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Academic Appointments

- 2019 Professor, American Studies Department and Black Studies Department, Amherst College, 7/2019 - *present*.
- 2023 Visiting Research Professor, Bacardi Family Eminent Scholar, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, 01/2023 - 05/2023.
- 2013 Associate Professor, American Studies Department and Black Studies Department, Amherst College, 7/2013 - 6/2019.
- 2007 Assistant Professor, History Department, College of the Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State University, 8/2007 - 6/2013.
- 2006 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Africana Research Center, College of the Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State University, 8/2006 - 5/2007.

Administrative Appointments

- 2021 Faculty Equity and Inclusion Officer (FEIO), Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Amherst College, 07/2021 - 12/2022.
- 2021 Chair, American Studies Department, Amherst College, 7/2021 - 12/2022.
- 2020 Chair, Black Studies Department, Amherst College, 07/2020 - 06/2021.
- 2017 Chair, American Studies Department, Amherst College, 7/2017 - 6/2018.

Research and Teaching Fields

Fields: Afro-Latin American History, U.S. Afro-Latinx Studies, and Caribbean History

Topics: Race, Nation and Empire; Migration and Diasporas; Crime and Punishment; and Childhood Studies

Education

- 2006 Ph.D., History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, December 2006.
Fields: Modern Latin America, Colonial Latin America, and Latin American Studies.
Dissertation Directors: Francisco A. Scarano, Florencia Mallon, and Steve Stern
- 1997 M.A., History, Columbia University, December 1997.
- 1995 B.A., Latin American Studies, International Relations, and Spanish, University of Wisconsin-Madison, May 1995.

Scholarship

Book

- 2013 Del Moral, Solsiree. *Negotiating Empire: The Cultural Politics of Schools in Puerto Rico, 1898-1952*. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2013.

Refereed Articles and Book Chapters

- 2020 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Modern Family, Modern Colonial Childhoods: Representations of Childhood and the U.S. Military in Colonial School Literature." In *Literary Cultures and Twentieth-Century Childhoods*, Rachel Conrad and L. Brown Kennedy, eds., Palgrave, 2020, 113-128.
- 2019 Del Moral, Solsiree. "'Una niña humilde y de color': Sources for the History of an Afro-Puerto Rican Childhood." *Journal of Caribbean History* 53:2 (December 2019): 192-222.
- 2019 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Language and Empire: Elizabeth Kneipple's Colonial History of Puerto Rico." *CENTRO: Journal of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies* 31:1 (Spring 2019): 56-86.
- 2018 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Colonial Lessons: The Politics of Education in Puerto Rico, 1898-1930." *The American Historian* (May 2018): 40-44.
- 2017 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Modern Puerto Rico: A First Reading List." *Radical History Review* 128 (May 2017): 13-25.

- 2013 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Rescuing the *Jibaro*: Renewing the Puerto Rican *Patria* through School Reform." *Caribbean Studies* 41 (July-December 2013): 91-135.
- 2013 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Colonial Citizens of a Modern Empire: War, Illiteracy, and Physical Education in Puerto Rico, 1917-1930." *New West Indian Guide* 87 (2013): 30-61.
- 2009 Del Moral, Solsiree. "Negotiating Colonialism: 'Race,' Class, and Education in Early, Twentieth-Century Puerto Rico." In *Colonial Crucible: Transitions & Transformations in the U.S. Imperial State*, Alfred McCoy and Francisco Scarano, eds., Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2009, 135-144.

Book Reviews

- 2023 Review of Mahshid Mayer, *Citizens and Rulers of the World: The American Child and the Cartographic Pedagogies of Empire* (University of North Carolina Press, 2022). In *American Historical Review*, forthcoming.
- 2021 Review of Devyn Spence Benson, ed., *Afrocubanas: History, Thought, and Cultural Practices* (New York: Rowman and Littlefield International, 2020). In *Cuban Studies*, 52 (2023): 448-450.
- 2020 Review of Carmelo Esterrich, *Concrete and Countryside: The Urban and the Rural in 1950s Puerto Rican Culture* (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2018). In *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies* 44:3 (Winter 2020): 389-391.
- 2019 Review of Isabel M. Córdova, *Pushing in Silence: Modernizing Puerto Rico and the Medicalization of Childbirth* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2018). In *New West Indian Guide* (NWIG), 93:3-4 (Fall 2019): 49-50.
- 2019 Review of Rosina Lozano, *An American Language: The History of Spanish in the United States* (Oakland: University of California Press, 2018). In *Journal of Arizona History*, 60:2 (Summer 2019): 217-219.
- 2016 Review of Héctor Lindo-Fuentes and Erick Ching, *Modernizing Minds in El Salvador: Education Reform and the Cold War, 1960-1980* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2012). In *History of Education*, 45:1 (2016): 138-140.
- 2016 Review of Eileen J. Suárez Findlay, *We Are Left without a Father Here: Masculinity, Domesticity, and Migration in Postwar Puerto Rico* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2014). In *The Americas*, 73:2 (April 2016): 279-282.

2008 Review of Anne S. Macpherson, *From Colony to Nation: Women Activists and the Gendering of Politics in Belize, 1912-1982* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2007). In *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*, 5:2 (Summer 2008): 114-15.

Manuscripts in Progress

Del Moral, Solsiree. "Street Children, Crime, and Punishment in Puerto Rico, 1900-1965." Book manuscript. Under contract at University of North Carolina Press.

Del Moral, Solsiree. "Institutionalized Children: Race, Class, and Gender in Puerto Rico's Institutions for Minors, 1910-1940." Research article under review at journal. 10,000 words.

Del Moral, Solsiree. "Recent Research on Empire and Puerto Rico." 6,000 words. Invited review essay for *Latin American Research Review*. In Preparation.

Del Moral, Solsiree. "Missing: The Black Girls of Puerto Rico." Invited chapter submission. *Representations of Afrolatinidad*. In preparation.

Del Moral, Solsiree. "Criminalized and Excluded: Black Children and Puerto Rico's Institutions for Minors." Invited Book Chapter. *¡Despierta Boricua! A Black Puerto Rican Studies Guide*." Edited by Vanessa K. Valdés. SUNY Press.

Del Moral, Solsiree. "The Street Children of San Juan in the 1950s." Research article. In preparation.

Fellowships

2023 Senior Sabbatical Fellowship, Amherst College, 2023 - 2024.

2023 Visiting Research Professor, Bacardi Family Eminent Scholar, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, 01/2023 - 05/2023.

2019 Faculty Research Awards Program (FRAP), Amherst College, 2019 - 2020.
Research Project: "Street Children, Crime, and Punishment in Puerto Rico."

2018 Senior Sabbatical Fellowship, Amherst College, 2018 - 2019.

2018 American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowship, 2018 - 2019.

- Host Institution: El Instituto: Institute for Latino/a, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies, University of Connecticut-Storrs.
- 2014 Senior Sabbatical Fellowship, Amherst College, 2014 - 2015.
- 2012 AAHHE/Ford Faculty Fellow, American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education, 2012 - 2013.
- 2012 Institute for the Arts and Humanities Award, Individual Faculty Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State University, 2012 - 2013.
- 2012 Africana Research Center Research Award, College of Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State University, 2012 - 2013.
- 2012 *Nominee*, NEH Summer Stipend, Pennsylvania State University Campus, 2012.
- 2006 Africana Research Center Post-Doctoral Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State University, 2006 - 2007.
- 2005 Graduate Scholar-in-Residence, University of Wisconsin System Institute on Race and Ethnicity, 2005 - 2006.
- 2003 "Writing across the Curriculum" TA Fellow, The Writing Center, College of Letters and Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, spring 2003.
- 2002 Graduate School Domestic Research Travel Grant, History Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison, spring 2002.
- 2001 French-Felton Award for Inspirational Teaching, The Graduate School, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 2001.
- 1999 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS), The Graduate School, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1999 - 2000.
- 1996 Advanced Opportunity Fellowship, The Graduate School, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996 - 1999.
- 1996 Tinker Travel Research Grant, Institute for Latin American and Iberian Studies, Columbia University, summer 1996.
- 1996 *Alternate*, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship, 1996.
- 1995 Dorothy Danforth Compton Graduate Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, 1995 - 1996.

Conferences

- 2023 “Shifting Boundaries of American Empire: Case Studies in Labor, Education, and War, 1870s - 1970s.” Chair and Commentator. American Historical Association, January 5-8, 2023, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 “Negotiating Community in Settler Spaces.” Chair and Commentator. History of Education Society 62nd Annual Meeting, November 3-6, 2022, Maryland.
- 2019 “‘Una niña humilde y de color’: Sources for the Historical Study of Caribbean Childhoods.” Presenter. Association of Caribbean Historians, 51st Annual Conference, Curaçao, May 2019.
- 2019 “History of Education Beyond State and Nation in Latin America.” Chair and Commentator. American Historical Association, Chicago, Illinois, January 2019.
- 2018 “The Street Children of San Juan in the 1950s.” Presenter. American Historical Association, Washington DC, January 2018.
- 2017 “The Street Children of San Juan in the 1950s.” Presenter. Society for the History of Children and Youth - Ninth Biennial Conference, Rutgers University - Camden, New Jersey, June 21-23, 2017.
- 2016 “‘You Work on Puerto Rico?’ A Puerto Rican Historian in History and American Studies Departments.” Presenter. American Historical Association, Atlanta, GA, January 7, 2016.
- 2015 “Education and Empire: U.S. Policy from Puerto Rico to the Philippines and Beyond.” Panel Chair and Discussant. History of Education Society Conference, St. Louis, November 7, 2015.
- 2015 “Students, Schools, and Populism in 1940s Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 2015.
- 2014 “Authors Meet Critics” Session for Ileana M. Rodriguez-Silva, *Silencing Race: Disentangling Blackness, Colonialism, and National Identity in Post-Emancipation Puerto Rico*. Presenter. National Women’s Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 14, 2014.
- 2013 “Race, Labor, and Diaspora: Lessons from the Puerto Rican Case.” Presenter. American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 23, 2013.

- 2012 “U.S. Empire, Education, and Americanization in Puerto Rico.” Presenter. American Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 18, 2012.
- 2012 “Diasporas and Geographies: Puerto Rico as a Geographic Space.” Panel Chair & Commentator. 10th Biennial Conference of the Puerto Rican Studies Association, Puerto Rican Studies Association, University of Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY, October 27, 2012.
- 2012 “Education and U.S. Empire.” Keynote/Plenary Address. 56th Annual Conference of the Comparative and International Education Society, San Juan, Puerto Rico, April 24, 2012.
- 2011 “Diaspora, Nation, and Empire.” Presenter. 6th Biennial Conference of the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 3-6, 2011.
- 2011 “Race, Diaspora, and Empire: Puerto Rico as Case Study.” Invited speaker. The Arthur A. Schomburg Colloquium, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, November 17, 2011.
- 2011 “Americanization in History and Historiography: The Puerto Rican example.” Presenter. “The Spanish Caribbean: Towards a Field of Its Own.” Co-sponsored by the CUNY Dominican Studies Institute at The City College of New York, the Inter University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR), the Instituto Global de Altos Estudios Para las Ciencias Sociales (IGLOBAL), Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo (FUNGLODE), and the Academia Dominicana de la Historia, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, July 25-27, 2011.
- 2010 “Diaspora and Nation: Race, Citizenship, and Migration in Early-Twentieth Century Puerto Rico and the U.S. Empire.” Presenter. Panel Organizer and moderator: “New Approaches to Race, Nation, and Diaspora.” Conference of the Puerto Rican Studies Association, Hartford, Connecticut, October 2010.
- 2009 “Race, Class, and Diaspora: Re-Centering the 1930s New York Community in Puerto Rican Historical Narratives.” Presenter. Organized panel: “Puerto Rican Political History, 1900-1950.” Association of Caribbean Historians, Guadeloupe, May 2009. (*Panel withdrawn due to funding*)
- 2008 “Health, Citizenship, and Education in Early Twentieth-Century Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Organized panel: “Health and U.S. Empire in Puerto Rico and Cuba

- during the Early Twentieth Century.” American Historical Association Conference, Washington D.C., January 2008.
- 2007 “Combating ‘Physical Illiteracy’: Race, Gender, and Physical Education in Puerto Rican Schools.” Presenter. Latin American Studies Association Conference 2007 Congress, Montreal, Canada, September 2007.
- 2007 “Negotiating U.S. Citizenship, Racial Hierarchies, and Colonial Education in Early, Twentieth-Century Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Race, Rights, and Citizenship in the Black Atlantic Symposium, Department of African and African American Studies, Pennsylvania State University, April 27, 2007.
- 2006 “Benevolent Imperialism and Cultural Nationalism: Negotiating Empire in Early, Twentieth-Century Puerto Rican Schools.” Presenter. Transitions & Transformations in the U.S. Imperial State: The Search for New Synthesis Conference, University of Wisconsin-Madison, November 9-11, 2006.

Invited Presentations, Lectures, and Workshops

- 2023 “Thinking through Puerto Rico.” Panelist. Caribbean Epistemologies Conference, Caribbean Studies Symposium, Stanford University, May 17, 2023.
- 2023 “*Los Olvidados*: Children, State Institutions and Violence in Mid-century Puerto Rico.” Presenter. *Coloquio*, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, April 21, 2023.
- 2023 “Missing: The Black Girls of Puerto Rico.” Panelist. Representations of Afrolatinidad Conference, University of Pittsburgh, April 14, 2023.
- 2023 “Race, Education, and Empire: *La Familia Cordero*.” Keynote Speaker. Anti-Racist Education in Latin America: Perspectives on State and Grassroots Projects Conference, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, March 23, 2023.
- 2023 “The Afro-Latinx Diaspora and Anti-Black Racism.” Panelist. National Association of Hispanic Journalists, University of California-Berkeley Chapter, February 27, 2023.
- 2023 “Cultural Imperialism, Public Education and Americanization Campaigns in Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Spring 2023 Humanities Lecture Series, Decolonizing the University: Ethnic Studies, University of Hartford, February 27, 2023.

- 2021 “The Afro-Descendant Experience in Latin America and the Caribbean.” Panel Moderator. Annual Vogel Lecture, Amherst College, April 30, 2021.
- 2021 “Afro-Latinidad in the Northeast.” Keynote Speaker. Latinx Month, Wellesley College, April 14, 2021.
- 2021 “Black Diasporic Saberes.” Panel Moderator. Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD) and Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA), March 25, 2021.
- 2021 “Criminalized and Excluded: Black Children and Puerto Rico’s Institutions for Minors, 1910-1940.” Guest Speaker. Transnational Dialogues in Afrolatinidad, University of Pittsburgh, March 5, 2021.
- 2020 “On Puerto Rican Feminism.” Guest Speaker. Course: “Caribbean Feminisms,” Smith College, Professor Ginetta Candelario, October 20, 2020.
- 2020 “Tertulia with Prof. Del Moral about Language and Empire in Puerto Rico.” Guest Speaker. Course: “Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans,” Professor Anne S. Macpherson, The College at Brockport, SYNY, October 16, 2020.
- 2020 “Race, Empire, and American Studies.” Guest Speaker. Course: “Transnational American Studies,” Professor Leah Schmalzbauer and Professor Jallicia Jolly, October 8, 2020, Amherst College.
- 2020 “Afro-Latinidad in the Northeast.” Keynote Speaker. Latinx Month. Wellesley College. April 1, 2020. *Cancelled due to Covid-19 Restrictions. Rescheduled for April 2021.*
- 2020 “Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans: Historical Roots and Today’s Challenges.” Presenter. Springfield College, March 24, 2020. *Cancelled due to Covid-19 Restrictions.*
- 2019 “Under the Docks of Old San Juan: Street Children in 1950s Puerto Rico.” Speaker. History Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 2, 2020.
- 2019 “‘Puertorriqueña hasta en la luna’: Afro-Latinidad in the Northeast.” Plenary panel. Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS) Summer Institute, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, July 19, 2019.
- 2019 “The Second Book Project.” Presenter. New England Consortium of Latino Studies (NECLS), University of Massachusetts, Boston, April 19, 2019.

- 2019 “The Street Children of San Juan.” Presenter. Caribbean Pasts, Presents, and Futures: An Interdisciplinary Conference in Honor of Francisco Scarano, University of Wisconsin-Madison, April 12-13, 2019.
- 2018 “History, Language, and US Empire in Puerto Rico.” Guest Speaker. Course: “Major Debates in Latinx and Latin American Studies,” Amherst College, Professor Paul Schroeder-Rodríguez and Professor Sony Coráñez-Bolton, December 12, 2018.
- 2018 “The History of Education, Race and Empire in Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program Lecture Series, Connecticut College, November 7, 2018.
- 2018 “Sources and Methods for the Historical Study of Childhood, Crime, and Punishment.” Presenter. El Instituto: The Institute of Latino, Caribbean and Latin American Studies, University of Connecticut, October 10, 2018.
- 2018 “The Big Picture: The Liberal Arts Life.” Presenter. New Faculty Orientation, Amherst College, August 29, 2018.
- 2018 “Syllabus Working Session.” Presenter. Center for Teaching & Learning, Amherst College, August 21, 2018.
- 2018 “Afro-Latinidad Dialogue.” Presentation and facilitator. MEChA de Mount Holyoke, Mount Holyoke College, March 28, 2016 and April 14, 2018.
- 2018 “Toward a History of Afro-Puerto Rican Childhoods: New Sources from the Archivo General de Puerto Rico (AGPR).” Presenter. Documenting Diasporas: Afro-Latin Americans and Afro-Latinos Symposium, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, April 6, 2018.
- 2018 “History of Education and Empire in Puerto Rico.” Guest Speaker. Course: “History of Education in Latin America: Nation-building and Citizenship,” Teachers College, Columbia University, Instructor Lauren Lefty, March 21, 2018.
- 2018 “A Dialogue on Navigating and Transforming Academia as People of Color.” Presenter. Scholars of Color in Communication, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, February 26, 2018.
- 2017 “Modern Puerto Rico: A First Reading List.” Keynote Speaker. Annual Celebration of “El Grito de Lares 2017.” Co-sponsored by the Hispanic American Library Inc, Holyoke Public Library, the Puerto Rican Cultural Project, Nueva Esperanza, Springfield Puerto Rican Parade, and La Familia Hispana, Inc., Holyoke, Massachusetts, September 22, 2017.

- 2017 “Labor, Human Rights and the Colonial Crisis.” Panel Moderator. Puerto Rico: Savage Neoliberalism, Colonialism and Financial Despotism Conference, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, April 14, 2017.
- 2017 “Negotiating the Politics of Race and Gender in Puerto Rican Education.” Guest speaker. University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez, Prof. Mary E. Sefranek, March 13, 2017.
- 2016 Immigration Law Teach-In. Co-organizer, Amherst College, December 2, 2016.
- 2016 “No más bebés.” Movie screening with filmmaker, Renee Tajima-Lopez. Co-organizer. American Studies Department, Amherst College, November 17, 2016.
- 2016 “The ‘F’ Word: No Apologies with Professors Leah Schmalzbauer and Solsiree Del Moral.” Co-panelist. Women’s and Gender Center, Amherst College. November 3, 2016.
- 2016 “Introduction to the Liberal Arts.” Co-panelist. Office of Admission, Amherst College, September 25, 2016.
- 2016 “Bienvenido a Amherst College, en Español, con estudiantes de Amherst College.” Presenter and facilitator, Orientation Week, Office of Student Affairs, August 30, 2016.
- 2016 “Race and Ethnicity Abroad.” Presenter and facilitator. Faculty Speaker Series, Office of International Studies, Amherst College, March 24, 2016.
- 2016 Spanish and Latin American Film Festival: Screening “339 Amin Abel Hasbun. Memory of a Crime.” Introduced film. Spanish Department. Amherst College, April 20, 2016.
- 2015 Amherst College Community Engagement Orientation Trip (CEOT). Faculty Panel. Holyoke, MA, Amherst College, September 23, 2015.
- 2014 “Being Latino/a at Amherst College.” Panel Moderator. Latino/a Alumni Weekend, Amherst College, May 3, 2014.
- 2014 “Identity, Academics, & Survival: A Conversation on Cultural Competency at Amherst.” Faculty Panel. Amherst College, May 1, 2014.
- 2014 Dr. David Kirp, “Does Public Education Have a Future?” Discussant. Amherst College, March 24, 2014.

- 2014 “Students, Schools, and the Colonial State in 1940s Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Five-College Childhood Studies Conference, Smith College, March 1, 2014.
- 2014 “The Cultural Politics of Schools in Colonial Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Research Colloquium Series, Center for Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, February 4, 2014.
- 2013 “History of the Puerto Rican Diaspora in Holyoke, Massachusetts.” Invited Lecture. American Studies 111: Global Valley, Prof. K. Sánchez-Eppler and Prof. L. Brooks, American Studies Department, Amherst College, November 3, 2013.
- 2013 “Preparing a Manuscript for Publication.” Presenter. AAHHE/Ford Multidisciplinary Faculty Fellows Program, AAHHE Eight Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, March 27, 2013.
- 2013 “The Great Puerto Rican Migration: History, Nation, and Narratives.” Presenter. “Global Workers’ Rights: Patterns of Exclusion, Possibilities for Change,” A Symposium at Pennsylvania State University, University Park. Center for Global Workers’ Rights, March 21, 2013.
- 2012 “Migration, Diaspora, and Nation: The Case of Puerto Rico.” Presenter. Migration Studies Project, Pennsylvania State University, October 24, 2012.
- 2012 “Contemporary Cuba.” Invited Lecture. History 497K: Cuban Revolution, 1959-2009, Prof. K. R. Lohse, History Department, Pennsylvania State University, April 2012.
- 2012 “Teaching Puerto Rico and U.S. Empire.” Presenter. Latino Symposium: Fearless Voices, Susquehanna University, March 16, 2012.
- 2011 “Becoming a Historian: Challenges Facing New Faculty” and “Diversity in the History Profession.” Presenter. The Arthur A. Schomburg Colloquium, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, November 15-16, 2011.
- 2011 “Immigration and Migration.” Invited Lecture. LTNST/WMNST 300: Latina Feminism, Prof. Prof. A. Garcia, Pennsylvania State University, April 2010 and April 2011.
- 2009 “*¡Palanta, Siempre Palante! The Young Lords.*” Workshop Facilitator. Pennsylvania State University, October 14, 2009.

- 2009 “Race, Empire, and Latin America.” Invited Speaker. HIST592: Modernism Proseminar, Prof. C. Wanner, History Department, Pennsylvania State University, October 8, 2009.
- 2008 “Afro-America and Afro-Latinos.” Invited Lecture. Prof. Laurence Prescott, African and African American Studies Department, Pennsylvania State University, December 2008.
- 2007 “Americanization, ‘Tropical Yankees,’ and U.S. Imperialism: Revisiting the Early History of U.S. Colonial Education in Puerto Rico, 1898-1930.” Presenter. Office of Multicultural Programs, College of Education, Pennsylvania State University, November 14, 2007.
- 2007 “‘We Are Not Colored, Unemployed and Retarded!’ Race and Class in 1930s Puerto Rico and its Diaspora.” Presenter. Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Yale University, October 11, 2007.
- 2006 “Race, Science, and Nation: The Cultural Politics of Schools in Colonial Puerto Rico, 1917-1938.” Presenter. Emerging Scholars Speaker Series, Africana Research Center, Pennsylvania State University, February 9, 2006.

Public History and Media Interviews

- 2022 Maya Brown, NYU
- 2021 Alexander Pineda, CNN
Carla Diaz, Amherst College
- 2020 April Lanuza, Digital Producer, *CGTN America*
Evelyn Baker, Producer, *Univisión*
Gerardo Pons de la Garza, National Association of Hispanic Journalists
Jamie Mittelman, *Flame Bearers: The Women Athletes Carrying Tokyo’s Torch*
Marilyn Figueroa and Michelle Archilla, ‘La Isla Del Encanto’ documentary
Rachel Hatzipanagos, *Washington Post*

Teaching Experience

Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida

History of Afro-Latin America, graduate seminar

American Studies Department and Black Studies Department, Amherst College

Active Citizenship, co-taught with Professor Molly Mead (American Studies)

Black Latinas (*new*, fall 2023, American Studies/Black Studies/LLAS)

BIPOC Children: Targets of the State (*new*, fall 2023, American Studies/LLAS)

History of the Hispanic Caribbean (American Studies)

History of Puerto Rico: Empire, Nation & Diaspora (American Studies, version 1);
Puerto Rican Migrations (American Studies, version 2)

Immigration and White Supremacy, co-taught with Professor Pawan Dhingra
(American Studies)

Introduction to Afro-Latinx Studies (American Studies/Black Studies)

Introduction to Black Studies (Black Studies 111)

Introduction to U.S. Latino Studies, co-taught with Professor Rick López
(American Studies/History)

Race and Nation: History of Hispaniola (American Studies/Black Studies)

Race and Revolution in Cuban History (American Studies/Black Studies)

Race and U.S. Empire: 1898 in the Caribbean and Pacific (American Studies)

Department of History, Pennsylvania State University

Undergraduate

History of Modern Latin America and the Caribbean, survey (History 179)

History of Puerto Rico, advanced class (History 497)

The Spanish-Speaking Caribbean and its Diaspora, advanced class (History 497)

U.S. Empire, research class (History 302W)

Graduate Seminar

History of Modern Latin America and the Caribbean (History 570)

History of the Modern Caribbean (History 597)

Race and Nation in Modern Latin America and the Caribbean (History 597)

Professional Service

Service to the Profession

- 2022 Series Editor, “Caribbean Crossroads: Race, Identity, and Freedom Struggles,” University of Florida Press, 2022 – present.
- 2022 Member, Centro Re-Steering Committee, The Center for Puerto Rican Studies at Hunter College, 2022 – present.
- 2020 Assistant Editor, Editorial Board, *The Americas: A Quarterly Review of Latin American History*, 2020 – 2021.
- 2010 Executive Committee, Puerto Rican Studies Association, 2010 – 2014.

Reviewer, Fellowship and Awards Committees

- 2023 ACLS Fellowships, 2023 – 2024
- 2019 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Fellowships, 2019 – 2020 Competition.
- 2019 Blanca Silvestrini Best Article on Puerto Rico for 2018, LASA-Puerto Rico Section, Latin American Studies Association (LASA), 2019.
- 2018 Graduate Student Essay Award, Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era (SHGAPE), 2018.
- 2015 Kimberly S. Hanger Article Prize, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association, 2015.
- 2009 Postdoctoral Fellowship Competition, Africana Research Center, Pennsylvania State University, 2009 – 2010.
- 2009 Individual Research Grants, Africana Research Center, Pennsylvania State University, 2009 – 2010.

Manuscript Reviewer

Article Manuscripts: *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, *Caribbean Studies*, *CENTRO Journal*, *Cultural History*, *International Journal of the History of Sport*, *International Labor and Working-Class History*, *Journal of American History*, and *Medical History Journal*

Book Manuscripts: Columbia University Press, Duke University Press, Oxford University Press, Princeton University Press, University of Florida Press, University of New Mexico Press, and University Press of Mississippi.

Service to Amherst College

- 2021 Committee on Teaching Effectiveness, 2021 – 2022
- 2021 Identity-based Harm Review Team, 2021 – 2022
- 2021 Graduate Studies Committee [University of Massachusetts - Amherst], 2021 – 2022
- 2021 Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer Search, 2021
- 2020 Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, 2020 – 2022
Previously the Presidential Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2020 President's Anti-Racism Leadership Group, 2020 – February 2021
- 2020 Committee of Six, 2020 – 2021
- 2018 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Advisory Committee, 2018 – present
- 2017 Latinx Studies Faculty Search, Spanish Department, 2017 – 2018
- 2017 Honorary Degree Advisory Committee, Spring 2017 – Fall 2018
- 2016 Advising Network, 2016 – 2017
- 2016 Presidential Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, Spring 2016 – Spring 2017
- 2016 Latin American & Caribbean Literature Faculty Search, Spanish Department, Spring 2016
- 2016 Latinx Student, Faculty and Staff Reception Organizing Committee, 2016 – 2018

- 2015 Committee on Priorities & Resources, 2015 - 2018
- 2015 Bicentennial History Committee, Fall 2015
- 2015 Advisor, Five College Latin American, Caribbean, and U.S. Latino Studies Certificate Program, 2015 - 2017
- 2014 Ask Big Questions Initiative, Provost Office, Spring 2014
- 2013 Strategic Planning Committee, Diversity and Community, 2013 - 2014

Service to Pennsylvania State University

- 2011 Faculty Advisor, BoricuaGrads: Puerto Rican Graduate Student Association, 2011 - 2012
- 2011 Graduate Committee, Department of History, 2011 - 2012
- 2010 Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of History, 2010 - 2011
- 2008 LiLACS (Latin@, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies) Advisory Board, College of Liberal Arts, 2008 - 2012
- 2008 Faculty Advisor, Dominican Student Association, 2008 - 2012
- 2008 Faculty Advisor, Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc., 2008 - 2012
- 2008 Africana Research Center Advisory Board, College of Liberal Arts, 2008 - 2011
- 2008 Migration Studies Project Advisory Board, College of Liberal Arts, 2008 - 2010
- 2008 Coordinator of "Latin American & Caribbean History Lecture Series," Department of History, 2008 - 2009. Guest speakers: Prof. George Reid Andrews, Prof. Marixa Lasso, Prof. Roseanne Adderley, Prof. Moon-Ho Jung, and Prof. Anne Macpherson.
- 2008 Graduate Studies Committee, Department of History, 2008 - 2009
- 2007 Latin American Studies Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2007 - 2008
- 2007 Latino Studies Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2007 - 2008

2007 Coordinator of “Program in Modern Politics and Society” (PAMS) Works-In-Progress Workshops, Department of History, 2007 - 2008

Professional Affiliations

American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education, Inc. (AAHHE)

Association of Caribbean Historians (ACH)

American Historical Association (AHA)

American Studies Association (ASA)

Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD)

Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)

Conference on Latin American History (CLAH), AHA

History of Education Society (HES)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS)

Northeast Consortium of Latino/a Studies (NECLS)

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