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Education

EdD, The University of Texas - Pan American, 2013.
Major: Educational Leadership

MA, The University of Texas - Pan American, 1999.
Major: History

BA, The University of Texas - Pan American, 1994.
Major: History

Employment History

Professional

U.S History Lecturer, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. (2015 - Present).

American Heritage Lecturer, University of Texas-Pan American. (2012 - 2015).

Campus Testing Strategist, McAllen High School. (2010 - 2012).

American Heritage Lecturer (Part-time), The University of Texas-Pan American. (1999 - 2012).

Social Studies Teacher, McAllen High School. (2005 - 2010).

U.S. History Teacher, Beatriz Garza Middle School. (2004 - 2005).

U.S. History Instructor (Part-time), South Texas College. (2000 - 2004).

Social Studies Teacher, South Palm Gardens High School. (1995 - 2004).

Licensures and Certifications

History Secondary (6-12 grade), Life, TEA. (January 1, 1995 - Present).

Social Studies Composite Secondary (6-12 grade), Life, TEA. (January 1, 1995 - Present).

Awards and Honors

Campus Teacher of the Year, South Palm Gardens High School. (2002).

Development Activities Attended

- Workshop, "How to Successfully Publish an Edited Book," UTRGV, Edinburg, TX, United States. (February 28, 2019).
- Workshop, "Using the Jigsaw Method in Higher Education: Changing the Way We Teach," UTRGV Center of Teaching Excellence, Edinburg, TX, United States. (February 19, 2019).
- Workshop, "QM Rubric Update Sixth Edition," Quality Matters, Edinburg, TX, United States. (January 17, 2019).
- Workshop, "Dynamic Lecturing," UTRGV Center of Teaching Excellence, Edinburg, TX, United States. (September 6, 2018).
- Workshop, "Peer Observation of Teaching," UTRGV, Office of the Vice President for Faculty Affairs and Diversity, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (January 25, 2018).
- Seminar, "Book Study," UTRGV History Department, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (October 1, 2017 - October 24, 2017).
- Workshop, "FPT Guide/Electronic Faculty Review Dossier," UTRGV, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (March 24, 2017).
- Workshop, "Applying the Quality Matters Rubric," UTRGV, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (September 19, 2016 - October 3, 2016).
- Workshop, "Fair Use & Copyright in Education," UTRGV, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (September 20, 2016).
- Workshop, "IRB Net," UTRGV, Edinburg, Texas, USA. (January 19, 2016).

TEACHING

Teaching Experience

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

HIST 1301, U.S. History I, 14 courses.
HIST 1302, U.S. History II, 30 courses.

The University of Texas Pan American

HIST 2313, American Heritage I, 28 courses.
HIST 2314, American Heritage II, 24 courses.

Non-UTRGV Courses Taught

South Texas College
U.S. History I.
South Texas College
U.S. History II.

Directed Student Learning

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Mexican Americans and Educational Experiences in the Rio Grande Valley, 1925-1975," History and Philosophy (UTPA), (January 1, 2019 - Present)
Octavio Ortiz

RESEARCH

Published Intellectual Contributions

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New

- Avila, R. (2018). Cesar Chavez's Pan American College Campus Visit and its Aftermath. In Milo Kearney, Anthony Knopp, Antonio Zavaleta, Thomas Daniel Knight (Ed.), *New Studies in Rio Grande Valley History* (vol. 16, pp. 185-200). Edinburg, Texas: UTRGV.
- Avila, R., Miller, C. (2018). Introduction. *The Civil War Era and the Lower Rio Grande Valley: A Brief History* (pp. 1-4). Edinburg, TX: Community Historical Archaeology Project with Schools.
- Avila, R. (2017). President Miguel A. Nevarez and the Transformation of South Texas. In Milo Kearney, Anthony Knopp, Antonio Zavaleta, and Thomas Daniel Knight (Ed.), *Supplementary Studies in Rio Grande Valley History* (pp. 239-259). United States: The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.
- Avila, R., Pankake, A. (2016). Development and Uses of Theory for Educational Leaders. In James A. Vornberg and Wesley D. Hickey (Ed.), *Texas Public School Organization and Administration* (Fifteenth ed., pp. 135-158). Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall Hunt Publishing Company.
- Avila, R. (2014). Benjamin Franklin. In Jeffrey H. Hacker (Ed.), *Colonial Roots: Settlement to 1783 (History Through Literature)* (pp. 73-87). Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe, Inc.
- Avila, R. (2011). Chapter 11: Franklin D. Roosevelt had Knowledge of an Impending Japanese Attack and Used Pearl Harbor as an Excuse to Spur American Entry into World War II. In Steven L. Danver (Ed.), *Popular Controversies in World History: Investigating History's Intriguing Questions: The Twentieth Century to the Present* (pp. 4:241-262). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2011). Chapter 15: Lincoln Maneuvered the South into Firing the First Shot at Fort Sumter. In Steven L. Danver (Ed.), *Popular Controversies in World History: Investigating History's Intriguing Questions: The High Middle Ages to the Modern World* (pp. 3:333-354). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2006). Space Exploration. In James Ciment (Ed.), *Social Issues in America* (pp. 1565-1573). Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe.
- Avila, R. (2006). Weapons of Mass Destruction. In James Ciment (Ed.), *Social Issues in America* (pp. 1867-1876). Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe.

Book, Chapter in Textbook-Revised

- Avila, R., Pankake, A. (2018). Development and Uses of Theory for Educational Leaders. In James A. Vornberg and Wesley D. Hickey (Ed.), *Texas Public School Organization and*

Administration (Sixteenth ed., pp. 123-147). Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall Hunt Publishing Company.

Book, Non-Scholarly-New

Avila, R. (2018). *Lincoln and the Bolts of War* (pp. 136). R & L Books.

Avila, R. (2018). *The Civil War Era and the Lower Rio Grande Valley: A Brief History* (First ed., pp. 102). Edinburg, Texas: University of Texas Rio Grande Valley on behalf of the Community Archeology Project with Schools Program.

Avila, R. (2017). *Interviews with Lino Garcia, Jr: A Life Story* (First ed., pp. 62 pages). United States: R & L Books.

Avila, R. (2017). *Rio Grande Valley Civil War Trail: 40 Lesson Plans* (pp. 139 pages). Edinburg, Texas: The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

Avila, R. (2016). *Miguel A. Nevarez: A Life History* (pp. 132 pages). United States: R & L Books.

Book, Non-Scholarly-Revised

Avila, R. (2018). *Interviews with Lino Garcia, Jr.: A Life Story* (Second ed., pp. 74). United States: R & L Books.

Avila, R. (2018). *Rio Grande Valley Civil War Trail: 56 Lesson Plans* (Second ed., pp. 180). Edinburg, Texas: University of Texas Rio Grande Valley on behalf of the Community Archeology Project with Schools Program.

Encyclopedia Entry

Avila, R. (2019). Airplane. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 176-179). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

Avila, R. (2019). Amazon Web Services. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 255-256). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

Avila, R. (2019). Amazon.com. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 256-258). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

Avila, R. (2019). American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T). In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 16-17). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

Avila, R. (2019). Apollo Project. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 14-16). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

Avila, R. (2019). Apple. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 177-179). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

- Avila, R. (2019). B.F. Goodrich. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 275-276). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Bill Gates. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 199-201). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Charles Goodyear, Jr. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 76). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Climate Change. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 39-41). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Computer/Information Technology. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 189-191). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Construction of US Capitol Building. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 1, pp. 304-306). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Dark Matter Science. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 45-47). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Dow Chemical Company. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 49-50). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Drake Equation. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 264). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). DuPont Company. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 52-54). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Electric Light Bulb. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 60-61). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Elizabeth Blackwell. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 1, pp. 87-89). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Frederick Taylor. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 146-147). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). George Washington Carver. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 38-40). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

- Avila, R. (2019). Henry Ford. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 202-204). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Hoover Dam. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 277-280). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). International Space Station. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 283-285). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Lend Lease Program. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 293-294). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Military-Industrial Complex. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 88-90). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Panama Canal. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 225-228). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Penicillin. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 306-307). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Phonograph. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 115-118). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
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- Avila, R. (2019). SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence). In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 308-311). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Silent Spring (Book). In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 129-130). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Skylab. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 133-134). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI). In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 239-240). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

- Avila, R. (2019). Telephone. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 322-325). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Television. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 2, pp. 325-328). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2019). Voyager Spacecraft. In Rosanne Welch and Peg A. Lamphier (Ed.), *Technological Innovation in American History: An Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (vol. 3, pp. 156). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
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- Avila, R. (2017). American Red Cross. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 3:302-303). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Army Nurse Corps. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 3:304-306). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Backlash. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 4:102-105). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Barbie. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 4:10-11). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Betsy Ross. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 1:295-296). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Bill of Rights for Women (1967). In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 4:106-107). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Carry Nation. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 2:324-326). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.

- Avila, R. (2017). Clara Barton. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 2:180-184). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Conservation and Recycling. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 3:314-318). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Consumer Culture. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 4:18-20). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Declaration of Rights and Sentiments (1848). In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 2:38-41). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Dorothea Dix. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 2:43-44). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
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- Avila, R. (2017). Excommunication. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 1:112-113). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
- Avila, R. (2017). Great Awakening. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 1:116-119). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
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- Avila, R. (2017). Rosa Parks. In Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (Ed.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia and Document Collection* (pp. 4:54-55). Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO.
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