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Curriculum Vitae

Modern Languages and Literatures
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EDUCATION

2009 Ph.D., Latin American Literatures, Purdue University.
2001 M.A., Latin American Literatures, Purdue University.
1992 B.A., Psychology, Universidade Federal do Pará, Brazil.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2011- present Wabash College, Department of Modern Languages and
Literatures, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Portuguese.
2009-2011 Wabash College, Department of Modern Languages and
Literatures, Visiting Assistant Professor of Spanish and Portuguese.
2008-2009 Ivy Tech Community College, Adjunct Faculty in Spanish.
2003 Purdue University. Lecturer in Spanish.

PUBLICATIONS

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2016 "Asserting and Empowering Black Womanhood: Reaching Back to Africa
in the Poetry of Alzira Rufino and Georgina Herrera". Submitted. *Chasqui*.
2010 "Resisting Silence / Silence as Resistance: (Re-)Affirming Brazil's African
Heritage in Conceição Evaristo's *Ponciá Vicêncio*". *PALARA: Publication of the Afro-
Latin/American Research Association*. Dartmouth College, Fall 2010. Vol.14. 54-71.

BOOK CHAPTERS

2008 "Camus' *Orphée Noir*: Popular Culture and Identity (Re-)Creation" *Comparative
Cinema: How American University Students View Foreign Films*. Ed. Beate Allert.
Lewiston: Edwin Mellen Press, 2008. 167-182.

TRANSLATIONS

2005 "Se autor, por que defunto? Se defunto, por que autor?" By Michael
Braden. *Espelho: Revista Machadiana*. Número 10/11, 2004-05. 5-20.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2014 *Literary and Cultural Relations Between Brazil and Mexico – Deep Undercurrents*. By Paulo Moreira, Palgrave MacMillan 2013. *Choice Reviews*. Oct. 2014.
- 2013 *Haiti and the Americas*. By Carla Calargé et al., eds. University Press of Mississippi 2013. *Choice Reviews*. September.
- 2013 *Remaking Brazil: Contested National Identities in Contemporary Brazilian Cinema*. By Tatiana Signorelli Heise, University of Wales Press 2012. *Choice Reviews*. June.
- 2012 *Consuming Visions: Cinema, Writing and Modernity in Rio de Janeiro*. By Maite Conde, Virginia 2012. *Choice Reviews*. Sept. 2012.
- 2012 *Disaster Writing: The Cultural Politics of Catastrophe in Latin America*. By Mark D. Anderson, Virginia 2011. *Choice Reviews*. April.

INVITED TALKS

- 2015 “Afro-Brazilian Literatures and Cultures.” May 21st. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2014 “Poesia Marginal: Geração Mimeógrafo.” Mach 10th. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2013 “Afro-Brazilian Literature: Poemas e histórias de Conceição Evaristo.” February 1st. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2008 “Camus’ *Orphée Noir*: Popular Culture and Identity (Re-)Creation.” October 2nd. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

- 2015 “Macanese Literature: Post-Colonial Encounters in *Cheong-Sam (A cabaia)* by Deolinda da Conceição.” 68th KFLC: The Languages, Literatures and Cultures Conference. April 23rd-25th. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.
- 2014 “Challenges and Successes of Introducing the Multicolored Identities of the Caribes.” African Network Conference. October 17th-19th. Trinity University, San Antonio-TX.
- 2013 “Addressing the ‘Afro’ Component in Afro-Latin American Literatures.” African Network Conference. October 25th-27th. Denison University, Granville-OH.
- 2013 “The Ecuador Study Abroad Program at Wabash College: Successes and Challenges of a Cross-Cultural Experience.” LASA Congress. May 29th-June 1st. Washington D.C. Collaboration with Dr. J. Hardy, Wabash College.
- 2013 “Celebrando a “Missa do Galo” na “Igreja do diabo” com a multiplicação dos planos: dois textos, um autor e um crítico.” 66th KFLC: The Languages, Literatures and Cultures Conference. April 18th-20th. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY. Collaboration with Dr. C. Castano, Marian University.

- 2012 “Representações do desejo homoerótico nos contos de Zula Gibi e Luz Argentina Chiriboga.” 65th Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 19th-21st. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.
- 2012 “Geographies of ‘Home’: Representations of Nation and Nationalism in Afro-Latin American Women’s Poetry – Georgina Herrera and Alzira Rufino.” Negritud: International Conference of Afro-Latin American Studies. March 23rd-25th. San Juan-PR.
- 2011 “Race and Gender Issues and the Nationalist Discourse in the Poetry of Alzira Rufino.” 64th Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 14th-16th. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.
- 2009 “Symbolic Representations of ‘Home’ in Afro-Latin American Women’s Literature.” LASA Congress. June 11th-14th. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- 2008 “Los espacios femeninos en la literatura del medievo: Un análisis de la traducción portuguesa del *Livre des trois vertus* de Christine de Pisan.” 61st Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 17th-19th. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.
- 2006 “A ‘ausência’ masculina e a construção do espaço feminino em alguns contos de Maria Judite de Carvalho, Carmen Laforet, e Carmen Martín Gaité.” 59th Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 20th-22nd. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.
- 2006 “Carolina Maria de Jesus y Reyita: el testimonio como espacio femenino en la construcción de una identidad.” Kaleidoscope Conference. March 24th-25th. University of Wisconsin, Madison-WI.
- 2002 “Indeterminacy: Text-Reader Relations in Jorge Luis Borges’ ‘The South’.” 4th Annual Graduate Student Conference. March 1st-2nd. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.

CAMPUS TALKS

- 2015 “‘-He gave me alms in return for the life I gave him!’ Post-colonial Encounters in *Cheong-Sam (A cabaia)* by Deolinda da Conceição.” Humanities Colloquium. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN.
- 2014 “The Question of ‘Chineseness’ in Macau.” Ides of August. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN.
- 2011 “Food for the Gods: Reflections on my Cultural Discoveries During a Summer International Faculty Development Seminar in Salvador da Bahia, Brazil.” Ides of August. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2012 CIEE Alumni Scholarship. International Faculty Development Seminar.
- 2012 Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies Honorary Member.
- 2010 Certificate of Appreciation for Service to the Latino Students Organization “Unidos por Sangre”. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN

- 2010 College of Liberal Arts Dissertation Award, Departmental Nomination. Foreign Languages and Literatures. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2007-2008 Graduate School Representative, Spanish Language and Literatures Section. Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2007 Purdue University Graduate Student Award for Outstanding Teaching. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2007 Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Award. CETA – Celebration of Graduate Student Teaching. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2007 Excellence in Teaching Award. College of Liberal Arts. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.
- 2007 Excellence in Teaching Award. 2006-2007 Academic Year. Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.

GRANTS

Mellon Grant for the Development of the Asian Studies Program at Wabash College, Faculty recipient.

Coss Faculty Development Fund. Wabash College.

McGregor Visiting Artists Fund. Wabash College.

Know Indiana Grant for Course Based Excursions. Wabash College.

Brown-Forman Corporation Graduate School Travel Grant. Purdue University.

Purdue Research Foundation Research Assistantship. Purdue University.

Graduate School Summer Research Grant. Purdue University.

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Travel Grant. Purdue University.

INSTRUCTIONAL EXPERIENCE

WABASH COLLEGE

SPANISH LANGUAGE, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

Spanish Senior Seminar: Literature and Culture.

“Literature, History, and Cultural Identity in the Caribbean.”

“Laberintos y espejos: La realidad fragmentada de la nueva narrativa hispanoamericana.”

“Short Stories: Windows into the Latin American World.”

“Rebuilding Communities: Identity Politics in Afro-Latin American Literature.”

“Africa in the Americas: Cultural Memory and Heritage of the Diaspora.”

“Negotiating Identities in the Francophone and Hispanic Caribbean.”

“Cultural Journeys: Latin American Film and Short Stories in Translation.”

Introduction to Hispanic Literature.
Spanish Conversation and Composition.
Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures.
Intermediate Spanish.
Elementary Spanish I.
Elementary Spanish II.

PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

Elementary Portuguese I.
Elementary Portuguese II.
Accelerated Elementary Portuguese.

SPECIAL TOPICS COURSES

“Ecuadorian Studies: Afro-Ecuadorian Communities”.

INDEPENDENT STUDIES

“Representaciones del deseo homo-erótico en el cuento hispanoamericano contemporáneo”.
“Intermediate Luso-Brazilian Literature: Contemporary Brazilian Short Stories.”
“19th Century Spanish American Literature: *Ariel* by José Enrique Rodó.”
“Advanced Portuguese Language and Literature: A poesia de Fernando Pessoa.”
“Intermediate Portuguese Language and Literature.”

ALL-COLLEGE COURSES

Freshman Tutorial. “From BraSil to BraZil: Brazilian Carnival and Globalization”.
Enduring Questions.
Senior Colloquium.

IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

First Year Spanish.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

“Literature in Translation: Latin American Short Stories”.
Third Year Spanish: Latin American Culture Seminars.
Third Year Portuguese: Language, Literatures and Cultures.
First, and Second Year Spanish Language and Cultures.
First, and Second Year Portuguese Language and Cultures.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Reviewer. *Rocky Mountain Review & E-Review*.

Reviewer. *Estudos de Literatura Brasileira Contemporânea*.

Panel Chair. Luso-Afro-Brazilian Studies: "Exploring New Paths in Literary Criticism". 68th KFLC: The Languages, Literatures and Cultures Conference. April 21st-23rd, 2015. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.

Panel Organizer and Chair. "Intertextualidades, paradoxos e ambiguidades: A obra Machadiana sob o olhar de Paul Dixon." 66th KFLC: The Languages, Literatures and Cultures Conference. April 18th-20th, 2013. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.

Panel Chair and Discussant. "Church and State: Balancing Power." North Central Council of Latin Americanists (NCCLA) Regional Conference. September 27th-28th, 2013. University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point-WI.

Panel Chair. Luso-Afro-Brazilian Studies: "Identity in the Lusophone World". 65th Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 19th-21st, 2012. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.

Panel Chair. "Central America's Third Root". Negritud: International Conference of Afro-Latin American Studies. March 23rd-25th, 2012. San Juan, PR.

Panel Chair. Luso-Afro-Brazilian Studies: "Negotiating New Readings: Literature, Identity, and Citizenship. 64th Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 14th-16th, 2011. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.

Panel Chair 24th Annual Symposium on African American Culture & Philosophy: (Re)Visioning the Black Caribbean: Spaces, Places & Voices. "Blackness and Belonging in Contemporary Dominican and Puerto Rican Narratives." November 5-8, 2008. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.

Panel Chair. Luso-Afro-Brazilian Studies: "New Approaches to the Portuguese World". 61st Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. April 20th-22nd, 2008. University of Kentucky, Lexington-KY.

Language Interpreter: English, Portuguese, and Spanish. International Science and Engineering Fair. May 7th-12th, 2006. Indianapolis, IN.

Editor. *Espelho Revista Machadiana*. Spring-Fall 2005.

SERVICE TO COLLEGE

Academic Advisor.

Spanish Writing Tutors Program, Supervisor.

Advisor to Student Organizations (Unidos por Sangre, Spanish Club).

Faculty and Staff Hiring Committees.

Off-Campus Studies Committee.

Gavit Scholarship Fund. Committee Chair (Fall 2015-Spring 2016).

Teaching and Learning Committee.

Multicultural Concerns Committee.

Cultural Awareness Committee.

McGregor Visiting Artists Fund. Committee Chair (Fall 2012-Spring 2013).

Celebration of Students Research. Faculty sponsor and section chair.

Wabash Women on Campus Committee.

Midnight Munch Volunteer.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

“Mellon Summer Faculty Development Trip to China.” June 1st-15th, 2015.

“Mellon China Seminar.” July 7th-12th, 2014. East-West Center, Honolulu-HI.

“Bringing Latin America Home: Using Biography, Autobiography, and Testimonials in the Classroom.” Workshop. North Central Council of Latin Americanists Regional Conference. September 27th, 2013. University of Wisconsin, Steven Point-WI.

Diversity Faculty Development Group Workshop. May 6th-8th 2012; Spring 2013. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN

“Modeling Equity, Engaging Difference: New Frameworks for Diversity and Learning.” Diversity and Learning AAC&U Conference. Oct. 18th-20th, 2012. Baltimore-MD.

“Diversity and Inclusion workshop”. September 20th, 2012. Wabash College, Crawfordsville-IN.

“Cuba in a Changing Global Community.” International Faculty Development Seminar. Council on International Education Exchange. July 1st-11th, 2012. Havana, Cuba.

“Developing Course Based Assessment.” GLCA workshop. October 28th-29th, 2011. Toledo-OH.

“Identity, Race and Culture in the Afro-Brazilian Heartland.” International Faculty Development Seminar. Council on International Education Exchange. July 11th-19th, 2011. Salvador-Brazil.

Purdue Conference for Pre-Tenure Women. September 23rd-24th, 2010. Purdue University, West Lafayette-IN.

Workshop on Teaching Portuguese and Spanish as Foreign Languages: “Mapping Our Alphabets.” June 4th-6th, 2010. Brown University, Providence-RI.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

English, near native.

Portuguese, native.

Spanish, near native.

French, reading knowledge.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Modern Languages Association (MLA)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA)

American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP)

REFERENCES

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