

## Session 4

Title: Gambling Prevalence, Behavior, and Risk among Diverse Populations

Date: 11/19/2024

9 am-12 pm

Presenter: Dr. Michelle Malkin

Description: Special considerations need to be examined as to the gambling behavior and risk associated with diverse populations. This presentation considers several factors including gambling availability, legality, and type, as well as demographics and intersectionality, to better understand how women, emerging adults/college students, LGBTQ+, and other populations are engaging with gambling. Implications for outreach, policy, and resources are considered.

### Learning Objectives:

1. Describe reasons why some populations may engage in gambling behavior at different rates than the general population, with a focus on emerging adults/college students, women, LGBTQ+, and intersectionality
2. Discuss up-to-date research on gambling and risk for gambling disorder among diverse populations
3. Identify ways to reach diverse populations in outreach, education, and treatment

### Presenter Bio:

Michelle L. Malkin, JD, PhD, is an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Criminology and the Director of the Gambling Research and Policy Initiative (GRPI) at East Carolina University. Dr. Malkin's research interests include a focus on gambling-related harms, gambling-motivated crime, and the gambling prevalence, behavior, and risk of historically oppressed, marginalized, and under-researched populations. Her research has been recently published in the Journal of Gambling Studies and the Journal of Gambling Issues. She was awarded the 2022 Dr. Durand Jacobs Dissertation Award and the 2024 Denise Phillips Community Outreach and Multicultural Wellness Award from the National Council on Problem Gambling. She also was awarded the 2024 ECU Early Trendsetter Award for her research on gambling-related issues and ECU's Innovator of the Month Award for her creation and copyright of the Gambling-Motivated Crime Diversion Checklist.