## Maurice St Matthews

Case Manager & Research Assistant

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#### PROFILE

An accomplished MSc Criminology & Criminal Justice graduate from Northeastern University possessing strong academic excellence and extensive case management experience. Possesses strong interpersonal communication and problemsolving skills to work with individuals with diverse backgrounds. Eager to pursue a career in academia with a research focus on challenges ex-offenders encounter as they navigate potential obstacles with employers and authorities within the criminal justice system post-incarceration, how individuals perceive racism within law enforcement, and the way racism and inequality are discussed or the language used by actors in the criminal justice system, specifically focusing on the police, and the intersection of apocalyptic and eschatological literature with criminal justice, and much more.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# CASE MANAGER COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS INC| Bloomfield, Connecticut| Present

Help current federal offenders & ex-offenders serve their sentence in non-Bureau of Prisons (BOP) residential reentry center and aid in their entering or transitioning from BOP facilities to the community.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Client Assessment. Administer health and risk assessments (LSI-R, ASUS-R, PREA) to identify and target client's criminogenic and health needs through individualized case plans.
- Client Support. Conduct weekly case management sessions with BOP and probation clients to review their progress within the reentry center and outside in the community.
- Advanced use of U.S. Government Information Systems to successfully manage caseload and correspond with federal agents.

# RESEARCH ASSISTANT Northeastern University | Boston, Massachusetts | Present

As a dedicated Research Assistant for "The Turning Points study," we contribute to the longitudinal research into occupational stress, violence exposure, psychological distress, trauma, and suicide risk among newly hired correction officers. This research aims to unravel the complex relationships between operational and organizational stressors, and their impacts on the health and condition of correction officers throughout their careers.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Interviews. Conduct interviews with correctional officers to collect personal accounts of their unique experiences, identify stressors, and determine relative well-being during their careers.
- Data collection. Use statistical software to draw insights from systematically collected and recoded data, contributing to the study's findings and conclusions.
- Collaboration with research team. Weekly meetings with research team to coordinate and discuss interviewing progress, concerns, and scheduling to complete data work.

#### CASE MANAGER

## CT Renaissance | Waterbury, Connecticut | 6/2023 - 9/2023

Engage with clients residing in Department of Corrections (DOC) funded housing to facilitate their desistence of crime and rehabilitation from substance abuse ensuring successful reintegration into the community.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Client Support. Successfully created and managed personalized treatment plans in the CareLogic Enterprise system for clients, helping their community re-entry process by developing strategies for reducing drug abuse, preventing recidivism, and securing a data-driven approach to rehabilitation.
- Administrative and reporting. Utilized the Connecticut
  Department of Correction Prison Data Management
  System (PDMS) to collect and write detailed monthly
  reports on clients' progress, including urine analysis and
  other drug testing measures.
- Communication and collaboration. Effectively communicated with parole officers and state police to coordinate client oversight and responses in case of client escapes, per parole directives.
- Case Management and advocacy. Served as a supporter of clients' needs, ensuring they obtained the proper resources and support to resolve any obstacles.

### **EDUCATION**

# Northeastern University / Boston, Massachusetts (September 2022 – December 2023)

MSc Criminology & Criminal Justice

Key Courses: Research Methods in Soc Sci, Statistical Analysis, Urban Theory & Science, The Criminal Justice Process, Criminology,

Southern Connecticut State University / New Haven, CT (Aug 2018 – May 2022)

BSc Sociology (Criminology)

Key Courses: Social Statistics, Applied Social Theory, Sociology Children and Childhood, Penology, Seminar in Sociology, Crim Justice & Soc Inequality, Neighborhoods & Crime

Award: Dean's List during the 2019-2020 academic year

### SKILLS

Interpersonal Interviewing and Communication // Analytical and Critical Thinking // Teamwork and Collaboration // Research Methods // Independent Research // Critical Analysis // Case Management // Computer Programming

INTERESTS

Corrections & Reentry Barriers // Urban Sociology // Race & Justice // Neighborhoods and Crime // Violence & Justice // Sociology of Religion // Social Deviance // Database Building // Poetry (reading and writing) // Apocalypse in English Literature // History of the English Language // Existential Philosophy // Krav Maga

## CERTFICATIONS

- CITI Program: Social & Behavioral Research (Sep 2023 Sep 2026)
- First Aid CPR AED American Heart Association (Aug 2023 Aug 2025)