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Area of Specialization: Social and Political Philosophy: Philosophy Race, Gender, and Sexuality
Latin American & Caribbean Philosophy/Latina/x Feminisms

Area of Competence: Phenomenology & Existentialism
Value Theory

Languages: Fluent in English & Spanish

Employment

Fall 2018 - Present Assistant Professor: Department of Philosophy, Marquette University

June 2017- June 2018 Career Enhancement Fellow: Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

Fall 2014 - Spring 2018 Assistant Professor: Department of Philosophy, William Paterson University

Education

Ph.D., Philosophy. Summer 2014. University at Buffalo. Buffalo, NY.

- Dissertation Title: "The Quest for Recognition: The Case of Latin American Philosophy"
- Director: Samuel P. Capen Chair, Dr. Jorge J.E. Gracia

M.A., Philosophy. 2011. University at Buffalo. Buffalo, NY.

BA. *Cum Laude*, Philosophy. 2007. University of South Florida. Tampa, FL.

Books

1. Rivera Berruz, S. and Kalmanson, L. Ed. (2018). *Comparative Studies in Asian and Latin American Philosophies*. Bloomsbury Press.

Journal Publications

1. Rivera Berruz, S. (Accepted). "Latin American Feminism." *Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy*.
2. Rivera Berruz, S. (2018). "Writing to be Heard: Recovering the Philosophy of Luisa Capetillo." *Essays in Philosophy: Special Issue Latin American Feminist Philosophy: Theory Meets Praxis*. Vol 19. (1).
3. Rivera Berruz, S. (2016). "Speaking Through Difference" in "In the Flesh and Word: Latina Feminist Philosophers' Collective Labor." *Hypatia: Special Cluster on Latina Feminism*. Vol. 31 (2): 442-444.
4. Rivera Berruz, (2016). "At the Crossroads: Latina Identity and Simone de Beauvoir's *The Second Sex*." *Hypatia: Special Cluster on Latina Feminism*. Vol. 31 (2): 319-333.
5. Rivera Berruz, S. (2016). "Essay Response: Katherine T. Gines, 'Comparative and Competing Frameworks of Oppression in Simone de Beauvoir's *The Second Sex*'" in *Symposia on Gender, Race, and Philosophy Blog*. Electronic Source. <http://sgrp.typepad.com/sgrp/spring-2016-symposium-gines.html>. 1-3.

6. Rivera Berruz, S. (2014) "Extending into Space: The Materiality of Language and the Arrival of the Latina/o Body." *Inter-American Journal of Philosophy*. Vol. 5 (1): 23-41.
7. Rivera Berruz, S. (2014) "Inhabiting Philosophical Space: Reflections from the Reasonably Suspicious." *Hypatia*. Vol. 29 (1): 182-188.
8. Rivera Berruz, S. (2012) "Constructing Philosophical Worlds: Theorizing Through A Latin American Lens." *APA Newsletter on Feminism*. Vol. 12 (1): 9-14.

Book Chapters

1. Rivera Berruz, S. (Under Review). "Latin American and Latinx Feminism." In *Latin American and Latinx Philosophy: An Introduction*. Ed. Robert Sanchez. UK: Routledge.
2. "The Menstruating Body Politic: Jose Martí, Gender, and Sexuality." (Under Review). *An Inter-American Discourse*. Ed. Adeshei Carter and Hernando A. Estévez. New York: Fordham University Press.
3. Rivera Berruz, S. (Accepted). "Stylized Resistance: Boomerang Perception and Latinas in the 21st Century." *Anthology on Latina Feminism*. Ed. Andrea Pitts, Marina Ortega, and José Medina. Oxford University Press.
4. Rivera Berruz, S. and Kalmanson, L. Ed. (2018). "Introduction." *Comparative Studies in Asian and Latin American Philosophies*. London: Bloomsbury.
5. Rivera Berruz, S. (2015). "The Spice of White Life: Freddy and Racist Representations." *House of Cards and Philosophy*. Ed. J. Edward Hackett, Wiley, 187-196.

Book & Essay Reviews

1. Rivera Berruz, S. (Under Review for Spring 2019). "Book Review: *Feeling Academic in the Neoliberal University: Feminist Flights, Fights, and Failures*. Ed. Yvette Taylor and Kinneret Lahad." *Feminist Foundations*.
2. Rivera Berruz, S. (2018). "Juxtaposition, Futurity, and the Politics of Race and Sexuality." In "Symposium: *Theorizing Race in the Americas* by Juliet Hooker." *Radical Philosophy Review*. Vol. 21 (2): 327-332.
3. Rivera Berruz, S. (2017). "Book Review: *In-Between: Latina Feminist Phenomenology, Multiplicity, and the Self*." *Inter-American Journal of Philosophy*. Vol. 8(1): 50-54.
4. Rivera Berruz, S. (2016). "Book Review: *Debating Race, Ethnicity, and Latino Identity: Jorge J.E. Gracia and his Critics* edited by Iván Jaksić." *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*. Vol. 15 (2): 28-30.
5. Rivera Berruz, S. (2012) "Essay Review: 'Sartre, Beauvoir, and the Race/Gender Analogy', by Kathryn T. Gines." *Sapere Aude*. Vol. 3(6): 132-134.

Book Project

1. Working Title: *At the Crossroads of the Nation: Assembling Race, Gender, and Sexuality in the Spanish Caribbean*
 - a. Brief Abstract: The book explores the regulatory role of nationalism and the assemblage of race, gender, and sexuality in the context of the Caribbean. The social and political thought that emerges

from the Caribbean is unique in its configurations of racial identity that impact the construction of the paradigms of gender and sexuality. As a result, race emerges as a mechanism through which to negotiate participation in the nation building project, but it does so through the regulation of gender and sexuality.

Works in Progress: Journal Articles and Book Chapters

1. "Mi patria es la libertad:" Assembling Belonging in the Writings of Luisa Capetillo." (Sample Chapter for Book Manuscript, In Progress).
2. Rivera Berruz, S. and Astacio J. (Completed, Edits in Progress, Journal Article) "A Dominican Garveyite in Harlem: Excavating Carlos Cooks."
3. Rivera Berruz, S. (In Progress, Journal Article). "In the Borderlands you are the battleground...": Queer Latinx Bodies, Sacred Space, and June 12."

Invited Talks & Lectures

1. "Approaches Across the Disciplines: Guest Lecture for Philosophy." Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. April 2019.
2. "The Assemblages of Belonging: Sovereignty and Peripheral Caribbean Women Intellectuals." Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA. March 11-13, 2019.
3. Invited Lecture: "Forging a Caribbean Feminist Manifesto: Considering the Case of Luisa Capetillo." Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA. Feminist Philosophy Course. October 19, 2018.
4. Invited Workshop Participant: "Coloniality and Race in the Philosophical Study of Religions." Political Theology Network. Caribbean Philosophical Association Meeting. Dakar, Senegal. June 21, 2018.
5. Guest Scholar at Days of Reflection: SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, NY. March 1-2, 2018.
 - a. "Assembling Belonging: Racialized Sexual Politics and Luisa Capetillo."
 - b. "The Last Colony: A Close Look at Puerto Rico's Unique Relationship with the U.S."
6. "Writing to be Heard: Recovering the Philosophy of Luisa Capetillo (1829-1922)." Invited Speaker. Borough of Manhattan Community College, NY, NY. November 17, 2017.
7. "Recovering the Philosophy of Luisa Capetillo." Invited Speaker St. Mary's University. San Antonio, TX. November 1, 2017.
8. "Writing Latinas into Philosophical History." Invited Speaker SUNY Buffalo Philosophy Department. Buffalo, NY. October 11, 2017.
9. "Latin American Feminisms and Philosophy." Invited Speaker 2017 Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity and Philosophy. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. August 2, 2017.

10. "Stylized Resistance: Latina Embodiment and Boomerang Perception." Invited Keynote Speaker for Women's History Month, SUNY Cortland. Cortland, NY. March 21, 2017.
11. "In the Borderlands you are the battleground...": Queer Latinx Bodies, Sacred Space, and June 12." Bergen Community College. Paramus, NJ. November 16, 2017.
12. "What is Latin American Philosophy?" Guest Skype Lecturer for Latin American Thought Graduate Seminar. University of North Carolina. Charlotte, NC. November 1, 2016.
13. "What is Latin American Philosophy?" Montclair State University Philosophy Department Colloquium. Montclair State University. Montclair, NJ. October 30, 2015.
14. Guest Lecture on Latina/o Identity in Richard Huizar's Latin American Politics Course. William Paterson University. Wayne, NJ. Spring 2014.

Conferences and Presentations

1. "On the Border of Empire: Puerto Rico as a Prism of Emancipatory Thought." Philosophy Born of Struggle (PBOS). Hamilton College, Clinton, NY. November 2-3, 2018.
2. Chair: "Decolonial Feminisms." Society for Phenomenology and Existentialism (SPEP). Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, October 19, 2018.
3. "Mi patria es la libertad." Assembling Belonging in the Writings of Luisa Capetillo." Roundtable for Latina/x Feminisms. Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA. September 7-8, 2018.
4. Panel Participant: "What is a Philosophy Born of Struggle?." Philosophy Born of Struggle Roundtable. Caribbean Philosophical Association Meeting. Dakar, Senegal. June 19-22, 2018.
5. "Out of Time: Assembling Historiographical Belonging." Panel: Transnational Approaches to Race and Critical Historiography. Caribbean Philosophical Association Meeting. Dakar, Senegal. June 19-22, 2018.
6. "Archival Meditations: A Decolonial Feminist Gesture on Time." Panel: Dialogue, Memory, and Time: Methodological Reflections on the Writings of María Lugones. Toward a Decolonial Feminisms Conference. State College, Pennsylvania. May 11-13, 2018.
7. "Author Meets Critic Panel: Juliet Hooker, *Theorizing Race in the Americas* (2017)." Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy. Indianapolis, IN. March 8-10, 2018.
8. "Assembling Historiographical Belonging: The Spanish Caribbean and Emancipatory Politics." Philosophy Born of Struggle Invited Panel. Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy. Indianapolis, IN. March 8-10, 2018.
9. "Writing to be Heard: Recovering the Philosophy of Luisa Capetillo." Philosophy Across the Americas. McAllen, Texas. November 2-4, 2017.

10. Artist Talks: "The Body is a Battleground" Co-Curated Exhibition with Kristen Evangelista. Ben Shahn Gallery, William Paterson University Wayne, NJ. Exhibition 1/30-3/30, 2017. Co-Curated Exhibition with Kristen Evangelista, WPU Gallery Director.
 - a. Open Discussion with Nona Faustine, 2/29/2017, 2:00-3:00 PM.
 - b. Open Discussion with Joiri Minaya, 3/9/2017, 3:30-4:30 PM.
11. "In the Borderlands you are the battleground...": Queer Latinx Bodies, Sacred Space, and June 12."
 - a. Philosophy Born of Struggle Conference. Texas A & M University, College Station, TX. November 3-5, 2016.
 - b. Roundtable for Latina Feminism. John Carroll University. Cleveland, Ohio. May 5-6, 2017.
12. "The Anatomy of Safe Spaces: Workshop." LGBTQ College Leadership Conference. New Jersey City University. Jersey City, NJ. October 28, 2017.
13. "Moving Past Intersectionality: Multidimensionality and Kaleidoscopic Selves." Co-authored with Elizabeth Victor. Accepted for Presentation at Society for Analytical Feminism (SAF) Conference. University of Massachusetts at Lowell. Lowell, MA. September 16-18, 2016.
14. "The Menstruating Body Politic: Jose Martí and Gender."
 - a. Cuban Research Institute 11th Conference Meeting, Florida International University. Miami, FL. February 23-25, 2017.
 - b. Roundtable for Latina Feminism. John Carroll University. Cleveland, Ohio. May 6-7, 2016.
15. Chair: MidWest U.S. SWIP Panel Session. American Philosophical Association: Central Division. Palmer House Hilton. Chicago, IL. March 2-5, 2016.
16. "The Indispensable and the Inadequate: Latin American Philosophy and European Thought." Latinx Philosophers Conference. Columbia University. April 29-30, 2016.
17. "The Undaunted: Excavating A Dominican Garveyite in Harlem." Co-authored with Jonathan Astacio. Society for the Study of Africana Philosophy. NY, NY. January 17, 2016.
18. "On Guns and Justice." Open Forum Discussion with Science Park High School Debate Team. Newark, NJ. December 7, 2015.
19. "The Undaunted: Excavating A Dominican Garveyite in Harlem." Co-authored with Jonathan Astacio. Philosophy Born of Struggle. University of Connecticut. Storrs, CT. November 6-7, 2015.
20. "The Menstruating Body Politic: Jose Martí and Gender." Roundtable for Latina Feminism Panel at Philosophy Born of Struggle Conference. University of Connecticut. Storrs, CT. November 6-7, 2015.
21. "Changing Demographics: New Immigrants in America Film Series on Crash." Wayne Public Library. Wayne, NJ. October 13, 2015.
22. "Moving Past Intersectionality: Multidimensionality and Kaleidoscopic Selves." Co-authored with Elizabeth Victor. U.S. MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy. Washington College. Chestertown, MD. October 9-10, 2015.

23. "The Gaze Returned: Boomerang Perception, Whiteness, and Latinas in the 21st Century." Panel on *Latina Feminism* at the Southeast Roundtable for Philosophy in the Americas. UNC Charlotte. Charlotte, SC. October 2-3, 2015.
24. "The Inadequate and Indispensable: Latin American Philosophy and European Thought." Continental and Comparative Philosophy Circle. University of Iceland. Reykjavik, Iceland. May 14-17, 2015.
25. "From Africa to Latin America: Convergences of Intellectual Coloniality." Philosophy Born of Struggle Conference. Paine College. Augusta, Georgia. October 30-31, 2014.
26. "The Quest for Recognition: The Case of Latin American Philosophy." Eastern APA on the panel for The North American Society for Social Political Philosophy (NASSP). Baltimore, MD. December 2013.
27. "The Quest for Recognition: The Case of Latin American Philosophy" Caribbean Philosophical Association. Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Puerto Rico y El Caribe. San Juan, PR. November 21-24, 2013.
28. "The Gaze Returned: Boomerang Perception Thrown Through Racial Realism." California Roundtable on Race. DePaul University. Chicago, IL. October 10-11, 2013.
29. "Extending into Space: The Materiality of Language and the Arrival of the Latina/o Body." XXXI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Panel: Latin American Philosophy and Latino Studies: A Dialogue. Washington DC. May 30- June 1, 2013.
30. "The Boomerang Perception: Weaving Together Maria Lugones, Frantz Fanon, and Aimé Césaire." Roundtable on Latina Feminism. John Carroll University. University Heights, OH. April 26-27, 2013.
31. "Tracing the Margins of Invisibility: Simone de Beauvoir and the Woman of Color." Central APA on the panel for the MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy. Hilton New Orleans Riverside. New Orleans, LA. February 20-23, 2013.
32. "Lost and Found in Translation? What Latin American Feminism Can Teach Latin American Philosophy." Central APA Panel for MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy. Palmer House Hilton. Chicago, IL. February 15-18 2012.
33. "Tracing the Margins of Invisibility: Simone de Beauvoir and the Woman of Color." MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy. Miami University. Oxford, OH. November 9-11, 2012.
34. "Inhabiting Philosophical Space: Whose Space? What Bodies?"
 - (a) North American Society for Social Political Philosophy. Northeastern University. Boston, MA. July 26-28, 2012.
 - (b) Radical Philosophical Association. Canisius College. Buffalo, NY. October 11-12, 2012.
35. "Lost and Found in Translation? What Latin American Feminism Can Teach Latin American Philosophy."
 - (a) Latina Roundtable on Feminism. John Carroll University. University Heights, OH. April 27-28, 2012.
 - (b) MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy. Northwestern University. Evanston, IL. November 4-6, 2011.

36. "Resisting Revulsion: Disgust and the Colored Body." Fordham University Graduate Student Conference. NY, NY. October 14, 2011.
37. "Wait...You Want to Do What? : A Critique of Naomi Zack's Eliminitivism" 7th Annual Philosophy Graduate Student Conference University of Memphis. Memphis, TN. February 11-12 2011

Workshops: Continued Teaching Education

Advisement Workshop, William Paterson University	Fall 2016
Degree Works Workshop, William Paterson University	Fall 2015
Writing Across Disciplines Workshop, William Paterson University.	Fall 2014
Safe Space Workshop, William Paterson University	Fall 2014

Grants & Awards

Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship Recipient	2017-2018
Support Faculty: Grant for the Wayne Public Library through NJ Council for the Humanities -State Partner of the NEH	Fall 2015
Research Center for the Humanities and Social Sciences Summer Fellowship, WPU	Summer 15/16/17
Samuel P. Capen Dissertation Fellowship	Fall 2013-Spring 2014
Arturo Schomburg Graduate Student Fellowship	Fall 2009- Spring 2013
UB Departmental Travel Award to attend Central APA/Eastern APA	Spring 2013/Fall 2014

Teaching

William Paterson University (Wayne, NJ)

PHIL/WGS 2330: Gendered Technologies	Spring 2017
PHIL/LAS 2350: Latin American Philosophy	Fall 2016
PHIL/WGS 2690: Philosophy of Love & Sex	Spring 2016
LBST 4800: Liberal Studies Capstone	Fall 15/Spring 16/Fall 16/Spring 17
PHIL 2190: Justice	Fall 2015
LBST 2010: Liberal Studies Colloquium	Spring 2015
PHIL 1500: Concepts of the Person	Spring 15/Spring 16/Fall16/Spring17
PHIL 1100: Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2014
PHIL/WGS 3240: Feminism and Philosophy	Fall 2014
PHIL 3990: Independent Study on Latin American Philosophy	Fall 2015

Canisius College (Buffalo, NY)

Philosophy of Human Rights	Fall 2013
Introduction to Philosophy	Spring 2013
Latin American Philosophy	Fall 2012/Spring 2012
Philosophy and Gender	Spring 2012/Fall 2012
Business Ethics	Spring 2012

Niagara University (Niagara Falls, NY)

Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2011
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Bryant & Stratton College (Buffalo, NY)

Logic
Critical Thinking

Fall 2011/Summer 2012
Summer 2011/Summer 2012

SUNY Brockport Migrant Education Program (Brockport, NY)

Tutor Advocate

Spring 2010

Teaching Training

Teaching Philosophy Course

Spring 2010

Academic Service & Professional Membership

University Service:

Co-Curator: "The Body is a Battleground: Joiri Minaya and Nona Faustine" (1/30-3/30)	Spring 2017
Women of Vision University Award Selection Committee	Spring 2017
Panelist on Roundtable for New Faculty Orientation	Fall 2016
Liberal Studies Advisor	Fall 2016
UCC Diversity & Justice Panel (Co-Chair: Fall 2016)	Fall 2015 Present
HSS Curriculum Committee	Fall 2015- Present
Safe Space Training Coordinator	Fall 2015- Present
HSS Book Club Selection Committee	Fall 2015
Philosophy Film Series Coordinator	Fall 2014- Present

Service to the Profession:

International Committee Member, Philosophy Born of Struggle	Fall 2016- Present
Supporting Host Faculty for Latinx Philosophers Conference:	Fall 2016-Present
Executive Secretary of U.S. MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy	Fall 2014-Present
Referee for <i>Perspectives on Science</i>	Fall 2017
Referee for <i>Journal of World Philosophy</i>	Summer 2016
Referee for <i>Critical Philosophy of Race</i>	Summer 2016-Present
Referee for The Lighthearted Philosophers Society	Fall 2015
Referee for <i>Florida Philosophical Review</i>	Spring 2015
Referee for <i>Hypatia</i>	Spring 2015-Present
Referee for <i>Radical Philosophy Review</i>	Fall 2014
Program Committee for MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy	Summer/Fall 2014
Co-Host of MidWest Society for Women in Philosophy at SUNY Buffalo	Fall 2013
Graduate Student Member of FEAST Coordinating Committee	Fall 2013
Treasurer of Graduate Student Philosophical Association	Fall 2011-Spring 2012
Executive Committee Member of Graduate Philosophical Association	Fall 2009- Spring 2010

Service to the Community:

Volunteer Debate Coach, Science Park High School (Newark, NJ)

Fall 2015- Present

Professional Membership:

Latinx Philosophers Conference
Philosophy Born of Struggle
MidWest U.S. Society for Women in Philosophy

Latin American Studies Association
American Philosophical Association
Caribbean Philosophical Association

References

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