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Fields of Interest

American Studies; Black Studies; Latinx Studies; LGBTQ and Sexuality Studies; Immigration Studies; Feminist Theory; Religion in the African Diaspora; Critical Ethnic Studies; Caribbean and Latin American Studies; Social Sciences; Cultural and Social Theory; Public Health

Education

Ph.D., American Studies, New York University. September 1999 - September 2004.

Dissertation Title: Queering the Heights: Dominican Transnational Identities and Male Homosexuality in New York City.

M.A., American Studies, New York University, September 1997 – May 1999.

B.A., English Literature, University of Pennsylvania. September 1992 - May 1995.

Work Experience

July 2022 — Present	Professor, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies and Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Rutgers.
July 2022 — 2023	Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA) Academic Leadership Program (ALP) Fellow
January — Present	Associate Director, Institute for the Study of Global Racial Justice-New Brunswick
July 2021 — Present	Director, Office of Undergraduate Intellectual Life, Institute for the Study of Global Racial Justice, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey
July 2021 — June 2023	Faculty Mentor, Cooperman College Scholars Program, Rutgers University
July — December 2021	(elected) Acting Chair, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies, Rutgers, the University
July 2017 — Present	Investigador Asociado, Observatorio Migrantes del Caribe, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana.
July 2015 — June 2021	(elected to two terms) Chair, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies, Rutgers
July 2011 — June 2022	Associate Professor, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies and Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Rutgers.
2009 — 2012	(elected) Undergraduate Program Director, Department of WGSS, Rutgers
Sept. 2005 — May 2011	Assistant Professor, Department of WGSS and LCS, Rutgers
2002 — 2005	Project Director, Hispanic Immigrant Communities and HIV Risk, National Development and Research Institutes, New York, NY

2000 — 2002	Program Director, Project LEO (Latinos Empowering Ourselves), HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, New York State Psychiatric Institute and Columbia University, New York, NY
1999 — 2000	Project Co-Director, Pilot Study on Partner Notification Procedures in New York City, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, New York, NY.
1998 — 1999	Assistant Research Scientist, Project LEO, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, New York, NY
1995 — 1997	Minority Intern, Office of Development and Alumni Relations, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Honors and Awards

- Fulbright Specialist Roster, J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, US Department of State Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs and Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Four Years, 2022-2026.
- The 2022 Chancellor-Provost Award for Excellence in Cross-Disciplinary Research, Rutgers University
- The 2021 Provost Award for Excellence in Service, Rutgers University
- The 2018 Warren I. Susman Award for Excellence in Teaching, Rutgers University
- The Illustrious Award, Award Conferred by the Institute for Latino Studies, 2018
- Department Executive Officer Fellow, Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA), 2017-2018
- Public Scholar, New Jersey Council for the Humanities, 2017-2020
- Nomination for Candidate for President, Latino Studies Association, March 2017
- Rutgers Leaders in Faculty Diversity Award, April 2016
- SAS Equal Opportunity Fund Recognition Award, May 2016
- Rutgers Graduate School, New Brunswick, Teaching Award, April 2016.
- Nomination for Candidate for Founding President, Latino Studies Association, March 2015.
- Fulbright Specialist Grant, U.S. Studies –Women’s Studies, Centro Latinoamericano de Economía Humana, Uruguay, May 2014.
- Fulbright Specialist Roster, J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, US Department of State Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs and Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Five years, 2013-Present.
- Faculty Research Grant, University Research Council, Rutgers, 2012.
- Faculty Fellowship, Institute for Research on Women, Rutgers University, 2011-2012.
- Martin Duberman Fellowship, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, City University of New York, New York, 2010-2011.
- (Invited) Visiting Scholar, Africana & Latino Studies Department, SUNY Oneonta, April 2011.
- Carlos Monsiváis Best Essay in Sexualities Studies, Latin American Studies Association, Toronto, October 2010 (award shared with co-authors Tomás Almaguer, Hector Carillo and Salvador Vidal-Ortiz).
- Faculty Research Grant, University Research Council, 2010.
- School of Arts and Sciences Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, Rutgers University, 2010.
- (Invited) Visiting Scholar, Center for Puerto Rican and Latino Studies, University of Connecticut, Storrs, February 2010.

- Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, 2008-2009.
- Faculty Fellowship, Institute for Research on Women, Rutgers University, 2005-2006.
- Henry Mitchell MacCracken and Dean's Fellowships, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University, 1998-2003.
- James D. Woods, III Fellowship, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies (CLAGS), City University of New York, 2002.
- Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, 1997-1998.
- Social Science Research Council-Mellon Mays Fellowship Program, Graduate Research Grants, 2004, 2001, 1999 and 1998.

Publications

Manuscript in Progress

Healing Fusions: Re-Membering Taino Worlds in Pandemic Times, conceived and written in dialogue with activist, healer, folklorist, archivist, and musician/composer Irka Mateo. The manuscript approaches Mateo's deep and engaged feminist praxis of historical and contemporary healing through a critical biography of the multiple facets of her career as well as a critical theoretical and ethnographically-informed engagement with the specific of her COVID-pandemic specific community building and practice of sanación.

Book

Circuits of the Sacred: A Faggotology in the Black Latinx Caribbean, Duke University Press (February 2023).

Sujetos tácitos: pertenencia y deseo homosexual entre hombres dominicanos en el exilio. Santo Domingo: Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo, 2020. Spanish Language Translation of *Tacit Subjects*, (2011).

Tacit Subjects: Belonging, Same-Sex Desire, and Daily Life among Dominican Immigrant Men. Durham: Duke University Press, 2011.

Honors:

Honorable Mention, Latino Studies Section Book Prize, Latin American Studies Association, 2012.

Reviews:

Guzmán, Joshua Javier, "Silence ≠ Death: On Not-Not Coming Out," *Criticism*, Winter 2015, Vol. 57, No. 1, 145-149.

Iker Gonzalez-Allende, *Spanish Language and Literature: Letras Femeninas*, XXXIX.1 (2013): 196-198.

Shu-Ju Ada Cheng, *Gender Forum: An Internet Journal of Gender Studies* Issue 44 (2013), <http://www.genderforum.org/index.php?id=734>.

William Leap, *American Ethnologist* 40.3 (2013): 590-591.

Michael Hames-García, *American Anthropologist* 115.4 (2013): 184-185.

Katie L. Acosta, *Contemporary Sociology* 42.1 (2013): 75-76.

David Murray, *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies* 19.1 (2013): 131-133.

Aaron Leonard, George Mason University's History News Network, <http://hnn.us/node/141858>, published 9/14/2011.

Jonathan Skinner, *Social Anthropology/Anthropologie Sociale* 20.2 (2012): 336-337.

Ian W. Holloway, *Culture, Health & Sexuality* 14.5 (2012): 591-592.

Julio Capó, Jr., *CLGBTH* 26.1 (Fall 2011): 12-13.

Constantinos N. Phellas, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* (2011): 1-2.

Diana J. Fox, *A Contra corriente* 9.1 (Fall 2011): 387-393.

Matthew Thomann, *Journal of Homosexuality* 58 (2011): 1447–1451.

Barry Adam, *Canadian Journal of Latin American & Caribbean Studies* 36.72 (2011): 251-253.

Co-authored Books

- (with Michele Shedlin, Hugo Noboa, Michele Baez, Sebastian Betancourt, Juan Villalobos, Paola Moreno, Oscar Betancourt) *Salud y condiciones de vida de los refugiados colombianos en Quito*. Quito, Ecuador: Editorial Abya Yala, 2014.

Edition

- (with Margaret Gray) “The Border Next Door: New York Migraciones.” *Social Text* 24 (3 88), 2006.

Journal Articles, print (refereed)

1. Kusch en el Trópico: Itinerant Fusions in the Obra of Irka Mateo,” *The CLR James Journal*, Volume 27, Numbers 1 & 2, Fall 2021: 121-142.
2. (with Fátima Portorreal) “*Saberes raros* and Postdictatorial Empiricism: A Tribute to E. Antonio Yaguarix De Moya,” *Small Axe* 56, July 2018: 161-174.
3. “Multiplying Archives,” *Small Axe* 51, November 2016: 179-188.
4. (with Mayes, A. Martin, Y., Jayaram, K., and Alexis, Y.) “Transnational Hispaniola: Toward New Paradigms in Haitian and Dominican Studies,” *Radical History Review* 115 (Winter 2013): 26-32.
5. “Code Swishing,” *Journal of Language and Sexuality* 1.1 (2012): 59-78.
6. “Gentrification Lite: Watching *Brick City*,” *Transforming Anthropology* 19.2(October 2011): 105-107.
7. “Metamorphosing Identities: Dominicans in New Jersey,” *Camino Real* 5 (2011): 77-101.
8. (with Shedlin, M.G. and Mangadu, T.) “Research Participant Recruitment in Hispanic Communities: Lessons Learned,” *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, 13.2 (April 2011): 352-360.
9. “Tacit Subjects,” *GLQ* 14.2-3 (2008): 339-359.
10. “Profiles, Compulsory Disclosure, and Ethical Sexual Citizenship in the Contemporary United States,” *Sexualities* 11.4 (August 2008): 397-413.
11. (with Gray, Margaret) “Introduction: The Border Next Door: New York Migraciones.” *Social Text* 24.3 88(2006): 1-12.
12. (with Shedlin, M.G.; and Martinez, A.) “Los hombres no mandan aquí”: Narrating Immigrant Genders and Sexualities in New York.” *Social Text* 24. 3 88(2006): 35-54.
13. (with Shedlin, M.G.; Drucker, E.; Hoffman, S.; Bhattacharya, G.; Beckford, S.; Barreras, R.) “Immigration and HIV/AIDS in the New York Metropolitan Area.” *Journal of Urban Health* 83.1 (January 2006): 43-58.
14. (with Shedlin, M.G., Oliver-Velez, D.) “Initial Acculturation and HIV Risk Among New Hispanic Immigrants to New York.” *Journal of the National Medical Association*, Original Communication, Special Supplement, 97.7 (July 2005):32S-37S.
15. (with Deren, S.; Shedlin, M.G.; Mino, M.) “Research Challenges to the Study of HIV/AIDS Among Migrant and Immigrant Populations in the United States.” *Journal of Urban Health*, 82.2, Supplement 3 (June 2005): iii13-iii25.
16. (with Carballo-Díeguez, A.; Dolezal, C.; Leu, C.S.; Nieves, L.; Diaz, F.; Balan, I.) “A randomized controlled trial to test an HIV-prevention intervention for Latino gay and bisexual men. Lessons learned.” *AIDS Care*, 17.3 (April 2005): 314-328.
17. (with Carballo-Díeguez, A., Dolezal, C. Nieves, L., and Díaz, F.) “Looking for a Tall, Macho Man...Sexual Role Behaviour Variations in Latino Gay and Bisexual Men.” *Culture, Health & Sexuality*, 6.2 (March-April 2004): 159-171.
18. (with Carballo-Díeguez, A., Remien, R. H., Benson, D., Blank, S.) “Intention to notify sexual partners about potential HIV exposure among New York City STD Clinics’ clients.” *Journal of Sexually Transmitted Diseases*, 29.8 (2002): 465-471.

Electronic Publications, Refereed

1. “Afro Latina/os,” *Oxford Encyclopedia of Literature*, October 2019. doi: 10.1093/acrefore/9780190201098.013.378
2. “1.5: Latino Studies en tránsito,” Reflexiones pedagógicas, *Latino Studies* (2016). doi:10.1057/s41276-016-0020-4
3. (with Shedlin, MG; Noboa, H.; Betancourt, O.; Birdsall, SB; Smith, KM) “The Impact of Food Insecurity on the Health of Colombian Refugees in Ecuador,” *Journal of Food Insecurity*, vol. 4, no. 2 (2016): 42-51. doi: 10.12691/jfs-4-2-3
4. “Violence and the quotidian scenes of becoming a man,” *Memorias: Revista digital de Historia y Arqueología desde el Caribe colombiano*, 21 (2013): 41-57.
<http://rcientificas.uninorte.edu.co/index.php/memorias/issue/view/338/showToc>
5. (with Shedlin, M.G.; Noboa, H.; Betancourt, O.) “Sending-Country Violence and Receiving-Country Discrimination: Effects on the Health of Colombian Refugees in Ecuador,” *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, (Published Online 5 February 2013): DOI 10.1007/s10903-013-9777-9
6. (with Shedlin, M.G.; Anastasi, J.K.; Rivera, J.O.; Beltrán, O; Smith, K.) “Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicines and Supplements by Mexican-Origin Patients in a U.S.–Mexico Border HIV Clinic,” *Journal of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care*, (Published Online 5 November 2012): DOI <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jana.2012.07.001>
7. (with Shedlin, M.G.; Beltran, O.) “Geopolitical and Cultural Factors Affecting ARV Adherence on the US-Mexico Border,” *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, (Published Online 15 July 2012): DOI 10.1007/s10903-012-9681-8
8. “Risky Lessons: Thinking/Viewing/Talking Sex in the Feminist Classroom,” part of special feature, *The Ethics of Teaching Pornography in the Classroom, SIGNS, Films for the Feminist Classroom, 2.2*, published online 8 October 2010, http://www.signs.rutgers.edu/decena_essay_1_2-2.html.
9. (with Shedlin, M. G., Mangadu, T., & Martinez, A.) “Research Participant Recruitment in Hispanic Communities: Lessons Learned.” *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, published online 25 September 2009, DOI 10.1007/s10903-009-9292-1. 50%.

Other Publications, Refereed

1. “Fè yon rasanblaj: A body portal fantasy book,” in *Caribbean Rasanblaj*, Special double issue of online journal *e-misférica*, Volume 12, Issue 1, 2015,
<http://hemisphericinstitute.org/hemi/es/emisferica-121-caribbean-rasanblaj/decena>
2. “Tostones, Madeleines: Dominicanidad and Other Useless Pleasures,” On The Visceral Tumblr. Blog associated with the publication of *GLQ* (issues 20.4 and 21.1, 2014-15). Edited by Marcia Ochoa and Kyla Wazana Tompkins. onthevisceral.tumblr.com, 25 February 2015.
3. (with Agocha, B. and Asencio, M.) “Sexuality and Culture,” in the *APA Handbook of Sexuality and Psychology, Volume 2: Contextual Approaches*, edited by Deborah L. Tolman and Lisa M. Diamond. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association, 2013. Pgs. 183-228.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/14194-006>

Chapters in Books or Monographs

1. “Working Trans,” in *Transmovimientos: Latinx Queer Migrations, Bodies, and Spaces*, edited by Ellie D. Hernández, Eddy Francisco Alvarez Jr., and Magda Garcia. University of Nebraska Press, 2021.
2. (with Montes-Penha, M.; Shedlin, M.G.; Reisen, C.A.; Poppen, P.J.; Bianchi, F.T.; & Zea, M.C.) “Ethnographic Fieldwork on Sexual Behavior: Developing Ethical Guidelines for Native Researchers.” *AIDS, Culture and Gay Men*, edited by Douglas A. Feldman. Gainesville: University of Florida Press, 2010. Pgs. 155-166.

3. "Epilogue: Rethinking the Maps Where 'Latino/a' and 'Sexuality' Meet," in *Latin@ Sexualities*, edited by Marysol Asencio. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, 2010. Pgs. 279-286.
4. "Surviving AIDS in an Uneven World: Latino Studies for a Brown Epidemic." *The Blackwell Companion of Latino Studies*, edited by Juan Flores and Renato Rosaldo. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 2007. Pgs. 276-288.

Book Reviews

1. "Of Fairylands, Borders, and Charmed Circles: On Julio Capó Jr.'s "Welcome to Fairyland: Queer Miami before 1940," *LA Review of Books*, 11.20.2017, <https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/of-fairylands-borders-and-charmed-circles-on-julio-capos-welcome-to-fairyland-queer-miami-before-1940/#!>
2. "Macho Ethics by Jason Cortés," *Revista de Estudios Hispánicos* 51.1 (2017): 195-196.
3. "The Erotic Life of Racism by Sharon Patricia Holland," *GLQ* 19.4 (2013): 578-580.
4. "Gay Latino Studies: A Critical Reader by editors Michael Hames-García and Ernesto Javier Martínez," *Camino Real* No. 7 (2012): 162-164.
5. "Caribbean Pleasure Industry: Tourism, Sexuality, and AIDS in the Dominican Republic by Mark Padilla," *American Ethnologist* 37, No. 1 (February 2010): 167-168.
6. "The Latino Body: Crisis Identities in Literary and Cultural Memory by Lazaro Lima," *Revista Iberoamericana* LXXIV, No. 224 (Julio-Septiembre 2009): 811-814. (in Spanish).
7. "Dominican Americans and the Politics of Empowerment by Ana Aparicio," *American Anthropologist*, Vol. 110, No. 1, (2008): 83.
8. "National Performances: The Politics of Class, Race, and Space in Puerto Rican Chicago by Ana Y. Ramos-Zayas," *Transforming Anthropology*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (2006): 120-121.
9. "The AIDS Pandemic: Complacency, Injustice, and Unfulfilled Expectations by Lawrence O. Gostin," *Journal of the National Medical Association*, Vol. 97, No. 12 (2005): 1741-1742.
10. "Notorious H.I.V.: the media spectacle of Nushawn Williams by Thomas Shevory," *GLQ*, Vol. 11, No. 4 (2005): 635-637.

Other Publications

1. "Latinx Talk: Our Collective Vision, Sounding Out the Future," *Latinx Talk*, <https://latinxtalk.org/2017/09/12/latinx-talk-our-collective-vision-sounding-out-the-future-2/>, September 2017.
2. (with Edmonson, Belinda, Satter, Beryl, and Lomas, Laura). "The University Will Not Be Sold," The Conversation Online, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, <http://chronicle.com/blogs/conversation/2013/04/08/the-university-will-not-be-sold/>, April 2013.
3. "Man in Sound, Man in Place," *The Feminist Wire*, <http://thefeministwire.com/2013/03/man-in-sound-man-in-place/>, March 2013.
4. (with Robinson, Russell, et al.) *HIV/AIDS Inequality: Structural Barriers to Prevention, Treatment, and Care in Communities of Color: Why We Need A Holistic Approach to Eliminate Racial Disparities in HIV/AIDS*, Brief published by the Center for American Progress and the Law School at the University of California, Berkeley, posted 27 July 2012, available at http://www.americanprogress.org/wp-content/uploads/issues/2012/07/pdf/hiv_community_of_color.pdf.
5. (with Vidal-Ortiz, Salvador, Almaguer, Tomás, and Carrillo, Hector). "Revisiting *activos* and *pasivos*: Towards New Cartographies of Latin/Latin American Same-Sex Desire," in *Latin@ Sexualities*, edited by Marysol Asencio. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, 2010. Pgs. 253-273.
6. (with Gray, Margaret; Rivera Alex). "Putting Transnationalism to Work: An Interview with Filmmaker Alex Rivera." *Social Text* 24.3 88 (2006): 131-138.

Interviews

- “Touch, Love, Then Explain: A discussion of ‘Some Trees’ by John Ashbery,” episode in *PoemTalk*, <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/podcasts/158697/touch-love-then-explain?fbclid=IwAR0BjuRoCbBNyZGxVrDOX8I3nIP8h985RmBfBmU2nCSU2OgcOAMZcCmD1Ck>
 - (YouTube) En conversación con el escritor, investigador y profesor Carlos Decena, *El Valor de la Palabra* by Marianela Medrano, 4 September 2022, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uwb3xSCbV0M&t=7s>
 - (Radio) On Diversity and Inclusion, “Inclusión social: el trabajo con la gente define mas que las leyes,” Radio Uruguay 1050 am, 8 May 2014, http://www.radiouruguay.com.uy/innovaportal/v/50669/22/mecweb/inclusion_social:_el_trabajo_con_la_gente_define_mas_que_las_leyes_advierten?search=yes.
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Courses Taught

At Rutgers University

1. (remote) Color-Lines and Borderlands, Fall 2020.
2. (Graduate) Agency, Subjectivity and Social Change, WGSS, Spring 2020.
3. (created) Dominican Transnational Cultures, Fall 2018 (Honors Version), Spring 2011 and Fall 2006.
4. (co-creator) Immigrant States: Jersey’s Global Routes, School of Arts and Science Signature Course, Fall 2017, Fall 2011, Fall 2010.
5. (Graduate) Technologies and Poetics of Gender and Sexuality: Knowing Otherwise, Spring 2018, Fall 2013
6. (Volunteer) Concepts in Social Justice for Student Activists, Spring 2017.
7. (Graduate) Queer Brown Devotions: Seminar in Gendered Borders, Changing Boundaries
8. Introduction to Caribbean Studies, Fall 2016, Spring 2016.
9. Introduction to Race, Gender, and Sexuality (formerly Women, Culture, and Society), Fall 2015.
10. (Service Learning, created and directed) Research in Action: A Service Learning Program in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, June 2017, June 2016, June 2015, June 2014.
11. (Online) Color of AIDS, Spring 2015
12. Women’s and Gender Studies Honors Seminar, 2014-2015
13. Research Methods in Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies, Spring 2014.
14. Introduction to Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies, (Fall 2013)
15. Lesbian and Gay Men and Society, Fall 2011
16. (Hybrid Course format: half sessions online, half live) Women, Culture and Society, Summer 2012, Winter 2012, Summer 2011, Winter 2011, and Summer 2010.
17. (created, Graduate) Colloquium in W&GS: Decolonization, Feminism, and Queer Studies, Spring 2010.
18. Senior Seminar, Latino and Caribbean Studies, Fall 2017, Fall 2009, Fall 2014.
19. How to think about Sex: Research on Sexualities, Spring 2014, Spring 2008.
20. (Graduate) Feminist Knowledge Production, Spring 2008.
21. (created) Introduction to the Critical Study of Masculinities, Fall 2007 and Fall 2006.
22. (created) Genders, Sexualities, and the Caribbean, Fall 2007.
23. (Graduate) Contemporary Feminist Theory, Spring 2007.
24. (created) The Color of AIDS: Racial Politics of the AIDS Crisis, Spring 2007 and Fall 2005.
25. Feminist Inquiry, Spring 2006.
26. Language and U.S. Latin@ Cultures, Fall 2005.

At New York University

1. (Graduate) Gender, Culture and Society in Latin America, Summer 2005.

2. (Graduate) Migration and the Caribbean as a Space of Global Flows, Spring 2005.

At Queens College, CUNY

1. Policing Borders: Latin American Immigration to the United States, Fall 2004.
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Invited Presentations

Keynote Addresses

1. The Benjamin E. Mays Address, Social Science Research Council Mellon Mays Graduate Initiatives Program, Annual Graduate Student Summer Conference, Bryn Mawr, PA, June 2016.
2. “In Search of My Big, Brown, Hot God: Towards Spiritualities that Affirm Queer Bodies and Queer Sex,” Presented at SEXx Interactive: A journey of the mind, heart and body, Philadelphia, PA, May 2015.
3. “Code Swishing,” Presented at Queering Paradigms conference at SUNY Oneonta, Oneonta, NY, April 2011.
4. “Code Swishing,” Presented at the 18th Lavender Languages Conference, American University, Washington, DC, February 2011.
5. “Sujetos Tácitos: homoerotismo y vida diaria entre hombres dominicanos inmigrantes,” Presented at the VI Conferencia de Estudios de Género, Instituto Tecnológico Dominicano, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, November 2010.
6. Plenary panelist, National Conference of Chicana and Chicano Studies, New Brunswick, NJ, April 2009.
7. “Washington Heights, Perverse Modernities, and the Makings of a Dominican Transnational World,” Presented at Rethinking the Latin@ Intellectual Ecology, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, October 2008.
8. “A Critique of Compulsory Disclosure,” Presented at the Interrogating Diversity conference at American University, Washington, DC, March 2008.

Other Invited Presentations

1. (Invited) “Sujetos tácitos,” Género, TransGénero y PostGénero: las políticas del Cuerpo y las Disidencias en las Américas Latinas, dentro de la maestría en Género, Sociedad y Política del Programa Regional de Formación en Género y Políticas Públicas (PRIGEPP), de la Facultad Latinoamericana de las Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), June 2022.
2. (Invited) Book launching, “Sujetos tácitos,” with commentary by Fátima Portorreal, at the Tribuna Libre, Feria Internacional del Libro, Santo Domingo, April 2022.
3. Book launching, “Sujetos tácitos,” with commentary by Pablo Mella, Fátima Portorreal, and Yuderkys Espinosa, at the Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo, March 2022.
4. “Circuits of the Sacred,” Presentation before the Chican@ Studies Department, University of California, Santa Barbara, zoom, May 2021.
5. “Black-Latinx Peregrinaje: Space and Movement and Method in Circuits of the Sacred,” Presented at the Geography Department Speaker Series, February 2020.
6. “Living Stones, Divine Indifference,” Presented at the BLK Latinx Americas xLab, LCS, February 2020.
7. “Circuits of the Sacred,” Public Book Presentation and Workshop, Rutgers Advanced Institute for Critical Caribbean Studies, November 2019.
8. “Immigrant States: New Jersey’s Influential Gate”: Program presented at (1) Long Branch Public Library in Long Branch, NJ; (2) Freehold Elementary School in Freehold, NJ; (3) Latin American Legal Defense Fund in Trenton, NJ; East Brunswick Public Library, New Brunswick, NJ. Sponsored by the Public Scholars Project, New Jersey Council for the Humanities. 2018 and 2019.

9. “¡Santo! Repurposed Flesh and the Suspension of the Mirror in Santería Initiation,” Presented at the University of Miami, Miami, FL, October 2017.
10. “Loving Stones, Divine Indifference,” Paper workshopped at the University of Miami, FL, October 2017.
11. Invited Speaker, Professional Development, Linden School District, Linden, NJ, October 2017.
12. “Loving Stones (Divine Indifference),” Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY, March 2017.
13. Invited Participant, “Queer Hemispheres” Conference, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 2015.
14. “Experiencing Evidence,” as part of “Translating Hispaniola” Series, Barnard College, New York, NY, April 2015.
15. “Experiencing Evidence,” Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Philosophy, Interpretation and Culture, SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton, NY, April 2015.
16. “Marginalized Masculinities,” Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Philosophy, Interpretation and Culture, SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton, NY, April 2015.
17. “Queer Intersectionality in Marriage vs. Asylum Claims,” The Legal Struggle for LBGTQ Rights: Legal, Political, and Social Dimensions,” Rutgers-Newark School of Law, Newark NJ, April 2015.
18. “Experiencing Evidence,” Department of Cultural Studies, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, February 2015.
19. “1.5: Latino Studies in Transition,” Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, February 2015.
20. “Tacit Subjects and Circuits of the Sacred,” University of California, Santa Barbara, CA, February 2015.
21. “Circuits of the Sacred: Preliminary Thoughts on Eros, Spirit, and Pedagogy,” Latino Pedagogies Conference, SUNY-Stony Brook, October 2014.
22. Panelist, Twitter Town Hall, “Stigma and Gender Performance,” National Stigma Summit on Black and Latino Gay Men’s Health, Dallas, Texas, November 2013.
23. “Cinematic Bodies: Alex Rivera in Conversation with Carlos Decena,” Critical Encounters Series, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, October 2013.
24. “Thinking with my Gut: Preliminary Notes on How to do Theory with Spirit,” Presented at Latin@s and Queer Theory Panel, Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY, October 2013.
25. “Towards a Queer Intersectional Analysis in Immigration Marriage vs. Asylum Claims,” Presented at the Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society, University of California, Berkeley, California, April 2013.
26. “Working Trans in Jaime Cortez’s *Sexilio*,” Presented at the Rainbow Center Out to Lunch Series, University of Connecticut, Storrs, April 2013.
27. “Working Trans in Jaime Cortez’s *Sexilio*,” Presented at the Institute for Research on Women, Rutgers University, February 2013.
28. “Derechos de la mujer, Derechos humanos,” lecture presented to the United States mission, televised live to Caracas, Venezuela, December 2012.
29. “Working Trans in Jaime Cortez’s *Sexilio*,” Presented at Sarah Lawrence, Bronxville, NY, December 2012.
30. “Body Portals: Sexuality and Flows through Alex Rivera’s *Sleep Dealer*,” Presented at Sexing the Borderlands: From the Midwest Corridor and Beyond, University of Texas, Austin, October 2012.
31. “Husband? Refugee? Exiled in the (Trans)Nation,” Presented at the Colloquium on Race and Sexuality, University of California, Berkeley School of Law, September 2012.
32. “Tacit Subjects: Belonging and Same-Sex Desire Among Dominican Immigrant Men,” Presented at the Lecture series of the Lehman Center for American History, Columbia University, December 2011.
33. “To Be Someone, To Be Somewhere,” Presented at SUNY Binghamton, May 2010.
34. “Code-Swishing,” Presented at Controlling Sexuality through Violence, Shame and Cultural Oppression: Implications for Human Rights, University of Utah, February 2010.
35. “Working with Latino/a Immigrants in New York State,” Presented at the meeting of the New York State HIV/AIDS Prevention Planning Group, Albany, NY. July 2009.

36. "Tacit Subjects," Presented at The American Seminar at the University of Kansas, KS, February 2008.
37. "Tacit Subjects: An Analytic," Presented at The Projects of Queer Studies workshop at SUNY Binghamton, NY, April 2006.
38. (with Shedlin, M.G.) "New Hispanic Immigrant Communities and HIV Risk," Presented at the conference HIV Prevention: A New Paradigm, New Partners organized by the Westchester Department of Health in Tarrytown, New York, December 2006.
39. "Tacit Subjects: A Critique of Compulsory Disclosure," Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, City University of New York, October 2005.
40. "Gender, Legitimacy and Daily Life in Dominican New York," presented at the Out to Lunch Series, University of Connecticut, Storrs, March 2005.
41. "What is Dominicanidad? Celebrations/Critiques." Presented at panel to celebrate Dominican Independence Day, Longwood Art Gallery at Hostos Community College/CUNY, Bronx, NY, February 2004.
42. "Surviving AIDS in an Uneven World: Latoya's Story." Presented at the Panel "Beyond 'Survival': Latin@s and AIDS." Smith College, Northampton, MA, February 2004.
43. "Tacit Subjects: Towards a Critique of Compulsory Disclosure." Presented at the Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, New York University, New York, New York, April 2003.
44. "Surviving AIDS in an Uneven World: Latoya's Story." Presented at Fordham University, New York, NY, December 2002.
45. "Moving to Nueva Yol, the Dominican City." Presented at "Labor, Class, Queer." Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, City University of New York, New York, October 2001.
46. "Scandals of Blood: Towards Historicizing the Threatening Donor/Seller." Presented at The Modern America Workshop, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey. October 2000.

Presentations

1. "Indecent Conocimientos," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Conference, Boston, MA, May 2019.
2. [Presented by co-author, Fátima Portorreal] "Cuerpos de agua y la mirada campesina," Presented at the West Indian Literature Conference, University of Miami, Miami, FL, October 2018.
3. "Kusch en el Trópico: The Transit in Phagocytosis and Counterpoint in the Work of Irka Mateo," Presented at the Latinx Studies Association Conference, Washington DC, July 2018.
4. Invited Speaker, CUNY Mellon Faculty Diversity Career Enhancement Initiative (CFDI), City University of New York, New York, NY, September 2017.
5. "Triangulating Racial Formations, Or Theorizing Dominicana in the African Diaspora," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Convention, Chicago, IL, May 2014.
6. "The Scandal of Woman Love in the Dominican-Haitian Borderlands," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Convention, Washington, DC, May 2013.
7. "Body Portals: Writing Through *Sleep Dealer*," Presented at the "*Haciendo Caminos*: Mapping the Futures of U.S. Latina/o Literatures," John Jay College, CUNY, New York, NY, March 2013.
8. "Working Trans in Jaime Cortez's *Sexilio*," Presented at the Lavender Languages Conference, American University, Washington, DC, February 2013.
9. "Husband? Refugee? Exiled in the (Trans)Nation," Presented at Transnational Sexuality and Human Rights Workshop, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, April 2012.
10. "On the Racial Unconscious of Immigrant Upward Mobility," Presented at the *Transnational Hispaniola* conference, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, April 2012.
11. "Husband? Refugee? Exiled in the (Trans)Nation," Presented at the Institute for Research on Women Seminar, Rutgers, New Brunswick, NJ, April 2012.

12. "Quotidian Violences, Silences, and Queer Lives of All Colors," Presented at the Seminar on Threatening Masculinities, Universitetet i Bergen | Senter for kvinne- og kjønnsforskning, Bergen, Norway, March 2012.
13. "Creaming with Antonio: Bareback Pornography, Capitalism, and Machofucker," Presented at the 19th American University Conference on Lavender Languages & Linguistics, American University, Washington, DC, February 2012.
14. "Playing with Skirts: Haitian-Dominican Erotics in the Work of Ana Lara," Presented at the Caribbean Philosophical Association Conference, New Brunswick, NJ, October 2011.
15. "The Wages of Happiness: Sex and Commerce in *Vers le Sud*, *Sanky Panky* and *How Stella Got Her Groove Back*," Presented at the National Women's Studies Association Conference, Denver, Colorado, November 2010.
16. "*Virando la dominicanidad*," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Conference, Toronto, Canada, October 2010.
17. "The Wages of Happiness: Sex and Commerce in *Vers le Sud*, *Sanky Panky* and *How Stella Got Her Groove Back*," Presented at *Affective Tendencies*, Rutgers University, October 2010.
18. "The Wages of Happiness: Sex and Commerce in *Vers le Sud*, *Sanky Panky* and *How Stella Got Her Groove Back*," Presented at Transnational Hispaniola Conference, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, June 2010.
19. "Moving Portraits," Presented at Intersectionality: Challenging Theory, Reframing Politics, Transforming Movements, UCLA, March 2010.
20. "To Be Someone, To Be Somewhere: Return and US-Caribbean Circuits of Desire," Presented at the National Women's Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2009.
21. "Code-Swishing," Presented at the American Studies Association Conference, Washington, D.C., November 2009.
22. "To Be or Not To Be Or, Thinking in Tongues," Presented at the Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Américas, Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2009.
23. "Razón de estar: Rodolfo Kusch, Decolonial Feminism, and Queer of Color Critique," Presented at the 53rd International Congress of Americanists, Mexico City, Mexico, July 2009.
24. "Dominicans." Presented at the National Conference of Chicana and Chicano Studies, New Brunswick, NJ, April 2009.
25. "Washington Heights, Perverse Modernities, and the Makings of a Dominican Transnational World," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Montreal, Canada, September 2008.
26. Presenter in Panel "Queer/Migration: Journal Salon—GLQ," at the Cultural Studies Association Sixth Annual Meeting, New York University, May 2008.
27. "Black (W)holes and Dominican Transnational Cultures," Presented at Dominicans in the U.S. Prior to 1970: Recovering an Earlier Dominican Presence, Hostos Community College, May 2008.
28. "Erotic Returns and US-Caribbean Circuits of Desire," Presented at Race, Sex, and Power: New Movements in Black and Latino Sexualities, University of Illinois-Chicago, April 2008.
29. "Native Sex Tourists? Eroticized Returns and US-Caribbean Circuits of Desire," Presented at The Future of Sexuality Conference at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, April 2008.
30. "Native Sex Tourists? Eroticized Returns and US-Caribbean Circuits of Desire," Presented at the American Studies Conference, Oakland, CA, October 2006.
31. "Dominican Self-Portraits: Anibal Guerrero," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 2006.
32. Decena, C.U.; Shedlin, M.G. and Martínez, A. "Los hombres no mandan aquí": Narrating Immigrant Genders and Sexualities in New York," American Studies Association Conference, Washington, D.C., November 2005.
33. "Tacit Subjects." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 2005.
34. "Surviving AIDS in an Uneven World: Latino Studies for a Brown Epidemic." Sexualities, Genders & Rights in Asia: 1st International Conference of Asian Queer Studies, Bangkok, Thailand, July 2005.

35. Shedlin, Michele & Decena, Carlos U. "Nuevas Comunidades Hispanas y el Riesgo del VIH." National Development and Research Institutes Training, New York, NY, April 2005.
36. Panelist in "Now What?: The Future of AIDS and Anthropology Part II—Panel Discussion," Society for Applied Anthropology Conference, Santa Fe, NM, April 2005.
37. Shedlin, Michele and Decena, Carlos U. "New Hispanic Communities and HIV Risk: the Role of Anthropology," Society for Applied Anthropology Conference, Santa Fe, NM, April 2005.
38. Shedlin, Michele and Decena, Carlos U. "New Hispanic Communities and HIV Risk," Presented at the Psychosocial Workshop, Population Association of America Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
39. Gray, Margaret and Decena, Carlos U. "Latinos in New Spaces: Gender, Work and Advocacy in New York State," New England Council on Latin American Studies, Boston, November 2004.
40. "Tacit Subjects: A Critique of Compulsory Disclosure," Latin American Studies Association, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2004.
41. Deren, Sherry; Shedlin, Michele G.; Decena, Carlos U. and Mino, Milton. "Addressing Health Disparities Among Migrant and Immigrant Populations in the US: Research Challenges to the Study of HIV/AIDS," NIDA Science Meeting on "Advancing Research to Reduce Drug Abuse and HIV/AIDS Health Disparities: Methodological Considerations," June 2004.
42. "Democracy in Bed?: Dominicanidad and Racialized Homosexualities in New York City," Queer Matters, King's College, London, England, June 2004.
43. "Queer Family Portraits: Dominicans on the Move," Presented at Panel, "Coming Out in the Latino Community." John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY, May 2004.
44. Decena, Carlos U.; Shedlin, Michele G. and Oliver-Velez, Denise. "New Hispanic Immigrant Communities and HIV Risk." Presented at Reunión Latina Sobre el SIDA, Albany, NY, March 2004.
45. Shedlin, Michele and Decena, Carlos U. "Defining New Communities: A Challenge for Immigrant Health," Poster Presentation at The American Public Health Association, Washington, November 2004.
46. Shedlin, Michele; Decena, Carlos U.; Oliver-Velez, Denise. "New Hispanic Immigrant Communities and HIV Risk." Presented at the Invited Session, "Rethinking Global AIDS Policy." The American Anthropological Association 102nd Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2003.
47. Decena, Carlos U.; Shedlin, Michele G. "New Hispanic Communities and HIV Risk." Presented at "Recognizing the Latino Community on Eastern Long Island: Creating Community Awareness of Unmet Needs" Conference, Southampton, NY, November 2003.
48. Decena, Carlos U.; Shedlin, Michele G. "New Hispanic Communities and HIV Risk." Presented at "The Many Faces of AIDS" Conference of the Lower/Mid Hudson Latino/a HIV/AIDS Network, Yonkers, New York, November 2003.
49. "Sex and Underdevelopment: Natives in New York's (Homo)Sexual Economy." Presented at the Graduate Student Speaker Series, The Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race, Columbia University, New York, New York, October 2003.
50. (Poster) Shedlin, Michele G.; Decena, Carlos U. and Oliver-Velez, Denise. "Migration and Acculturative Stress: Factors Affecting HIV-Related Risk for New Hispanic Immigrants to New York." Presented at the Second International Conference on Urban Health, New York, New York, October 2003.
51. Decena, Carlos U.; Shedlin, Michele G. and Oliver-Velez, Denise. "Los hombres no mandan aquí": Changing Gender Roles Among New Central American, Mexican and Dominican Immigrants to Suburban and Semi-Rural New York." Presented at the National HIV Prevention Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, July 2003.
52. "Legitimacy, Homosexuality and the Gendering of Daily Life in Dominican New York." Presented at the Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 2003.
53. "Sexiles as Husbands or as Refugees? The Politics of Sexuality and Crossing Borders from the Dominican Republic to the United States." Presented at the 8th Meeting of the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, Chiang Mai, Thailand, January 2003.
54. "Transnationalizing Queer? Immigrant Lives and Coalition Building Among Latinos in New York." Presented at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas, November 2002.

55. "Gendering Daily Life in Dominican New York." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Council on Latin American Studies, Worcester, Massachusetts, October 2002.
 56. "Strange Birds of Passage: Gender and Sexuality in Dominican Migration." Presented in session, Dominican Displacements: Gender, Sexuality and National Identity in Contemporary Dominican Transnational Culture. Hispanic Cultural Studies: the State of the Art Conference, Tucson, Arizona, September 2002.
 57. Carballo-Diéguez, Alex, Remien, Robert H., Dolezal, Curtis, Benson, Deborah, Decena, Carlos, Blank, Susan. "Intention to notify sexual partners about potential HIV exposure among New York city STD Clinics' clients." Presented at Grand Rounds, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, New York State Psychiatric Institute, February 2001.
 58. "Surviving AIDS in Transnational Social Fields: Challenges to the Circulation of People and Knowledge from Santo Domingo to Nueva York." Part of invited session, Global Problems, Local Knowledges: Negotiating Structures of Violence and Disease in Africa. The 99th Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, California. November 2000.
 59. "Scandals of Blood: Towards Historicizing the Threatening Donor/Seller." Presented at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Detroit, Michigan. October 2000.
 60. "Towards Dominican Cinema: Nueva Yol, Un pasaje de ida." Presented at the Fifth Latin American Popular Culture Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana. October 1996.
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Languages

Spanish, English, and French reading, writing, and speaking knowledge.

Consultancies

2022 N.88695, "Servicios de consultoria para coordinación del Índice de Inclusión LGBTI en la República Dominicana," **United Nations Development Programme**, Dominican Republic
 2021-2022 "Systemic Change in the Dominican Republic," **American Jewish World Service**

Related Professional Activities

Tenure Reviews

Texas States University, University of Minnesota, Syracuse University, Columbia University, The City University of New York, University of Houston, University of Kentucky, University of Oregon, Hartwick College, St. John's University

Editorial Work

Editorial Appointments	(Invited) Social Sciences Review Editor, <i>Gay and Lesbian Quarterly</i> , (2020-2022)
Editorial Boards	(Invited) Editorial Board, Caribbean Studies Series, Brill Press (2022-Present) (Invited) <i>Latinx Talk</i> , (2017) Associate Editor, <i>Journal of Language and Sexuality</i> (2012 to Present). Associate Editor, <i>Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society</i> (2006 to 2014). Founding Co-Editor <i>Sexualidades: A Working Paper Series</i> from the International Resource Network (www.irmweb.org) (2007-2008).

Editorial Reviews

Contexts
AIDS Care

Hispania
Sexuality and Social Policy
Culture, Health and Sexuality
Journal of the National Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (JANAC)
Sexualities
American Journal of Public Health
Global Networks: A Journal of Transnational Affairs

Manuscript Reviews
 Rutgers University Press
 Duke University Press
 University of Massachusetts Press
 University of Texas Press

Service at Professional Conferences and Organizations

Conferences and Panels Organized

2017-2018 Co-Organizer, Deportations and/in the Future of Migration Studies, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, September 2018.

2014 to 2016 Co-Organizer, “Transnational Hispaniola III: Theories into Practices,” Port-au-Prince, May 2016.

2014 Co-Organizer of Conference “Forced Destinations: Towards a Transnational Health Research Agenda on Deportations to the Dominican Republic,” on August 21 and 22nd, in collaboration it the Observatorio Migrantes del Caribe (OBMICA) and supported by an International Collaborative Research Grant funded by the GAIA Centers.

2011-2013 Member, Local Arrangements Committee, Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD) 7th Biennial Conference, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, November 2013

2013 Session Organizer, “Dialogues in clave queer” panel at the Latin American Studies Association Convention, Washington, D.C., May 2013.

April 2008 Co-Organizer, Race in the Transnational Caribbean Conference, Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies.

July 2005 Organizer and panelist of panel “Perspectives from the Americas: Towards Cross-regional Dialogue,” Sexualities, Genders & Rights in Asia: 1st International Conference of Asian Queer Studies, Bangkok, Thailand.

Chair, Discussant, or Participant at Panels

2015 “Prophetic Pulpits,” Discussant in Panel at the American Academic of Religion Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November.

2013 Chair, “Health in the Diaspora,” panel at the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD) 7th Biennial Conference, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, November.

2013 Discussant in “New Culture of Resistance in the Dominican Republic in the 20th and the 21st Centuries” panel at the Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Washington, D.C., May.

2013 Participant in “Latina/o Dialogues” panel at the LASA Meeting, Washington, D.C., May.

February 2012 Moderator, Caribbean Cityscapes Conference, Rutgers.

November 2011 Moderator of Panel *Historicizing Prostitution, Pornography, and Politics*, National Women’s Studies Association, Atlanta, GA.

June 2010	Discussant in Closing Plenary for Transnational Hispaniola Conference, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.
March 2010	Discussant in “The End of ‘Other’ Studies” Plenary by Linda Martín-Alcoff, Rutgers-Newark.
April 2009	Moderator in “Extended Postcolonialities,” Rutgers University.
May 2008	Discussant in “Cancer Vaccines for Girls? The Science, Ethics, and Politics of HPV Prevention,” Rutgers University.
February 2007	Discussant in the Black Atlantic Conference, “Diaspora and the Difference Race Makes,” Rutgers University.
July 2005	Chair in panels “Queer Cultures/Queer Theories” and “MSM Health Issues in China,” Sexualities, Genders & Rights in Asia: 1st International Conference of Asian Queer Studies, Bangkok, Thailand.
April 2005	Facilitator of session “Ethical Issues in the Design and Implementation of Research Among Men Who Have Sex With Men (MSM),” Society for Applied Anthropology, Santa Fe, NM.
April 2004	Commentator in “Theorizing Borders” panel at the conference “Thinking Social/National Formations: American Studies and Ethnic Studies Encounters,” The Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race at Columbia University, New York, NY.

Service in Professional Associations

2019-2020	Track Co-Chair, Latino Studies, Latin American Studies Association
2017 – 2020	Latina/o Studies Association Conference Program Committee
2013 – 2015	Council Member and Co-Chair, Latina/o Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association Meetings 2014 and 2015.
2012 – 2013	Chair, Latino Studies Book Award Selection Committee, Latin American Studies Association Meeting 2013
2010 – 2012	Program Track Chair, National Women Studies Association Conference
2011 – 2012	Chair, Organizing Committee, Transnational Hispaniola Conference II, Rutgers University, April 2012.
2007 – 2009	(Elected) Board: Co-Chair, Genders, Sexualities and LGBTQ Studies Track, Latin American Studies Association.
2007 – 2009	(Invited) Board: Member, Award Committee for Best Article, Latino Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association.
2006 – 2009	(Invited) Board: Member, Board of Directors, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, CUNY.
2004 – 2005	(Elected) <i>Co-Chair</i> , Sexualities Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association.
2003 – 2005	<i>Project Coordinator</i> , International Resource Network, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies (CLAGS), New York, NY.
2000 – 2003	<i>Member</i> , Social Science Research Council-Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program, Graduate Student Conference Organizing Committee.

Review Panels

2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021	Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation and Mellon Mays Dissertation Fellowship Evaluator
2015-Present	Fulbright Specialist Peer Review Committee Member.

2015	SP15-04, Committee 2, Substance Abuse and Health services Administration, (RFA) No. SP-15-004, Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) Partnerships with Community Based Organizations (CBOs)
2015	SP15-05, Committee 18, Substance Abuse and Health Services Administration, (RFA) No. SP-15-005, HIV Capacity Building Initiative
2008	Review Panel: CUNY Dominican Studies Institute 2008 Summer Scholarship.
2006 – 2008	(Invited) Board: Member, Ford Foundation Project on Latino Sexualities in the United States.
2007	Review Panel: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Dissertation Awards, Peer Review Panel # ZCD1 ZDQ (12).
2001	<i>Intervention Evaluator</i> , Proyecto GOL, Committee for Hispanic Children and Families, New York, NY.
2014-Present	Fulbright Specialist Program (FSP) Discipline Peer Reviewer, US Department of State Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs and Council for International Exchange of Scholars.

Service to Other Public Bodies

Summer 2008	Instructor, “Queer Migration: A Seminar in the City,” Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies and Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center, New York, NY.
2006 to 2018	(Invited) Chair, Board of Directors, Northern Manhattan Coalition for Immigrant Rights, New York, NY.
2005 – 2007	Board: <i>Member</i> , Advisory Board, International Resource Network, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies (CLAGS), City University of New York, NY.
2002 – 2007	(Invited) Board: <i>Member</i> , Community Advisory Board, Brothers/Hermanos Project (funded by the CDC), New York, NY.
2000 to Present	<i>Volunteer</i> , Behavioral and Social Science Volunteer Program, Office of AIDS, American Psychological Association (Funded by the Centers for Disease Control).
1999	<i>Volunteer</i> , “Diálogo por vida sobre el SIDA,” Hispanic AIDS Forum, Inc., New York, NY.

Collaborative Research Partnerships

2013 to 2014	Member, Interdisciplinary Working Group, “Transnational Feminism and Queer Theory: Epistemological Challenges,” an International Collaboration between the Programa de Estudios Universitarios de Género (PUEG) from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México and the Institute for Research on Women (IRW), Rutgers University.
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Departmental and University Service At Rutgers University

Fall 2021-Present	Member AAUP-AFT Collective Bargaining Team
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Fall 2021 to Present	Faculty Steering Committee, <i>Black Bodies, Black Health</i> (funded by RWJ)
Fall 2020 to Present	Graduate Faculty Member, Department of Geography
January – June 2020	Acting Co-Convener, University Committee on Diversity, Race and Gender
July 2021-June 2023	(Elected) AAUP-AFT Union, Rutgers University Chapter, Executive Committee Member
July 2019-June 2021	(Elected) AAUP-AFT Union, Rutgers University Chapter, Executive Committee Member
January 2019	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Winter Break Rutgers Delegation to the Dominican Republic, organized in conjunction with the Honors College and SAS Honors
July 2018-June 2019	Member AAUP-AFT Collective Bargaining Team
Fall 2018	SAS Advisory Disciplinary Committee
July 2016, July 2017, July 2018	Faculty Instructor, Paul Robeson Ambassador Scholars Summer Training
July 2017-June 2019	(Elected) AAUP-AFT Union, Rutgers University Chapter, Executive Committee Member (Elected) School of Arts and Sciences, Nominations & Elections Committee
Spring 2017	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture
2015	Search Committee Member, Henry Rutgers Term Chair in Latin@ Studies
Spring 2016	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture
Fall 2015 to Present	Rutgers University, Committee to Advance Our Common Purposes School of Arts and Sciences, Task Force on Faculty Excellence, Co-Chair School of Arts and Sciences, Executive Committee School of Arts and Sciences, Entrepreneurial Award Committee
Spring 2015	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture Class Evaluation Committee Institute for Women's Leadership Scholars Program
Fall 2014 to 2016	Women's and Gender Studies Department, Graduate Program Committee
Fall 2014 to Present	Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences, Appointments and Promotions Committee
Spring 2014 to Present	Rutgers School of Behavioral and Health Sciences, Global Health Strategic Working Group
Spring 2014	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture
October 2013 to 2014	Member, SAS International Advising and Planning Committee
July 2013 to June 2014	Director, Rutgers Initiative on Migration, Health, and Well-Being, A Social and Behavioral Sciences Initiative, School of Arts and Sciences.
Spring 2013	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture
July 2012 to June 2015	Executive Committee, Department of Women's and Gender Studies
2012 – Present	Rutgers Global Health Subcommittee
2010 – 2014	Executive Committee, Institute for Research on Women
Spring 2012	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture
Spring 2011	Academic Leader and Facilitator, Alternative Spring Break to the Dominican Republic, organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture

2010 – 2013	School of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
2007 – 2009	Leadership Scholars Selection Committee, Institute for Women's Leadership
2007 – 2008	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Women's and Gender Studies Bylaws Committee, Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies Events Planning Committee, Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies
2006 – 2007	Executive Committee, Women's and Gender Studies Capital Campaign Committee, W&GS Search Committee, LHCS
2005 – 2006	Graduate Program Committee, WGS Ad hoc Committee on International Collaborations, WGS Ph.D. Core Requirements Evaluation Committee, WGS Critical Sexualities Studies Minor, WGS Curriculum Reform Committee, LHCS

Advising

Ph.D. Committees

Katherine Gray, "Streaming Time: Mediation as a Way of Life," Committee Member, August 2022.

Milton Achelpohl, "Untitled," Committee Member, In Progress.

Jillian Salazar, "Living Through Crisis in California's Central Valley," Committee Member, 2022.

A. Haziz-Ginsberg, "Technologies of the Quotidian: British Empire, Race, and the Biopolitics of Security," Committee Member, Spring 2022.

Jennifer Vilchez, "How we became Latinx: The transformations of a pan-ethnic category by data," Committee Member, In Progress.

Camila Belliard-Quiroga, "Embodied Archives of Resilience and Resistance: Black women's affective practices and surviving structural violence in the Dominican Republic," Advisor, In Progress.

Che Gossett, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers, "Abolitionist Entanglement: Ending the Grammars of Capture," Committee Member, 2021.

Alexandria Smith, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers, "Blackness (From) Elsewhere: Mapping the Shape of Space and Narrative in Black Atlantic Artistic Production," Committee Member, 2021.

Keishla Rivera, American Studies, Rutgers-Newark, "Writing Freedom: Puerto Rican Women's Literary Conceptualization of Motherhood and Memory Beyond Archives." External Reader, 2020.

Rafael Vizcaino, Comparative Literature, Rutgers, "The Spirit of Decoloniality: Poetic Thinking from the Flesh," Committee Member, 2020.

Carlos Vazquez-Cruz, Spanish, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "Evolución tecno-digital en literaturas contemporáneas gays hispánicas: *El diario de J. L. de Rei*, Ondergraund.com de Rodríguez Pagán y *Sudor de Fuguet*." External Reader, 2019.

Paloma Caravantes-Gonzalez, "Tensions Between Populism and Feminist Politics: Reproduction of a Masculine Party Culture in Podemos," Dissertation Advisor, 2019.

Nafisa Tanjeem, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers, "'Can Workers of the World Unite?': A Multi-Sited Ethnography of Social Media and Transnational Labor Organizing across the Apparel Commodity Chain," Committee Member, 2017.

Carolina Alonso Bejarano, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers, "The Citizen and His Others: Coloniality, Migration and Women-led Grassroots Organizing in New Jersey," Principal Advisor, 2017.

Louise Tam, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers, "Palliative States: The Politics of Mental Health Interventions in Newcomer Services and Migrant Detentions," Co-Principal Advisor, In Progress.

Lindsey Whitmore, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers. "Ecologies of Care: Debility, Toxicity, and the Ethics of Oppositional Community-Making," Principal Advisor, 2018.

Melvin L. Allen, Depth Psychology, Pacifica Graduate Institute, "The Impact of Motown Music on the Psyche of African American Women," External Reader, 2016.

Angelina Tallaj-Garcia, Doctoral Dissertation, Department of Ethnomusicology, CUNY, "Performing Blackness, Rejecting Whiteness: Negotiating Identity through Music in the Dominican Republic," External Reader, 2014.

Amy Dunckel Graglia, Doctoral Dissertation, Department of Sociology, Stonybrook University, "The Gendered City: The Politics of Women-only Transportation in Mexico City," External Reader, 2014.

Ana-Maurine Lara, Doctoral Dissertation, African American Studies and Anthropology, Yale University, "Bodies and Souls: LGBT Citizenship and the Catholic State," External Reader, 2014.

Roy, Olivier, Doctoral Dissertation, Faculté des arts et sciences, Département de sociologie, Université de Montréal, Canada. "Homme immigrant cherche homme: (re)formations de subjectivités ethnosexuelles en contexte post-migratoire au Québec," examinateur externe, 2012.

Anahi Russo Garrido, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers. "Crafting Intimacy in 'El Ambiente' in Mexico City," Principal Advisor, 2012.

Susana Matallana-Pelaez, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers. "Mapping Gender in the Sixteenth-Century Alto Magdalena Region of Colombia," Committee Member, 2011.

Stephanie Clare, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers. "Earthly Encounters: Readings in Poststructuralism, Feminist Theory, and Canadian Settler-Colonialism," Committee Member, 2011.

Christopher Rivera, Doctoral Dissertation, Women's and Gender Studies and Comparative Literature, Rutgers. "Admission as Submission: Richard Rodriguez's Autobiographies as an Epistemology of Penetration," Co-Principal Advisor, 2010.

Edgar Rivera-Colón, Doctoral Dissertation, Anthropology, Rutgers. "Getting Life in Two Worlds: Power and Prevention in the New York City House Ballroom Community," Committee Member, 2008.

M.A. Thesis

Jess Burnham, "Expansive Identities," WGSS Master's Thesis, Primary Advisor, 2019.

Jasleen K. Singh, "Sikh Queer Community Navigates Invisibility as 'Terrorist Monster,'" W&GS Master's Thesis, Secondary Advisor, 2017.

Isabella Restrepo, W&GS, "Latino Equality Alliance," Master's Practicum Report, Secondary Advisor, 2015.

Genevieve Cato, W&GS, "The Anchor Baby: Discursive Constructions of Immigrant Subjects," Principal Advisor, 2012.

Kristin Catena, W&GS, "Coming Out of the Confessional: James E. McGreevey and the 'Gay American' Construct," Principal Advisor, 2011.

Lana Sacks, Master's Practicum Report, W&GS, "'HAAPPY' Endings?: A report on my work with women's engagement initiatives at the Gay and Lesbian Alliance against Defamation (GLAAD)," Principal Advisor, 2008.

Cynthia Gorman, Master's Thesis, W&GS, "Feminist Experiential Learning: A Report to the Institute for Women's Leadership," Principal Advisor, 2008.

B.A. Thesis

Enovi Molina-Chevez, "Advocacy in the Dominican Republic: Progressive Social Movement Against Sex Trafficking," Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis Primary Advisor, 2016-2017.

Katherine Ritter, "(Don't) Call the Doctor: Navigating Health Care as Lesbian and Queer Women," Honors Thesis Primary Advisor, 2015-2016.

Hannah McVeigh, "Women Legislators of Color: Insights into the Intersections of Race and Gender in State Legislatures," Secondary Advisor, 2014-2015.

Elisabeth Flinsch, "Asian American Women and Depression: An Analysis of Need and Resources in College," Secondary Advisor, 2014-2015.

Edward Quiceno, "En Route to Latinidad: Visual Art and the Repiecing of Identity," Principal Advisor, 2014-2015.

Amarilis Rodriguez, Women's and Gender Studies Honors Thesis, "Migration and Its Effects on Gender Identity Perception," Principal Advisor, 2012-2013.

Dimetri Duckrey, School of Arts and Sciences Honors Thesis, Principal Advisor, 2012-2013.

Wislande Guillaume, Women's and Gender Studies Honors Thesis, "Personal Narratives of Structural Violence: Haitian Women Pre- and Post-Earthquake," Principal Advisor, 2011-2012.

Mark Anthony Capetillo, Women's and Gender Studies Honors Thesis, "See the Man, Want the Man, Buy the Man: Masculinity in Advertising," Principal Advisor, 2009-2010.

Lis Mery Ramirez, Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies Thesis, "Con un pie aqui and web page there: The effect of technology in the transnational practices and cultural identification of young Dominicans," Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee, Second reader, 2007-2008.

Klintong Jaramillo, Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies Thesis, "Identity Formation Among South American Gay Men in New Jersey," Second reader, 2006-2007.

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Independent Studies

(Graduate) Carlos iro Burgos, "Masculinities," Spring 2020.

(Graduate) Kelly Andrade, "Diversity in Education," Spring 2019.

(Graduate) Milton Acelpohl, "Critical Studies of Masculinity," Spring 2019.

(Undergraduate) Erica Taveras, "Education in the Dominican Republic," Summer 2018.

(Undergraduate) Duncan MacKinnon, "Queer and Trans Feminisms of Color," Spring 2017.

(Graduate) Silvia Galis-Melendez, "Latinx Feminist Theories," WGS, Fall 2016.

(Graduate) Paloma Caravantes, "Critical Approaches to Masculinity Studies," WGS, Fall 2015.

(Graduate) Enmanuel Martínez, "Queer Studies and Caribbean Literatures," WGS and Comparative Literature, Spring 2012.

(Graduate) Nafisa Tanjeem, "Immigration and Globalization," WGS, Spring 2012.

(Undergraduate) Mark Anthony Capetillo, "Chicana/o Identities and Sexualities," WGS, Spring 2008.

(Graduate) Bahia Munem, "Independent Study on Feminist Methodologies," WGS, Spring 2008.

(Graduate) Meredith Davis, "Kaleidoscope: Masculinity in Racial/Ethnic Minority Communities," WGS, Fall 2007.

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Research Internships

Vanessa Raymond, "Circuits of the Sacred," Faculty Sponsor through the Price Family Fellows Program, Rutgers University, 2014-2015.

Julianna Ritter, "Body Portals," Faculty Sponsor of Research through the Aresty Center for Undergraduate Research, 2012-2013.

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