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EDUCATION

- University of Houston - Texas (2018) Ph.D. in Spanish Literature (Candidate).
- Sam Houston State University - Texas (2015) M.A. in Spanish.
- Hector Pineda, Institute of Higher Education - Havana, Cuba (2008) B.S. major in Education.
- María Reina, Institute of Theology Science, CONCUR, - Havana, Cuba (2008) 93 semester credit hours in Philosophy.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Contemporary Cuban and Caribbean Literature and Culture
- U.S.-Latino Studies
- Pedagogy and Teaching Methods for Second Language Acquisition

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Houston – Texas 08/2016 – Present. Spanish Instructor: Beginners Spanish I (1501); Beginners Spanish II (1502); Intermediate Spanish I (2301) Intermediate Spanish II (2302).
- Houston Community College – Texas 01/2017 – Present. Spanish Instructor: Beginners Spanish I (1411).
- José Ávila Serrano Elementary School - Holguín, Cuba 09/2004 – 07/2005. 3rd. Grade Teacher

PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES

- "Desintegración familiar y nacional en *Silencios* de Karla Suárez". IV Annual HGSO Conference of Literature and Linguistics. - **Houston, Texas** (02/2018)
- "Subversión del discurso patriarcal en *Song of the Hummingbird* de Graciela Limón". III Annual HGSO Conference of Literature and Linguistics. - **Houston, Texas** (04/2017)

AFFILIATIONS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Graduate Tuition Fellowship (UH-01/16-Present)
- Member of the National Honor Hispanic Society *Sigma Delta Pi* (since 04/16)