Present

**Harding Quiz Bowl Team** – *President, Captain* | August 2024 – Present

**Harding Students for Life** – *Vice President* | April 2024 – May 2025

## HONORS

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**Alpha Chi** | Oct 2024 – Present

- National academic honors society which honors the top 10% of upper-level students

**Phi Sigma Iota** | Sep 2024 – Present

- National honors society for foreign language students

**Delta Mu Delta** | Aug 2024 – Present

- National honors society for business students

**Harding University Honors Scholar** | Aug 2023 – Present

- Select group of 40 students who make up the Honors College's incoming freshman class

**College-Sponsored National Merit Scholar** | Jul 2023 – Present

- Students awarded scholarships by colleges from among the National Merit Finalists, those 16,000 with the top PSAT scores