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## **EDUCATION**

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Ph.D. in Hispanic Literature (Latin-American Literature – emphasis)  
Purdue University  
August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

M.A. in Spanish (Latin American Literature and Cultures)  
Purdue University  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012

B.A. in History, Spanish, and German (minor)  
Northern Michigan University  
May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## **TEACHING POSITIONS HELD**

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08/2019-present	Assistant Professor of Spanish, Northwestern Oklahoma State U, Alva, OK
08/2018-05/2019	Assistant Professor of Spanish, Truman State University, Kirksville, MO
01/2016-08/2018	Adjunct Instructor of Spanish, IvyTech Community College, Lafayette, IN
08/2010-05/2018	Graduate Lecturer of Spanish, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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### **Northwestern Oklahoma State University**

Elementary Spanish I and II  
Introduction to Spanish for Healthcare Professionals (online)  
Intermediate Spanish I and II  
Intermediate Conversation

Multicultural Literature  
Introduction to Hispanic Literature  
Peninsular/Hispanic-American Culture  
Advanced Spanish Composition and Grammar

## Truman State University

Elementary Spanish I and II

## Purdue University

### Courses Taught in Spanish

Beginning Spanish I and II

Intermediate Spanish I and II

Advanced Spanish I and II – advanced grammar courses with literature component

Spanish 401 – culture course with an advanced grammar component

Spanish for Reading and Translation – course to meet the language-requirement for graduate students

### Courses Assisted in Classics

Introduction to Ancient Mythology

Gender and Sexuality in Classical Greece and Rome

## Ivy Tech Community College

Spanish I (ITV and Traditional)

Spanish II

Spanish III

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AND PUBLICATIONS

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2021 “Agency, Control and Identity: Shifting Perceptions of the Self in *Muerta de hambre* (2005) and *La piel dura* (2011) by Fernanda García Lao.” Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, U of Kentucky, April 22-24.

~~2020 “Protesting Mass Market Appeal: Identity and Defiance 21<sup>st</sup>-century Argentine Literature.” South Central Modern Language Association Conference, Fall 2020. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.~~

~~2020 “Agency, Control and Identity: Shifting Perceptions of the Self in *Muerta de hambre* (2005) and *La piel dura* (2011) by Fernanda García Lao.” Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, U of Kentucky, April 16-18. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.~~

2018 “Failed Families and the Nation in *O Cortico* (1890) by Azevedo and *Bom Crioulo* (1895) by Caminha.” Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, U of Kentucky, April 21-24.

2016 “Examinación científica del cuerpo femenino: El (mal)uso del método científico en *Santa* (1903) de Gamboa.” Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, U of Kentucky, April 14-16.

- 2014 “Masculinity in Reinaldo Arenas’ *Otra vez el mar* and *Celestino antes del alba*.”  
Diálogos XI, Indiana U, February 20-21.
- 2012 “The Inability of Woman to Cope with her own Body and Mind: The Anorectic's Deadly Hunger in *Muerta de hambre* and ‘Inmensamente Eunice’.” Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, Univ. of Kentucky, April 20-23. Chaired Panel organized by Femenistas Unidas.

## **REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

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- 2011 Ulland, Rebecca and Robert Vest. “‘La flor de la Plata:’ Re-Imagining Manuela Rosas.”  
*Ámbitos Feministas* 1 (Fall 2011).

## **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

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### **Northwestern Oklahoma State University**

- 2019-present Spanish Club Faculty Advisor  
2019-present Sigma Delta Pi Faculty Advisor

### **Truman State University**

- 2018-2019 Spanish Club Ñ Faculty Advisor  
2018-2019 Volunteer Point-Person, CML Languages Festival Organizing Committee

### **Purdue University**

- 2016 Graduate Assistant for the Madrid Study Abroad Program  
2015-2016 Foreign Language Placement Exam Assistant  
2015-2016 Member, Grant Committee (PGSG)  
2015-2016 Secretary, Purdue Graduate Student Senate  
2014-2016 University Grade Appeals Committee  
2014-2015 Parliamentarian, Purdue Graduate Student Senate  
2013-2015 Member, Legislative and Strategic Planning Committee (PGSG)  
2013-2015 Languages and Cultures Senator, Purdue Graduate Student Government  
2013-2014 Editor, SLC Graduate Student Organization Newsletter

## **American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Certifications**

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- AAPPL Rater Certification – Spanish  
-Interpersonal Listening  
-Speaking and Presentational Writing
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