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EDUCATION

Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Educational Technology).

University of Florida

Master of Arts in Latin American Studies (Brazilian Studies). University of Florida

Master of Arts in Spanish (Linguistics and Literature). Bowling Green State University

Bachelor of Business Administration. Marketing/Latin American Studies. Stetson University

GRANTS

- U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center. (Current co-PI). 2022-2026. \$252,569 annually for 4-year cycle, Total: 1,010,276
- Longview Foundation. 2022-23. *Building a Florida Virtual Exchange Network.* \$16, 517
- UF Faculty Enhancement Opportunity (FEO). 2019. *Integrating Virtual Exchange in Pre-Service Education.* (\$25,303.09)
- U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center Grants. 2018, 2014. Co-Author/Project Manager (Approximately \$1,000,000 for 4-year cycle)
- UF Creative Campus Initiative. *Collaborating Across Undersea Cables: Creating a Collaborative International Teaching Network (CITN).* 2018-19. Project Leader. (\$5,628)
- Longview Foundation. *Global Classroom Initiative.* 2015. Co-PI with Swapna Kumar-College of Education. (\$15,000)
- UF Faculty Enhancement Opportunity (FEO). 2012. *Evaluation of UF Master's in Development Global Classroom program.* (\$10,208.19)
- Fulbright Hays Group Project Abroad-Peru/Ecuador. 2008. *Organized Spanish Language & Culture Teacher Abroad Program.* (\$66,574)
- Florida Humanities Council. *Organized Film and Speaker Series. Florida Caribbean Migration.* 2008-09. (\$12,460)
- Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE). U.S. Brazil: *International Business Management.* 2002-2006. Project Director. (\$200,724)
- Florida Department of State. 2003. *Florida-Brazil Business Link.* Co-author/Project Manager. (\$11,820)
- Florida Department of State. 2002. *Promotion of Florida-Brazil Bi-Lateral Trade and Business Relations through International Business Education and Outreach.* Co-author/Project Manager. (\$16,885)

PUBLICATIONS

- Risner, M. (2025). (Accepted-In progress for press). Teaching Spanish for Specific Purposes in Primary and Secondary Education. *The Routledge Handbook of Spanish for Specific Purposes*. Eds. Barbara A. Lafford, Lourdes Sánchez-López, Anita Ferreira Cabrera, and Elisabet Arnó Maciá.
- Risner, M. (2021). Building Global Competence and Language Proficiency through Virtual Exchange. *Hispania*, Vol. 104.1
- Risner, M. & Kumar, S. (2020). Internationalizing Teacher Education through Virtual Connections and Blended Learning. *eLearn Magazine*. July Issue.
- Risner, M. & Spaine Long, S. (2020). Eds. "LSP Vectors: Strengthening Interdisciplinary Connections". Special Issue in *Global Business Languages*.
- Risner, M. (2017). "Proficiency and Languages for Specific Purposes in the K-12 Classroom" in response to the article "Language Proficiency: Envisioning the Win in the High School Spanish Classroom". *Hispania*, v. 100, No. 5.
- Milleret, M. & Risner, M. (2017). Eds. *Handbook for Portuguese Instructors in the United States*. Boa Vista Press, N.J.
- Risner, M., Swarr, M., Bless, C. & Graham, J. (2017). Developing & Implementing LSP Curriculum at the K-12 Level in Long, M. (Ed.) *LSP Studies: Contemporary Trends in Research and Curriculum Development*. Georgetown University Press.
- Ruggles, K., Risner, M., Kumar, S. & Brown, H. (2016). From Course to Classroom: Preservice Teachers' Understandings and Implementation of Global Education Lessons. In G. Chamblee & L. Langub (Eds.) Proceedings of Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference
- (p. 786). Savannah, GA, United States: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education (AACE). Retrieved April 3, 2024 from <https://www.learntechlib.org/primary/p/171771/>
- Das, R., Risner, M., & Monroe, M. (2016). Infusing Global Competence in Classrooms Through Short-Term Teacher Professional Development. *International Journal of Global Education*. 5 (2), pp. 28-45.
- Risner, M. & Goncalves, L. (2016). *Portuguese Language Journal-Tenth Anniversary Volumes*. Boa Vista Press.
- Risner, M. & Kumar, S. (2016). Graduate student perceptions of a globally networked course. *Journal of Applied Research in Higher Education*. 8 (3), pp.287 – 301.
- Risner, M. & Egúsquiza, C. (2016). Preparing Students for the Global Workplace: The Relevance of Languages for Specific Purposes. In special issue: Focus on Intercultural Competence. *Dimension*.
- Risner, M. (2015). Topic of the Week-InterCom Newsletter- *Making the Connection Between Language and Careers: K-12 LSP*.
- Fuller, Julia, Risner, M., Lowder, L., Hart, M. & Bachenheimer, B. (2014). Graduates' Reflections on an Online Doctorate in EdTech. *Tech Trends*, 58 (4), 73-80.

- Risner, Mary E. and Markley, L. (2013). The Business of Languages in the Classroom Today: A Model for K-12 Professional Development, *Global Business Languages: Vol. 18*, Article 10.
- Risner, M. (2012). The Study of Portuguese and Brazilian Culture in the Business Context. In Luna, M. (Ed.) *Ensino de português nos Estado Unidos: história, desenvolvimento, perspectivas*
- Risner, M. (2011). A community of practice of business and foreign language faculty. In Watson, M. and Perez Llantada, C. (Eds.). *Specialized Languages in the Global Village*.
- Risner, M. (2010). Integrating Latin American Studies and Technology Through A Blended Professional Development Model. In C. Crawford et al. (Eds.), Proceedings of Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference 2010 (pp. 3685-3688). Chesapeake, VA: AACE.
- Risner, M. (2009). Design and Development of a Community of Practice of Business and Foreign Language Faculty. In Proceedings of World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare, and Higher Ed, 2009 (pp. 1884-1889). Chesapeake, VA: AACE.
- Kelm, O. & Risner, M. (2007). *Brazilians Working with Americans*. Austin: UT Press.
- Risner, M. (2005). "Best Practices at the University of Florida" in *Facilitating Connections to International Business: A Guide for Foreign Language Educators*. Eds. Pat Paulsell and Cate Brubaker. 20-28. Michigan State University.
- Risner, M. (2004). Motivating Students through Languages for Specific Purposes and Career Opportunities. *Florida Foreign Language Journal*, (1): 42-46
- Risner, M. (2002). "Brazil-A Guide for Business People." (2002). *Hispania*, 85 (3): 542. Book review.
- Founder/Coordinator. [Portuguese Language Journal](#) (Online), 2006-2016. Currently the official publication of the Association of Teachers of Portuguese (AOTP).

COURSES TAUGHT

- Instructor. *Latin American Business Environment*. (Online)
- Instructor. *Fundamentals of the Latin American Workplace*. (Online)
- Co-Facilitator. Faculty Virtual Exchange Training. (Online)
- Instructor. *Global Studies for Education* (Online)
- Instructor. *Retailing in Brazil*. (Blended)
- Instructor. *Social Media Ecologies*. (Online)
- Instructor. *First Year Florida Instructor*.
- Instructor. *Business Portuguese-Foreign Language across the Curriculum*.
- Instructor. *Beginning Portuguese I and II*.
- Instructor. *Introduction to Latin American Studies*.
- Teaching Assistant. *Social Media Ecologies-Online*.
- Teaching Assistant. *Cross-cultural Communication for Teachers-Online*.
- Teaching Assistant. *Spanish I and II*.
- Teaching Assistant. *Latin American History, Foreign Language across the Curriculum*.

- Teaching Assistant. Elementary School Spanish Program Development and Implementation. (FLES)

AWARDS/HONORS

- UF Advanced Leadership for Academics and Professionals-Reprise. 2020-21
- UF International Educator Award-Senior Faculty Category. 2019-20
- UF Advanced Leadership for Academics and Professionals. 2018-19
- Leadership Stetson Alumni Program. 2017
- ACTFL Papalia Teacher Educator Award. Nominated by SCOLT 2016, 2017
- Premios AOTP. Faculty Awardee. American Organization of Teachers of Portuguese. 2016
- Teacher Hall of Fame. Florida Foreign Language Association. 2012.
- Teacher of the Year. Florida World Languages in Colleges and Universities. 2008
- Center for International Business and Education Research Grant. Master's thesis research in Brazil. 2001.
- Tinker Field Research Grant. Master's thesis research in Brazil. 2001.
- Foreign Language and Area Studies Grant (FLAS). *Business in Brazil summer program.* 2000.
- Graduate Teaching Assistantship. University of Florida. *Spanish I and II, Latin American History-Foreign Language Across the Curriculum.* 1998-2000
- New Teacher of the Year. Spruce Creek High School. IB Spanish teacher. 1996
- French Language and Culture Scholarship. Summer Program. Tours, France. Bowling Green State University. 1995
- Graduate Teaching Assistantship. Bowling Green State. Elementary School Spanish Pilot Program. 1993-1995.

SERVICE

- Fulbright Seminars Abroad Grant Competition Peer Reviewer. 2023, 2024
- USDOE Center for International Business Education & Research (CIBER) Grant Competition Peer Reviewer. 2022, 2018
- Segundo Encuentro Latinoamericano de Español para Fines Específicos. Virtual conference co-organizer with the Pontifical Catholic University of Valparaiso. December 2021
- Florida Consortium of International Education. Board member. 2021-present
- Teaching & Learning Resource Coordinator American Association of Teachers of Spanish & Portuguese, 2020-present
- Computer Assisted Training and Platforms to Upskill LSP Teachers (CATAPULT) EU Project Advisory Board Member, 2019-2021
- IV ISLSP/CIBER Business Language Conference Organizer. February 2018. Gainesville, FL.
- Florida Foreign Language Association. President and Conference Organizer. St. Petersburg, FL. October 2017
- ACTFL Nominating Committee Member. 2017

- *Hispania*. Reviewer. 2020, 2019, 2015, 2013
- *Colombian Applied Linguistics Journal*. Reviewer. 2014
- *Bordón. Revista de Pedagogía*. Reviewer. 2014
- National Business Education Association (NBEA). *Member*, 2011-2017
- International Business Education Society (ISBE). *Board Member*, 2013-2017
- Journal of Languages for Specific Purposes (JLSP). *Editorial Board*, 2015-
- Network of Business Language Educators. *Director and Founder*, 2009-present
- Portuguese Language Journal. *Founder/Editor*, 2006-2010. *Coordinator*, 2010-2016
- Florida Teacher Certification Exam Development Team (Spanish). 2003-2004
- FIPSE-Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education. *Peer Grant Reviewer*. 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2009
- Florida Teacher Certification Exam. *Spanish scorer*, 2002-2008
- CELPE-BRAS Brazilian Portuguese Proficiency Exam. *UF Coordinator*. 2006-2016.
- Florida World Languages in Colleges and Universities. (*Vice-President* 2012-2017. *President*, 2005-2009
- Florida Foreign Language Association. (FFLA) *Current member*. *Board Member*, 2005-2009. *Past president* 2018
- Southern Conference on Language Teaching. (SCOLT) *Careers Project Committee*, 2006-2008
- American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages. (ACTFL) *Member*
- American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. (AATSP) *Current Member and President (2024)*, *former Executive Board Member as Portuguese Representative*.
- Latin American Studies Association. (LASA) *Member*
- National Spanish Exam/National Spanish Honor Society Coordinator. *Spruce Creek High School*. 1996-1998

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Plenary. *Jornadas de Español para Fines Específicos de Viena (JEFE-Vi)*. May 2023
- Guest Webinar. Resources and Opportunities to Prepare Florida Students for the Global Workplace. *Florida Association of Career and Technical Education (FACTE)* March 2023
- Workshop. Portuguese for Careers: Language Learning to Prepare Students for Professional and Personal Success. *FIU LACC, American Organization of Organization of Teachers of Portuguese*. February 2023
- Webinar. Virtual Exchange and ESP. *University of Nis/University of Technology in South Africa*. December 2022
- Building Ties between the Academic Community & Industry/Improving Proficiency and Career Preparation through Virtual Exchange. *US Embassy/University of Nis, Serbia*. September 2022
- LSP Around the Globe. *Interagency Language Roundtable*. (D.C.-Virtual due to COVID). April 2022
- Exploring the Boundaries of Languages for Specific Purposes in a Global Context. *4th International ESP Conference (Virtual due to COVID)*. *Keynote speaker*. *University of Nis, Serbia*. July 2020

- Virtual Exchange Training and Internationalization of the Curriculum Workshops. (Virtual due to COVID). Co-presenter. Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. April 2020
- LSP in the U.S. & Opportunities for Collaboration. Fifth Annual Languages for Specific Purposes in Higher Education (LSPHE) conference. Keynote speaker. Imperial College. London, England. September 2019
- Classroom and Community: Building Linkages. Alabama World Language Association. Keynote speaker. Mobile, AL. February 2018
- International Career Opportunities: Focus on Latin America. Student Group-International Business Society. University of Florida. March 2014
- Professionalizing the Profession and Our Students. Best Practices Workshop at PK Yonge. Gainesville, FL. July 2013
- Are We Preparing Students for the Global Workplace? (Opening Keynote Panel and Concurrent Session). American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP). San Antonio, TX. July 2013
- What Business Wants from Graduates in the 21st Century Workplace-Moderator of Panel of Industry Professionals. National Business Education Association Annual Conference (NBEA). Atlanta, GA. April 2013
- Developing a Spanish for Leadership Course. (Co-presenter) Language for Business Conference at Florida International University. Miami, FL. January 2013
- O futuro do ensino de português para negócios. Focus Brazil. Ft. Lauderdale, FL, May 2012
- Florida/Brazil - Strengthening Ties between the Academic and Business Communities. Daytona State College. Daytona Beach, FL. March 2012
- Using Realia to Teach a Second Language for Business. Annual Language for Business Conference at Florida International University. Miami, FL 2012
- Lessons Learned from U.S.-Brazil Exchange Experience. FIPSE/CAPES Annual Meeting. Florianópolis, Brazil. October 2004
- Doing Business in Latin America. Santa Fe Community College/Gainesville Chamber of Commerce. Gainesville, FL. September 2004
- International Business Connections Roundtable. Michigan State University. East Lansing, MI. May 2003
- O Ensino do Português para Norte-americanos. Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. May 2003
- Best Practices for Exchange Program Management. FIPSE/CAPES Annual Meeting. Brasília, Brazil. October 2002
- International Career Opportunities: Focus on Latin America. International Business Society. University of Florida. March 2014
- Professionalizing the Profession and Our Students. Best Practices Workshop at PK Yonge. Gainesville, FL. July 2013
- Are We Preparing Students for the Global Workplace? Opening Keynote Panel. American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP). San Antonio, TX. July 2013

- What Business Wants from Graduates in the 21st Century Workplace Panel. National Business Education Association Annual Conference (NBEA). Atlanta, GA. April 2013
- Developing a Spanish for Leadership Course. (Co-presenter) Language for Business Conference at Florida International University. Miami, FL. January 2013
- O futuro do ensino de português para negócios. Focus Brazil. Ft. Lauderdale, FL, May 2012
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- O Ensino do Português para Norte-americanos. Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. May 2003
- Best Practices for Exchange Program Management. FIPSE/CAPES Annual Meeting. Brasilia, Brazil. October 2002

SAMPLE PRESENTATIONS (BY TOPIC)

LANGUAGES FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES (LSP)

- Integrating Languages for Specific Purposes across the Curriculum". American Association of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP). Salamanca, Spain. July 2023
- Insights into Retaining Beginner Level Spanish Students: Preliminary Findings. Preliminary Findings. VI International Symposium of Languages for Specific Purposes/CIBER Business Language Conference. University of Chicago. April 2022
- Explorando innovaciones en EFE para fines profesionales en los Estados Unidos. Segundo Encuentro Latinoamericano de Español para Fines Específicos (EFE). Virtual desde Chile. December 2021
- Exploring Synergies Between LSP Initiatives Around the Globe. Asociación Europea de Lenguas para Fines Específicos (AELFE). University of Vilanova-Spain /Virtual-Due to COVID. July 2021
- Adapting Business Portuguese/Spanish to Secondary Curriculum. Florida International University (FIU) Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER). Webinar. March 2021
- K-12 Languages to Careers: Three Models. Panel Moderator. Webinar sponsored by ALC Bridge. November 2020

- Bridging the Gap Between the Language Service Industry and Academia: Connecting Students to Employers. V International Symposium of Languages for Specific Purposes/CIBER Business Language Conference. UNC Charlotte. March 2020
- Preparing Students for the Global Workplace. Florida Association of Career and Technical Education (FACTE). Co-presenter with CTE Marketing Teacher. Orlando, FL. July 2019
- Trends in LSP: Contemplating future directions in the United States and Europe. AATSP Annual conference. Salamanca, Spain. July 2018
- NOBLE Graduate Student Group: Interdisciplinary Collaborations. A Sampling of LSP Initiatives (Co-presenter). American Association of Teachers of Spanish & Portuguese annual conference. Denver, CO. July 2015
- Perspectivas sobre la formación de futuros profesores de fines específicos en español en los EEUU. Grupo de Estudio e Investigación en Español de Especialidad (GERES). Annual conference. Paris, France. June 2015
- Career-Readiness in the Language Classroom: Languages for Specific Purposes. Florida Foreign Language Association Annual (FFLA) conference. St. Augustine, FL. October 2015.
- Empowering Educators and Increasing Impact Through Professional Learning Networks. USDOE IFLE Title VI Project Directors' Meeting. Washington, D.C. March 2015
- Making Language and Culture Relevant for the Global Workplace. Conference at Daytona State College. Daytona Beach, FL. February 2015
- Making the Connection Between Language Study and the Professions (With virtual guest). Partnership for Global Learning Annual Conference. Brooklyn, NY. June 2014
- Meeting Industry Needs through Innovation at K-12 Schools. Panel Organizer & Moderator. II Symposium on Languages for Specific Purposes. Boulder, Colorado. April 2014
- Empowering Educators and Advancing LSP Through Professional Learning Networks (PLN): One Model . Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) annual conference.
- Developing a "Spanish for Leadership Course". (Co-presenter) Florida Foreign Language Association Annual (FFLA) Conference. St. Augustine, FL. October 2012.
- Language Learning for the Professions: An Overview of K-12 Initiatives. Results 2012- Language Flagship. New York, NY. October 2012
- Advancing the Field of Business Language through Advocacy and Outreach. 1st Language for Specific Purposes Symposium. Birmingham, AL. April 2012.
- Working Group Session: Building a Spanish for Leadership program. Florida Foreign Language Association Annual (FFLA)Conference. Cocoa Beach, FL. October 2011.
- Moderator for K-12 Business Language Panel. Annual Language for Business Conference at Florida International University. Miami, FL. January 2011.
- Promoting the Value of Foreign Language for Career Opportunities. (Co-presenter). Florida Foreign Language Association (FFLA). October 2009.
- Business Portuguese -Making Connections. Annual Language for Business Conference at Florida International University. Miami, FL. October 2008.

- Integrating Business Language into the K-12 Classroom. CIBER Annual Business Language Conference. Atlanta, GA. April 2006.
- Developing a Language Course for the Professions. Florida Foreign Language Association (FFLA) Annual Conference. St. Augustine, FL. October 2005.
- Bringing the Business World into the Language Classroom Using Case Studies. CIBER Business Language Annual Conference. Park City, UT. April 2005.
- Foreign Language for Specific Purposes and Articulation Between Secondary Schools and Universities. Florida Foreign Language Annual (FFLA) Conference. St. Petersburg, FL. October 2003.

PORTUGUESE

- Adapting Business Portuguese/Spanish to Secondary Curriculum. FIU CIBER. Webinar. March 2021
- Increasing Portuguese in the U.S. Panelist. AATSP Annual Conference. Chicago, IL. July 2017
- Advancing Portuguese Initiatives in K-12 Schools presented at the American Association of Teachers of Portuguese (AATSP). Miami, FL. July 2016
- Discovering Brazil in the Spanish Classroom. American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Annual Conference (AATSP). Panama. July 2014
- Bringing Brazil and Portuguese into the U.S. Public Education System. (Panel participant) Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference (LASA). Chicago, IL. May 2014
- (CIBER) Annual Business Language Annual Conference. Park City, UT. April 2014
- Brazil and Portuguese: A Competitive Advantage for Careers. Florida Foreign Language Association Annual Conference. Cocoa Beach, FL. October 2011
- Business Portuguese: Where Do We Go From Here? Center for International Business Education and Research Business Language Conference. St. Petersburg, FL. April 2008
- Why Study Portuguese? Sociedade Internacional de Português como Língua Estrangeira. (SIPLE). São Carlos, Brazil. 2007
- Strategies for Increasing Course Offerings and Enrollment in Business Portuguese . First Symposium on Portuguese for Spanish Speakers: Acquisition and Teaching. Tucson, AZ. March 2003
- The Current Status of Business Portuguese and a Plan for the Future. American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP) Annual Conference. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. August 2002.

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

- Advancing Latin American Studies in the Digital Age. Virtual. Latin American Studies Association (LASA). May 2021
- Campus Internationalization in Collaboration with Latin American Studies Centers. Co-presenter. Florida Consortium of International Educators (FCIE). Virtual. October 2020
- Teaching Latin America: An Interdisciplinary and Multiregional Approach. Panel organizer/presenter. LASA. Lima, Peru. April 2017

- Cultural Aspects of Doing Business in Brazil. Special Workshop: *Infusing Latin American Studies in the Curriculum*. Southern Polytechnic State University. Marietta, GA. October 2013
- Promoting Portuguese and Language Study for Specific Purposes. Moderator for: Expanding K-16 LAC Programming to STEM and Beyond. Latin American Studies Association (LASA). D.C. May 2013
- Integrating Latin American Studies and Technology Across the Curriculum: A Professional Development Model. [National Council for Social Studies \(NCSS\)](#). Denver, CO. November 2010.
- Integrating Latin American Studies into the Spanish Curriculum. (Panel). American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP). D.C. July 2011
- A Blended Professional Development Community- Modeling New Technologies for the 5 C's in Foreign Language Education. (Co-Presenter) European Association for Computer Assisted Language Learning Annual Conference. Bordeaux, France. September 2010
- Integrating Latin American Studies and Technology Through A Blended Professional Development Model. Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference. San Diego, CA. April 2010
- Differentiated Center-Based Learning Using Realia and the Traveling Suitcase. (Co-presenter). American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Annual Conference. San Diego, CA. November 2009
- Center-based Learning Using Realia and the Traveling Suitcase. (Co-presenter). American Association of the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)/Florida Foreign Language Association (FFLA). Orlando, FL. November 2008
- Fulbright Hays Project: Integrating Technology and Authentic Materials in the Classroom. (Co-presenter). Southeast Association on Language Learning Technology/Southeast Conference on Language Teaching (SEALLT/SCOLT). Atlanta, GA. March 2009
- Latin American Studies and the Integration of Online Learning. Part of Outreach Panel. Latin American Studies Association (LASA). Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2009
- Interdisciplinary Graduate Training in Latin American Business. Part of UF panel on "Innovative Approaches on Graduate Training". Title VI 50th Anniversary Conference. Washington, D.C. March 2009
- Take Latin America and the Caribbean into Your Classroom! (Co-presenter). Florida Council for the Social Studies (FCSS). Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, September 2009.
- Latin American Studies in the K-12 Curriculum Panel. Southeastern Conference on Latin American Studies (SECOLAS). Tampa, FL. April 2008
- Developing Programs to Promote the Study of Portuguese. Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) International Conference. New Orleans, LA. March 2008
- Promoting Internationalization and Career Development through Latin American Studies. Southeastern Conference on Latin American Studies (SECOLAS). San Jose, Costa Rica. April 2007

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EDUCATION

- Exploring Opportunities to Enhance CTE with Global Perspectives. Florida Career Pathway Network (FCPN). Jensen Beach, FL. January 2024
- Co-presented with High School Teachers. Acquiring 21st Century Skills for the Workplace through Virtual Projects with Global Partners. Florida Career Pathway Network (FCPN). Jensen Beach, FL. January 2023
- Co-presented with high school teacher and MSI faculty member. Integrating Global Competence in CTE: Connecting Students Across Borders. Florida Association of Career & Technical Education (FACTE) July 2022
- Preparing Students for the Global Workplace. Florida Association of Career and Technical Education (FACTE). Co-presenter with CTE Marketing Teacher. Orlando, FL. July 2019
- Developing Global Business Communication Skills through the Use of Case Studies. National Business Education Association Annual Conference (NBEA). Los Angeles, CA. April 2014
- Creating a Globally Connected Classroom. (Co-presenter). National Business Education Association Annual Conference (NBEA). Atlanta, GA. April 2013
- Blended Learning: One Approach to Prepare Students For The Global Workplace. Frontiers of Distance Learning in Business Education Conference. Fordham University-Virtual presentation. June 2012
- Internationalizing the Business Curriculum through the Study of Retailing in Emerging Markets. Global Advances in Business Communication Conference. E. Lansing, MI June 2012
- Florida: The Gateway to Latin America. Southern Business Education Association Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. October 2011
- What Business Wants from Graduates... Southern Business Education Association Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. October 2011
- Global Perspectives in the Business Curriculum: A 21st Century Priority. (Co-presenter) National Business Education Association Annual Conference (NBEA). New Orleans, LA. April 2011
- Special Interest Session: International Business Education. Florida Business and Technology Education Association Annual Conference. Cocoa Beach, FL. October 2010

GLOBAL EDUCATION/VIRTUAL EXCHANGE/DIGITAL LITERACY

- Globalizing Primary and Secondary (K-12) Curriculum through Virtual Exchange with In-Service Educators. VALIANT Virtual Exchange Conference. Leon, Spain. February 2024
- Enhancing Student Global Leadership Potential through Virtual Exchange". 3rd International Conference of the Slovene Association of LSP Teachers. Rimske Terme, Slovenia. May 2023

- Explore the World from Home - LinguaMeeting "Experiencias. Annual Conference of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). Virtual. November 2021
- Globalizing an Online Graduate Business Education Course. (Co-presenter). Florida Consortium of International Education (FCIE). Gainesville, FL. October 2021
- Implementing Telecollaboration in a Research 1 University in the U.S.: A Case Study. III International Conference on Telecollaboration in Higher Education. Krakow, Poland. April 2018
- Global Education and Telecollaboration in the Pre-Service Teacher Classroom. (Co-presenter). New Directions in Telecollaborative Research and Practice Conference. Dublin, Ireland. April 2016
- Integrating Globally Networked Learning Environments in the Pre-Service Teacher Classroom and Beyond at the Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) conference. "COILing Across a Decade: Reflections and New Directions". Co-presented with UF COE faculty member and doctoral student. New York. April 2016
- From Course to Classroom: Pre-service Teachers' Understandings and Implementation of Global Education Lessons. Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education (SITE) Conference. Savannah, GA. March 2016
- Global Connections in a Pre-Service Teacher Education Course (Co-presenter). Annual Online Global Education Conference. November 2015
- Connecting Multiple Campuses Around the Globe: Graduate Student Perspectives. Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) Conference. New York, April 2013
- Preparing Students for the 21st Century Global Workplace: A Critical Need. Online Global Education Conference. November 2010
- Design and Development of a Community of Practice of Business and Foreign Language Faculty. E-Learn Conference-Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education. Vancouver, Canada. October 2009
- Get Your Students Talking! Connecting World Languages and Web 2.0. (Co-presenter). Future Educator Technology Conference. Orlando, FL. January 2009
- Materials, Training and Funding Sources for Business Language Courses and Activities/ Outreach World: Free Classroom Resources and Materials/ Center-Based Learning with Realia and Traveling Suitcases (Co-presenter). Florida Foreign Language Association (FFLA). Sarasota, FL. October 2006
- Emphasizing Global Competence Early in Student Degree Programs. CIBER Annual Conference. Columbus, OH. March 2007
- New Technologies and New Horizons in Foreign Language. Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) International Conference. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. June 2004
- Building Partnerships between the Business and Academic Communities. CIBER Annual Conference. Miami, FL. April 2003

SAMPLE WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMS DELIVERED

- Global Business Summit. Event with FIU CIBER for state college and K-12 educators (2022, 2023).
- Spanish for Careers in the U.S. Context. (Co-presenter) Pre-conference Full-Day Workshop with visit to Latino marketing firm. American Association of Teachers of Spanish & Portuguese annual conference. Denver, CO. July 2015
- Meeting Industry Needs in the Global Workplace. Florida Foreign Language Association (FFLA). (Lead facilitator) Pre-conference Half Day Workshop with industry panelists (2014). (Other pre-conference workshops to Jacksonville Port 2012/Tampa Port (2017) for hands-on professional and career-related site visits)
- Panama: The Crossroads of the Americas. (Co-presenter/Lead organizer) Pre-conference Full Day Workshop with site visits to DELL-Panama and AmCham Panama. American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Annual Conference. Panama. July 2014
- Belize/Costa Rica/Mexico Summer Teacher Institutes. June 2008, 2014-2022
- Discovering Caribbean Diversity: 2-day workshop for faculty across subject areas. Melbourne/Jacksonville, FL. 2010
- Preparing Students for the Global Workplace. (Co-presenter) K-12 Workshop at the 2011 Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) Annual Business Language Conference. Charleston, SC. March 2011
- Webinar Series. Preparing Globally Competent Students for the 21st Century Workplace. 2014-2016

PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Penn Lauder CIBER Summer Institute for Teaching a Second Language for Business Communication. Philadelphia, PA. July 2003
- Workshop for Using Instructional Technology in the Teaching of Business Foreign Languages. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. August 2002
- International Baccalaureate Language Training. Florida-1998, New Mexico-1996
- Train the Trainer Seminar. IMPAC Consulting. Ireland. 1991
- Translation Course. Instituto Norte-americano. Spain. 1988

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Associate Director of Outreach and Business Programs. Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida. Gainesville, FL. 2007-present
- Assistant Director of Latin American Business Program. Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida. Gainesville, FL. 2002-2007
- Adjunct Instructor. *Spanish I and II, Spanish for Medical Professionals*. Daytona State College. Daytona Beach, FL. 1996-1999
- International Baccalaureate Spanish Teacher. *Spanish I, II and III*. Spruce Creek High School. Port Orange, FL. 1995-1999
- Office Manager. Group Long Distance. Orlando, FL. 1992-1993

- Business English Instructor at KAO, Novartis, Banca Catalana. WORD-Servicio Idiomas, Barcelona, Spain. 1987-1990
- Director, Summer English Program. The English Montessori Schools. Spain. 1988-1990
- Management Trainer. IMPAC Consulting, S.A. Spain. 1990-1991

STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCES AS STUDENT

- Pontifícia Universidade Católica-Rio de Janeiro. Brazil. Business in Brazil Summer Program. UF. 2000
- Institut de la Touraine. **France.** Summer Language/Culture. BGSU. 1995
- Universidad de Alcalá De Henares. **Spain.** Graduate Academic Year of Linguistics/Literature. BGSU. 1993-1994
- Université de Toulouse-Le Mirail. **France.** Semester of Language/Culture. Independent program. 1989
- Instituto Hispanoamericano. **Mexico.** Winter-term of Language/Culture. Stetson. 1987
- Universidad Complutense. **Spain.** Year of Language/Literature. Stetson. 1985-1986
- European Business Seminar. **Italy, Germany, Holland, England.** Winter-term of corporate visits and lectures. Stetson. 1983

CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

Volusia County Sister Cities

1998-present. Member. Current Board Member.

1996-1998. President.

- Established Sister City relationship with Bayonne, France.
- Initiated and organized high school exchange program with Campeche, Mexico.
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COMPUTER SKILLS

Adobe Connect, Zoom, Elluminate/Blackboard, Sakai, Moodle, Canvas, Web 2.0 Tools, WordPress

LANGUAGES

Spanish- Advanced proficiency

French-Intermediate proficiency, DELF Certificate

Portuguese-Intermediate advanced proficiency