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Dr. Darrel Allan Wanzer is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Communication Studies at the University of North Texas. His research is focused on the relationships between race, discourse, and democracy in public culture, primarily in the United States. He teaches courses in rhetoric, cultural studies, critical theories of race/ethnicity, and critical citizenship. He has a particular interest—for teaching and research—in Latina/o studies, radical democracy, and the coloniality of power/knowledge/being. (All publications and presentations from February 2012 and earlier are under the name Darrel Enck-Wanzer.)

EDUCATION

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Ph.D., Communication and Culture, 2007

Dissertation: “The Intersectional Rhetoric of the Young Lords: Social Movement, Ideographs, Demand, and the Radical Democratic Imaginary”

(Director: John Louis Lucaites)

Minor: Political Theory

M.A., Communication and Culture, 2001

University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

B.A., Communication, 1999

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Communication Studies, August 2009 – present

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Latina/Latino Studies Program, 2008 – 2009

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Speech Communication, 2007 – 2008

Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL

Instructor, Dept. of Communication Studies, 2005 – 2007

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Associate Instructor, Dept. of Communication and Culture, 1999 – 2005

Associate Instructor, Latino Studies Program, 2003

RESEARCH

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Latino/a Studies, Race/Ethnicity, Coloniality, Radical/Protest/Social Movement Rhetoric, Critical Rhetorical Theory, Democratic Theory and Practice, Cultural Studies

BOOKS

The Young Lords: A Reader, editor. New York: New York University Press, 2010.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Decolonizing Imaginaries: Rethinking ‘the People’ in the Young Lords’ Church Offensive.” *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 98, no. 1 (2012): 1-23, in press. doi:10.1080/00335630.2011.638656. [LEAD ARTICLE]

“Tropicalizing East Harlem: Rhetorical Agency, Cultural Citizenship, and Puerto Rican Cultural Production.” *Communication Theory* 21, no. 4 (2011): 344-67. doi:10.1111/j.1468-2885.2011.01390.x.

“Race, Coloniality, and Geo-Body Politics: *The Garden* as Latin@ Vernacular Discourse.” *Environmental Communication: A Journal of Nature and Culture* 5, no. 3 (2011): 363-71. doi:10.1080/17524032.2011.593535.

“Barack Obama, the Tea Party, and the Threat of Race: On Racial Neoliberalism and Born Again Racism.” *Communication, Culture & Critique* 4, no. 1 (2011): 23-30. doi:10.1111/j.1753-9137.2010.01090.x.

“A Radical Democratic Style? Tradition, Hybridity, and Intersectionality.” *Rhetoric & Public Affairs* 11, no. 3 (2008): 459-465. doi:10.1353/rap.0.0055.

“Trashing the System: Social Movement, Intersectional Rhetoric, and Collective Agency in the Young Lords Organization’s Garbage Offensive.” *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 92, no. 2 (2006): 174-201. doi:10.1080/00335630600816920.

Reprint: Charles E. Morris, III, and Stephen Howard Browne, Eds., *Readings in the Rhetoric of Social Protest*, 3rd ed. State College, PA: Strata Publishing, forthcoming (2013).

BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS

“Gender Politics, Democratic Demand and Anti-Essentialism in the New York Young Lords.” In *Latina/o Discourse in Vernacular Spaces: Somos de Una Voz?*, edited by Michelle A. Holling and Bernadette Marie Calafell, 59-80. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2011.

INVITED ESSAYS & ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

“Iris Morales.” In *The Encyclopedia of Latino/a Politics, Law, and Social Movements*, edited by Suzanne Oboler and Deena González. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2012.

“Juan González.” In *The Encyclopedia of Latino/a Politics, Law, and Social Movements*, edited by Suzanne Oboler and Deena González. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2012.

“Crafting the People’s Revolution in El Barrio: The Young Lords’ People’s Church.” (Exhibition catalogue essay.) *Radicals in Black and Brown: ¡Palante! People’s Power and Common Cause in the Black Panthers and the Young Lords Organization*, 2007.

PUBLIC/CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP

“Radicals in Black and Brown: ¡Palante! People’s Power and Common Cause in the Black Panthers and the Young Lords Organization.” Exhibit in the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Acted as lead advisor for this archival project, a role that included researching and writing materials and co-hosting a symposium at the exhibit opening. Co-directed by Joseph Jordan (UNC), Johanna Fernandez (Carnegie-Mellon), and Charles Jones (Georgia State). January 27 – March 4, 2007. Exhibit has travelled to Champaign-Urbana, IL (April 2008) and Chicago, IL (September 2008).

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Stephen John Hartnett, *Incarceration Nation: Investigative Prison Poems of Hope and Terror*. *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 91, no. 2 (2005): 220-22. doi:10.1080/00335630500328448.

UNDER REVIEW & WORKS-IN-PROGRESS (selected)

Delinking Rhetorics: The New York Young Lords and the Struggle for Liberation. Book manuscript under preparation; expected submission to university presses in summer 2012.

“Local Knowledge, Coloniality, Environmental Justice, and Spatial Transformation: East Harlem and Vieques, 1969-2009.” Article manuscript under preparation with Robert Figueroa.

“Homogeneity and Heterogeneity in Rhetorical Studies: Revisiting McGee’s Fragmentation Thesis Through the Colonial Difference.” Article manuscript under preparation for a special forum in *Rhetoric and Public Affairs*, to be edited by Mary E. Stuckey.

“Delinking Rhetoric: Theorizing (Latin@) Vernacular Discourse Through the Colonial Difference.” Article manuscript under preparation.

“¡Yo Soy Boricua, Pa’Que Tu Lo Sepas! (I’m Boricua, Just So You Know): Racial Neoliberalism and the Public Controversy Surrounding Sonia Sotomayor.” Article manuscript under preparation.

AWARDS & GRANTS

Researcher of the Year—Department of Communication Studies, University of North Texas; Denton, Texas, April 2011

Junior Faculty Summer Research Fellowship (\$5000)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. For book project, *Delinking Rhetorics: The New York Young Lords and the Struggle for Liberation*, for summer 2011.

Research Initiation Grant (\$7500)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. For book project, *Delinking Rhetorics: The New York Young Lords and the Struggle for Liberation*, for 2011.

College of Arts and Sciences Supplemental Travel Award (\$885)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. November 2010.

Junior Faculty Summer Research Fellowship (\$5000)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. For project on “Tactics of Puerto Rican Cultural Production in East Harlem,” for summer 2010.

Top Paper in American Studies Division—95th Annual National Communication Association Convention; Chicago, Illinois, November 2009.

College of Arts and Sciences Supplemental Travel Award (\$810)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. November 2009.

Wells Fargo Award (\$5,000)—University of North Texas; Denton, TX. For summer workshop on “Critical Latina/o Communication Studies,” for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Awards and Grants at Previous Institutions

- Top Paper in Latina/o Communication Studies Division—94th Annual National Communication Association Convention; San Diego, California. November 2008.
- UIUC Latina/Latino Studies Program Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$42,000)—University of Illinois; Champaign, Illinois. Offered February 2008 for the 2008-2009 academic year.
- Willson Center Research Fellowship (2-course release)—University of Georgia; Athens, GA. Offered February 2008 for the 2008-2009 academic year. *Award declined.*
- UIUC Latina/Latino Studies Program Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$42,000)—University of Illinois; Champaign, Illinois. Offered February 2007 for the 2007-2008 academic year. *Award declined.*
- Faculty Development Support Grant (\$400 ea.)—Eastern Illinois University; Charleston, Illinois. October 2005 and October 2006.
- College of Arts and Sciences Travel Grant (\$300)—Indiana University; Bloomington, Indiana. October 2006.
- College of Arts and Sciences Grant-in-Aid of Research (\$800)—Indiana University; Bloomington, Indiana. December 2004.
- Robert Gunderson Award in Public Culture (\$300)—Indiana University, Department of Communication and Culture; Bloomington, Indiana. April 2004.
- Graduate and Professional Student Organization Research Award (\$500)—Indiana University; Bloomington, Indiana. Spring 2004.

- Travel Grants Department of Communication and Culture (\$150-\$300)—Indiana University; Bloomington, Indiana. Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Spring 2003, and Fall 2004.

INVITED & PROFESSIONAL TALKS

“Delinking Rhetoric: Theorizing Vernacular (Counter)Public Discourse Through the Colonial Difference”; lead scholar & presenter; National Communication Association Pre-Conference on “Voicing Connections, Contradictions, and Possibilities in Social Movement and Counterpublic Theories,” New Orleans, Louisiana. November 16, 2011.

“Perfecting ‘Gangsta Barbie’: Whiteness, Passing, and the Ideal Neoliberal Subject in Weeds”; invited presentation; Mediacentar Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. August 5, 2010.

“‘Before People Called Me a Spic, They Called Me a Nigger’: The New York Young Lords and Racial Formation.” 40th Anniversary of the Young Lords Party; invited paper for symposium; Hunter College (CUNY), Center for Puerto Rican Studies. December 2, 2009.

“‘We Refused to Cave In’: Remembering and Forgetting Women in the New York Young Lords”; colloquium; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Latina/Latino Studies Program. September 29, 2008.

Co-moderator, Roundtable on Young Lords and Black Panthers; Rupture, Repression, & Uprising: Raced and Gendered Violence Along the Color Line; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. April 4, 2008.

“El Grito de Lares: Puerto Rican Independence on the Island and in the U.S.”; public lecture for Latino Heritage Month; Eastern Illinois University, Department of Communication Studies. September 23, 2006.

“Imag(ining) the People’s Revolution in *El Barrio*: Fighting Poverty with the Young Lords at the ‘People’s Church’”; public lecture for Communication Day 2006; Eastern Illinois University, Department of Communication Studies. February 22, 2006.

“El Grito de Lares: Puerto Rican Struggles Against Colonialism”; public lecture for Latino Heritage Month; Eastern Illinois University, Department of Communication Studies. September 23, 2005.

“‘One Struggle, Many Fronts’: Latino Movements”; invited lecture open to the public and part of the Martin Luther King celebrations; Indiana University, Latino Cultural Center (La Casa). January 18, 2005. Portions have been broadcast on WFIU, an NPR-affiliated public radio station (Bloomington, IN).

“‘The Vote or the Gun’: Democratic Pedagogy and the New York Young Lords”; lecture for a mixed undergraduate and graduate student course in Latinos and education taught by Dr. John Nieto-Phillips; Indiana University, Latino Studies Program. November 8, 2004.

"Trashing the System: Social Movement and Guerrilla Rhetoric in/and the Young Lords Organization's Garbage Offensive"; lecture for Robert Gunderson Award in Public Culture; Indiana University, Department of Communication and Culture. September 17, 2004.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Homogeneity and Heterogeneity in Rhetorical Studies: Revisiting McGee's Fragmentation Thesis Through the Colonial Difference." 82nd Annual Southern States Communication Association Convention (Rhetoric and Public Address), San Antonio, Texas. Forthcoming, April 2012.

"Delinking Democracy: The Young Lords, Decoloniality, and Radical Democratic Voice." 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention (American Studies Division), New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2011.

"(Radical) Democracy in the Age of (Racial) Neoliberalism? The Case of the Tea Party." 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Rhetorical & Communication Theory Division), New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2011.

"Perfecting 'Gangsta Barbie': Whiteness, Passing, and the Ideal Neoliberal Subject in Weeds." 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Mass Communication Division), New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2011. With Rachelle Avery.

"Claiming Voice, Publishing in Latin@ Communication Studies." 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention (La Raza Caucus), New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2011. Panelist, Chair, and Organizer.

"Responding to the Call of Vernacular Discourse: Latina/o Discourse in Vernacular Spaces: Somos De Una Voz [Are We of One Voice]?" 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention (La Raza Caucus), New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2011. Panelist/Respondent.

"Revolutionary Nationalism as Radical Democracy: The Case of the New York Young Lords." Critical Ethnic Studies and the Future of Genocide (A Major Conference), University of California at Riverside, Riverside, California. March 2011.

"¡Yo Soy Boricua, Pa'Que Tu Lo Sepas! Or, Racial Neoliberalism and the Public Controversy Surrounding Sonja Sotomayor." 96th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Latina/o Communication Studies Division), San Francisco, California. November 2010.

"Food Films: Documentary & Deliberation." 96th Annual National Communication Association Convention (NCA Forum), San Francisco, California. November 2010. Panelist for Spotlight Double-Session.

"Rethinking Coloniality and Racial Formation with the New York Young Lords." University of Puget Sound Race & Pedagogy National Conference, Tacoma, Washington. October 2010.

“Argument as Praxis: Examining Methods of Critical Race Pedagogy in Policy Debate.” University of Puget Sound Race & Pedagogy National Conference, Tacoma, Washington. October 2010. Chair.

“A More Perfect Racial Project? Barack Obama and the (Neoliberal) Politics of Race in the United States.” 95th Annual National Communication Association Convention (American Studies Division), Chicago, Illinois. November 2009. Presenter. Top Paper.

“Latina/o Vernacular Rhetorics: Theoretical Possibilities and Future Directions.” 95th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Latina/o Communication Studies Division), Chicago, Illinois. November 2009. Presenter.

“Discourses of Stability and Change: The Past, Present, and Future of the La Raza Caucus.” 95th Annual National Communication Association Convention (La Raza Caucus), Chicago, Illinois. November 2009. Presenter and session organizer.

“Tactics of Puerto Rican Cultural Production in East Harlem: Murals, Flags, Casitas, and Gardens.” American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. November 2009.

“The Young Lords, the Radical Democratic Imaginary, and Intersectional Rhetorics.” 94th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Latina/o Communication Studies Division), San Diego, California. November 2008. Top Paper.

“The Paradox of Race and Democracy.” 13th Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, Seattle, Washington. May 2008

“Crafting <the People’s> <Revolution>: The Young Lords’ People’s Church and Intersectional Ideographs.” 93rd Annual National Communication Association Convention (La Raza Caucus), Chicago, Illinois. November 2007.

“Latina/o Critical/Cultural Studies in Communication.” Preconvention Seminar at the 92nd Annual National Communication Association Convention (Seminar Division), San Antonio, Texas. Seminar organizer (with Nathaniel Córdoba). November 2006.

“Turning Political: The Rhetoric of Demand and Conversion Narratives of the YLP and ALKQN” (with Nathaniel Córdoba). 92nd Annual National Communication Association Convention (Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division), San Antonio, Texas. November 2006.

“The New York Young Lords and Radical Democratic Imaginaries.” Presentation at the 1st Indiana University/University of Illinois Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies Graduate Colloquium, Urbana, IL. January 14-15, 2006.

“‘We Refused to Cave In’: Feminism and Collective Memory in the New York Young Lords.” Presentation at the 91st Annual National Communication Association Convention (American Studies Division), Boston, Massachusetts. November 2005.

“Social Movement, Intersectional Rhetoric, and the New York Young Lords.” Presentation at the 91st Annual National Communication Association Convention (Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division), Boston, Massachusetts. November 2005.

“Feminism in the New York Young Lords.” Presentation at the Indiana University Latino Graduate Student Association Research Symposium, Bloomington, Indiana. February 26, 2005

“‘I’m Not Gay, But Maybe I Should Be’: Gender Trouble and the Revisioning of Puerto Rican Identity in the New York Young Lords.” Presentation at Western States Communication Association Convention (Rhetoric and Public Address Interest Group), San Francisco, California. February 2005. Panel Organizer.

“Trashing the System: Social Movement and Guerrilla Rhetoric in/and the Young Lords Organization’s Garbage Offensive.” Presentation at 90th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Critical and Cultural Studies Division), Chicago, Illinois. November 2004. Panel Organizer.

“The Abject Antilles: Power and its Opposite in the New York Young Lords.” Presentation at 90th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division), Chicago, Illinois. November 2004.

“The Sublime Object of Democracy: Hanging Chads, the Will of the People, and the Rule of Law in Election 2000.” Presentation at 89th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Critical and Cultural Studies Division), Miami Beach, Florida. November 2003.

“In Order to Form a Less Perfect Union: (Re)Forming “Union” Discourse Post-9/11.” Presentation at 89th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Public Address Division), Miami Beach, Florida. November 2003.

“Doxastic Critique: An Isocratean Alternative to Silence in the Study of Contemporary Oratory.” Presentation at 89th Annual National Communication Association Convention (American Society for the History of Rhetoric Division), Miami Beach, Florida. November 2003.

“Isocrates and the Anti-Telos of Rhetoric: Rethinking Judgment without *Krisis*.” Presentation at 18th Penn State Conference on Rhetoric and Composition, University Park, Pennsylvania. July 2003.

“Watch Out! That Fisherman Has the ‘Cuban Boy’! Or, Visual Rhetorics and the Inadequacy of the Liberal Democratic ‘Public Sphere.’” Presentation at 87th Annual National Communication Association Convention (Visual Communication Division), Atlanta, Georgia. November 2001.

“The Interaction Between the Enactment of Being ‘Presidential’ and the Enactments of Foreign Danger: Implications for a Democratic (Political) Culture.” Presentation at Conference on Rhetoric and Constitution, Montreal, Quebec. September 2000.

“Use of Reasoning in Policy Debate: Case Studies.” Presentation at Western States Communication Association Convention, Vancouver, British Columbia. With Glenn Kuper. February 1999.

RESEARCH SEMINAR PARTICIPATION

Summer Workshop on Critical Latina/o Communication Studies. University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, 2010.

Latina/o Critical/Cultural Studies in Communication. Preconvention Seminar at the National Communication Association Convention, San Antonio, Texas, 2006.

Seminar on Dissenting Rhetorics. Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, 2004.

Seminar on the Socio-Imaging of Politics. Visual Rhetorics Conference, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, 2001.

PEDAGOGY

TEACHING

University of North Texas

Assistant Professor, Fall 2009 – present

Graduate Seminars

- Social Movements, FA2011
- Critical Race Studies, SP2011
- Rhetorical Methods, FA2010
- Race & Public Culture, SP2010

Undergraduate Courses

- Rhetoric, Culture, & Ideology, FA2009, SP2010, FA2010, SP2011, FA2011
- Rhetorical Criticism, SU2010
- Communication, Diversity, & Critical Citizenship, FA 2009

University of Illinois

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Fall 2008 – Summer 2009

Undergraduate Courses

- Latin@ Social Movement Rhetorics, SP2009

University of Georgia

Assistant Professor, Fall 2007 – Summer 2008

Graduate Seminars

- Rhetorics of Race and Nation, SP2008

Undergraduate Courses

- Latin@ Social Movement Rhetorics, SU2008

- Race, Rhetoric, & Radical Democracy, FA2007, SP2008

Eastern Illinois University

Instructor, Fall 2005 – Spring 2007

Undergraduate Courses

- Persuasion, FA2006, SP2007
- Argumentation & Critical Thinking, FA2005, SP2006, FA2006, SP2007
- Honors Introduction to Communication Studies, FA2005, SP2006
- Introduction to Communication Studies, SP2007

Indiana University

Associate Instructor, Fall 1999 – Summer 2005

Undergraduate Courses

- Race, Rhetoric, & Radical Democracy, SU2005
- Introduction to Latin@ Studies, FA2003
- Persuasion, FA2002, SU2003, SU2004
- Introduction to Communication & Culture, FA2001, SP2002, SU2002, SP2003
- Interpersonal Communication, FA2000, SP2001, SU2001, SP2004
- Public Speaking, FA1999, SP2000, FA2004, SP2005

GRADUATE ADVISING & MENTORING

Doctoral Committees

Chris Groscurth, Speech Communication, Univ. of Georgia, 2008

Masters Advising

Rachelle Avery, Univ. of North Texas, 2011

Project: “Racial Collision and the Deepening of Racial Division: Whiteness and Neoliberalism in *Crash*” (Awarded *Top Paper* Honors in the Critical & Cultural Studies Division at the 97th Annual National Communication Association Convention)

Lauren Sabino, Univ. of North Texas, 2011 (co-advised with Suzanne Enck-Wanzer):

Thesis: “Booty Calls, Rage, and Racialized/Sexualized Subjects: TMZ’s Coverage of Rihanna and Chris Brown”

Tiffany Jones, Univ. of North Texas, 2010

In Progress (with expected completion)

Gazi Aayad, Univ. of North Texas, 2012

Brett Farmer, Univ. of North Texas, 2012

Alyssa Lucas-Bolin, Univ. of North Texas, 2013

Samantha Duque, Univ. of North Texas, 2013

Sam Gist, Univ. of North Texas, 2013

Monica Strauss, Univ. of North Texas, 2013

Masters Committees

Shaun Chapa, Anthropology, Univ. of North Texas, in progress

Jason Jordan, Communication Studies, Univ. of North Texas, in progress

Beth Kaszynski, Communication Studies, Univ. of North Texas, in progress

Graduate Independent Studies

The Archive: Theories and Issues in Critical Rhetorical Studies (SU2011, 2 students)

Practicum on Archives (SU2011, 1 student)

Neoliberal Whiteness (SU2010, 1 student)

SERVICE TO...

THE PROFESSION

Editorial Boards

- Communication Theory, Editor at Large, 2008-present
- Western Journal of Communication, 2012

Ad-Hoc Journal Manuscript and Book Reviewer

- University of Alabama Press; Rhetoric, Culture, and Social Critique Series, 2012
- Latino Studies, 2011
- Environmental Communication: A Journal of Nature and Culture, 2011
- Western Journal of Communication, 2010, 2011
- Communication Quarterly, 2010 (x2)
- Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies, 2010
- Quarterly Journal of Speech, 2008, 2009
- Critical Studies in Media Communication, 2008 (x2)
- Text and Performance Quarterly, 2007

Professional Organization Committee/Division Leadership

- **Vice-Chair-Elect** for the Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division of the National Communication Association, 2011-present.
- **Member** on the Nominating Committee of the National Communication Association, 2010-2011.
- **Member** on the Legislative Assembly of the National Communication Association, 2007-2010.
- **Member** on the Affirmative Action Committee of the National Communication Association, 2010.
- **Past-Chair** for the La Raza Caucus and Latina/o Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association, 2009-2010.
- **Chair** for the La Raza Caucus and Latina/o Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association. 2008-2009.
- **Vice Chair** for the La Raza Caucus and Latina/o Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association, 2007-2008.
- **Vice-Chair-Elect** for the La Raza Caucus and Latina/o Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association, 2005-2007.
- **Secretary** for the La Raza Caucus and Latina/o Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association, 2004-2005.

Convention Paper Reviewer

- New Voices, New Perspectives Student Conference, 2012
- ICA Ethnicity and Race in Communication, 2011
- NCA La Raza Caucus & Latina/o Communication Studies Division, 2005-2011

- NCA Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division, 2009-2011
- NCA Critical/Cultural Studies Division, 2010-11
- NCA American Studies Division, 2010
- NCA GLBTQ Division, 2009
- NCA Great Ideas for Teaching Speech, 2004
- NCA Student Division, 2003

Workshop Organizer and Host

UNT Summer Workshop on Critical Latina/o Communication Studies, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, Summer 2010.

Latina/o Critical/Cultural Studies in Communication. Preconvention Seminar at the National Communication Association Convention, San Antonio, Texas, 2006. Co-organized with Nathaniel Córdova (Willamette University).

THE UNIVERSITY

Member of Director of Research Development Search Committee, University of North Texas, 2011-present.

Member of Faculty Council, College of Arts & Sciences, University of North Texas, 2010-present.

Member of UNeTe: Latina/o Faculty & Staff Alliance, University of North Texas, 2010-present.

Mentor for Emerald Eagle Scholars Program, University of North Texas, 2010-present.

THE DEPARTMENT

Member of Research Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2011-present.

Adviser of Communication Organization of Graduate Students (COGS), Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2011-present.

Vice-Chair of Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2010-present.

Chair of Executive Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2010-2011.

Member of Ad-Hoc Ph.D. Study Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2010-2011.

Member of Development Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2009-2010.

Member of Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2009-2010.

THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer for Dallas Urban Debate Alliance, Dallas, TX, 2011-present.

Volunteer for Resolana Westside Music Festival, Dallas, TX, 2010, 2011.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Communication Association
International Communication Association
Puerto Rican Studies Association
American Studies Association