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EDUCATION

Tufts University

Ph.D. in English: May 2010

Dissertation: *Discrimination, Evasion, and Livability in Four New York Puerto Rican Narratives*

Committee: Christina Sharpe (advisor) Modhumita Roy, Elizabeth Ammons

Outside Reader: Maritza Stanchich, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras

Master of Arts in English: 2003

New York University, Gallatin School of Individualized Study

Bachelor of Arts in Individualized Study – Magna Cum Laude: 2001

Concentrations: Literature and Education

HONORS AND AWARDS

Islandora Camp Fellowship – 2011

Digital Humanities Summer Institute Scholarship, University of Victoria – 2011

The Humanities and Technology Camp, Los Angeles, Bootcamp Fellowship – 2011

Tufts University: Dissertation Fellowship – 2009

Tufts University: Robert P. Guertin Student Leadership Award – 2003

New York University: University Honors Scholar – 2001

New York University: Founders Day Scholar – 2001

PUBLICATIONS

“Palm Trees in the Projects: Puerto Rican Counterinvasion in Edgardo Vega Yunqué’s *Loisaida*” *Critical Perspectives on Caribbean Literature and Culture*. Eds. D. Smith, R. Puig Campos, I. Cortés Santiago, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2010.

“We erred, we lost, we lived to tell”: The Hip-Hop Gothic of Black Artemis’ *Explicit Content*.” co-author: Kellie Donovan Condrón. Under Consideration, *Studies in American Fiction*.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Book project: *Puerto Rican Writers Resisting the Rhetoric of Respectability*

Edited Collection & Digital Project: #TransformDH: Transformative Digital Humanities: Doing Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Sexuality and Class in DH: TransformDH.org & Co-Edited by Anna Everett, Lisa Nakamura, Amanda Phillips, Marta S. Rivera Monclova: TransformDH.org

Digital Project: LiterRícan: A selection of digital bilingual Puerto Rican texts: Literican.org

FIELDS AND TEACHING INTERESTS

19th, 20th, and 21st century U.S. literatures; Caribbean literatures; diasporic Puerto Rican literature; world literatures in English; gender and sexuality in literature

INVITED LECTURES

The Pedagogy of Rupture: Disrupting Canonicity in General Education and Beyond
Framingham State University Academic Diversity Lecture Series – 2011

“My Dreams is Censored”: Poverty & Women in Black Artemis’ Picture Me Rollin’
Invited Lecture, Suffolk University, Women’s & Gender Studies Program – 2010

Where to Begin?: Entering Literary Criticism

Central CT State – Dept. of Modern Languages – Invited Lecture – 2004

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- The “Culture of Poverty” and the Scapegoating of Puerto Rican Sexuality
American Comparative Literature Association, Providence – 2012
- Transformative Mediations? Ethnic and Queer Studies and the Politics of the Digital
Roundtable, American Studies Association, Baltimore – 2011
- Penetrability and Pastiche: Magical Movement in Edgardo Vega Yunque
Caribbean Without Borders, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras – 2008
- Edgardo Vega Yunque: A Memorial Retrospective
New England American Studies Association, New Haven – 2008
- The Signification of the Door of No Return
Modern Language Association, Washington D.C. – 2005
- Minority Literature and the Autobiographical Narrative Voice
Narrative, Louisville, KY – 2005
- Reading the Cut in Character in Lost Highway
Pop Culture Association/ American Culture Association, San Diego, CA – 2005
- “Tantalising Lure of a Mystery Never Revealed”: Desire, Fantasy, and Land(e)scape in The Blue Castle
L.M. Montgomery Institute, University of Prince Edward Island, Canada – 2004
- Teacher Love
Tufts English Graduate Organization Conference – October 2003
- High Tide: Transcontinental, Transgressive, and Transcendental Drug Use in Silko’s Almanac of the Dead
American Literature Association, Long Beach, CA – 2002
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Faculty Fellow

- American Ethnic Literature: Framingham State University 2011
- Approaches to Literature: Framingham State University 2011
- Expository Writing: Framingham State University 2011
- Literary Study: Framingham State University 2012
- The American Novel: Framingham State University 2012

Adjunct Lecturer

- Women, Culture, & History: Suffolk University 2011
- Expository Writing with Lab: Bentley University, 2010
- First faculty member at Bentley University to deploy multisite WordPress network on a production server
- Caribbean Literature: Bentley University, 2010
- American Cities: Bentley University, 2010
- Sexuality in the Public Eye: School of the Museum of Fine Arts, 2006

Graduate Student Lecturer

- Expository Writing: Tufts University, 2002, 2006
- Family Ties: Tufts University, 2003
- Gay and Lesbian Perspectives: Tufts University, 2004
- What is Queer? Tufts University: 2005, 2006
- Developed this course for the Tufts First Year Writing Program
- Love and Sexuality: Tufts University, 2005

Grader

- Horror Stories: Tufts University, 2003 – 2005
- American Fiction 1950–Present: Tufts University, 2005
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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

English Department Assessment Committee: Framingham State University, 2011-2012
Gender Interest Group: Framingham State University, 2011-2012
Diversity Committee: Framingham State University, 2011-2012
Faculty Recruitment and Retention Subcommittee: Framingham State University, 2011-2012
Islandora Camp: Granted scholarship to software development workshop, UPEI: 2011
TS Eliot International Summer School: Granted partial bursary to attend, London: 2011
THATCampVictoria: The Humanities and Technology Camp, University of Victoria, BC: 2011
Digital Humanities Summer Institute: Granted scholarship to weeklong institute: 2011
Seminar on the theory and practice of Comparative Arts: American University, Paris: 2011
THATCampSoCal: The Humanities and Technology Camp, LA: 2011
THATCampNE: The Humanities and Technology Camp, New England: 2010
Bentley University: Supervised two service learning fourth credit option students: 2010
Bentley University: Participated in Service Learning Workshop: 2010
Council Member: New England American Studies Association: 2008 - 2009
Conference Committee: Graduate Consortium in Women's Studies: 2007 - 2008
Graduate Committee Representative: Tufts English Department: 2004 - 2006
Moderator & Conference Committee: Tufts English Graduate Conference: 2001 - 2006
Student Mentorship Coordinator: Tufts English Graduate Organization, 2002 - 2006
New Student Mentor: Tufts English Graduate Organization, 2002 - 2006
Graduate Student Representative: University Committee on Student Life: 2002 - 2004
Co-Chair: Tufts English Graduate Organization, 2002 - 2003
Secretary: Tufts University Graduate Student Council, 2002 - 2003
Coordinator: Sixth Annual Tufts University Graduate Student Symposium, April 2002
Chair: Academic Committee, Graduate Student Council, Tufts University, 2001 - 2002

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Commissioner: Massachusetts Commission on GLBT Youth: 2008 - Present
Volunteer: Queer Women of Color + Boston: 2010 - Present
Organizer: Weekly Feminism discussion group: 2011
Member: Teele Square/Powder House School Focus Group: 2010 - 2011
Volunteer: WalkBoston: 2010 - 2011
Volunteer: The Network/La Red: 2007 - 2009
ESL Tutor: Concilio Hispano, Cambridge, MA: 2005 - 2006

LANGUAGES

Native speaker of English. Advanced reading and writing in Spanish, conversant Spanish speaker. Basic reading knowledge in Russian. Have studied: French, Polish, Attic Greek, Latin.

DIGITAL SKILLS

Creation and administration of WordPress sites, including plugins such as Diggpress.it
Creation and administration of WordPressMU installation for student blogging in Expository Writing
Experienced user of Blackboard and Blackboard Learn
Experienced administrator of CiviCRM
User and administrator level experience with Google Apps Suite
General user-level familiarity with Web 2.0 technologies: Twitter, Flickr, Facebook, Academia.edu, Skype, Hiveminder, Wordle, Dreamwidth, Livejournal, Wiki, Drupal, Moodle
General user-level familiarity with tools of scholarly productivity: Microsoft Office, iWork, Mellel, Scrivener, CMapTools, Keynote, Bookends, EndNote, Zotero, Mendeley

Professional in desktop products QA (1996 – 1999)

Professional Web developer (1999 – 2003)

Experience with CSS, HTML. Currently learning XML/TEI, XHTML, Islandora, JavaScript, Python

MEMBERSHIPS

Modern Language Association

American Studies Association

Latin American Studies Association

Puerto Rican Studies Association

American Association of University Women

American Association of University Professors
