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Employment Record**Associate Professor**

2018 – present Conflict and Dispute Resolution
 MA Program, Knight Law School, University of Oregon
 2015 – present Department of Indigenous, Race & Ethnic Studies, University of Oregon

Assistant Professor

2008-2015 Department of Indigenous, Race & Ethnic Studies, University of Oregon

Visiting Assistant Professor

2006-08 Department of Indigenous, Race & Ethnic Studies, University of Oregon

Consultant: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Specialist

2013 – present
 Facilitation, conflict resolution, diversity, equity and inclusion, organizational development, strategic planning, design and implementation of outreach plans, curriculum development.

Projects:

2019 City of Eugene Climate Change Action Plan
 2018 – 2020 Klamath Lake Land Trust
 2018-2019 Huerto de la Familia
 2019 School Garden Project
 2018 Pearl Buck Center
 2017 – 2018 Northeast Oregon Economic Development District,
 2014 – 2017 Northwest Youth Corps
 2017 Non-Profit Association of Oregon
 2016 Association of American States
 2016 Mobilize Green Roundtables on DEI in the Environmental Sector
 2013 Centro Bonó, Dominicans of Haitian Descent Youth Leadership Curriculum

Selected Public Project Grants

Oregon’s Water Futures: Rural Indigenous Communities and People of Color in the 100-Year Vision
 2019-present Partners: Oregon Environmental Council, Willamette Partnership, Coalition of Communities of Color
 External Grants: Meyer Memorial Trust-2019; Oregon Community Foundation-2019 University of Oregon Grants: Resiliency Initiative Seed Funding, Vice-President for Research and Innovation; Summer Faculty Stipend, Mellon Foundation, Center for Environmental Futures- 2019; Wayne Morse Center-2019; Faculty Collaboration Grant, Center for Latin@ and Latin American Studies-2019.
 Afro-Indigenous Caribbean Women Healers Digital Project
 2017 – present University of Oregon Grants: Faculty Collaboration Grant, Center for Latin@ and Latin American Studies – 2017; Digital Humanities Fellowship – 2019; Vice President for Research and Innovation Grant – 2018

The UO Puerto Rico Project: Hurricane Maria and Its Aftermath
 2017-2018 Fundraising: College of Arts and Science-2017; Associated Students of Oregon-2017; Individuals and Local Business Sponsors-2017

Dominicans of Haitian Descent: Museum Exhibit
 2015 Partner: Center for Latin@ and Latin American Studies
 University of Oregon Grant: Academic Support Grant, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art

Selected Research-Specific Grants & Fellowships

Oceanic Whispers, Secrets She Never Told: Mothering and Kinship in the Black Diaspora
 2016-present University of Oregon Grants: Research Grant, Center for the Study of Women in Society-2018; Summer Stipend Humanities and Creative Arts Faculty-2017

Our Kin in Diaspora: Betrayal and Solidarity in the Port Towns of the Black Diaspora
 2014-present University of Oregon Grant: Research Grant, Center for the Study of Women in Society-2016. External Grant: Golden Key International Society Travel Grant-2015

Dominican-Puerto Rican Families and Civic Engagement
 2014-2015 External Grant: Research Grant, CUNY's Dominican Studies Institute and Center for Puerto Rican Studies

Awards and Honors

2016 Distinguished Woman of Achievement, Black Women of Achievement, University of Oregon

2015 Ersted Distinguished Teaching Award, University of Oregon

2015 Guy Alexandre Paper Prize, Haiti-Dominican Republic Section, Latin American Studies Association Conference

2008 Fall Professor of the Term, Mortar Board Society, University of Oregon

2007 Distinguished Woman of Achievement, Black Women of Achievement, University of Oregon

2007 Outstanding Faculty Award, Office of Multicultural Advising and Support, University of Oregon

Selected Community Leadership and Administrative Experience

2019-present **Co-Director**, Statewide Year of Water, University of Oregon

2019-present **Opinion Writer**, Register Guard

2018-present **Staff Writer**, Hip Latina

2018 **Lead Coordinator**, Conference: Justice Across Borders, Center for Latin@ and Latin American Studies

2019-2020 **Lead Coordinator**, Latinx Environmental Justice Retreats, Center for Latin@ and Latin American Studies

2018-2019 **Project Lead**, Event Series: Art, Migration and Political Activism, Wayne Morse Center

2017-present **Elected Executive Committee Member**, Puerto Rican Studies Committee, Modern Language Studies Association

2017-2020 **Board Member**, Oregon Humanities Center

2014-2018 **Board Member**, Center for Latina/o and Latin American Studies, University of Oregon

2016-2018 **Advisory Committee Member**, Wayne Morse Center

2013-2016 **Treasurer/Board Member**, MRG Foundation

2015 **Co-Leader**, International Conference on Pedagogies for Liberation, Universidad Autónoma de Mexico

2012-2015 **Co-Director**, Estudios Sociales Journal (Dominican Republic)

2008-2010 **Co-Director**, The Projects of Queer Studies: Race, Pedagogy and Social Theory, Center for the Study of Women and Society

2006-present **Administrative Experience**, IRES, UO (Personnel Reviews & Hiring, Personnel Supervision, Strategic Planning, Curriculum Development, Fundraising, Event Coordination, Metrics Development, Grantmaking)

Selected Academic Publications

Our Caribbean Kin: Race and Nation in the Neoliberal Antilles. Rutgers University Press, 2015.

"Notas sobre identidades étnicas y raciales dominicanas." Co-author Ramona Hernandez. *Afrodescendientes en México y Nuestra América*. Ed. Jesús María Serna e Israel Ugalde Quintana. Centro de Investigaciones sobre América Latina y el Caribe, UNAM: 2019.

"Mangú y Mofongo: Intra-Latinx Subjectivities in Dominican-Puerto Rican Families." Co-author Ana-Maurine Lara. *Centro Journal*, 2018.

"On Pan-Antillean Politics: Betances and Luperón Speak to the Present." *Callaloo* 36.1 (2013): 142–157.

Selected Writings

Creative Essay. "What It Means to Be a Black Latina in Higher Education." *Hip Latina*. Oct. 2018.

<https://hiplatina.com/what-it-means-to-be-a-black-latina-in-higher-education/>

Op-Ed. Are Faculty Becoming Salespeople? *Register Guard*, Nov. 2019.

<https://www.registerguard.com/opinion/20191111/in-my-opinion-are-professors-becoming-salespeople>

Invited Blog Entry. "Our Caribbean Kin," *Bittersweet Blog: Coming Together to the Table*, Jan. 2017, <https://linkedthroughslavery.com/author/alaireyessantos/>

Op-Ed. "Why Oregon Should Care About Puerto Rico?" *Register Guard*, October 2017.

<https://blogs.uoregon.edu/theuopuertoricoproject/2018/02/18/why-should-oregon-care-about-puerto-rico/>

Op-Ed. "Violencia Policial y Fantasmas de la Historia." *La Razón*, Spain. July 2016.

<https://www.larazon.es/internacional/fantasmas-de-la-historia-racismo-y-violencia-policial-en-los-estados-unidos-EB13121063>

Education

2007 **PhD. Literature**, University of California – San Diego

2004 **M.A. Literature**, University of California – San Diego

2001 **B.A. Comparative Literature**, *magna cum laude*, University of Puerto Rico

Additional Skills

Languages: Spanish – native speaker; French – reading & writing; Haitian Kreyol – basic reading