



EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociocultural Anthropology, Florida International University at Miami, FL 2015

Graduate Certificate in Latin America and Caribbean Studies, Florida International University at Miami, FL 2011

M.A. in Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University at Miami, FL 2011

M.S. in Mass Communications (Integrated Communications Advertising and Public Relations), Florida International University at Miami, FL 2007

M.Sc. in Economy and Marketing, Universidad de Valladolid, Spain 2005

B.A. in Communications with minors in Psychology and Spanish Literature, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA 2004
Study Abroad: Universitas Castellae at Valladolid, Spain 2003
Colegio Hispano-Continental at Salamanca, Spain 2002

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Movements, Internet Activism, Education, Latin America & Caribbean Studies, Puerto Rican Studies, Discourse Analysis, Women & Gender Studies, Post-disaster Migration Studies, Emotional Well-being

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Scholar in the Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL (Fall 2018-present)

Assistant Professor in the Interdisciplinary Core Curriculum Department, Lynn University, Boca Raton, FL (Fall 2016 – Spring 2018)

Visiting Instructor in the Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL (Spring 2016)

Research Analyst for *TRANSforma* project in Puerto Rico under the supervision of Dr. Mark Padilla (Summer 2015)

Adjunct Professor of Anthropology/Sociology. Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL (Spring 2014, 2015; Fall 2015; Summer 2016)

Teaching Assistant of Anthropology, Sociology and Geography. Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL August 2008 – December 2013

Teaching Assistant of Advertising. Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, Florida International University-North Miami, FL January 2006 – May 2006

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Academic Journal Articles:

Rosa, Alessandra & Elizabeth Aranda. (2020). “*Como si hubiese pasado una bomba nuclear: Ontological insecurity, arc of cultural trauma and resiliency post-disaster.*” Paper submitted for consideration for CENTRO Journal. (Under review)

Rosa, Alessandra (2016). “Student Activists’ Affective Strategies during the 2010-2011 Siege of the University of Puerto Rico”. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* Vol. 36, Issue 11/12: 824-842 doi: 10.1108/IJSSP-12-2015-0149

ALESSANDRA ROSA

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). "Cantos y Consignas: (Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance". Essay Dialogues in Mobilizing Ideas. <<https://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2013/06/03/cantos-y-consignas-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). "Art: (Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance". Daily Disruption in Mobilizing Ideas. <<http://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2013/04/24/art-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/#more-5012>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). "Student Activism: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance". Public Education: Crisis and Dialogue at the University of Puerto Rico in Sargasso 2011-2012 1: 73-76.

Rosa, Alessandra (2013). "Chronology of the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". Public Education: Crisis and Dialogue at the University of Puerto Rico in Sargasso 2011-2012 1: xxxiii-xlvi.

Rosa, Alessandra (2009). "Aprendiendo a Desaprender: una Reforma para el Sistema de Educacion Publica en Puerto Rico". Teoria y Praxis Investigativa 4(1). Enero – Junio 2009: 47-54.

Book Chapter:

Rosa, Alessandra (2018). Una Universidad Tomada: Resistance Performances during the first wave of the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement. In Wiebke Beushausen, Miriam Brandel, Joseph T. Farquharson, Marius Littschwager, Annika McPherson, & Julia Roth (Eds.), *Practices of Resistance in the Caribbean: Narratives, Aesthetics, and Politics* (pp. 169-193). New York: Routledge.

Miscellaneous:

Aranda, Elizabeth & Alessandra Rosa. (2019). "Puerto Ricans unite against Rosselló and more than a decade of cultural trauma". <<https://theconversation.com/puerto-ricans-unite-against-rossello-and-more-than-a-decade-of-cultural-trauma-121085>>

Arroyo-Flores, Juan, Alessandra Rosa & Elizabeth Aranda. (2019). "Understanding Puerto Rican voting in the United States" <<https://scholars.org/contribution/understanding-puerto-rican-voting-united-states>>

Aranda, Elizabeth, Juan Arroyo-Flores & Alessandra Rosa. (2019). "Report: The Puerto Rican vote nationwide and in Florida" <<http://cas.usf.edu/news/puerto-rican-vote-report.pdf>>

Rosa, Alessandra (2014). "Nunca olvidar: A Brief History of the University of Puerto Rico Student Movement". Chapter 14: Paro/Huelga in Esta Vida Boricua <<http://estavidaboricua.com/allesandro-rosa-bio/>>

Rosa, Alessandra, Tina Orlandini & Stephan Andreas. (2013). "smArt Action: ¡a Estudiar y a Luchar!". ARC Magazine. Issue 7. May 2013: 112-117.

Rosa, Alessandra & Carlos Hernandez. (2010). "Pobreza, Desigualdad y Apoderamiento Comunitario: Bienvenidos a la Comunidad de Juan Domingo en Guaynabo". Revista de Mentas Puertorriqueñas en Acción. Verano 2010: 15-16.

Works in Progress and Planned:

Book: Contested Spaces in Higher Education: students advocating for accessible and quality public higher education in Puerto Rico. In progress for submission to university presses.

Book: *Te invito a un Café*. Planned.

AWARDS AND HONORS

"Virginia Sanchez Korrol" Dissertation Award for most notable dissertation produced in Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA), Fall 2016

"Alex Stepick" Award for Best Dissertation of the Year at Florida International University, Spring 2015

Nominated by dissertation committee for the "Worlds Ahead Graduate" at Florida International University, Spring 2015

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“Women Who Lead Ambassador” from Florida International University, Spring 2015

Featured as Distinguished Alumni in “*El Bisonte*” newspaper, Guaynabo, PR 2007

Honor Roll from the Athletic Council, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA Spring 2002

Alumni Association “Leaders in the Making” Scholarship, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA Spring 2002

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External Grants:

National Science Foundation (NSF) - (SBE) PD 98-1331
Emotional Adaptation and Incorporation of Post-Disaster Migrants
PI: Elizabeth Aranda
Postdoc: Alessandra Rosa
Funded: \$401,500 Total Direct and Indirect Costs
Project Duration: 8/1/19 – 7/31/21

Florida International University (FIU) Internal Grants:

Morris and Anita Broad Research Fellowship Award
School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA)
Funded: \$750
Duration: 2014 – 2015

Dissertation Year Fellowship (DYF)
Funded: \$16,600
Duration: Summer & Fall 2014

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lectures and Colloquia:

Lecture given in the class Migration and Human Trafficking at University of South Florida (USF), Florida, April 2019

Guest Speaker in the class Puerto Rican Culture & History: Before and After Hurricane Maria at Illinois College, Chicago, April 2019. (via Zoom)

Lecture given in two sections of the class Introduction to Health Disparities and the Social Determinants of Disease at University of South Florida (USF), Florida, February 2019.

Guest Speaker in the CSI and Lynn Library panel “*Huracán María: a year later*” in Boca Raton, FL. September 2018

Lecture given at the University of Puerto Rico Medical Campus (RCM), “*Santa Maria: Navigating emotional and vicarious trauma after a ‘natural’ disaster*”. March 2018

Invited Panelist in Puerto Rico, Puerto Ricans Diaspora Summit II at the Center for Puerto Rican Studies in New York, “Puerto Rican Academics”. May 2017

Guest Speaker in the series “Art History Lectures for Educators and the Public: Issues in Modern and Contemporary Art and World Culture” at Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA). January 2016 (<https://mocanomi.org/2016/01/protest-art-reconstructing-spaces-of-resistance/>)

Invited Panelist in “Voices of Muslim Women from the US South”, film screening sponsored by Counseling and Psychological Services at FIU, January 2016.

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Invited Panelist in "Celebrating, Embracing, and Empowering Girls and Women of Color Series" broadcasted by Complexity Talk Radio, October 2015

Guest Speaker in the class Introduction to Regional Geography at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), Murfreesboro, TN June 2015

Guest Speaker on qualitative methods for Nursing 8005 (Philosophy of Nursing Science) at University of Puerto Rico, Medical Campus, October 2014

Lecture given in the class Population and Geography of Latin America at Florida International University, Miami, FL April 2014

Keynote Speaker at the Commonwealth College Celebration of Excellence, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA Spring 2004

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations:

Panel chair and presenter at Society for the Anthropology of North America & Society for Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology (SANA/SUNTA) at San Juan, PR. "*Protest(arte): reimagining and redefining Puerto Ricanness during financial crisis and 'natural' disasters*", May 2019

Invited Panelist in Puerto Rico, Puerto Ricans: In Pursuit of Puerto Rican Studies Research Summit. "Migration to Central Florida" at University of Central Florida (UCF). April 2019

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Rutgers University. "*Ave María: navigating emotional and vicarious trauma after a 'natural' disaster*". October 2018

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at Barcelona, Spain. "*The Battle for Public Opinion: Analyzing Internet Activism during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement*". May 2018

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at the University of Maryland, "*De Aliada a Compa: Analyzing my Positionalities during my Activist Research*". October 2016 (via Skype)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at San Juan, PR. "*Resistance Performances: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement*". May 2015

9no Festival Antonia 2015: En Conmemoración de la Vida de la Estudiante Antonia Martínez Lagares (1949-1970) y el Quinto Aniversario de la Huelga UPR 2010 at Rio Piedras, PR. "Un análisis de los "resistance performances" utilizados en la (re)construcción de espacios de resistencia durante la huelga estudiantil de la UPR 2010-2011. April 2015

Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies (LLILAS) Conference at University of Texas-Austin. "Resistance Performances: (re)Constructing Spaces of Resistance and Contention in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement". February 2015

Society for Caribbean Research (SoCaRe) at Bielefeld University, Germany. "Resistance Performances: Constructing Spaces of Resistance and Contention in the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Movement". January 2015

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Colorado, U.S. "Occupying the Campus: A Liminal Experience". October 2014

Communication and Information Technologies section of the American Sociological Association (CITASA) Symposium at UC Berkeley, California. "Occupying the Campus: A Liminal Experience". Aug. 2014

Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) at Merida, Mexico. "Occupying the University Campus: A Liminal Experience". May 2014 (via Skype)

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- Console-ing Passions: International Conference on Television, Video, Audio, New Media and Feminism at Columbia, Missouri. "How can feminism be integrated into social movement and social media research?" April 10-12, 2014
- Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) at Grenada. (attempted to present via Skype). "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". June 2013
- Latin American Studies Association (LASA) at Washington, DC. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". May – June 2013
- American Studies Association (ASA) at San Juan, Puerto Rico. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". November 2012
- Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars (ACWWS) at Surinam. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the female strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". May 2012
- Caribbean Philosophical Association (CPA) at New Brunswick, New Jersey. "Conect@te @ I@ Resistenci@!: An analysis of the online strategies of resistance used during the 2010-2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". September 2011
- American Ethnological Society/Society for Urban, National, and Transnational/Global Anthropology (AES/SUNTA) at San Juan, Puerto Rico. "(Re)constructing Spaces: University of Puerto Rico Students' Communication Techniques as Sites of Resistance and Empowerment". April 2011
- Gender in Latin America: Resistance Movements for Human Rights at Fort Myers, Florida. "(Re)constructing Spaces of Resistance: 2010 – 2011 University of Puerto Rico Student Strike". March 2011
- 1st Annual Global & Sociocultural Studies Graduate Symposium at Miami, Florida. "(Re)constructing Spaces: UPR Students' Communication Techniques as Sites of Resistance and Empowerment". December 2010
- American Anthropological Association (AAA) at New Orleans, Louisiana. "Circulating Identity: Describing Puerto Rico as a Transcolonial Nation". November 2010
- Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA) at Hartford, Connecticut. "*Mami, la 'Teacher' me Regañó: Una Comparación de la Pedagogía Tradicional y la Pedagogía Humanista Mediante un Relato Personal*". October 2010
- Global Caribbean(s): Interrogating the Politics of Location in Caribbean Literature and Culture at Miami, Florida. "*Tocando la Guitarra*\Playing the Guitar: An Audience Study of Latina Women Body Image and the Film *Real Women Have Curves*". March 2010
- Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) at Merida, Mexico. "*Hay que Aprender a Desaprender: Una Reforma para el Sistema de Educación Pública en Puerto Rico*". March 2010
- International Conference on Caribbean Studies at Cartagena, Columbia. "*Hay que Aprender a Desaprender: Una Reforma para el Sistema de Educación Pública en Puerto Rico*". March 2010
- International Academy of Linguistics, Behavioral, and Social Sciences at Orlando, Florida. (Paper accepted). "Spanglish, Its Personality and Stereotypes: A Research Study about SPANGLISH Users". November 2009
- Southeastern council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS) at New Orleans, Louisiana. "*Tocando la Guitarra*\Playing the Guitar: An Audience Study of Latina Women Body Image and the Film *Real Women Have Curves*". April 2009
- Women's Studies Graduate Student Association (WSGSA) at Miami, Florida. "The Scent of a Woman: A Content Analysis of Perfume Ads executed towards Women based on Goffman's Gender Stereotypes". March 2009

Campus and Department Presentations and Discussions:

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Institute for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean (ISLAC) event for the Hispanic Heritage month at University of South Florida. *Bregando con los efectos de María: 2 years after impact*. September 2019

Puerto Rico Se Levanta: Understanding Challenges to Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans in Florida post Hurricane Maria at University of South Florida, "*Protest(arte): reimagining and redefining Puerto Ricanness during financial crisis and 'natural' disasters*". November 2018

Project Civitas Cultivating Civility Series at Lynn University, "*Becoming Agents of Social Change*". Co-hosted with Dr. Antonella Regueiro, and Prof. Timea Vargas. January 2018

Contemporary Ethical Issues Series at Lynn University, "*Right to Protest: In Celebration of Protest 500 Years On*". October 2017

Art Display:

"*Puerto Rico Se Levanta*" in Saudades Project, Brazil (Forthcoming) 2020

Illustrations in Lynn University's *Quest* magazine, Number 20, Spring 2018 (p. 18, 25, 46)

"*Memorias de una Viajera Enamorada*" (WSGSA) at Miami, FL 2009

Illustrations in the book "*Mudanza Constante*" by Ada Alvarez Conde 2008

Poetry Session:

"*Un Verso Triste*" in Saudades project, Brazil (Forthcoming) 2020

"*Andando*" and "*Un Verso Triste*" (WSGSA) at Miami, FL 2014

"*Un Verso Triste*" (ACWWS) at Surinam 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of South Florida:

Gender and Society (Spring 2019)

Lynn University:

Puerto Rican Spanish and Culture (Spring 2017, 2018)

Modern America (Fall 2017, Spring 2018)

Social Change (Fall 2017, Spring 2018)

Dialogues of Self & Society (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

Florida International University:

Myth, rituals, and mysticism (Spring 2014, 2015, Fall 2015)

Sociology of Gender (Spring 2015, 2016, Fall 2015)

Hybrid (Spring 2016)

Sociology of Sexuality (Fall 2015, Spring 2016)

Online (Fall 2015, Spring 2016)

WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence (ATLE), University of South Florida (USF). October 2019

Faculty Development Workshops, Lynn University. August 2016, January 2017, March 2017, May 2018

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Basic Course in Nonviolent Conflict Resolutions, "Panthers for Peace" (P4P) and Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP), Florida International University. May 2014

Alfabetización de Adultos: Proyecto Enlace, Santurce, PR. Ana Serrano. August 2013 – December 2013

University Access Project (PAU), University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras Campus, PR. Guillermo Bernal and Katherine Cepeda. April 2013

THATCamp Caribe 2012: The Humanities and Technology, University of Puerto Rico Mayaguez Campus, PR. Alex Gil. November 2012

Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción (MPA), San Juan, PR. Amanda Rivera and Michelle Quiles. June 2010 – July 2010

The Academy for the Art of Teaching: Introduction to Teaching. Florida International University. August 2008

Dating Violence Workshop Training. Medical Sciences Campus at San Juan, PR. Ada Alvarez. February and May 2008

Professional Development Training: Technology Integration, Caribbean Preparatory School Parkville Campus, San Juan, PR. Dr. Juanita Benjamin. May 2008

SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

Mentoring:

Student Mentor, Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University-Miami, FL 2013 – Summer 2016

Volunteer as a student mentor for National Association for the Practice of Anthropology (NAPA) - 2015

Advising:

Undergraduate advisor, Lynn University, December 2016 – Spring 2018

Office of Undergraduate Studies, Florida International University-North Miami, FL August 2006 – May 2007

Academic Services:

Faculty member for the creation of Social Justice and Impact minor, Lynn University Spring 2018

Faculty member of *Project Civitas*, Lynn University Spring 2017 – Spring 2018

Member of the Welcoming Committee for National Association for the Practice of Anthropology (NAPA), March 2017

Member of the Executive Council for Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA), December 2016

Publications and Communications Officer for Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA), December 2016

Member of the Board for National Girls & Women of Color Council, May 2016

Collaborating with Beatrice Colastin Skokan from Special collections at University of Miami to create a Digital Archive of student activism, In progress

Member of the Editing Committee for *Colectivo Porta Voces* in charge of organizing a book about the 2010-2011 UPR student movement.

Co-organized the weeklong event "Carry that Weight" in support of Emma Sulkowicz and against sexual assault at Florida International University, November 2014

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Interviewer, transcriber, and translator Assistant for “Origins and Destinations” by Laena Wilder at Miami International Airport, FL Spring 2011

Director of the Summer Program: Programa de Apoderamiento y Retención de Agentes de Cambio (PARACa), San Juan, PR August 2010 – August 2011

Assistant to the Chair for the 70th Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA), Merida, Mexico. Dr. Liliana Goldin. Fall 2009 – Spring 2010

Technology Officer and Undergraduate Liaison of the Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography Graduate Student Association (SAGGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL August 2009 – April 2010

Public Relations of the Global & Sociocultural Studies Colloquium Committee, Florida International University-Miami, FL August 2008 – April 2009

Public Relations and Organizer of WFCR Radio Station “Tertulia” at University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA. Luis Melendez. February – May 2004

Peer Sex Educator for “Not Ready for Bedtime Players” at University of Massachusetts-Amherst, MA September – December 2002

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Interviews with News Outlets and Quoted in News:

Interviewed regarding the status of Puerto Ricans 2 years after Hurricane Maria, Bay News 9, Tampa Bay, FL 2019
<http://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=4030&DateTime=9%2f21%2f2019+6%3a37%3a58+AM&PlayClip=true>

Interviewed about the protests in Puerto Rico, Bay News 9, Tampa Bay, FL. July 2019
<<https://mms.tveyes.com/Transcript.asp?StationID=4030&DateTime=7%2F25%2F2019+10%3A05%3A54+PM&Term=USF&PlayClip=TRUE>>

“El Nuevo Herald” newspaper, online and print, Miami, FL. May 2016

Surinamese newspaper during the Annual Meeting of the Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars (ACWWS), Surinam. May 2012

“El Nuevo Día” newspaper, San Juan, PR November 2011

“The Beacon” newspaper, Florida International University-Miami, FL Spring 2010

Community Forums:

Proyecto Acceso Universitario (PAU). Fall 2013

Proyecto ENLACE del Caño Martin Peña. Fall 2013

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

National Association for Practicing Anthropology (NAPA) – 2015 – to present

National Women Studies Association (NWSA). 2014 – 2015

Society for Caribbean Research (SoCaRe). 2014 – to present

American Sociological Association (ASA). 2014 – 2015

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Latin American Studies Association (LASA). 2012 – 2018

Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA). 2010 – to present

Caribbean Studies Association (CSA). 2010 – 2016

Mentes Puertorriquenas en Accion (MPA). 2010 – to present

American Anthropological Association (AAA). 2009 – 2016

Latin America and Caribbean Studies Graduate Association (MALOKA), Florida International University-Miami, FL 2009 – 2015

Women Studies Graduate Student Association (WSGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL 2009 – 2015

Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography Graduate Student Association (SAGGSA), Florida International University-Miami, FL 2008 – 2015

LANGUAGE

Spanish (native); English (native)

COMPUTER SKILLS

Microsoft Word, Windows, Search Engines, Power Point, Word Perfect, Excel, SPSS, NVivo, Stata, Blackboard, Mac, GIS (Beginners), Qualtrics (Beginners)

REFERENCES

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