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Administrative Appointments

<i>University at Albany, SUNY</i>	Chairperson, Department of Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies. 2014-2020
<i>University at Albany, SUNY</i>	Director of Graduate Programs, Department of Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies. 2012-2014, 2016-2017, 2019-2020.
<i>State University of New York</i>	Vice Provost for Diversity and Educational Equity. SUNY System Administration. 2007-2011.
<i>University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</i>	Director, Latino Studies Program. 2002-2004.
<i>Cornell University</i>	Director, Latino Studies Program. 1999-2000.
<i>Rutgers University</i>	Chairperson, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies. 1990-1998.
<i>Fordham University</i>	Director, Latino and Latin American Studies Program, 1978-1990.

Academic Appointments

<i>University at Albany, State University of New York</i>	Professor: Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies Department. 2007 – Present.
<i>University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign</i>	Professor: African American Research & Studies Program. 2005 – 2007. Professor: Institute of Communications Research. 2002-2007. Professor: Latino/a Studies Program. 2002-2007. Faculty in Residence: Center on Democracy in a Multiracial Society. 2005.
<i>Cornell University</i>	Visiting Professor: Government Department. 1999-2000.
<i>Rutgers University</i>	Fellow and Co-director: Center for the Critical Analysis of Contemporary Culture, 1992-1993; 1998-1999. Associate Professor: Political Science and Puerto Rican/Hispanic Caribbean Studies. 1990-2002.
<i>Fordham University</i>	Assistant/Associate Professor: Political Science. 1981-1990 Instructor: Political Science. 1978 -1980.
<i>Columbia University</i>	Visiting Adjunct Professor: Political Science, 1989-1990.

Education

<i>Columbia University</i>	M. Phil., Ph.D. in Political Science Dissertation: <i>Government-Interest Group Interaction and Political-Economic Change in Puerto Rico, 1945-1975.</i>
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City College of New York

B.A. in Political Science

Publications

Book

Constructing a Colonial People: The First Three Decades of US Colonialism in Puerto Rico: 1898-1932 (Routledge, 2001), 296 pages, paperback, December 2000.

Principal Writer and Senior Consultant

The Latino Experience in US History (Paramus, NJ: Globe Publishers, 1994).

Articles/Book Chapters:

“The Changing Priorities of the American Empire and the Fate of Puerto Rico: The World’s Oldest Colony,” *Brown Journal of World Affairs*. Under Review (Submitted 1/24/2024)

“U.S. Citizens, but not Americans,” *Latino Studies*. Under Review (Submitted 11/01/2023)

“Gringo Go Home, Puerto Rico is Not for Sale.” *The American Prospect*. August 21, 2023
<https://prospect.org/power/2023-08-21-gringo-go-home-puerto-rico-not-for-sale/>

“Bad Bunny, AOC and Decolonizing Puerto Rico.” *The American Prospect*. September 7, 2022.
<https://prospect.org/politics/bad-bunny-aoc-and-decolonizing-puerto-rico/>

“The End of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.” *Dissent Magazine*. April 30, 2021.
https://www.dissentmagazine.org/online_articles/the-end-of-the-commonwealth-of-puerto-rico

“Remaking Puerto Rican Studies at 50 years,” In María E. Pérez y González and Virginia Sánchez Korrol (editors), *Puerto Rican Studies in the City University of New York: The First Fifty Years* (New York, Centro Press, 2021): 16-42.

“Puerto Rico in Crisis and the Shifting Dictates of Empire.” *Special Issue of Centro Journal: Navigating Insecurities*. Vol. 33, no. 1 (Spring 2021):7-40. Reprinted *Latino Rebels*. June 22, 2021.
<https://www.latinorebels.com/2021/06/22/puertoricoincrisis/?fbclid=IwAR2kDU6gtzjJTgywa97bKaoyt-VrCSVMfsD9VYoaE7nQ1MYne0CVL1Js6PQ>

“Puerto Rico: The Ascent and Demise of an American Colony.” *Critical Diálogos in Latina/o/x Studies* (New York, New York University Press, 2021):11-26.

“Puerto Rico’s Summer 2019 Uprising and the Crisis of Colonialism.” *Latin American Perspectives* Vol. 47, no. 3 (2020): 103-116.

“Solidarity and the Absent State in Puerto Rico.” *Dissent Magazine*. June 16, 2020.
https://www.dissentmagazine.org/online_articles/solidarity-and-the-absent-state-in-puerto-rico

“Hurricane Maria’s Aftermath: Redefining Puerto Rico’s Colonial Status?” *Current History*. Vol. 118, no. 805 (2019): 43-49.

“Puerto Rico, PROMESA and the American Empire.” *Latino Studies* Vol. 16, no. 2 (2018): 161-184.

“Puerto Rico and PROMESA: Reaffirming Colonialism.” *New Politics*. Vol. 16, no .3 (Summer 2017): 120-125.

“Puerto Ricans as Contingent Citizens: Shifting Mandated Identities and Imperial Disjunctures.” *Centro Journal*, vol. 29, no. 1 (Spring 2017). 238-283.

“The Puerto Rican Colonial Matrix: The Etiology of Citizenship,” *Centro Journal* vol. 25, no. 1 (Spring 2013): 4-21.

- “Critical Junctures and Puerto Rican Studies,” *Latino/a Research Review*, vol. 8, nos. 1-2 (2011-2012): 25-41.
- “Common Legacies, Similar Futures: Black and Latino Studies,” in Sundiata Cha-Jua, Helen Neville and Ted Koditschek (editors), *Race Struggles* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2009): 260-285.
- “Puerto Rican Studies: Changing Islands of Knowledge,” *Centro Journal*, vol. 21, no. 2 (Fall 2009): 256-281.
- “Black and Latino Studies and Social Capital Theory,” *Sage Race Relations Abstracts*, vol. 32, no. 3 (August 2007): 5-29.
- “From Challenge to Absorption: The Changing Face of Latino Studies,” *Centro Journal*, vol. 15, no. 2 (Fall 2003): 126-45.
- “Moving from the Margins, to Where? Three Decades of Latino Studies,” *Latino Studies*, vol. 1, no. 1 (March 2003): 5-35.
- “Puerto Rico: State Formation in a Colonial Context,” *Caribbean Studies*, vol. 30, no. 2 (December 2002): 170-215.
- “The Colonizing Mission of the U.S. in Puerto Rico,” in Anna Sampaio, Carlos Vélez-Ibañez and Manolo González-Estay (editors), *Transnational Latino/a Communities: Re-examining Politics, Processes and Culture* (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2002), 115-45.
- “Bombs, Ballots and Nationalism: Vieques and the Politics of Colonialism,” *Latino(a) Research Review*, vol. 5, no. 1 (2002): 8-36.
- “Subjects and Immigrants in the Progressive Age,” *Discourse*, vol. 23, no. 3 (Fall 2001): 24-51.
- “Latino and Latin American Studies: The New Synthesis,” in Frank Bonilla et al., *Borderless Borders* (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1998), 195-216.
- “El Consejo Ejecutivo y la ‘norteamericanización’ de Puerto Rico,” *Temas: Revista de Cultura, Sociedad e Ideología*, nos. 12/13 (Oct. 1997-March 1998): 82-95.
- “The Decolonization Policies of the United States towards Its Territories,” in Carmen Gautier Mayoral and Idsa Alegría Ortega (editors), *Políticas de Descolonización en la Región Caribeña* (Río Piedras, PR: Centro de Investigaciones Sociales, 1994), 29-45.
- “Security, Economy and Political Status: The Dynamics of Puerto Rico’s Integration into the Caribbean Region,” *New Political Science*, nos. 28/29 (Winter-Spring 1994): 191-216.
- The Plebiscite and the Diaspora: The Status Debate on Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans in the United States*, Institute for Puerto Rican Policy, 1993
- “Redefining Puerto Rico’s Political Status,” in Edwin Meléndez and Edgardo Meléndez (editors), *Colonial Dilemma: Critical Perspectives on Contemporary Puerto Rico* (Boston: South End Press, 1992), 19-39.
- “Getting Unstuck on Status: The Politics of Decolonization,” in Felix Masud-Piloto (editor), *Plebiscite: Puerto Rico at a Political Crossroads* (Ithaca: Hispanic American Studies Program, Cornell University, June 1991), 6-14.
- “Decolonizing Puerto Rico-U.S. Style,” *Diálogo*, vol. 6 (Spring 1990): 1, 7-20.
- “Reworking the Colonial Formula-Puerto Rico into the Twenty-First Century,” *Radical America*, vol. 23, no. 1 (1989): 9-20.
- “Industrial Transformation and Labor Relations in Puerto Rico, From Operation Bootstrap to the 70s,” *Journal of Latin American Studies*, vol. 21, no. 3 (October 1989): 559-91.
- “The Colonial State and Capitalist Expansion in Puerto Rico: An Historical Overview,” *Boletín del Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños*, vol. 2, no. 6 (1989): 87-100.
- “El Aparato Colonial y Cambio Económico: 1898-1917,” *Revista de Ciencias Sociales*, vol. 27, nos. 1-2 (1988): 53-87.

“Puerto Rican Studies and Political Economy,” in M. Sánchez and A. Stevens-Arroyo (editors), *Toward a Renaissance of Puerto Rican Studies* (Highland Lakes: Atlantic Research and Publications, 1987), 73-78.

“Puerto Rican Studies: New Challenges and Patterns,” *Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños Newsletter* (Fall 1985): 8 pp.

“Industrialization, the Colonial State and Working Class Organizations in Puerto Rico,” *Latin American Perspectives*, vol. 42, no. 3 (Summer 1984): 149-72.

“Contradictions of Capitalist Development in Puerto Rico,” *Memorias: II Seminario sobre la situación de las comunidades negra, chicana, cubana, nativa norteamericana, puertorriqueña, caribeña y asiática en los Estados Unidos* (Havana: Editora Política, 1984).

Other Articles and Publications

“The Business of Puerto Rico’s Statehood Party,” *Latin American Perspectives Political Report #1458*, August 18, 2021. <https://laperspectives.blogspot.com/2021/08/political-report-1458.html> Reprinted *Latino Rebels* <https://www.latinorebels.com/2021/10/14/businesspuertoricosstatehoodparty/> October 14, 2021.

“Saving Puerto Rico,” *Latino Rebels*, May 26, 2021
<https://www.latinorebels.com/2021/05/26/opinionsavingpuertorico/>

“Will the United States Finally Decolonize Puerto Rico.” *Monthly Review Online*, May 12, 2021.
<https://mronline.org/2021/05/11/will-the-united-states-finally-decolonize-puerto-rico/>

“The Capital Insurrection and the Puerto Rican Summer Uprising,” *80grados* April 9, 2021.
<https://www.80grados.net/the-capital-insurrection-and-the-puerto-rican-summer-uprising/>

“Don’t Make Puerto Rico a State Now.” *Latin American Perspectives, Political Report #1454*, February 25, 2021
<https://outlook.office.com/mail/inbox/id/AAQkADI4MzU0OWY3LTJhYjUtNDNmMS1hZDVmLTAwMzM2YTA4YjhjZAAQABHT8hAmJHpCrPxQsnewN9k%3D>
<https://latinamericanperspectives.com/political-report-1454-dont-make-puerto-rico-a-state-now/>

“Puerto Rico’s Statehood Movement is on the Verge of Collapsing,” *Latino Rebels*, December 15, 2020
<https://www.latinorebels.com/2020/12/15/statehoodmovementcollapsing/>

“The Summer 2019 Uprising and Building a New Puerto Rico,” *NACLA, Report on the Americas*, October 21, 2019.

“Puerto Rico’s Forever Exodus,” *NACLA, Report on the Americas*, February 22, 2018.
<https://nacla.org/news/2018/02/22/puerto-rico's-forever-exodus>

“Catastrophe and Colonialism.” *Jacobinmag.com*. 12 December 2017

“Maria will fundamentally change US policy toward Puerto Rico.” *The Conversation.com*, June 6, 2017.
<https://theconversation.com/maria-will-fundamentally-change-us-policy-toward-puerto-rico-86038>. Reprinted in *Salon.com* November 9, 2017. https://www.salon.com/2017/11/09/maria-will-fundamentally-change-us-policy-toward-puerto-rico_partner/

“Puerto Rico’s long fall from ‘shining star’ to the ‘Greece’ of the Caribbean.” *The Conversation.com*, June 12, 2015.
<https://theconversation.com/puerto-ricos-long-fall-from-shining-star-to-the-greece-of-the-caribbean-43097>

Caban, Pedro, "Disempowering Racial Oppression" (2007). *Latin American, Caribbean, and U.S. Latino Studies Faculty Scholarship*. 41.
https://scholarsarchive.library.albany.edu/lacs_fac_scholar/41

Suzanne Oboler and Deena González (eds.). *Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States*, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005).

Americanization.	(922 words)
COINTELPRO.	(2731 words)
Puerto Rico: Colonialism.	(4175 words)
Puerto Rican Political Prisoners.	(1662 words)
Puerto Rican Revolutionary Organizations.	(2282 words)
Puerto Rican Nationalist Uprising.	(1364 words)
Puerto Rican Home Country Project.	(1479 words)
Puerto Ricans (with Vilma Santiago).	(7842 words)

“Introduction: ‘Diversity’—Demography, Culture, and Education for a Changing New York,” in Bruce Leslie, and others (editors), *SUNY at Sixty: The Promise of the State University of New York* (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2010): 225-228.

Testimony: NYS Assembly Standing Committee on Higher Education. *Examination of New York State Higher Education Commission’s Preliminary Report and Its Initial Recommendations*. February 8, 2008.

“Give Puerto Rico Its Independence,” *Newsday*. June 15, 2001.

“Connecting Our Differences,” *Common Purposes*, Rutgers University, October 1992.

Review: *Puerto Rico: Equality and Freedom at Issue*. Juan M. García-Passalacqua; *Puerto Rico: A Colonial Experiment*. Raymond Carr *The Hispanic American Historical Review* [Vol. 65, No. 1 \(Feb., 1985\)](#), pp. 154-156 (3 pages)

Published Reviews

New Political Science, Political Science Quarterly, Journal of Latin American Studies, New West Indies Guide, Critical Sociology, Latin America in Books, Contemporary Sociology, Hispanic American Historical Review, American Political Science Review

Editorships and Posts in Professional Associations (Selected)

Guest Editor	Centro Journal, Special Issue on Citizenship	2013
Executive Committee	Commission on Access, Diversity and Excellence Association of Public Land Grant Universities	2009-2011
Vice President/President	Puerto Rican Studies Association	2001-2004
Program Chair	Latin American Studies Association	1999-2000
Co-Chairperson	Latino Studies Section	1998-2000
Advisory Board	Center on Democracy in a Multiracial Society	2002-2004
Series Co-Editor	<i>Latinos in Chicago and the Midwest</i> University of Illinois Press	2002-2011
Senior Editor	<i>Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States</i>	2001-2005
Associate Editor	<i>Latino Studies</i>	2001-2002
Editorial Boards	<i>Journal of Sport and Social Issues</i>	2002-2007
	<i>Latin American Research Review</i> Latin American Studies Association	1990-1992
Advisory Board	Center for the Critical Analysis of Contemporary Culture, Rutgers University	1993-1999

Grant and Fellowship Evaluator

MacArthur Foundation; Ford Foundation Diversity Dissertation and Postdoctoral Fellowships; Institutional Research Board, University of Illinois; National Endowment for the Humanities; PSC-CUNY Faculty Research Awards; Ford Foundation Minority Postdoctoral Fellowships; National Science Foundation; University of Puerto Rico.

Manuscript Reviewer

Academic Journals

Latin American Perspectives, Politics and Society, Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Centro Journal (Center for Puerto Rican Studies), *Comparative Politics, Critical Sociology, Latin American Research Review, Latino Studies Journal, Revista de Ciencias Sociales, Social and Economic Studies, Space and Society.*

Book Publishers

Polity, St. Martin's Press, State University of New York Press, Temple University Press, University of Florida Press, Lynne Rienner Publishers, Rutgers University Press, Greenwood Press, Humanities Press International, M. E. Sharpe, Pittsburgh University Press, University of North Carolina Press, Palgrave-MacMillan.

Conferences, Seminars and Public Lectures

Capital District Latinos, Invited Speaker, "Environmental & Climate Justice: from Puerto Rico to Albany," Capital District Latinos, Cultural Empowerment & Community Engagement Center, 13 April 2019.

Center for International Education and Global Strategy, "Puerto Rico in Crisis and the Shifting Dictates of Empire," Global Forum Series, University at Albany, 9 April 2019.

Center for Puerto Rican Studies, Presenter, "Puerto Rican as Contingent Citizens," Symposium: The Centennial of the Jones Act, 15 October 2015.

Latin American Studies Association, 2013: Presenter, "Latinos and the Assault on Public Higher Education in the United States," Washington, DC. 1 June 2013.

Puerto Rican Studies Association, 10th Biennial Conference: Presenter, "The Intellectual Legacy of Frank Bonilla," University at Albany 25 October 2012.

Puerto Rican Studies Association, 10th Biennial Conference: Commentator, "Citizenship and Its Exclusions in Puerto Rico," University at Albany 25 October 2012.

Center for the Study of Working Class Life: How Class Works Annual Conference, Presenter, "How People Become White," Stony Brook University, 6 June 2008.

African American Studies and Research Program Conference: Race, Roots, and Resistance: Revisiting the Legacies of Black Power, Presenter, "The Black Colony Revisited: Robert Allen's Black Awakening in Capitalist America, and the Internal Colonial Thesis," University of Illinois, 31 March 2006.

Latin American Studies Association 23rd International Conference: Presenter, "Puerto Rico and the U.S. A Permanent Colony," San Juan, PR, 16 March 2006.

Latin American Studies Association 23rd International Conference: Discussant, "Military Power and Civil Society: The Case of Vieques," San Juan, PR, 16 March 2006.

Latin American Studies Association 23rd International Conference: Panelist, "Building Bridges among Latino, Latin American, Chicano, Dominican, and Puerto Rican Studies," San Juan, PR, 16 March 2006.

Centro de Investigaciones Sociales: Panelist, "Los estudios puertorriqueños aquí y allá: Hacia una agenda de investigación renovada y compartida," University of Puerto Rico, 14 March 2006.

African Studies Institute Conference: Beyond a Boundary, Presenter and Discussant, "Global Studies and Ethnic Studies: Points of Intersection and Diversion," University of Illinois, 5-7 December 2004.

Puerto Rican Studies Association 6th Biennial Conference: Presenter, "Changing Islands of Knowledge," CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY, 22 October 2004.

African American Studies and Research Program: Invited Speaker, "Cross Currents between Programs for the Study, Teaching and Engagement with Racialized Communities," University of Illinois, 2 April 2004.

Political Science Department: "Continuities in Colonialism," Faculty Seminar, Illinois State University, 31 October 2003.

American Political Science Association: Invited Panelist, "New Directions in Latina/o Political Research," Philadelphia, 28 August 2003.

Latin American Studies Association 22nd International Conference: Presenter, "Latino Studies and the Academy: Developments, Positioning and Emergent Practices," Dallas, TX, 27 March 2003.

Institute for the Humanities: Speaker, "Theorizing Race and Ethnic Studies," University of Illinois, Chicago, 21 February 2003.

Program in Latino/a Studies: Invited Panelist, "The Institutionalization of Latino/a Studies: Producing Knowledge Inside/Outside the Academy," Seeds of Change Conference, Duke University, Durham, NC, 14-15 February 2003.

Ford Foundation: Discussant, "Global and Local Knowledge After September 11th," Center for Place, Culture and Politics, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY, 19-20 April 2002.

Latino Studies Journal: Presenter, "Enclaves, Transgressions and Appropriations: The Changing Face of Latina/o Studies," University of Illinois, Chicago, 1-3 March 2002.

Political Science Department Seminar: Presenter, "Vieques and Partisan Politics in the U.S.," SUNY Albany, NY, 17 October 2001.

Latin American Studies Association 21st International Conference: Presenter, "Bombs, Ballots and Nationalism: The Limits of Colonialism," Washington, DC, 6-8 September 2001.

Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies: Presenter, "The Changing Face of Latino Studies," Workshop on Transborder Peoples and the Intersections between Latino and Latin American Studies, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, 1-2 June 2001.

Puerto Rican and Hispanic Caribbean Studies Department: Panelist, "Puerto Rico's Territorial Status-Anachronistic and Immutable," Symposium on Puerto Rican Politics and Culture in the New Millennium, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 10-12 April 2001.

Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies: Invited Speaker on "Constructing a Colonial People," College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, 12 February 2001.

Graduate Student Association: Symposium, Latino/as in Academia, Keynote Speaker, "Reflections on the State of Latino Studies: Contrasting Realities," SUNY, Buffalo, NY, 1 May 2000.

Latin American Studies Association 20th International Conference: Organizer and Presenter, "Negotiating New Boundaries: Latino and Latin American Studies," Miami, FL, 16-18 March 2000.

SUNY Vice Provost Presentations, Reports and Committees (2007-2010)

Plenary Speaker, "Diversity and Academic Excellence, Diversity and Social Justice," University Faculty Senate, Cobleskill, NY, January 2010.

Workshop Speaker, "Recruiting and Retaining Faculty of Color," Office of Workforce Diversity and Inclusion, Cornell University, November 2009.

Panelist, "Somos El Futuro," Annual Legislative Conferences, Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force, NYS Assembly and Senate, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 2007, 2008, 2009.

Panelist, "Somos El Futuro," Annual Legislative Conference, "Increasing Hispanic College

Enrollment and Retention,” Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force, NYS Assembly and Senate, Albany, NY, April 2008.

Search Committee Member, Director of the Rockefeller Institute of Government, State University of New York, Albany, NY, 2009-2010.

SUNY Strategic Planning Group, 2009-2010.

SUNY Liaison, National Association of Systems Heads/Lumina Foundation Access to Success Initiative.

Panelist, New York Assembly Higher Education Committee, “Legislative Workshop on Diversity,” March 2009.

Panelist, New York State Assembly Black, Puerto Rican and Asian Caucus, “Higher Education Forum,” Legislative Office Building, Albany NY, February 2009.

Commentator, Forum, “Let Them In: The Case for Open Borders,” Rockefeller Institute of Government, State University of New York, Albany, NY, June 2008.

Testimony, “Examination of New York State Higher Education Commission’s Preliminary Report and Its Initial Recommendations,” Public Hearing of the Assembly Standing Committee on Higher Education, New York, NY, February 2008.

Author, “White Paper: Access, Equity and Excellence and the Public University,” submitted for Preliminary Report of the New York Commission on Higher Education, December 2007.

I have lectured on diversity and given presentations on the Office of Diversity and Educational Equity at twenty-four state operated campuses of the SUNY system.

Awards and Service

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

University at Albany	FRAP Award, 2021 \$3,000, 2023 \$4,000
SSRC/NEH	Sustaining Humanities Infrastructure- CoPI, 2022
Chancellor, SUNY	Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Professional Service, 2011
Vice Chancellor for Research UIUC	Scholars’ Travel Fund Award, 2006
Consortium on Institutional Cooperation UIUC	Academic Leadership Fellow, 2003-04
Rutgers University	Research Council Grant, 2001-02
Rutgers University	Teaching Excellence Center: Curriculum Grant, 1993-94
Ford Foundation	Postdoctoral Fellowship, 1987-88
Rockefeller Foundation	Postdoctoral Fellowship, (Declined)1987-88
Fordham University	Faculty Fellowship, 1987-88
Fordham University	Faculty Research Grant, 1986-87
Ford Foundation	Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 1976-78
Danforth Foundation	Dorothy Danforth-Compton Fellowship, 1976-Declined

University Service/ Department Service

University at Albany, SUNY (2011-present)

CAS Faculty Council: 2021-2022, 2022-2023

Chairperson: Department of Latin American, Caribbean and Latina/o Studies 2014-2020

Director of Graduate Programs: Department of Latin American, Caribbean and Latina/o Studies 2012-2014, 2019, 2023-2024

Department Representative to University Senate 2022

Member: Graduate Advisory Council of the University Senate (GAC)

Chairperson: Curriculum and Instruction Committee of GAC
State University of New York, System Administration (2007-2011)
Member New York Work Group on STEM Education
Representative Governors Amistad Commission
Member, Search Committee, Director of Rockefeller Institute of Government
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (2002-2007)
Member, Board of Trustees, Honorary Degree Selection Committee
University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign
African American Studies and Research Program (AASRP)
Curriculum Committee (Chair)
Ph.D. Committee Chair
Dean's Committee to Evaluate Director of AASRP
Chancellor's Committee on Diversity
Subcommittee on Recruitment and Retention
Subcommittee on Studies and Cultural Programs
Center on Democracy in a Multiracial Society
Advisory Board
Director's Search Committee
Faculty Fellowship Selection Committee
Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee
Institutional Research Board Reviewer
Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program Advisory Board
La Casa Cultural Latina Advisory Board
Rutgers University (1990-2002)
President's Provost Search Committee
Provost Committee on Minority Faculty Development
President's Committee on Curriculum Reform
President's Committee on Minority Affairs
Center for Critical Analysis of Contemporary Culture Advisory Board
Latin American Studies Advisory Board

Professional Service and Public Engagement- Last 5 Years

Faculty Research Grant Evaluator- University of Puerto Rico 2022
Reviewer Scholarship Center for Engaged Scholarship 2021-2022
Member Provision Coordinating Committee of the Community4Centro February 5- Present
CNN Politics October 31, 2020 <https://edition.cnn.com/2020/10/31/politics/puerto-rico-2020-statehood-vote/index.html>
CNN Digital_Ray Sanchez October 23, 2020
Truthout: Interview
Florida Phoenix: Interview
NPR News Hour: Puerto Rico Gears Up to Vote Statehood. Interview September 27, 2020
Newspaper interviews: Washington Post (2018), New York Times (1992), Univision, Newsday
Interviews: Congressional Research Quarterly, November 24, 2017
Latin American Program Reviewer: University of North Carolina April 2018
Chicano/Chicano Studies Program Reviewer: UT Pan American April 2017

