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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. In Progress** **Spanish Linguistics**, The University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
M.A. 2010 **Spanish Linguistics**, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania.
M.A. 2008 **Spanish Linguistics**, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia.
Thesis Title: *The Effects of Speech Rate on the Perception of Communication, Grammar, Fluency, Vocabulary and Pronunciation in University Spanish Oral Exam Results.*
Thesis Committee: Margaret Quesada (Major Professor), Sarah Blackwell, and Chad Howe.
B.A. 2006 **Spanish**, Magna Cum Laude, 3.92 GPA, Augusta State University, Augusta, Georgia.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2010-present Assistant Instructor, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Texas
SPN 601D Elementary Spanish
- 2008-2010 Teaching Assistant, Department of Spanish, Italian and Portuguese,
The Pennsylvania State University
SPAN 001 Elementary Spanish
SPAN 001 (Summer session) Intensive Elementary Spanish
SPAN 002 Elementary Spanish
SPAN 002 (Summer session) Intensive Elementary Spanish
- 2007-2008 Teaching Assistant, Department of Romance Languages, University of Georgia.
SPAN 1001 Elementary Spanish
SPAN 1002 Elementary Spanish
SPAN 1110 Accelerated Elementary Spanish

ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTIONS PUBLICATIONS

In preparation “The Effects of Speech Rate on the Perception of Communication, Grammar, Fluency, Vocabulary and Pronunciation in University Spanish Oral Exam Results”

PRESENTATIONS

- 2009 “Fluency, Speech Rate and Oral Exams.” Presented at The Center for Language Science Weekly Meeting, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.
- 2008 “De Ahí, Por Consiguiente, Por Ende, Por Lo Tanto and Por Tanto: A Distributional Diachronic and Synchronic Analysis.” Presented at the American Association of Corpus Linguistics Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT.

POSTERS

- 2010 “The Rate of Vernacular Speech.” Presented at the Hispanic Linguistic Symposium 2010, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN.
- 2010 “The Speech Rate of Vernacular Speech.” Presented at Center for Language Science Graduate Student Poster Session, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.

PROFICIENCY WITH TECHNOLOGY

Proficient with ANGEL, WebCT and Blackboard course management systems.
Experienced with Dreamweaver website design software.
Experienced with Photoshop graphics software.
Experienced with Adobe Connect online collaboration software.
Proficient with PowerPoint presentation software.
Proficient with Excel data management software.
Proficient with Word document creation software.
Experienced with C++ programming language.
Experienced with Python programming language.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

SCHOLARSHIPS AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 2010-present Assistant Instructorship, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Texas
- 2008-2010 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Spanish, Italian and Portuguese, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2006-2008 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Romance Languages, University of Georgia
- 2006-2007 Gwinn Henry Nixon Scholarship, Department of Romance Languages, University of Georgia (\$2000)
- 2003 Brigham Young Scholarship, Brigham Young University (full tuition)

2003-2006 Hope Scholarship, Augusta State University (full tuition and books)

AWARDS

2008 Teaching with Technology Certificate
2006 Outstanding Student in Spanish, Augusta State University
2006 Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges, Augusta State University
2006 The National Dean's List, Augusta State University
Spring 2006 Dean's List, Augusta State University
Fall 2005 Dean's List, Augusta State University
Summer 2005 Dean's List, Augusta State University
Spring 2005 Dean's List, Augusta State University
Spring 2003 Dean's List, Augusta State University
1999 Eagle Scout

MEMBERSHIPS

2006 Member of Omicron-Psi Honor Society for non-traditional students, Augusta State University
2006 Member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society for all academic disciplines, Augusta State University
2005 Member of Alpha Mu Gamma Foreign Language Honor Society, Augusta State University

SERVICE

2006-2007 Volunteer Translator, Clarke County School Parent-Teacher Conferences, Athens, Georgia.
2005-2006 President, Los Amigos Hispanos (University Spanish Club), Augusta State University, Augusta, Georgia.

RESIDENCE ABROAD

2000-2002 Missionary, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Chile Concepción Mission, which included two months of intensive Spanish training at the Missionary Training Center at Brigham Young University, and extensive daily interaction in Spanish with native Chileans, including the Chilean families that I resided with.