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## EDUCATION

- 2022- Present**    **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana, IL  
PhD, Hispanic Linguistics- *in progress*
- 2022**            **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana, IL  
MA, Hispanic Linguistics
- 2018**            **Allegheny College**, Meadville, PA  
Non-degree student
- 2017**            **Universidad Pedagógica Experimental Libertador**, Barquisimeto, Venezuela  
BA, Teaching English as a Foreign Language
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020-Present**    **Spanish Instructor**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL  
Courses: SPAN 101, SPAN 122, SPAN 130, SPAN 141, SPAN 142, SPAN 228, SPAN 307
- 2021**            **Lecturer**, Universidad Pedagógica Experimental Libertador, Barquisimeto, Venezuela  
Courses: INT4369 - Intro to Written Communication
- 2019-2020**      **Spanish Teaching Assistant**, The Pegasus School, Huntington Beach, CA  
Grades K-5th
- 2019**            **Academic Tutor**, TITAN ASES, California State University Fullerton. Fullerton, CA  
Grades 6th-8th
- 2017-2018**      **Spanish Teaching Assistant**, Allegheny College, Meadville, PA  
SPAN 215
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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2023-Present**    **Graduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL  
[Second Language Acquisition and Bilingualism Lab](#)  
P.I.: Jill Jegerski, PhD.
- Spring 2023**      **Graduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL  
[Educational Psychology Psycholinguistics Lab](#)  
P.I.: Kiel Christianson, PhD.
- 2021-2023**      **Graduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL  
[Second Language Acquisition and Bilingualism Lab](#)  
P.I.: Silvina Montrul, PhD.
- 2019-2020**      **Research Assistant**, Allegheny College, PA  
P.I.: Shannan Mattiace, PhD.
- 2017-2018**      **Research Assistant**, Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Allegheny College, PA  
P.I.: Barbara Riess, PhD.
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## PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES

- 2023**            *Cues for the Acquisition of Gender in Spanish*. 15th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society. March, 2023. Champaign, Illinois
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## LANGUAGES

Spanish (L1), English (L2, advanced), Portuguese (Ln, beginner)

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## AFFILIATIONS

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL); American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP); Venezuelan Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Association (VenTESOL); Latin American Studies Association (LASA).