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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Hispanic Literatures and Cultures expected May 2024
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Dissertation: “*A contracorriente*: Transoceanic Resistances in the Canary Islands, Cuba and Puerto Rico”

M.A., Hispanic Literatures and Cultures August 2018
Graduate Certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies
Illinois State University
M.A. Thesis: “From *Borderlands* to Border Islands: Intersections between Anzaldúa's Chicana Feminist Theory and U.S. Latina Literature from the Hispanic Caribbean”

M.A., Anglophone Literatures and Cultures July 2016
University of Salamanca, Spain

B.A., Modern Languages and Literatures July 2014
Concentration in Anglophone and Francophone Literatures and Cultures
University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

- Caribbean Studies
- Canary Islands Studies
- Oceanic Studies
- Archipelagic Thinking
- Contemporary Literatures and Cultures
- Visual and Cultural Studies

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Under review

“La perspectiva transatlántica en *El Sol de Jesús del Monte* (1852), novela antiesclavista cubano-canaria” *Revista de Estudios Hispánicos*.

In progress

“Guanches, princesas y conquistadores: Políticas raciales y de género en el cine histórico las Islas Canarias”

“Tourist Traps: Dismantling Paradise in Contemporary Caribbean Culture”

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS AND ACADEMIC HONORS

- Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities and Arts
Graduate School, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Fall 2019-Spring 2023
- Research Travel Grant
Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Summer 2022, Summer 2019
- Conference Presentation Award
Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Spring 2022, Fall 2018
- Best Graduate Student Paper Award
Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Spring 2021
- List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
- Charter Excellence Award
Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Illinois State University
Spring 2018
- Rhonda Nicol Memorial Award
Women's and Gender Studies Program, Illinois State University
Spring 2018
- Conference Travel Grant
Graduate College, Illinois State University
Spring 2018
- Universidad de Salamanca International Exchange Scholarship
Illinois State University
Fall 2016-Spring 2017
- Erasmus Study Abroad Scholarship
Leiden Universiteit, The Netherlands
Fall 2012-Spring 2013

INVITED TALKS

- “Thinking *A contracorriente*: Engaged Humanities in Theory and Practice”, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL (March 2024)
- “The Ocean as Archive of Resistance” (roundtable), LASA 2024, Bogotá, Colombia (June 2024)

CONFERENCES

Panel organizer

Chair and Organizer, “Development Challenges and the Role of Tourism in the Caribbean,” Latin American Studies Association, Online (May 2022)

Presenter

“Aguas turbulentas: Colonialismo, desastre y enfermedad en *La pecera* de Glorimar Marrero Sánchez”, Latin American Studies Association, Bogotá, Colombia (June 2024, submitted)

- “La isla del (des)encanto: Representaciones contemporáneas de la industria turística puertorriqueña”, Latin American Studies Association, Online (May 2022)
- “‘South of Chaos’: Tourism Industry in the Poetry by Acerina Cruz”, International Small Islands Studies Association, Online (June 2020)
- “Of Diet Pepsi and Guarapo de Caña: The Performance of Consumerism in Dolores Prida’s *Coser y Cantar*”, Midwest Modern Languages Association, Kansas City, MO (November 2018)
- “Mapping the Hyphenated Self: Language, Space and the Displaced Body in Dolores Prida’s *Coser y Cantar*,” Women’s and Gender Studies Symposium, Illinois State University, Normal, IL (April 2018)
- “La imaginación, como la memoria, puede transformar las mentiras en verdades’: (Re)imaginando la revolución en *Soñar en cubano* de Cristina García”, Diálogos XV, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN (March 2018)
- “‘My Life, the Testimony of My People’: Individual Trauma and Collective Resilience in I, *Rigoberta Menchú: An Indian Woman in Guatemala*,” Central Illinois Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference, Illinois State University, Normal, IL (March 2018)
- “This Bridge Called the Canary Islands: Pedagogical Applications and Implications of Mestiza Theories in a Postcolonial Setting,” Midwest Modern Languages Association, Cincinnati, OH (November 2017)
- “‘Ain’t I A Woman?’: Black Feminism in Action,” Women’s and Gender Studies Symposium, Illinois State University, Normal, IL (April 2017)
- “Pedagogical Applications of Anzaldúa’s Mestiza Consciousness in the Canary Islands,” Central Illinois Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference, Illinois State University, Normal, IL (March 2017)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Summer 2020, Summer 2022

Dr. Elena Delgado, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Teaching Assistant

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Latin American Literatures & Cultures from 1800 (SPAN 316)	Spring 2024
Approaches to Culture (SPAN 254)	Fall 2023
Oral Spanish (SPAN 208)	Spring 2022
Spanish Composition (SPAN 228)	Fall 2021
Elementary Spanish 1 (SPAN 122)	Fall 2018, Spring 2019

Illinois State University

Basic Spanish 1 (SPA 111)	Spring 2018
Elementary Spanish 2 (SPA 112)	Fall 2016-Fall 2017

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Spanish and Portuguese Graduate Admissions Committee. Mentor. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Fall 2021-present
Reel Iberia: Media Representations of the Iberian Past. Volunteer. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Fall 2021
Lectures and Arrangements Committee. Graduate student representative. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Fall 2020-Spring 2021
SPGO Workshop Series. Presenter. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Fall 2020
Spanish and Portuguese Graduate Student Organization. Secretary. 2022 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Fall 2019-Spring
2019 Black and Latina Womxn Summit. Volunteer. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Spring 2019
Cervantes Journal. Editorial Assistant. Cervantes Society of America	Spring 2018
Sigma Delta Pi. Hispanic Honor Society, Eta Upsilon Chapter. Member. Illinois State University	Fall 2017-Spring 2018
Silence Kills: Immigration and Refugee Solidarity Rally. Organizer and presenter. Illinois State University	Spring 2017
Languages Lab. Tutor. Illinois State University	Fall 2016-Spring 2018
Artaburu Basque Organization. Member. Illinois State University	Fall 2016-Spring 2018
Spanish Club. Member. Illinois State University	Fall 2016-Spring 2018
27th SEDERI: Cervantes + Shakespeare 1616-2016. Volunteer. Universidad de Valladolid, Spain	Spring 2016

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Spanish	Native speaker
English	Near-native fluency
French	Reading and conversational knowledge
Portuguese	Reading and conversational knowledge

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Modern Languages Association (MLA)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
International Small Islands Studies Association (ISISA)
Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
Grupo Internacional de Estudios Canarios

REFERENCES

Mariselle Meléndez, Director of the School of Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics, Professor of Colonial Spanish American Literatures and Cultures, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, melendez@illinois.edu

Carolyn Fornoff, Professor of Latin American Studies, Cornell University, cfornoff@cornell.edu

Javier Irigoyen García, Professor of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, irigoyen@illinois.edu