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EDUCATION

- 2020 (May 4th, Expected) Doctor of Philosophy, *Spanish*.
Graduate Certificate, Women and Gender Studies
University of Colorado Boulder
- Dissertation: “Representating the Earthquake of 1985 in Mexico City: A Polyphony of Voices in Novelistic, Journalistic and Testimonial Narratives”
- Leila Gómez (Advisor and Chair), Mary Long, Deepti Misri, Robert Buffington, *University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado*, Brandon Bisbey, *Northeastern Illinois, Chicago*.
- 2013-2015 Master of Arts, *Spanish*
University of Colorado Boulder
- 2011 Bachelor of Arts, *Spanish* [Summa Cum Laude]
Northeastern Illinois University
- 2009 Associates in Arts [Presidential Scholar]
Wilbur Wright College

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2019 Research Assistant, University of Colorado Boulder, **Boulder, Colorado**.
Compiled contemporary indigenous works for the project “Facilitating Latin American Indigenous Languages Literature to Advance Scholarship and Course Curriculum.”
- 2016 Language Program Coordinator Assistant. First Semester Spanish, University of Colorado Boulder, **Boulder, Colorado**
- 2018- Instructor for Trio, CU Upward Bound, University of Colorado, **Boulder, CO**
- 2015- Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Colorado Boulder, **Boulder, CO**
- 2013-2015 Teaching Assistant, University of Colorado Boulder, **Boulder, CO**

TEACHING AWARDS:

2017/2018 Recipient of Graduate Teaching Excellence Award, *An Award that recognizes educators who are “truly outstanding and aspire to the highest standards of excellence”*

COURSES TAUGHT (SPANISH)

University of Colorado Boulder

Primary Instructor:

SPAN 1010-5 Beginning Spanish
SPAN 1020-5 Beginning Spanish
SPAN 2150-5 Intensive Second-Year Spanish
SPAN 3000-1 Advanced Spanish Language Skills

Teaching Assistant:

SPAN 3010/001 Adv. Rhetoric/ Composition

COURSES TAUGHT (ENGLISH)

Primary Instructor:

Native Pathways 201, “Testimonials as Tools of Resistance”
Native Pathways 101, “Comics and the Construction of Identity”

Teaching Assistant:

SPAN 3800 Selected Readings in Latin American Literature in Translation

MENTORING AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2019 Invited speaker at the Second Annual DACA Speaker Series at Sister Carmen Community College in Lafayette. Event to raise funds for the CU Boulder Public Achievement Scholarships for DACA students, April 12.

2018 Invited speaker at the DACA Speaker Series at Casey Middle School in Boulder where the D.A.C.A scholarship fund by CU Boulder Public Achievement Program was created, April 13.

2018 Diversity and Inclusion Visit Experience at CU Boulder. Invited Speaker. Spoke with prospective DACA students about navigating university life, Jan 23.

2017 Jewish Renewal Community of Boulder. Speaker at the Immigration panel discussion after the reading of the play “Eight Nights” by Jennifer Maisel, Dec 12.

2011-2013 Undocumented Student Resources “El Centro Campus” at Northeastern University. Oriented and talked to students and minorities about the importance of education.

PUBLICATIONS

(Accepted) Book Chapter. “Mexican Comics of the Earthquake of 1985: Tools of Resistance for Decentralizing Power” Feminist Readings of Comics. Eds, Missy Nieveen-Phegley, Sandra Cox and Susan Kendrick. Routledge.

(In Preparation) “Immediate Responses to Catastrophe: Journalistic Representations of the Earthquake of 1985 in *Día de los Muertos* of 1985.” Ed, William H Beezley. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History*.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND OTHER AWARDS

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| 2018 | Graduate School Domestic Travel Grant Award
University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2018 | Summer Research Grant
Spanish and Portuguese Department, University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2018 | Latin American Studies Center Travel Grant
University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2017 | Tinker Foundation Field Research Grant |
| 2014 | Georgetown University Merit Based Scholarship
Georgetown University |
| 2011 | Calixto Masó Spanish Scholarship
Northeastern Illinois University |
| 2011 | Honorary speaker at (Hispanic Honors Society) Induction Ceremony
Northeastern Illinois University |
| 2011 | Presidential Scholar
Wilbur Wright College |
| 2010 | Dean’s List
Wilbur Wright College |

INVITED TALKS

“Narratives of Catastrophe: *Day of the Dead* Representations of the Mexico City Earthquake of 1985 Through Journalistic Comics.” Loyola University, New Orleans. February 12, 2020. Invited Speaker.

“Immigration Policy and its Sociological Implications” Sociology Department Lecture, University of Colorado. Boulder, CO, April 13, 2017. Invited Speaker.

RADIO INTERVIEWS

Invited guest speaker in “Pasa la voz” KGNU. 88.5 FM Community Radio. Episode Aired on show #161- DACA, Nov 19, 2018

CONFERENCE PAPERS DELIVERED

“Mexican Comics of the Earthquake of 1985: Tools of Resistance for Decentralizing Power.” Latin American Studies Association. Boston, MA, May 5, 2019.

“Memory Formation: Mexican Comic-Strips of the Earthquake of 1985.” RMCLAS. Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 4, 2019.

“Discourses of the Past, the Allegorical Walls for Imagining a Futurity, Cases in *Materia Dispuesta* (1997) by Juan Villoro.” III Latin American, Latino/a, Iberian Studies Association of the Pacific Northwest. Eugene, Oregon, April 7, 2018.

“Homosocial Spaces in Juan Villoro’s *Materia Dispuesta* (1997). ” RMCLAS. Reno, Nevada, April 6, 2018.

“Agencia, humor y arte herramientas para performar y concientizar sobre la catástrofe. Casos en la novela testimonial *Nada ni nadie: las voces del temblor* (1988) y la novela gráfica *Septiembre: zona de desastre* (2013)” LALISA. U of Oregon, Eugene, April 12, 2017.

“Arguedas: heterogeneidades, ritualidades y el proceso de modernización en el Perú en poema ‘A nuestro padre creador Túpac Amaru’ (1962) y el cuento ‘La agonía de Rasuñiti’ (1962)” Presented at CU Boulder Spanish and Portuguese Grad Conference. Boulder, CO, April 8, 2017.

“México: el 85 y la catarsis canalizada a través del Arte.” Presented at the 11th Annual Colloquium «Samuel G. Armistead». University of California, Davis, October 24, 2015

ORGANIZED AND/OR CHAIRED PANELS AND CONFERENCES

Organizer:

“Hispanoamérica en una urbe: artefactos culturales del espacio fragmentado.” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. 2019

Chair for panel conferences:

“Natural Catastrophes in Popular and Political Cultures.” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies. Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 4, 2019

“Reassessing *lo mexicano*.” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies. Reno, Nevada, April 6, 2018

PROFFESIONAL MEMBERSHIP

2019 Modern Language Association
2018 Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies
2017 Latin American, Latino/a, & Iberian Studies Association
2015 Latin American Studies Association

LANGUAGES

English (near-native); Spanish (native); Portuguese (reading knowledge).