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Personal Statement

Doctor of Education, National Louis University with strong emphasis on issues affecting underserved populations and critically reflective pedagogy. Networking, leadership skills, project management and community building are my strongest suits. Collaboration is my middle name. I stand whole heartily on the ancient African proverb, *“It takes a village to raise a child.”*

Research

“Estrellas Fugaces” Latinas Inspiring Latinas to Prevail: Using Lived Experiences to Share Inspirational Stories to Encourage Latinas to Persist in Gaining Their Higher Education

Education

National Louis University, Chicago, Illinois

Ed.D. Adult Education-Critical Engagement Project: “Estrellas Fugaces” Latinas Inspiring Latinas to Prevail: Using Lived Experiences to Share Inspirational Stories to Encourage Latinas to Persist in Gaining Their Higher Education-April 2015

Jane Addams College of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago

Masters of Social Work Degree – Concentration in Child and Family – May 2009

Governors State University, University Park, Illinois

Bachelors of Social Work Degree - June 2008

Morton College, Cicero, Illinois

Associates in Liberal Arts - May 2006

Truman College, Chicago, Illinois

Basic Certificate in Early Childhood Education – June 2001

Teaching Experience

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, 1032 W. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, IL. 60660.

Tel. 773-508-7470

05/01-Present

- Clinical Assistant Professor, MSW Online Bilingual Program

NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, 5500 N. St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60625.

Tel. 773-447-6740.

08/11-Present

- Instructor for the Social Work Department Program
- Field Liaison

Instruction for the following courses:

- **Social Work Program SOWK 500-020 (Online) Human Behavior in the Social Work Environment**, Fall 2018
- **Social Work Program SOWK 500-008 Human Behavior in the Social Work Environment**, Fall 2018
- **Social Work Program SOWK 500-305W Human Behavior in the Social Work Environment**, Fall 2018
- **Social Work Program SWK-353 Field Seminar I**, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Fall 2018
- **Social Work Program SWK-354 Field Seminar II**, Spring 2016 (Sections L18 & L20)
- **Social Work Practicum SWK-355 Field Practicum I**, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Fall 2018
- **Social Work Program SWK-354 Field Seminar II**, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, Spring 2018
- **Social Work Program SWK-356 Field Practicum II**, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, Spring 2018
- **Social Work Program SWK-303 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I**, Spring 2012, Summer 2013, Spring 2014
- **Social Work Program SWK-306 Human Behavior in the social environment II**, Summer 2013, Summer 2014, Summer 2015, Summer 2016, Summer 2017 (Sections L18-ELC & XI- UCLC)
- **Social Work Program SWK-305 Social Work Practice II**, Section X1 (UCLC), Summer 2015, Summer 2016, Summer 2017

Working Experience

PRO HEALTH ADVOCATES SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AGENCY, 5929 W. Roosevelt Rd., Cicero, IL. 60807. Tel. (708) 652-7190.

08/08 – 06/14

- Designed and implemented a Parenting Skills Program
- Director of the Parenting Program
- Taught Parenting Class
- Over sought court mandated cases and DCFS referrals
- Planned, organized and facilitated weekly meetings

8/07 – 8/08

- Facilitate Substance Abuse Risk and Treatment Groups
- Intakes
- Assessments
- Develop Treatment Plans, Progress Notes

BUNDLE OF JOY HOME GROUP CHILD CARE

1626 S. 57TH Ave., Cicero, IL. 60804

08/98 – 08/12

- Licensed Group Childcare Provider
- Owner, over saw overall operations
 - Supervised staff of 3 assistants
 - Trained staff in early childhood education
 - Developed lessons
 - Held parent teacher conferences quarterly
 - Ran yearly open house
 - Held yearly family health fairs

I AM ABLE, CENTER FOR FAMILY DEVELOPMENT, INC., 3410 W. Roosevelt Rd.,
Chicago, IL. 60624. Tel. (773) 826-2626.

09/08- 09/09

- Provided community education in our community outreach program
- Designed workshops in the areas of interpersonal skills, substance abuse and domestic violence
- Led individual, couples and family Therapy
- Facilitated educational groups that were brought to public schools in the Chicago metropolitan area
- Conducted intakes

Grants and Fellowships:

Diversifying Higher Education Faculty In Illinois Program Fellowship award (2014/2015),
\$10,000

Legislative Scholarship Award (2009), \$14,000

Governor's State University Latino Achievement Ray B. Gonzalez Scholarship, \$1,600

The Great Start Program Scholarship, \$1,600

T.E.A.C.H. Scholarship, \$11,000

Memberships:

Latina Childcare Providers In Action, co-founder, president, treasurer, 2000-present.

A Gift of Value, Board member, 2017-Present

Comunidad Yeshua, Associate Minister, 2018

Comunidad Yeshua, Trustee, Music Director, 2015-Present

Ronald McNair Scholar

Access Program, Governor's State University, Illinois

Phi Alpha Honor Society for Social Workers, Governors State University, Illinois

Centro De Superación Personal, 2011

The Association of Latin American Students, 2006-present.

Women Business Development Center, 2003-Present

Unified Homeowners Association and Credit Union, Chair, 2006-present.

SEEDS Mentor for Morton College and Governor's State University, 2006-present.

The Latino Center for Excellence, 2006-present.

Action for Children, advisory board, 2005-2010.

Publications/Presentations:

Puerto Rican Cultural Center, Women Empowerment, 2018

Women's Business Development Center, Child Care Business Expo, Professional Development, 2018

Women's Business Development Center, Rise Up Conference, Panelist, 2018

APEI, Child Care association, Professional Development, 2018

Latina Child Care Providers In Action, Professional Development, 2018

3rd Annual Latino and Latin American Studies (LLAS) Symposium, Northeastern Illinois University, 2015

The Importance of Social Emotional Development in Children, Latina Childcare Providers In Action, 2015

Performance Text; Estrellas Fugaces: Latinas Inspiring Latinas to Prevail, Taft High School, 2015

National Louis University Adult and Continuing Education Research Conference "Latinas Inspiring Latinas to Prevail," 2015

Oakton Gender and Women's Studies Conference; "Using Performance to Share Lived Experience and Provide Inspirational Stories to Encourage Latinas to Persist in Gaining Higher Education, 2015

63rd American Association for Adult and Continuing Education Conference; "Using Lived Experience to Share Inspirational Stories to Encourage Latinas to Persist in Gaining their Higher Education," 2014

Active Transportation Alliance, curriculum review team, transportation safety; lesson book for young children, 2011

Service/Activities

- Chicago Children's Advocacy Center, Advisory Board, 2017-Present
- West Suburban Special Recreation, 2012-Present
- Majors & Minors Fair, Lake Shore Campus, 2018
- Professional Development Workshop, APEI Association, 2018
- Women's Day Celebration, Comunidad Yeshua, 2018
- Women's Empowerment Workshop, Puerto Rican Cultural Center, 2018
- International Social Work, AGOV, Missions trip, Human trafficked survivors, 2017
- Northeastern Illinois University Field Advisory Board, 2016

- Social Work Picnic, 2013, 2014, 2015
- Faculty Advisor, University Without Walls, Northeastern Illinois University; 2015, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Trustee, First Spanish Evangelical Church
- Treasurer, First Spanish Evangelical Church

Certifications

Online Teaching Course, Loyola University Chicago
Online Teaching Course, Northeastern Illinois University
Illinois Gateways Trainer

Awards and Honors:

Logan Square Neighborhood Association Community Hero Award, 2012

Team Spirit Award, 2007

True Leader Award, 2007

Extra Effort Award, 2007

Award of Excellence, 2006

Unsung Hero Award, 2002

The Fast Track Award, 2000

Skills and Qualifications:

Program Development
Project Management
Leadership skills
Bilingual English/Spanish
Online Instruction
Artist
Entrepreneur
Desire2 Learn
Sakai