

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Field: Latin American Poetry (Southern Cone), Twentieth Century

Education: 2009 Ph.D. Dissertation in progress, University of Kansas
Major Field of Concentration: 20th C. Latin American Poetry
Minor Field of Concentration: Latin American Studies
Comprehensive Exams passed January 2003
1999 M.A. University of Kansas: Spanish
1996 B.A. Washington University, St. Louis: Spanish and Fine Arts

Dissertation: "Reflection and Refraction: Nostalgia in the Exile Poetry of Juan Gelman,
Gonzalo Millán and Ferreira Gullar"
Dissertation Director: Dr. Jonathan Mayhew

Research Interests:

- Latin American Literature and Culture
- Poetry from Chile, Argentina and Brazil
- Exile literature, especially pertaining to issues of nostalgia, memory and reparations
- Post-dictatorial literature including testimonial writing and theories relating to economic stabilization and its impact on cultural production

Teaching Experience:

Fall 2005-Present

Adjunct Instructor, Full-time, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Courses Taught:

Spanish 83: Advanced Oral Skills (Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2008)

Course includes:

- Weekly eTandem Language and Culture Exchanges with students of English at the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Cali, Colombia (using Skype and Marratech software)
- Service Learning Community Outreach component

Spanish 82: Grammar Review and Writing (Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2008, Fall 2008)

- Course includes Service Learning Community Outreach component

Spanish 03: Elementary Spanish 3 (Spring 2006, Spring 2007)

Spanish 02: Elementary Spanish 2 (Fall 2005)

Fall 1997-2005

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

Courses Taught:

Spanish 340: Textual Analysis and Critical Reading (Spring 2004)

Spanish 328: Intermediate Spanish Conversation I (Spring 2005, Fall 2003)

Spanish 324: Grammar and Composition (Fall 2003)

Spanish 216: Intermediate Spanish II (Fall 2004, Spring 1999)

Spanish 213: Honors Intermediate Spanish I (Spring 2003)

Spanish 212: Intermediate Spanish I (Summer 2004, Summer 2003, Fall 2002, Summer 2001, Fall 1998)

Spanish 105: Elementary Spanish I Accelerated (Spring 2002, Fall 2001)

Spanish 104: Elementary Spanish I (Spring 2000, Fall 2000, Summer 1999, Spring 1998, Fall 1997)

Fall 2004

Head Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Kansas

Intermediate Spanish II

Duties: Assist supervisor in development of common course materials, including syllabus and class plans, oversee preparation of common exams and final, develop any needed proctoring schedule for regular exams and make-up exams, organize copying and distribution of materials to GTAs, serve as a model teacher

Fall 2000-Spring 2003

Course Coordinator, University of Kansas

Elementary Spanish I (Fall 2000-Spring 2002)

Intermediate Spanish II (Fall 2002-Spring 2003)

Duties: Supervise instructors, develop course syllabus, create and administer course materials such as common activities and quizzes, design and prepare of course-wide exams, coach teaching assistants on strategies, observe classes and give feedback sessions, serve as a model teacher

Fall 1999-Summer 2000

English Teacher (Profesor Asociado de Inglés), Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Spain

Courses Taught:

English I

English II

Techniques of Oral Expression

Participation with Study Abroad Programs

Summer 2001 Graduate Teaching Assistant
Spanish Language and Culture Program, Puebla, Mexico

Summer 1998 Assistant to the Director
Portuguese Language and Culture Program, Vitoria, Brazil

I. PUBLICATIONS:

- A. 2004 Website Activities, *Atando cabos*, 2nd Edition, Pearson/Prentice Hall
- B. 1998 *Elementary Spanish I*, Independent Study Course, Department of Continuing Education, University of Kansas

II. PRESENTATIONS:

- A. September 2002 “Top-down Pragmatics in José Donoso’s *Casa de Campo*”
Mid-America Conference on Hispanic Literatures (MACHL), St. Louis, Missouri
- B. March 2002 “Exam Preparation for the Foreign Language Classroom”
Graduate Student Pedagogy Workshop, University of Kansas

III. COMMITTEES AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

- A. University Committees:
 - Spring 2004 Pedagogy Job Search Committee, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Kansas
 - Fall 2000-Spring 2003 Basic Language Committee, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Kansas
 - Fall 2000-Spring 2003 Textbook Committee, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Kansas
 - Fall 2000-Spring 2001 Phi Beta Delta, University of Kansas Chapter
 - Fall 1998-Spring 1999 Graduate Students of Spanish and Portuguese (GRASP), Treasurer
- B. Community Organization:
 - October 2007-present Alumni Task Force, Woodlands School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 - January 2003-Fall 2004 Douglas County Infant-Toddler Coordinating Council, Lawrence, Kansas, Medical and Social Services Translator and Advisor
 - Spring 1998-Fall 1999 Women’s Transitional Care Services, Lawrence, Kansas, Volunteer Advocate

IV. MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

MLA—Modern Language Association
IALLT—The International Association for Language Learning Technology
ACTFL—American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages

V. HONORS:

2004-2005 Mary C. Breakey Scholarship, Non-Traditional Student Scholarship,
University of Kansas

VI. RESIDENCY, TEACHING AND RESEARCH ABROAD:

Summer 2001	Puebla, Mexico
1999-2001	Santiago de Compostela, Spain
Summer 1998	Vitoria, Brazil
Winter-Summer 1996	Santiago, Chile

VII. LANGUAGES:

English: native
Spanish: near native
Portuguese: proficient
French: reading knowledge

VIII. CITIZENSHIP:

United States