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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

English Teacher Assistant in the NALCAP program, Spain	2025-present
Visiting Assistant Professor of Instruction in the Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	2021-2022
Postdoctoral Scholar in the Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	2018-2021
Assistant Professor in the Interdisciplinary Core Curriculum Department, Lynn University, Boca Raton, FL	2016-2018
Visiting Instructor in the Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL	2016
Research Analyst for <i>TRANSforma</i> project in Puerto Rico under the supervision of Dr. Mark Padilla	2015
Adjunct Professor of Anthropology and Sociology. Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL	2014-2015

ACADEMIC COACH & EDITING

Bow & Arrow Editing	2026
Regueira Consulting, LLC Consulting editor	2017- present
Academic coach & editor	2002-present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociocultural Anthropology, Florida International University, Miami, FL	2015
Graduate Certificate in Latin America and Caribbean Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL	2011
M.A. in Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL	2011
M.S. in Mass Communications (Integrated Communications Advertising and Public Relations), Florida International University, Miami, FL	2007
M.Sc. in Economy and Marketing, Universidad de Valladolid, Spain	2005
B.A. in Communications with minors in Psychology and Spanish Literature, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA	2004
	2003

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Study Abroad: Universitas Castellae at Valladolid, Spain

Colegio Hispano-Continental at
Salamanca, Spain

2002

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Social movements; digital activism; resistance and resiliency; education, Latin America & Caribbean studies; Puerto Rican studies; media discourse; women & gender studies; post-disaster migrations studies; emotional well-being; intersection between ethnography and Latino/a/x health issues

PUBLICATIONS

Book Manuscript:

Spatializing Protest: An analysis of the (re)construction of spaces of resistance and contention during the 2010-11 University of Puerto Rico student movement (Under contract with University of Nebraska Press).

Peer-Reviewed Academic Journal Articles:

Escue, Melanie, Elizabeth Aranda, and Alessandra Rosa (2023). "Subjective Well-Being and Mental Health of Puerto Rican Post-Disaster Migrants." *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/07399863231205337> .

Blackwell, Rebecca, Elizabeth Aranda, and Alessandra Rosa. (2023). "We always remember the Island": Puerto Rican climate migrants' emotional meanings of home. *Emotion, Space, and Society* 49 (August 25), 1-7. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.emospa.2023.100974>

Aranda, Elizabeth, Rebecca Blackwell, Melanie Escue, and Alessandra Rosa. (2023). "Cascading Disasters: The Impact of Hurricane Maria and Covid-19 on Post-Disaster Puerto Rican Migrants' Adaptation and Integration in Florida. *Latino Studies*, 21: 138-161 <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41276-022-00390-3>

Blackwell, Rebecca, Alessandra Rosa and Elizabeth Aranda. (2021) "¿Nuestro nuevo hogar? [Our new home?]: Examining Puerto Rican migration and their conceptions of home, placemaking, and belonging." *Women, Gender, and Families of Color*, 9 (2): 208-229.

Aranda, Elizabeth, Rebecca Blackwell and Alessandra Rosa. (2021). "Even if they promise, you know it won't happen": Ontological Insecurity from Overlapping Collective and Cultural Trauma. *CENTRO Journal*, 33(1): 89-111.

Rosa, Alessandra (2016). Student Activists' Affective Strategies during the 2010-2011 Siege of the University of Puerto Rico. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*, 36(11/12), 824-842. doi: 10.1108/IJSSP-12-2015-0149

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). *Cantos y Consignas*: (Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance. Essay Dialogues in *Mobilizing Ideas*. <<https://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2013/06/03/cantos-y-consignas-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). Art: (Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance. Daily Disruption in *Mobilizing Ideas*. <<http://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2013/04/24/art-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/#more-5012>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). Student Activism: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance. Public Education: Crisis and Dialogue at the University of Puerto Rico in *Sargasso 2011-2012*, 1, 73-76.

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). Chronology of the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike. Public Education: Crisis and Dialogue at the University of Puerto Rico in *Sargasso 2011-2012*, 1, xxxiii-xlii.

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Rosa, Alessandra (2009). *Aprendiendo a Desaprender: una Reforma para el Sistema de Educacion Publica en Puerto Rico. Teoria y Praxis Investigativa* 4(1), 47-54.

Book Chapters:

Rosa, Alessandra, Elizabeth Aranda and Hilary Dotson. (2021). "You are not allowed to speak Spanish! This is an American hospital!": Puerto Ricans' Experiences with Linguistic Discrimination and Otherness in Central Florida. In José A. Cobas (ed.), *The Spanish Language in the United States: Rootedness, Racialization, and Resistance*. New York: Routledge.

Rosa, Alessandra (2018). Una Universidad Tomada: Resistance Performances during the first wave of the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement. In Wiebke Beushausen, Miriam Brandel, Joseph T. Farquharson, Marius Littschwager, Annika McPherson, & Julia Roth (Eds.), *Practices of Resistance in the Caribbean: Narratives, Aesthetics, and Politics* (pp. 169-193). New York: Routledge.

Book Reviews:

Rosa, Alessandra (2023) Book review of Against Muerto Rico: Lessons from the Verano Boricua by Marisol Lebrón. *New West Indian Guide (NWIG)* Journal 97(1-2) 182-83.

Rosa, Alessandra (2022) Book review of Latino Orlando: Suburban Transformation and Racial Conflict, by Simone Delerme. CENTRO Journal 34(1) 2-5.

Non-peer Review Articles & Reports:

*Aranda, Elizabeth, Rebecca Blackwell, Melanie Escue, Maritza Novoa-Hadley, and Alessandra Rosa. (2020). Report on Puerto-Rican Post-Disaster Migration Survey. Technical report prepared for Mujeres Restauradas Por Dios. <<https://www.puertoricanmigration.com/>> [*authors are in alphabetical order]

Aranda, Elizabeth and Alessandra Rosa. (2019). "Puerto Ricans Unite Against Roselló – and more than a Decade of Cultural Trauma." *The Conversation* August 2, 2019. <https://theconversation.com/puerto-ricans-unite-against-rossello-and-more-than-a-decade-of-cultural-trauma-121085>. [This article was reprinted in various outlets including San Francisco Chronicle/SFGate, Newsify, Latino Rebels, Truthout and International Policy Digest.]

Arroyo-Flores, Juan, Alessandra Rosa and Elizabeth Aranda. (2019). Understanding Puerto Rican voting in the United States. <<https://scholars.org/contribution/understanding-puerto-rican-voting-united>>

Aranda, Elizabeth, Juan Arroyo-Flores and Alessandra Rosa. (2019). Report: The Puerto Rican vote nationwide and in Florida. <<http://cas.usf.edu/news/puerto-rican-vote-report.pdf>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2014). "Nunca olvidar": A Brief History of the University of Puerto Rico Student Movement. Chapter 14: Paro/Huelga in Esta Vida Boricua <<http://estavidaboricua.com/ellesandro-rosa-bio/>>

Rosa, Alessandra, Tina Orlandini & Stephan Andreas. (2013). smArt Action: ¡a Estudiar y a Luchar!. *ARC Magazine*. Issue 7, 112-117.

Rosa, Alessandra & Carlos Hernandez. (2010). Pobreza, Desigualdad y Apoderamiento Comunitario: Bienvenidos a la Comunidad de Juan Domingo en Guaynabo. *Revista de Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción*. Verano 2010, 15-16.

Works in Progress:

Rosa, Alessandra (In progress). Performing Motherhood: Conscious Parenting as a Latina Mother in the Diaspora

Rosa, Alessandra (In progress). *Notes on Doing Empathic Ethnography* during a Global Pandemic

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Rosa, Alessandra (In progress). *De Aliada a Compa* [From ally to comrade]: Analyzing my positionalities during my activist research of the 2010-11 University of Puerto Rico student movement

Rosa, Alessandra (In progress). Protest(arte): Reimagining and Redefining Puerto Ricanness in the 21st century

AWARDS AND HONORS

Emerging Scholars of Color, University of Houston-Downtown	2020-2021
“Virginia Sanchez Korrol” Dissertation Award for most notable dissertation produced, Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA)	2016
“Alex Stepick” Award for Best Dissertation of the Year at Florida International University	2015
Nominated by dissertation committee for the “Worlds Ahead Graduate” at Florida International University	2015
“Women Who Lead Ambassador” from Florida International University	2015
Featured as Distinguished Alumni in “ <i>El Bisonte</i> ” newspaper, Guaynabo, PR	2007
Graduated with University Honors	2004
Honor Roll from the Athletic Council, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA	2002
Alumni Association “Leaders in the Making” Scholarship, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA	2002

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External Grants:

National Science Foundation (NSF) – (SBE) PD 98-1331
Emotional Adaptation and Incorporation of Post-Disaster Migrants PI:
Elizabeth Aranda
Postdoc: Alessandra Rosa (Co-Pi)
Funded: \$401,500 Total Direct and Indirect Costs

Florida International University (FIU) Internal Grants:

Morris and Anita Broad Research Fellowship Award 2014-2015
School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA)
Funded: \$750
Dissertation Year Fellowship (DYF) Funded: \$16,600 2014

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lectures and Colloquia:

Invited Panelist to “Conversatorio de Foreign in a Domestic Sense” Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Puerto Rico (MAC), (via Zoom) 2023

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Keynote Speaker at “Celebrating Women who tell Our Stories”, ZHN Commemorates Women’s History Month 2023, (via Teams)	
Guest Speaker in the class Puerto Rican Culture and History at Illinois College, (via Zoom)	2022
Guest Speaker in the class Advanced Topics in International Development: Social Movements, Equity, and Human Rights at McGill University, (via Zoom)	
Panelist at the Center for Puerto Rican Studies, CUNY: “New Directions in Puerto Rican Studies: A One Day Symposium”, (online)	2021
Invited speaker with Dr. Elizabeth Aranda in the meeting of Latino Coalition of Tampa Bay, (via Zoom)	
Guest Speaker in the class Advanced Topics in International Development: Social Movements, Equity, and Human Rights at McGill University, (via Zoom)	
Guest Speaker in the class Care of Adult and Elderly I at Universidad de Puerto Rico-Centro Medico (RCM), (via Zoom)	2020
Guest Speaker in the class Legal Aspects of Nursing at Universidad de Puerto Rico-Centro Medico (RCM), (via Zoom)	
Lecture about post-disaster migration given in the class Migration and Human Trafficking at University of South Florida (USF), FL	2019
Guest Speaker in the class Puerto Rican Culture & History: Before and After Hurricane Maria at Illinois College, Chicago, (via Zoom)	
Lecture given in two sections of the class Introduction to Health Disparities and the Social Determinants of Disease at University of South Florida (USF), FL	
Guest Speaker in the CSI and Lynn Library panel “ <i>Huracán María: a year later</i> ” in Boca Raton, FL	2018
Lecture given at the University of Puerto Rico Medical Campus (RCM), “ <i>Santa María: Navigating emotional and vicarious trauma after a ‘natural’ disaster</i> ”	
Invited Panelist in Puerto Rico, Puerto Ricans Diaspora Summit II at the Center for Puerto Rican Studies, CUNY: “Puerto Rican Academics”	2017
Guest Speaker in the series “Art History Lectures for Educators and the Public: Issues in Modern and Contemporary Art and World Culture” at Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA). (https://mocanomi.org/2016/01/protest-art-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/)	2016
Invited Panelist in “Voices of Muslim Women from the US South”, film screening sponsored by Counseling and Psychological Services at FIU	
Invited Panelist in “Celebrating, Embracing, and Empowering Girls and Women of Color Series” broadcasted by Complexity Talk Radio	2015
Guest Speaker in the class Introduction to Regional Geography at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), Murfreesboro, TN	

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Guest Speaker on qualitative methods for Nursing 8005 2014

(Philosophy of Nursing Science) at University of Puerto Rico, Medical Campus

Lecture given in the class Population and Geography of Latin America at Florida International University, Miami, FL

Keynote Speaker at the Commonwealth College Celebration of Excellence, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA 2004

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations:

National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) at San Juan, Puerto Rico 2025

"Performing Motherhood: Conscious Parenting as a Latina mother in Florida" (Could not present via Zoom)

"Corazón que se Queda: Puerto Rico Diasporic Affect, Identity, and Memory Keeping" [Roundtable with Jeiselynn N. Rios Rivera, Rosa Alicia Clemente, and Victor Reyes Asili] (Could not present via Zoom)

American Anthropological Association (AAA) at Tampa, FL 2024

"Performing Motherhood: Conscious Parenting as a Latina mother in Florida"

National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) at Minneapolis, MN 2022

"*De aliada a Compa* [From ally to comrade]: Analyzing my positionalities during my activist research of the 2010-11 University of Puerto Rico student movement" (Via Zoom)

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Holyoke, MA

"The Return Migration of Puerto Rican Climate Refugees:

The Role of Homing and Place-Making in the US"

[with Elizabeth Aranda and Rebecca Blackwell]

American Anthropological Association (AAA) at (hybrid) 2021

"Doing empathic ethnography during a global pandemic"

[with Melanie Escue, Rebecca Blackwell, and Elizabeth Aranda]

Mid-South Sociological Association (MSSA) at (hybrid).

"The Emotional Well-Being of Puerto Rican Post-Disaster Migrants"

[with Melanie Escue, Rebecca Blackwell, and Elizabeth Aranda]

American Sociological Association (ASA) at Virtual Annual Meeting (VAM). "Cascading disasters: Hurricane Maria, post-disaster migration, and Covid-19 impacts on Puerto Rican adaptation and integration"

[with Rebecca Blackwell, Elizabeth Aranda, and Melanie Escue]

Making Home, Doing Belonging: Mobilities and Immobilities in Experience, Theory and Policy Symposium (virtual). "Narratives of Post-Disaster Migrants: Notions of Home and Emotional Embeddedness of Puerto Ricans in Florida"

[with Rebecca Blackwell, Elizabeth Aranda, and Melanie Escue]

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Latina American Studies Association (LASA) at Vancouver, Canada (online). "Uncertain movement: Examining Post-disaster Puerto Rican Out and Return Migration"
[with Rebecca Blackwell, Elizabeth Aranda, and Melanie Escue]

The Eugene V. Debs Foundation, at Indiana State University (online).
"Protest(arte): Reimagining and redefining Puerto Ricanness in the 21st century"

American Anthropological Association (AAA) event *Raising Our Voices* (online). "Positive Anthropology" 2020

American Sociological Association (ASA) at San Francisco (online).
"¿Nuestro nuevo hogar? [Our new home?]: Examining Puerto Rican migration and their conceptions of home, placemaking, and belonging"
[with Rebecca Blackwell and Elizabeth Aranda]

Panel chair and presenter at Society for the Anthropology of North America & Society for Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology (SANA/SUNTA) at San Juan, PR. "Protest(arte): reimagining and redefining Puerto Ricanness during financial crisis and 'natural' disasters" 2019

Invited Panelist in Puerto Rico, Puerto Ricans: In Pursuit of Puerto Rican Studies Research Summit. "Migration to Central Florida" at University of Central Florida (UCF)

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Rutgers University. 2018
"Ave María: navigating emotional and vicarious trauma after a 'natural' disaster"

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at Barcelona, Spain.
"The Battle for Public Opinion: Analyzing Internet Activism during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement"

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at the University of Maryland, 2016
"De Aliada a Compa: Analyzing my Positionalities during my Activist Research" (via Skype)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at San Juan, PR. 2015
"Resistance Performances: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement"

9no Festival Antonia 2015: En Conmemoración de la Vida de la Estudiante Antonia Martínez Lagares (1949-1970) y el Quinto Aniversario de la Huelga UPR 2010 at Rio Piedras, PR.
"Un análisis de los "resistance performances" utilizados en la (re)construcción de espacios de resistencia durante la huelga estudiantil de la UPR 2010-2011"

Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies (LLILAS) Conference at University of Texas-Austin. "Resistance Performances: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance and Contentions in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement"

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Society for Caribbean Research (SoCaRe) at Bielefeld University, Germany. "Resistance Performances: Constructing Spaces of Resistance and Contention in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement"

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Colorado, U.S.
"Occupying the Campus: A Liminal Experience"

2014

Communication and Information Technologies section of the American Sociological Association (CITASA) Symposium at UC Berkeley, California. "Occupying the Campus: A Liminal Experience"

Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) at Merida, Mexico.
"Occupying the University Campus: A Liminal Experience" (via Skype)

Console-ing Passions: International Conference on Television, Video, Audio, New Media and Feminism at Columbia, Missouri.
"How can feminism be integrated into social movement and social media research?"

Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) at Grenada. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike" (attempted to present via Skype).

2013

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at Washington, DC.
"Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike"

American Studies Association (ASA) at San Juan, Puerto Rico.
"Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike"

2012

Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars (ACWWS) at Surinam. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the female strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike"

Caribbean Philosophical Association (CPA) at New Brunswick, New Jersey. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike"

2011

American Ethnological Society/Society for Urban, National, and Transnational/Global Anthropology (AES/SUNTA) at San Juan, Puerto Rico. "(Re)constructing Spaces: University of Puerto Rico Students' Communication Techniques as Sites of Resistance and Empowerment"

Gender in Latin America: Resistance Movements for Human Rights at Fort Myers, Florida. "(Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance: 2010 – 2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike"

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1st Annual Global & Sociocultural Studies Graduate Symposium
at Miami, Florida. "(Re)constructing Spaces: UPR Students'
Communication Techniques as Sites of Resistance and Empowerment"

2010

American Anthropological Association (AAA) at New Orleans,
Louisiana. "Circulating Identity: Describing Puerto Rico as a
Transcolonial Nation"

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Hartford, Connecticut.
"Mami, la 'Teacher' me Regaño: Una Comparación de la
Pedagogía Tradicional y la Pedagogía Humanista Mediante un Relato Personal"

Global Caribbean(s): Interrogating the Politics of Location
in Caribbean Literature and Culture at Miami, Florida.
"Tocando la Guitarra \Playing the Guitar: An Audience Study
of Latina Women Body Image and the Film Real Women Have Curves"

Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) at Merida, Mexico.
"Hay que Aprender a Desaprender: Una Reforma para el
Sistema de Educación Pública en Puerto Rico"

International Conference on Caribbean Studies at Cartagena,
Columbia. "Hay que Aprender a Desaprender: Una Reforma para el
Sistema de Educación Pública en Puerto Rico"

International Academy of Linguistics, Behavioral, and Social
Sciences at Orlando, Florida. (Paper accepted). "Spanglish,
Its Personality and Stereotypes: A Research Study about SPANGLISH Users"

2009

Southeastern council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS) at
New Orleans, Louisiana. "Tocando la Guitarra \Playing the Guitar:
An Audience Study of Latina Women Body Image and the Film
Real Women Have Curves"

Women's Studies Graduate Student Association (WSGSA) at
Miami, Florida. "The Scent of a Woman: A Content Analysis
of Perfume Ads executed towards Women based on Goffman's
Gender Stereotypes"

Campus and Department Presentations and Discussions:

Bregando with Disasters: Post Hurricane Maria Realities and
Resiliencies, Symposium for USF Contemporary Art Museum
exhibition "Constant Storm: Art from Puerto Rico and the Diaspora"
Presentation to the Sociology Department at USF Tampa

2021

Institute for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean (ISLAC)
event for the Hispanic Heritage month at University of South Florida.
Bregando con los efectos de María: 2 years after impact.

2019

Puerto Rico Se Levanta: Understanding Challenges to Puerto Rico
and Puerto Ricans in Florida post Hurricane Maria at University of South
Florida, "Protest(arte): reimagining and redefining Puerto Ricanness
during financial crisis and 'natural' disasters"

2018

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Project Civitas Cultivating Civility Series at Lynn University,
“*Becoming Agents of Social Change*”. Co- hosted with
Dr. Antonella Regueiro, and Prof. Timea Vargas

Contemporary Ethical Issues Series at Lynn University,
“*Right to Protest: In Celebration of Protest 500 Years On*” 2017

Community presentations:

Presentation to Luis Laracuente, District Director for Senator Rick Scott's office. “Report on Puerto Rican Post-disaster Migration Survey” 2021

Presentation to Community Organization, Mujeres Restauradas por Dios, “Report on Puerto Rican Post- disaster Migration Survey”

Co-organized along with USF Institute for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean (ISLAC) and UCF Puerto Rico Research Hub a *Conversatorio Comunitario* with community organizations to discuss about the present and future of our participants with non-profit organizations in FL 2020

CREATIVE WORK

Public media:

Dr.AnthroMom 2025
Postscript: el legado colonial en América Latina y el Caribe 2020
Positive Anthropology podcast 2020

Art Display:

“*Puerto Rico Se Levanta*” in Saudades Project, Brazil 2024
Illustrations in Lynn University’s *Quest magazine*, Number 20, Spring (p. 18, 25, 46) 2018
“*Memorias de una Viajera Enamorada*” (WSGSA) at Miami, FL 2009
Illustrations in the book “*Mudanza Constante*” by Ada Alvarez Conde 2008

Poetry Session:

“*Un Verso Triste*” in Saudades project, Brazil 2024
“*Andando*” and “*Un Verso Triste*” (WSGSA), Miami, FL 2014
“*Un Verso Triste*” (ACWWS), Surinam 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of South Florida: 2019-2022
Latinx/e Lives
Race & Ethnic Relations
Intro. to Sociology
Gender and Society

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Lynn University: Puerto Rican Spanish and Culture Modern America Social Change Dialogues of Self & Society	2016-2018
Florida International University: Myth, rituals, and mysticism Sociology of Gender (In person and Hybrid) Sociology of Sexuality (In Person and Online)	2014-2016
Teaching Assistant of Anthropology, Sociology and Geography	2008-2013
Teaching Assistant of Advertising	2006

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAININGS

Anti-Bias Anti Racist Certificate (ABAR), American Montessori Society (AMS), Via Zoom2023	2023
Youth Mental Health First Aid training, Tampa, FL	2022
“Stop the Bleed”, Instructor Training, PR	2021
Public Workshops: “Online Games for Non-Actors, Zoom Icebreakers and Other Facilitation Hacks”, Theater of the Oppressed NYC. Via Zoom	
Mental Health First Aid training, Community Foundation of Tampa, Via Zoom	
UndocuALLY workshop, University of South Florida (USF). Via Teams	2020
Summer Grant Writing Workshops, University of South Florida (USF). Via Teams	
Academy for Teaching and Learning Experience (ATLE), University of South Florida (USF)	2019
Faculty Development Workshops, Lynn University.	2016-2018
Basic Course in Nonviolent Conflict Resolutions, “Panthers for Peace” (P4P) and Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP), Florida International University	2014
Alfabetización de Adultos: Proyecto Enlace, Santurce, PR. Ana Serrano	2013
University Access Project (PAU), University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras Campus, PR. Guillermo Bernal and Katherine Cepeda	
THATCamp Caribe 2012: The Humanities and Technology, University of Puerto Rico Mayaguez Campus, PR. Alex Gil	2012

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Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción (MPA), San Juan, PR. Amanda Rivera and Michelle Quiles.	2010
The Academy for the Art of Teaching: Introduction to Teaching. Florida International University	2008
Dating Violence Workshop Training. Medical Sciences Campus at San Juan, PR. Ada Alvarez	
Professional Development Training: Technology Integration, Caribbean Preparatory School Parkville Campus, San Juan, PR. Dr. Juanita Benjamin	

SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

Mentoring:

Volunteer as a student mentor for National Association for the Practice of Anthropology (NAPA)	2015
Student Mentor, Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University-Miami, FL	2013-2016

Advising:

Undergraduate advisor, Lynn University, Boca Raton, FL	2016-2018
Office of Undergraduate Studies, Florida International University-North Miami, FL	2006-2007

Academic Services:

Advisor and/or Member of thesis and dissertations committees	2016-present
Co-organized the symposium “ <i>Bregando</i> with Disasters: Post-hurricane Maria Realities and Resiliency” to accompany the exhibition “Constant Storm” at the Contemporary Art Museum (CAM), USF	2021
Co-organized the event with the Institute for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean (ISLAC) and the Puerto Rico Research Hub: “ <i>Conversatorio Comunitario: María: ¿Dónde estamos y hacia dónde vamos?</i> ”, via Teams	2020
Faculty member for the creation of Social Justice and Impact minor, Lynn University, Boca Raton, FL	2018
Faculty member of <i>Project Civitas</i> , Lynn University, Boca Raton, FL	2017-2018
Member of the Welcoming Committee for National Association for the Practice of Anthropology (NAPA)	2017
Member of the Executive Council for Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA)	2016
Publications and Communications Officer for Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA)	
Member of the Board for National Girls & Women of Color Council	

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Collaborating with Beatrice Colastin Skokan from Special collections at University of Miami to create a Digital Archive of student activism	2015
Member of the Editing Committee for <i>Colectivo Porta Voces</i> in charge of organizing a book about the 2010-2011 UPR student movement.	2014-2015
Co-organized the weeklong event “Carry that Weight” in support of Emma Sulkowicz and against sexual assault at Florida International University	2014
Interviewer, transcriber, and translator Assistant for “Origins and Destinations” by Laena Wilder at Miami International Airport, FL	2011
Director of the Summer Program: Programa de Apoderamiento y Retención de Agentes de Cambio (PARACa), San Juan, PR	2010-2011
Assistant to the Chair for the 70 th Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA), Merida, Mexico. Dr. Liliana Goldin.	2009-2010
Technology Officer and Undergraduate Liaison of the Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography Graduate Student Association (SAGGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL	
Public Relations of the Global & Sociocultural Studies Colloquium Committee, Florida International University-Miami, FL	2008-2009
Public Relations and Organizer of WFCR Radio Station “Tertulia” at University of Massachusetts- Amherst, MA. Luis Melendez.	2004
Peer Sex Educator for “Not Ready for Bedtime Players” at University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA	2002

Reviewer:

CENTRO journal, Hunter College, N.Y. 2021

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Interviews with News Outlets and Quoted in News:

[Interviewed to discuss the proposed bill on Puerto Rican statehood](#), BayNews9. 2021

[Report on the Puerto Rican voter turnout](#) was cited and quoted our co-author Elizabeth Aranda, ABC news. 2020

[Interviewed regarding the status of Puerto Ricans 2 years after Hurricane Maria](#), BayNews 9. 2019

[Interviewed about the protests in Puerto Rico](#), BayNews 9.

“El Nuevo Herald” newspaper, online and print, Miami, FL. 2016

Surinamese newspaper during the Annual Meeting of the Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars (ACWWS), Surinam 2012

“El Nuevo Día” newspaper, San Juan, PR November 2011

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"The Beacon" newspaper, Florida International University-Miami, FL	2010
Community Forums:	
The Great American Teach-In.	2024
<i>Proyecto Acceso Universitario</i> (PAU).	2013
<i>Proyecto ENLACE</i> del Caño Martin Peña.	2013

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

National Association for Practicing Anthropology (NAPA).	2015-present
National Women Studies Association (NWSA).	2014-present
Society for Caribbean Research (SoCaRe).	2014-2020
American Sociological Association (ASA).	2014-2022
Latin American Studies Association (LASA).	2012-present
Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA).	2010-present
Caribbean Studies Association (CSA).	2010-2016
Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción (MPA).	2010-present
American Anthropological Association (AAA). 2009- present	
Latin America and Caribbean Studies Graduate Association (MALOKA), Florida International University-Miami, FL	2009-2015
Women Studies Graduate Student Association (WSGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL	2009-2015
Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography Graduate Student Association (SAGGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL	2008-2015

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