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Education

2003 Ph.D. U.S. History, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
Dissertation: "The Times of Their Lives: Women, Men, and the Clock and Watch Industry in Bristol, Connecticut, 1900-1970." Advisor: Susan Porter Benson
1994 M.A. American History, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
1992 B.A., Cum Laude. History, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA

Honors, Awards, and Grant

2009 Sep Co-Principal, Institute of Museum and Library Services National Leadership Grant: "Planning for the Development of a Border Studies Resource Center, University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College," Award Amount: \$99,276
2003 Bruce M. and Sondra Astor Stave Prize in Recent American History
1997-2002 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, History Department, University of Connecticut
2001-2002 Summer Fellowship, History Department, University of Connecticut
1997 Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship, University of Connecticut

Teaching

Associate Professor, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2016 Fall U. S. Air War in Europe, 1942-1945
2016 Fall Historical Methods
2016 Spring The United States since 1945
2015 Fall The United States: United States, War, Prosperity, and Depression, 1917-1945
2015 Fall The Historian's Craft
F2015-F2016 History of the United States since 1877

Associate Professor, University of Texas at Brownsville
2015 Spring Graduate Seminar: The United States, 1917-1945
2014 Fall Graduate Seminar: History of Latino(a)s in the United States
2014 Fall The Historian's Craft
2014 Spring U. S. Air War in Europe, 1942-1945
2013 Fall Popular Culture in the 20th Century United States
F2013-S2015 History of the United States to 1877 through iPads
2013 Spring Graduate Seminar: History of Modern Latin America
F2012-S2015 History of Modern Latin America
F2012-S2015 History of the United States since 1877

Assistant Professor, University of Texas at Brownsville
2011 Fall Afro-Caribbean History
2011 Summer Graduate Seminar: The World Wars

2011 Spring History of the United States since 1877, linked with English Department's English Composition II
 F2010- F2011 Master's Thesis Preparation: Creole Identity in 20th Century New Orleans
 2010 Fall Graduate Seminar: The Atlantic World
 2010 Spring Graduate Seminar: Afro-Caribbean History
 S2010, S2012 History of the United States since 1917
 2009 Fall Graduate Seminar: History of Modern Latin America
 2009 Spring History of Latino(a)s in the United States, linked with English Department's Latino Literature
 2008 Fall Popular Culture in the 20th Century United States
 2008 Spring Graduate Seminar: Historiography: Puerto Rican Migration to the United States
 S2008-S2011 History of Modern Latin America
 S2008-S2011 History of the United States to 1877
 F2007-S2012 History of the United States since 1877

Visiting Assistant Professor, Clark University

2007 Spring Seminar: Labor and Working Class History of the 20th Century Americas
 2007 Spring Civil Rights in the United States since 1945
 2007 Spring History of the United States since 1865
 2007 Spring Directed Study: Native American Women's History
 2006 Fall History of the United States since 1945
 2006 Fall History of the United States to 1865

Visiting Assistant Professor, Westfield State College

2006 Spring Afro-Caribbean History
 2006 Spring History of the United States since 1865
 F2005, S2006 History of the United States to 1865
 2005 Fall History of Latin America

Adjunct Professor, Worcester State College

2005 Spring History of Latino(a)s in the United States
 2005 Spring Independent Study on Oral History
 S2004, S2005 History of Latin America
 S2004, S2005 Native Americans: Past and Present
 2004 Fall Seminar: History of Native American Women
 2004 Fall History of the United States since 1945

Lecturer, University of Connecticut at Storrs

F2000-S2003 History of the United States since 1865 through Popular Music
 F1996-S2000 Teaching Assistant, History of Western Civilization since 1500

Summer Innovative Services for Latino Adolescents (ISLA), Latino Education Institute, Worcester State College

2005 Indigenous History of the Americas
 2004 English through the Cultural History of the Caribbean Basin and Migrations North

Related Work

Consultant

2004-2006 Latino Education Institute, Worcester State College
Responsibilities included researching and implementing program development and editing the Institute's newsletter

Archivist

1996-2003 Processor, Archives and Special Collections at the Thomas Dodd Research Center, University of Connecticut: Organized and wrote finding aids for major collections, including the Foster Gunnison, Jr. Collection, the papers of historian of science John C. Greene, and the university's oral history holdings

Researcher

1995-1998 Research Associate, Center for Oral History, University of Connecticut
Responsible for researching and editing primary sources in various oral history projects and helped coordinate Center activities and events

Publications – Book

The Times of Their Lives: Women, Men, and the Clock and Watch Industry in Bristol, CT, 1900-1970. Columbia, PA: National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, 2014.

Publications – Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters

Selected Chapters from *The Times of Their Lives* in Serialization

- “Introduction and An Industry Culture of Work.” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 54:2 (March/April 2012): 149-165.
- “An Industry Culture of Work, Continued.” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 54:3 (May/June 2012): 263-277.
- “Workers Take a Stand: CIO Unions at Ingraham and Sessions.” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 54:4 (July/August 2012): 389-403.
- “Tempus Fugit: Livelihoods in Trouble.” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 54:5 (September/October 2012): 511-524.
- “Time Runs Out: The End of Work (Epilogue).” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 54:6 (November/December 2012).

“¿Pa’ que le buscas tres pies al gato teniendo cuatro?: Teaching Local History on the South Texas-México Border.” *Ongoing Studies in Rio Grande History*, edited by Milo Kearney, Anthony Knopp, Antonio Zavaleta (Brownsville, TX: The Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies, University of Texas at Brownsville, 2011): 359-389.

“‘Oye mi canto’ (‘Listen to My Song’): The History and Politics of Reggaetón.” *Popular Music and Society* 32:4 (October 2009): 489-506.

“Taxes, Tariffs, and Timepieces: International Trade and the Clock and Watch Industry in Bristol, CT, 1936-1955.” *Connecticut History* 48:1 (Spring 2009): 1-29.

“Work, Gender, and the Twentieth-Century Workplace in Bristol’s Clock and Watch Industry.” *Bulletin of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors* 50:5 (October 2008): 553-568.

“Painting a Nightmare: Women and Radium Work at the E. Ingraham Company, 1923-1935.” *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas* 4:2 (Summer 2007): 9-22.

Publications-General

“The 13th Combat Bombardment Wing (H), 1943-1945.” *Splasher Six: Newsletter of the 100th Bomb Group* 47:2 (Summer 2016): 9-11.

“John Walter’s *My War* Hits the Target with University Students.” *95th Bomb Group Heritage Association Newsletter* 37 (Spring-Summer 2016): 18-19.

“Masters of the Air Author to Give Keynote Address at Tucson.” *95th Bomb Group Heritage Association Newsletter* 37 (Spring-Summer 2016): 18.

“William ‘Bill’ See, Jr.: 336th TTE, POW, and Very Brave Man.” *95th Bomb Group Memorials Foundation* 5:1 (February 2015): 14-15.

“Flying with the 95th to the Big B: 100th BG Pilot Bob Shoens and the Berlin Raid of 6 March 1944.” *95th Bomb Group Memorials Foundation* 4:3 (November 2015): 11.

“Remembering Dudley S. Ingraham, Jr., 31379828.” *Century Bulletin: Newsletter of the 100th Bomb Group Museum* (Spring 2015): 10-13.

“The Ties That Bind: The 95th and the Power of Social Media.” *95th Bomb Group Memorials Foundation* 4:1 (February 2015): 14-15.

“The 95th in the University Classroom.” *95th Bomb Group Heritage Association Newsletter* 29 (Summer 2014): 16-18.

“95th Veteran Visits College Campus.” *95th Bomb Group Memorials Foundation* 2:2 (July 2013): 20.

Publications – Book Reviews

Manuel F. Medrano, *Américo Paredes: In His Own Words, An Authorized Biography* (Denton: TX: University of North Texas Press, 2010, Number 5 in the Al Filo: Mexican American Studies Series). *Journal of Popular Culture* 43:6 (December 2010): 1312-1314.

Camilla Fojas, *Border Bandits: Hollywood on the Southern Frontier* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2008). *Journal of Popular Culture* 42:5 (August 2009).

Arthur Aristides Natella, Jr., *Latin American Popular Culture* (Jefferson, NC: McFarland & Company, Inc., 2008). *Journal of Popular Culture* 42:4 (June 2009).

Karin Beeler, *Tattoos, Desire and Violence: Marks of Resistance in Literature, Film and Television* (Jefferson, North Carolina: McFarland & Company, 2006). *Journal of Popular Culture* 42:1 (February 2009).

T. Denean Sharpley-Whiting, *Pimps Up, Ho’s Down: Hip Hop’s Hold on Young Black Women* (New York: New York University Press, 2006). *Journal of Popular Culture* 41:4 (August 2008): 735-737.

David F. García, *Arsenio Rodríguez and the Transnational Flows of Latin Popular Music* (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2006). *The Journal of American Culture* 30:2 (June 2007): 235.

Linda España-Maram, *Creating Masculinity in Los Angeles’s Little Manila: Working-Class Filipinos and Popular Culture, 1920s-1950s* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2006). *Journal of Popular Culture* 40:3 (June 2007): 575.

Robert M. Fogelson, *Bourgeois Nightmares: Suburbia, 1870-1930* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2005). *NEPCA News* (October 2006): 6-7.

Eduardo Obregón Pagán, *Murder at the Sleepy Lagoon: Zoot Suits, Race, and Riot in Wartime L.A.* (Chapel Hill, 2003). *Journal of American Culture* 28:4 (December 2005): 447-448.

Frances Negrón-Muntaner, *Boricua Pop: Puerto Ricans and the Latinization of American Culture* (New York, 2004). *Journal of Popular Culture* 38:6 (November 2005): 1127-1128.

Onwuchekwa Jemie, ed., *Yo' Mama!: New Raps, Toasts, Dozens, Jokes, and Children's Rhymes from Urban Black America* (Philadelphia, 2004). *Journal of Popular Culture* 38:4 (May 2005): 785-787.

Elijah Wald, *Escaping the Delta: Robert Johnson and the Invention of the Blues* (Amistad, 2004). *Journal of Popular Culture* 38:2 (November 2004): 436-438.

Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

Introductory Speaker, Rededication of the 95th Bomb Group Memorial Room, 390th Memorial Museum, Pima Air and Space Museum, October 8, 2016.

Panel Chair, "The 95th Bomb Group—1945 and Beyond," 95th Bomb Group Mission Tucson Reunion, Pima Air and Space Museum, October 7, 2016.

"Red Feathers and Reunions: The 95th Bomb Group (H) after World War II," Du Bois-Hite Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Brownsville, TX, November 9, 2013.

"Segregation and Voting Rights in Deep South Texas, 1915-1970," DREAMers and the Dream: Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, University of Texas at Brownsville, August 28, 2013.

"Historicizing Recent LGBT Student Activism in the Lower Río Grande Valley," National Association of Chicano/Chicana Studies' Tejas 2013 Conference, University of Texas-Pan American, February 23, 2013.

"Seventeenth-Century English Liberty in the Colonies and Contemporary Liberalism," Humanities Texas Summer Institute, "Teaching American History to 1877," University of Texas at Brownsville, June 6, 2012.

"Norteña Music, Tejano Styles, and Their Valley Origins," Du Bois-Hite Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Brownsville, TX, May 14, 2011.

"Pushing the Borders: Navigating the Atlantic World from a 20th Century U.S. Historian's Perspective," World History Association of Texas XIX Conference 2011, St. Edward's University, Austin, TX, February 19, 2011.

"Tearing Down Walls One Voice at a Time: Oral History and Reclaiming the History of the Lower Río Grande Valley," 4^o. Coloquio Internacional del Noreste Mexicano y Texas: Puentes y Barreras en el Pasado y Presente del Noreste Mexicano y Sur de Texas, University of Texas at Brownsville, October 21-23, 2009.

"¿Pa' que le buscas tres pies al gato teniendo cuatro?: Teaching Local History on the South Texas-México Border," Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association 2009 National Conference, New Orleans, April 8-11, 2009.

"Work and the Twentieth-Century Workplace in Bristol, CT's Clock and Watch Industry," 2007 Ward Francillon Time Symposium, "The Impact of Mass Production on the American Clock Industry," York, PA, October 25-26, 2007.

"'La Salsa de la Vida': Latino Civil Rights and Public Education in Worcester, MA, 1970-2005," Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association 2007 National Conference, Boston, April 4-7, 2007.

"'What We Want What We Believe': The Black Panthers and Urban Identity in Late-1960s California," Black Student Union, Clark University, February 27, 2007.

“Have Degree, Will Travel: Engineers, Class Consciousness, and the Military-Industrial Complex in Bristol, CT, 1960-1974,” Twentieth-Eighth Annual North American Labor History Conference, Wayne State University, October 19-21, 2006.

“‘Oye mi canto’: Reggaetón, Identity, and Community in Latino Youth Culture,” Latino Education Institute Annual Conference, Worcester State College, June 17, 2006.

“Identity and Tradition in Afro-Cuban Hip Hop,” College of the Holy Cross, October 25, 2005.

“‘¡Aché para mi gente!’: the Music, Origins, and Politics of Afro-Cuban Hip Hop,” Assumption College, October 25, 2004.

“A Historical Overview of Latino(a)s in the United States,” Conference on Social Educational Issues of Latinos and Latinas in the United States, University of Massachusetts Medical School, October 5, 2004.

Workshop on Afro-Cuban Hip Hop, Latino Education Institute, Worcester State College, April 16, 2004.

“Continuity and Change in Hip Hop Culture,” University of Connecticut, Storrs, February 25, 2003.

“Rap, Hip Hop, and Society: New York City, Connecticut and Southern California in Comparative Perspective, 1975-2002,” University of Connecticut at Hartford, November 20, 2002.

“Theory in Teaching Western Civilization,” Teaching Assistant Orientation/ Workshop, Department of History, University of Connecticut, August 27, 2001.

“Painting a Nightmare: Women and Radium Work at the E. Ingraham Company, 1923-1935,” Twelfth Annual Conference on Women and Gender, April 8, 2000, the University of Connecticut, Storrs.

“Female Militance at the Sessions Clock Company, May-July 1967,” Tenth Annual Conference on Women and Gender, University of Connecticut, April 4, 1998.

“Clock Cases and Union Dues: Italian-American Masculinity and the United Electrical Workers at the E. Ingraham Company, 1932-1941,” Italian-American Radicalism, City University of New York, May 1997.

Professional Service

2015-2016 Manuscript Reviewer, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation and Henry Bloch Foundation
 Group Historian, 95th Bomb Group (H) Heritage Association, UK
 Museum Acquisitions, 95th Bomb Group Heritage Association
 Lead Researcher, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 Media Chair-Facebook, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 Program Organizer, 95th Bomb Group Room Re-Dedication (October 2016), Pima Air and Space Museum
 Faculty Development Council, UT-Rio Grande Valley
 Ad-Hoc Faculty Development Funding Committee, UT-Rio Grande Valley
 Outreach Committee, UTRGV History Department
 Scholarship Committee, UTRGV History Department
 World History Search Committee, UTRGV History Department
 Attendee, 100th Bomb Group 2016 Mini Reunion, Palm Springs (CA) Air Museum, February 6, 2016
 Attendee, 100th Bomb Group Reunion, New Orleans, LA, September 24-27, 2015

Peer Expert, "Writing Successful Abstracts," UTRGV General Faculty Development Session, December 3, 2015

Faculty Panelist, "Presenting Your Accommodation Letter," UTRGV Student Accessibility Services, September 1, 2015

Judge, Brownsville Independent School District National History Day, "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange in History," Individual Performances, Senior Division, January 9, 2016

2014-2015 Book Reviewer, Palgrave-Macmillan
 Research Department, American Clock and Watch Museum
 Group Historian, 95th Bomb Group (H) Heritage Association, UK
 Acquisitions, 95th Bomb Group Heritage Association
 Lead Researcher, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 Media Chair-Facebook, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 Senator, Faculty Senate, UT-Brownsville
 Chair, Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Chair, Scholarship Committee, UTB History Department
 Personnel Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 U.S. History Search Committee, UTB History Department for UT-Rio Grande Valley History Department
 Personnel Committee, UTB Government Department
 Guest Lecture, "Agriculture, Violence, and Rebellion in Deep South Texas, 1904-1924," Honors 2302.01: Honors II: Big History of the Lower Rio Grande Valley, UTB, March 19, 2015
 Attendee and Historian, 95th Bomb Group 2015 Reunion, Dayton, OH, May 6-10, 2015
 Attendee, 100th Bomb Group 2015 Mini Reunion, Palm Springs (CA) Air Museum, February 7, 2015
 Volunteer, Brownsville History Harvest, Humanities Texas, September 27, 2014

2013-2014 Manuscript Reviewer, *CENTRO: Journal of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies*
 Research Department, American Clock and Watch Museum
 Group Historian, 95th Bomb Group (H) Heritage Association, UK
 Facebook Moderator, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 Researcher, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation Photo Selection Committee, 95th Bomb Group Memorial Room, Pima Air and Space Museum
 Faculty Panel, Interviews for Founding UT-Rio Grande Valley President
 Faculty Representative, UT-System Interviews for Building a 21st Century Campus at UTRGV, August 4, 2014
 Senator, Faculty Senate, UTB
 DREAMers and the Dream Essay Award Committee, UTB
 Chair, Scholarship Committee, UTB History Department
 Personnel Committee, UTB History Department
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 Personnel Committee, UTB Government Department

- Attendee, 95th Bomb Group 2014 Reunion, San Diego, CA, May 22-26, 2014
 US Attendee, Military Vehicle and Living History Event, 100th Bomb Group Memorial Museum, Thorpe Abbots, Norfolk, UK, May 17, 2014
 Attendee, 95th Bomb Group 70th Anniversary Reunion, Orlando, FL, October 10-14, 2013
 Participant, Brownsville Cultural Heritage Initiative, Humanities Texas
 Judge, Brownsville Independent School District History Day, "Rights and Responsibilities," Group Exhibits, Junior Division, January 11, 2014
- 2012-2013
 Manuscript Referee, Westview Press
 Research Department, American Clock and Watch Museum
 UTB Next Generation Leadership: Building a 21st Century Campus
 UTB General Education Core Curriculum Committee
 UTB Faculty to Student Mentoring Committee
 Apple Initiative Committee, UTB
 Senator, Faculty Senate, UTB
 Chair, Scholarship Committee, UTB History Department
 Interim Graduate Program Director, UTB History Department
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 Personnel Committee, UTB Government Department
 Faculty Advisor, C.H.A.N.G.E. (Communities Handling the Advancement and Networking of Gender Equity), UTB
 Guest Lecture, "Cuba and the United States, 1900-Present," Government 4369.60: Latin American Politics, UTB, October 2, 2012
 College of Liberal Arts Speaker, Freshman Convocation, UTB, August 30, 2012
- 2011-2012
 Manuscript Referee, Routledge Books
 UTB Core Curriculum Task Force
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 Scholarship Committee, UTB History Department
 Phi Alpha Theta Advisor, UTB History Department
 Faculty Co-Advisor, C.H.A.N.G.E., UTB
 Participant, Paragraph Writing and Assessment Workshop, UTB
 UTB History Department Representative, Hanna High School College Fair, Brownsville, September 21, 2011
- 2010-2011
 Affiliated Faculty, The Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies
 Faculty Representative, Student Union Advisory Board, UTB
 Scorpion Leadership Ring Selection Committee, UTB
 University Committee on Domestic Violence, UTB
 Safe Space Committee, UTB
 Faculty Mentor, Scorpion Scholars Program, UTB
 Strategic Direction Committee on Academic Achievement, College of Liberal Arts, UTB
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 Scholarship Committee, UTB History Department

Phi Alpha Theta Advisor, UTB History Department
 Faculty Co-Advisor, C.H.A.N.G.E., UTB
 Lecture, "LGBT Rights since the 1970s," C.H.A.N.G.E., UTB, April 12, 2011
 Lecture, "Latin American Women during the Twentieth Century," Scorpion
 Historical Society, UTB, March 23, 2011
 Guest Speaker, "The Historical Background of *Amazing Grace*," University
 Showing of *Amazing Grace* for Black History Month, Oliveira Library, UTB,
 February 17, 2011
 Guest Lecture, "South Texas and the Mexican Revolution, 1910-1916," English
 4316.01: Mexican American Literature, UTB, November 11, 2010
 Lecture, "Harvey Milk in Historical Perspective," and Moderator for Showing and
 Discussion of Gus Van Sant's *Milk*, UTB National Coming Out Day/Week,
 October 14, 2010
 Lecture, "Gay Power and Its Origins, 1950-1974," C.H.A.N.G.E. and Gay-
 Straight Alliance of Texas State Technical College-Harlingen, UTB, September
 24, 2010
 Guest Lecture, "The Formation of Nations in Latin America," Government
 4369.70: Latin American Politics and Development, UTB, September 9, 2010
 Panelist, "Teaching, Service, and Navigating the Road to Tenure," New Faculty
 Development, UTB, September 3, 2010
 2009-2010 Faculty Lounge Committee, University of Texas at Brownsville
 Calendar Committee, UTB
 Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Assessment Committee, College of Liberal
 Arts, UTB
 Gender Studies Committee, CLA, UTB
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department
 Graduate Committee, UTB History Department
 Phi Alpha Theta Advisor, UTB History Department
 Affiliated Faculty, The Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies
 Testifier, Texas State Board of Education hearings on social studies textbook
 revisions, Austin, May 19, 2010
 Faculty Advisor and Sponsor, 1st Annual Rio Grande Valley Historical
 Conference, UTB, February 13, 2010
 Panel Chair, "Slavery in the United States and It Transatlantic Connections," 1st
 Annual Rio Grande Historical Conference, February 13, 2010
 Judge, Brownsville Independent School District History Day, "Innovation in
 History: Impact and Change," Documentaries, Senior Division, January 16, 2010
 Testifier, Texas State Board of Education hearings on social studies textbook
 revisions, January 13, 2010
 2008-2009 Manuscript Referee, *Popular Music and Society*
 Manuscript Referee, *Journal of South Texas*
 Faculty Lounge Committee, UTB
 Calendar Committee, UTB
 Border Studies Advisory Board, College of Liberal Arts, UTB
 Gender Studies Committee, CLA, UTB
 Curriculum Committee, UTB History Department

Phi Alpha Theta advisor, UTB History Department
 Co-sponsor, Borderlands History and Culture Club, UTB
 Named assistant program director, National Endowment for the Humanities teaching grant, awarded to Dr. Armando Alonzo (History-Texas A&M), for high school history teachers to study the Lower Río Grande Valley
 Co-principal, Institute of Museum and Library Services Planning Grant, Border Studies Resource Center, UTB
 Commencement announcer, Fall commencement exercises, UTB, December 20, 2008
 Judge, Brownsville Independent School District History Day, "The Individual in History: Actions and Legacies," Documentaries, Junior and Senior Division, December 13, 2008.
 Attendee, South Texas Historical Association, Fall Meeting, Raymondville, November 1, 2008
 Participant, VDAY 2009: A Memory, A Monologue, A Rant, & A Prayer, UTB, March 17, 2009
 Commentator, Workshop on Civic Engagement, UTB, January 8, 2009
 Participant, Calibrated Peer Review Workshop, UTB, December 17-18, 2008
 Participant, Workshops on Integrative Assignments, UTB, October 22-23, 2008
 Volunteer, Galería 409, Brownsville, TX
 2007-2008 Search Committee Member, Gilded Age and/or Progressive History, UTB History Department
 Co-sponsor, UTB student trip to witness and participate in hearings on English textbook revisions before the Texas Board of Education, Austin, March 26-27, 2008
 UTB History Department Representative, College Night, Hanna High School
 UTB Representative, Los Fresnos ISD College Day
 2006-2007 NEPCA Conference Area Chair, Latino/a Studies, Northeast Popular Culture Association
 Difficult Dialogues Steering Committee, Clark University
 Director, Ph.D. Minor Field Exam in 20th Century Caribbean and Latin American History, Clark University
 Senior Honors Thesis reader, History Department, Clark University
 Daybreak Standing Committee, Daybreak Resources for Women and Children, the YWCA of Central Massachusetts
 2006 Organizer, Nipmuc Nation Cultural Day, Worcester State College
 2005-2007 Peter C. Rollins Book Prize Committee, Northeast Popular Culture Association
 2004-2005 All College Committee, Worcester State College
 Sarah Sharbach Memorial Lecture Committee, Worcester State College
 Women's Studies Committee, Worcester State College
 Moderator, "¡No Si Vamos, Es A Cual Vamos!: The Life of a Young Latino Film Director," Fourth Annual Conference of the Latino Education Institute: "Building Pathways to College for Latino Students," Worcester State College, March 12, 2005
 2004-2007 Volunteer, Mustard Seed Soup Kitchen, Worcester, MA
 2004-2006 Outreach Committee, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Worcester MA

- 2004-2005 Volunteer instructor and mentor, Innovative Services for Latino Adolescents, Latino Education Institute
- 2004 Faculty Workshop and Training Session on Domestic Violence in the Workplace, Worcester State College
Faculty Workshop on Community Service Learning, Colleges of Worcester Consortium, Worcester, MA
Staff volunteer, children's summer camp, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Worcester, MA
- 2001-2003 Co-founder and organizer, student/prisoner solidarity network Storrs-Willimantic, CT
- 1996-2003 Volunteer for the elderly, Bristol, CT
- 2002 Moderator, "Women Make Movies" Documentary Presentations, Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Storrs, CT, June 6-9, 2002
- 2002 Colloquium Committee (graduate student representative), History Department, University of Connecticut, Storrs

Professional Affiliations

- 2003-present Member, Labor and Working-Class History Association
- 2007-present Member #0169547, National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
- 2007-present Member, Brownsville Historical Association
- 2010-present Member #4489, American Clock and Watch Museum
- 2013-present Member, 95th Bomb Group (H) Memorials Foundation
- 2013-present Member, 95th Bomb Group (H) Heritage Association, Horham Airfield (UK)
- 2013-present Member, 100th Bomb Group (H) Foundation
- 2014-present Member, 100th Bomb Group Memorial Museum (UK)
- 2015-present Life Member #3038, Commemorative Air Force