

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Higher Education

- 2013 Ph.D., Hispanic Literatures, University of Minnesota.
- 2005 M.A., Hispanic Literatures, University of Minnesota.
- 1996 B.A., English and Spanish, Lawrence University.

Professional and Academic Positions

- 2022- Associate Professor, Cornell College, Department of Classical and Modern Languages.
- 2016-2022 Assistant Professor, Cornell College, Department of Classical and Modern Languages.
- 2015-2016 Visiting Assistant Professor, Cornell College, Department of Classical and Modern Languages.
- 2011-2014 Lecturer, Cornell College, Department of Classical and Modern Languages.
- 2010-2011 Adjunct Instructor, Coe College, Department of Foreign Languages.
- 2005-2010 Lecturer, University of Iowa, Department of Spanish and Portuguese.

2004-2005 Writing Center Tutor, University of Minnesota, Department of Spanish and Portuguese.

2002-2005 Teaching Assistant/Graduate Instructor, University of Minnesota, Department of Spanish and Portuguese.

Memberships

Modern Language Association

National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education

American Association of University Professors

COURSES TAUGHT

Beginning Spanish I, II, III

Intermediate Spanish I, II

Advanced Spanish Grammar

Writing in Spanish

Introduction to Literary Analysis

20th Century Peninsular Novel and Poetry

Don Quijote

Spain in Transition

The Image of the Immigrant in Contemporary Spain

Sex, Gore, and the Power of the Pen

Peripheral Languages and Cultures of Spain

Voices of Protest in Spain

First-Year Seminar

Madrid: Pop of Culture

Spanish Capstone

TEACHING APPROACHES AND INTERESTS

- Creating a relaxed and non-judgmental environment in the classroom that encourages students to learn the target language.
- Fostering individualized instruction and mentoring of students throughout their entire college experience.
- Teaching about the richness and diversity of Hispanic cultures through historically grounded literary and cultural studies.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Spanish Golden-Age (16th and 17th-century) drama and narrative.
- Early Modern female writers in Spain and Colonial Latin America.
- Contemporary marginalized voices of Spain and Spain's linguistic and cultural minorities.
- Spain's position within the European Union and issues of immigration/emigration.
- Violence against Women in Contemporary Spain

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2022 Panel Moderator, "Explotación y violencia contra la mujer." XXIX Congreso Internacional de Literaturas y Estudios Hispánicos. March 8-10.
- 2022 "The Bloody Pen: Images of Female Bodies in María de Zayas' *Desengaños amorosos*, Emilia Pardo-Bazán's *Las medias rojas*, and Iciar Bollaín's *TE DOY MIS OJOS*. XXIX Congreso Internacional de Literaturas y Estudios Hispánicos. March 8-10.
- 2022 Humanities and Arts Interest Group (HAIG) Lecture on violence against women in contemporary Spain as seen in *TE DOY MIS OJOS* and *Algún amor que no mate*. Cornell College, Mount Vernon, IA. February 17.
- 2021 "Tortured Matrimony in Iciar Bollaín's *TE DOY MIS OJOS* and Dulce Chacón's *Algún amor que no mate*. The Languages, Literatures, and

Cultures Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY (virtual).
April 1.

- 2019 “María de Zayas’ Baroque Labyrinth of Horror.” The Languages, Literatures, and Cultures Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. April 11-13.
- 2017 Humanities and Arts Interest Group (HAIG) Lecture on the work of 17th-century Spanish author María de Zayas. Cornell College, Mount Vernon, IA. November 9.
- 2017 “Building a Monster: Tortured Bodies in María de Zayas.” The Languages, Literatures, and Cultures Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. April 20-22.
- 2017 “Enfreaking the Monstrous Hybridity of the Feminine in “El juez de su causa” and “La esclava de su amante.” 37th Annual Cincinnati Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures. March 31-April 2.
- 2003 “Lo grotesco en El coronel no tiene quién le escriba.” Seventh Annual Symposium in Graduate Studies, Consuming Narratives, University of Minnesota. April 2003.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2022 Council of Independent Colleges Workshop: *Deliberation and Debate: Advancing Civil Discourse through First-Year Courses*. Washington, D.C. July 17-20.
- 2018 Faculty Career Enhancement (FaCE): Collaboration to Address 21st Century Challenges in Liberal Education through Inclusive Communities of Practice. Associated Colleges of the Midwest, Chicago, IL. September 21-22.

- 2018 Engage Immigration Conference. St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN. June 13-14.
- 2017 Faculty Career Enhancement (FaCe): Collaborative Faculty Development to Integrate Off-Campus Study and On-Campus Learning. Associated Colleges of the Midwest, Chicago, IL. September 15-16.

PUBLICATIONS

“Enfreaking the Monstrous Hybridity of the Feminine: María de Zayas’s “El juez de su causa” and “La esclava de su amante” in Transitions Journal of Franco-Iberian Studies.

AWARDS

- 2022 McConnell Travel Grant towards travel expenses and registration for conference presentation in Puerto Rico
- 2019 McConnell Travel Grant towards travel expenses for course development in Spain
- 2019 McConnell Travel Grant towards travel to Kentucky Foreign Languages Conference
- 2018 Course Development towards developing new pedagogical practices in Spanish I-III

SERVICE TO CORNELL

- 2021- 2023 Chairperson of the Admissions Committee
- 2021- Chairperson of the Race, Ethnicity, and Social Justice Program
- 2020-2021 Member, Steering Committee for FYS
- 2020-2021 Member of the Admissions Committee
- 2019-2019 Chairperson of the Diversity Committee, Cornell College

- 2019 Faculty Advisor to the Spanish Adjunct Play, “El Censo”
- 2018-2019 Member of the Curriculum Oversight Committee, Cornell College
- 2017-2019 Member of the Center for Literary Arts, Cornell College
- 2017-2018 Member of the Academic Standing Committee, Cornell College
- 2017- Evaluator of the Spanish Placement Exams

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

- 2023- Member, Fulbright U.S. Student Program National Screening Committee.
- 2021- Volunteer Coordinator, Parent Teacher Organization. Lemme Elementary School. Iowa City, IA.
- 2018-2019 Volunteer at the Free Law Clinic, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.
- 2014- Volunteer at the Free Lunch Program (FLIP) in Iowa City, IA.
- 2014-2015 Chairperson of the Family Enrichment Night at Hoover Elementary School, Iowa City, IA.
- 2012-2015 Volunteer at Hoover Elementary School, Iowa City, IA.
- 2001-2006 Translator in Chimaltenango, Guatemala with the Humanitarian Surgical Group, based in St. Paul, MN.
- 2000-2006 First Steps’ Volunteer, United Hospital, St. Paul, MN.