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EDUCATION

2011 **Ph.D.** University of California, Berkeley
2005 **M.A.** Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley
2004 **B.A.** Anthropology, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2024- Interim Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies, University of Central Florida
2023- Professor of Anthropology, University of Central Florida
2017-2023 Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of Central Florida
2011-2017 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, University of Central Florida
2008 Visiting Professor, Maya Linguistics and Culture, Universidad de Oriente
 (Valladolid, Mexico)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Interim Associate Dean (2024-2025)

Oversee a variety of CGS operations including student services (academic progress, medical withdrawal, leaves, graduation), the Graduate Council Appeals Committee, and participate in the Program Review & Awards and Policy Committees.

- Proposed and assisted with changes to Graduate Faculty status processes, moving to make graduate faculty status automatic to tenure/tenure-earning faculty and Lecturers.
- Worked with the CGS leadership to successfully bring a resolution to Faculty Senate to increase minimum GRA stipends
- Proposed changes to Program of Study submission requirements
- Identified, developed, and implemented clean-up processes to correct errors in program GPA calculations
- Proposed and spearheaded changes to candidacy submission process
- Spearheaded important changes to graduate policy, including graduate policy regarding formal course work requirements in Post-Master's track PhD programs, z designations and internal transfer of courses upon readmission.
- Worked with college partners to streamline and standardize Masters Along the Way procedures
- Worked with CGS IT to streamline and improve academic progress processes, improve lines of communication, facilitate trainings for the team, develop training opportunities for "IT liaison" team members, initiated an effort to automate the conferral of certain graduate certificates

- Directed the creation of business processes and training materials for the entire team as well as training resources for new program directors in the form of a Webcourse and a workshop series.

Faculty Excellence Fellow (2023-2024)

Collaborate with colleagues in Faculty Excellence and other academic and administrative offices across campus to create programming to support faculty development. Participate as an active member of the Faculty Excellence team by contributing to team meetings, providing ideas/suggestions on related projects, and leading mentoring communities and other faculty development activities. Conduct review of departmental documents (AESP, Promotion & Tenure, Bylaws).

Notable programming created or led as faculty fellow:

- Tenured/Tenure-earning faculty community
- First Generation Assistant Professor faculty community
- Various professional development workshops (mentoring, faculty wellbeing, CV review, etc)
- Designed an exit survey for departing faculty
- Created instructional content to guide faculty through transition to Interfolio

Graduate Program Director (2017-2023)

Graduate program director for the Anthropology MA (enrollment: approximately 50 students) and Integrative Anthropological Sciences (enrollment: 19 students). Coordinated the implementation of the new PhD in Integrative Anthropological Sciences (2017), including leading program curriculum development, student recruitment, and everyday management of the program; assessment coordinator for Anthropology MA and Integrative Anthropological Sciences PhD; academic advising of MA and PhD students; spearheaded the creation of new PhD program policies and procedures, including the management and distribution of funding to students; assigning and supervising graduate teaching assistant duties; conducting orientations of new cohorts; chairing the Doctoral Program and MA Program Committees; facilitating communications between MA and PhD students and their advisors, including resolving grievances.

Notable programming created and changes spearheaded at UCF:

- Removal of GRE as requirement for admission (MA and PhD)
- Introduced virtual graduate school information sessions
- Annual Anthropology Graduate Student Town Hall
- Professionalization series featuring MA alumni in successful careers
- Restructuring the Qualifying Exam (PhD)
- Developed and implemented new funding allocation models (MA, PhD)
- Introduced networking events (ice cream social)
- Special Events:
 - Anti-racist book club
 - Open Conversation on Whiteness in Anthropology

HONORS AND AWARDS

2025	UCF AIM High Affordable Instructional Materials Certificate
2024	Florida Education Fund William R. Jones Outstanding Mentor Award
2023	UCF Faculty Excellence Fellow
2022	UCF Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Award
2022	UCF Latino Faculty and Staff Association <i>Broche de Oro</i> Award for Faculty Leadership and Advocacy

2022	UCF College of Sciences Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award
2021	UCF Scroll & Quill Society
2021	UCF Luminary Award
2020	UCF University Excellence in Professional Service Award
2019	UCF Research Incentive Award (RIA)
2019	UCF Gloria Anzaldúa Research Excellence Award
2017	UCF TIP Award
2016	UCF College of Sciences Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award
2015	Chuck D. Dziuban Award for Excellence in Online Teaching
2012	UCF Center for Success for Women Faculty (CSWF) 50 Women Who Have Changed the Past, Present, and Future of UCF
2012	UCF CSWF Faculty Fellow for Work-Family Life Balance
2011	Anthroworks <i>40 Best Dissertations of 2011</i>
2004	Phi Beta Kappa
2003	Del Jones Memorial Award. <i>Society for Applied Anthropology</i>

RESEARCH & THEORETICAL INTERESTS

Primary:

- Sociocultural and medical anthropology; global mental health; ethno-psychiatry; psychological anthropology; indigeneity, indigenous identity, indigenous studies; Maya Studies; Yucatan, Mexico

Secondary:

- Mothering; infant feeding; breast milk and breastfeeding; birth; reproductive health and reproductive rights; Greater Orlando Metropolitan Area
- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL)
- Social capital and Mexican migrants in Central Florida.

RESEARCH

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Books

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| 2020 | <p>Carter, Shannon & Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. <i>Sharing Milk: Intimacy, Materiality and Bio-Communities of Practice</i>. London: Bristol University Press.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed by <i>Journal of Human Lactation</i> • Reviewed by <i>Gender & Society</i> (flagship journal) • Reviewed by <i>Medical Anthropology Quarterly</i> (flagship journal) • Selected for Book Salon at Sociologists for Women in Society 2021 Winter Conference. |
| 2019 | <p>Reyes-Foster, Beatriz. <i>Psychiatric Encounters: Madness and Modernity in Yucatan, Mexico</i>. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed by <i>American Anthropologist</i> (flagship journal). • Reviewed by <i>Medical Anthropology Quarterly</i> (flagship journal). • Reviewed and recommended by <i>CHOICE: A Publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries</i>. |

Peer Reviewed Articles (*indicates student co-author)

- Under Review Mercy Tut Rivero and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "Biobureaucracy in the time of COVID-19: Fear, Diagnosis, and Internal Reporting in a Mexican Psychiatric Hospital." *Social Science and Medicine –Mental Health*. Revisions requested in September 2024.
- 2023 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Whitney Duncan. "Conditions of People with Mental Illness and Psychosocial Disabilities in Mexico." *Regional Expert Series*. Center for Mexico and Central America (CeMeCa) at Columbia University.
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gTdnL15YSRNI8IQjzgz35r2jFu3n6FEt/view>.
- 2022 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "No Justice in Birth: Maternal Vanishing, VBAC, and Reconstitutive Practice in Central Florida." *American Anthropologist* 125(1): 49-62.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/aman.13796>
- 2022 Whitney Duncan and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "Truth and Responsibility in Expert Witnessing." Torres, Gabriela and James Phillips (eds). "Special Issue: Expert Witnessing in Asylum Cases." *Annals of Anthropological Practice* 46(1): 87-90.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/napa.12184>
- 2021 Segal, Annalisa*, Ashley Cozart*, Andrea Ocasio Cruz*, and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "I felt like I was left on my own": A mixed-methods analysis of maternal experiences of cesarean birth and mental distress in the United States." *Birth: Issues in Perinatal Care* 48(3): 319-327. <https://doi.org/10.1111/birt.12541>
- 2020 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Aimee DeNoyelles. "Using Photovoice as a Critical Pedagogical Tool in Online Discussions." *Teaching and Learning Anthropology* 3(2): 1-27. <https://doi.org/10.5070/T33244188>
- 2019 Soberano Serrano, Alma Alejandra and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "Diagnóstico del Capital Social de los migrantes mexicanos en el Consulado de Orlando." *Tla-Melabua: Revista de Ciencias Sociales* 13 (Suplemento Especial de Invierno): 144-163.
- 2018 Soberano Serrano, Alma Alejandra and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "El Capital Social de los Migrantes Mexicanos en Florida. Una Visión Desde el Gobierno y las ONG's." *Devenir: Revista de Estudios Culturales y Regionales* 11(34): 153-170.
- 2018 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Shannon Carter. "'That's Not the Milk Sharing I'm Doing': Responses to a *Pediatrics* Article from Women Who Milk-Share." *Human Organization* 77(3): 262-272.
- 2018 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Aimee DeNoyelles. "Case Study: Using the Photovoice Method to Elicit Authentic Learning in Online Discussions." *Journal of Teaching and Learning with Technology* 7(1): 125-138.
- 2018 Carter, Shannon, **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**, and J. Scott Carter. "Breast is Best, Donor Next': Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Scientific Mothering." *Sociological Inquiry* 88(4): 673-695.
- 2017 Carter, Shannon and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Resistance to Patriarchal Control." *Journal of Mother Studies* 2.
https://jourms.wordpress.com/jourms-issue-2_sept-2017/

- 2017 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**, Shannon Carter, and Melanie Sberna Hinojosa. "Human Milk Handling and Storage Practices among Peer Milk Sharing Mothers." *Journal of Human Lactation* 33(1): 173-180.
- 2016 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Latour's AIME, Indigenous Critique, and Ontological Turns in a Mexican Psychiatric Hospital: Approaching Registers of Visibility in Three Conceptual Turns" *Anthropological Quarterly* 89(4): 1175-1200.
- 2016 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**, and Aimee DeNoyelles. "Influence of Word Clouds on Critical Thinking in Online Discussions: A Content Analysis." *Journal of Teaching and Learning with Technology* 5(1): 16-32.
- 2016 Carter, Shannon and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**. "Pure Gold for Broken Bodies: Discursive Techniques Constructing Milk Banking and Peer Milk Sharing in US News." *Symbolic Interaction* 39(3): 353-373.
- 2016 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Rachael Kangas.* "Unraveling Ix Tab: Revisiting the Ancient Maya Suicide Goddess in Archaeology." *Ethnohistory* 63(1): 1-27.
- 2015 DeNoyelles, Aimee and **Beatriz Reyes-Foster** "Outside the Box: Using Word Clouds in Online Discussions to Support Critical Thinking." *Online Learning*, 19(4). Peer reviewed invited contribution to 25th Anniversary Special Issue.
<http://olj.onlinelearningconsortium.org/index.php/olj/article/view/528>
- 2015 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**, Shannon Carter, and Melanie Sberna Hinojosa. "Milk Sharing in Practice: A Descriptive Analysis of Peer Breast Milk Sharing." *Breastfeeding Medicine* 10(5): 263-269.
- 2015 Carter, Shannon K., **Beatriz Reyes-Foster**, and Tiffany Rogers.* "Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? Portrayals of Human Milk Sharing in U.S. News." *Health, Risk and Society* 17(1): 30-45.
- 2014 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Creating order in the bureaucratic register: An analysis of suicide crime scene investigations in southern Mexico." *Critical Discourse Studies* 11(4): 1-20.
- 2013 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "The Devil Made Her Do it: Understanding Suicide, Demonic Discourse, and the Social Construction of 'Health' in Yucatan, Mexico." *Religion and Violence* 1(3): 363-381.
- 2013 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "He Followed the Funereal Steps of Ixtab: The Pleasurable Aesthetics of Suicide in Yucatecan Journalism." *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 18(2): 251-273.
- 2012 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Grieving for Mestizaje: Alternative Understandings of Identity in Yucatán, Mexico." *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*, 19(6): 657-672.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

- In press Reyes-Foster, Beatriz. "Chapter 4. Lives of the Mad: Blurred Boundaries and Indigenous Ontologies in Mexico." *Bloomsbury Cultural History of Madness Vol. 6: Madness in the Modern Age*. In press.

- 2023 Carter, Shannon and **Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster**. “When Fieldwork Comes Home: Navigating the Blurred Boundaries of Research, Mothering, and Activism.” In Marvasti, Amir and Jay Gubrium (eds.). *Crafting Ethnographic Fieldwork: Sites, Interaction & Social Worlds*. Pp. 173-186. London: Routledge.
- 2019 Carter, Shannon and **Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster**. “Considering Materiality: The Utility of Actor-Network Theory to Study Social Problems.” In Marvasti, Amir and Javier Treviño (eds.). *Researching Social Problems*. Pp. 139-155. London: Routledge.
- 2018 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Shannon Carter. “Suspect Bodies, Suspect Milk: Milk Sharing, Wetnursing, and the Specter of Syphilis in the 21st Century.” In Nixon, M.K. (ed.). *Syphilis and Subjectivity: From the Victorians to the Present*. Pp. 91-112. London: Palgrave-McMillan.
- 2018 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Shannon Carter. “Morals, Milk, and Mothers: Peer Milk Sharing as Moral Motherwork in Central Florida.” In Tomori, C., AE Palmquist, and EA Quinn (eds.). Pp: 97-111. *Breastfeeding: New Anthropological Approaches*. London: Routledge.
- Reviewed in *Childhood in the Past: An International Journal*
 - Reviewed in *The Journal of Human Lactation*
 - Reviewed in *Breastfeeding Review*
- 2015 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. “Between Demons and Disease: Suicide and Agency in Yucatan, Mexico” in Münster, Daniel and Ludek Broz, (eds.) *Suicide and Agency: Anthropological Perspectives on Self-Destruction, Personhood, and Power*. Pp. 67-84. Burlington: Ashgate Press.
- Reviewed by *Medical Anthropology Quarterly (Flagship Journal)*
 - Reviewed by *Social Anthropology*

Peer-Reviewed Policy Position Papers

- 2022 Erica Hua Fletcher, Emma Louise Backe, Tory Brykalski, Alex Fitzpatrick, Melinda González, Shir Lerman Ginzburg, Rob Meeker, Rachel P. Riendeau, Meagan Thies-Sauder, and **Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster**. “Policy Statement: Mental Well-being among Anthropologists at Universities: A Call for System Transformation.” *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 36(1): 155-172. <https://doi.org/10.1111/maq.12699>. Adopted by the Society for Medical Anthropology on 6/22/2021. Coauthored with 9 graduate students and early career/precarious scholars.

Editor-Reviewed Scholarly Book Reviews (all invited)

- 2026 *The Way that Leads Among the Lost* by Angela Garcia. *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*, 50(29).
- 2019 *Transforming Therapy: Mental Health Practice and Cultural Change in Mexico* by Whitney Duncan. *American Anthropologist*, 121(3): 775-776.
- 2018 *White Gold: Stories of Breast Milk Sharing* by Susan Falls. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 32(3).
- 2018 *Una Enfermedad Monstruo: Indígenas Derribando el Cerco de la Discriminación en Salud* by Charles Briggs, Norbelys Gómez, Tirso Gómez, Clara Mantini-Briggs, Conrado

Moraleda Izco, Enrique Moraleda Izco. *The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 23(1): 215-217.

Public-facing Contributions (Editor Reviewed, * indicates invited)

- 2020 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Whitney Duncan. "The Mental Health Effects of COVID19 in Mexico." Garriga-López, Adriana (ed.). *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA) Reports on the Americas* 52(3): 282-288.*
- 2019 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Rebecca Lester. "Trauma and Resiliency in Ethnographic Fieldwork." *Anthrodendum*. Co-curated blog post series. <https://anthrodendum.org/author/trauma-and-resilience/>
- 2016 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Supporting Families." *The Organizer* 2(1). United Faculty of Florida –UCF.*
- 2015 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Advice for Online Teaching from a Skeptic." *Faculty Focus*. Issue 2. Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning.*
- 2015 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Beyond Paid Leave: Efforts to Promote Work-Family Life Balance at UCF." *The Organizer* 1(1). United Faculty of Florida --UCF.*
- 2014 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz**. "Order by the Books: Suicide Crime Scene Investigations in Southern Mexico." *Anthropoliteia: critical perspectives on police, security, crime, law and punishment around the world*, a curated blog focused on the anthropology of policing.* https://anthropoliteia.wordpress.com/2014/04/08/order-by-the-books-suicide-crime-scene-investigations-in-southern-mexico/?iframe=true&theme_preview=true
- 2014 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** and Ty Matejowsky. "Maximizing Success for Undergraduate Anthropology Majors," Monthly Column in *Anthropology News*, the newsletter of the American Anthropological Association: geared at preparing undergraduate anthropology majors to compete in non-anthropology career tracks. 12 monthly columns, 800-1,000 words. <http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2014/01/06/why-undergraduates-why-now/>
- 2013 Granted interview to *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.
Patton, Stacey. 2013. "How I Get By: Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster." *Chronicle Vitae*. <https://chroniclevitae.com/news/125-how-i-get-by-beatriz-m-reyes-foster2014>

Reference Works (Non-Peer Reviewed)

- 2014 **Reyes-Foster, Beatriz** "Ancient and Contemporary Maya Geography and Culture." *Encyclopedia of Global Archaeology*. Springer.

Research-Related Professional Development

- 2021 Global Mental Health Research Seminar. McGill University Annual Summer Program in Social and Cultural Psychiatry. May 31-June 4.

Unpublished Administrative White Papers

- 2016 S.B. Barber, T. Dupras, L. Williams, **B.M. Reyes-Foster**, T. Matejowsky. Request to Offer a New Degree Program: PhD. in Integrative Anthropological Sciences. White paper submitted to the University of Central Florida's Board of Trustees.

RESEARCH GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External Grants: Principal Investigator (unless otherwise noted)

- Declined **National Institutes of Health-Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases**. R01 Clinical Research Trial. "Enhancing Outcomes for Individuals with Psychosis and Comorbid Substance Use Disorders in Hospitals in Mexico Using Culturally-Adapted CBT-Based Interventions: A Hybrid Implementation Effectiveness Trial." (GRANT14358687. Total: \$2,500,00.00). Submitted on 2/6/2025.
- 2020 **National Science Foundation**. Senior Grant. "Social & Moral Factors in Post-Hurricane Maria Evacuation Decisions: Implications for Puerto Ricans' Well-Being." Subaward. PI: Rosalyn Negrón. (**Award Number: AWD00000728, listed in grant report as Project ID 24148A06 & 2418A22. Total: \$253,862 ; UCF credited amount: \$50,721. UCF credit percent: 100%**).
- 2007 **US Department of State Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship**, awarded for dissertation research, "Life on the Line: Suicide, Public Health, and the 'The Maya' in Yucatan Mexico." (Peer-reviewed, \$21,000).
- 2007 **Duke University/Department of Education Summer Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship**. Awarded for summer study of Yucatec Maya at the University of North Carolina's Summer Intensive Institute in Yucatec Maya. (Committee-reviewed, program fees, \$2,500 stipend, plus airfare to Mexico).
- 2005 **Duke University/Department of Education Summer Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship**. Awarded for summer study of Yucatec Maya at the University of North Carolina's Summer Intensive Institute in Yucatec Maya. (Committee-reviewed, \$2,500 plus airfare to North Carolina and Mexico).

Internal Grants: Principal Investigator

- 2020-2022 **Mid-Career Refresh Program**, awarded by the University of Central Florida – Faculty Excellence. (**\$42,413**). **UCF credited amount: \$42,413**.
- 2014 **In-House Grant**, awarded by the University of Central Florida - Office of Research and Commercialization, "Against the Current: VBAC Mothers in Central Florida." (Committee reviewed, \$7,500). UCF credited amount: \$7,500.
- 2009 **UC Berkeley Dean's Normative Time Fellowship**. Awarded for dissertation writing (UC Berkeley tuition and fees plus \$16,000 stipend).
- 2007 **UC Berkeley/Department of Education Summer Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship**. Awarded for summer study of Yucatec Maya at the University of North Carolina's Summer Intensive Institute in Yucatec Maya. (Committee-reviewed, program fees and \$2,500 stipend).

- 2006 **UC Berkeley Center for Latin American Studies Tinker Field Research Grant.** Awarded for pre-dissertation summer research in Yucatan, Mexico. (Committee-reviewed, airfare to Mexico).
- 2004-8 **UC Berkeley Graduate Opportunity Fellowship.** Multi-year fellowship awarded to complete doctoral studies in Anthropology (Committee-reviewed, UC Berkeley tuition and fees plus \$15,000 stipend).

CONFERENCES

Invited Talks –International

- 2023 “¿Es Posible la Descolonización de Metodologías en Torno a la Locura?” *Seminario Procesos de Confrontación: Mas Allá de la Universalidad de la Enfermedad, Dolor, Locura, y Muerte.* Séptima Sesión. ENAH-OCA. October 16. <https://fb.watch/nKd3CqqIFJ/>
- 2021 “Etnografía Hospitalaria.” *Conversaciones Metodológicas.* FLACSO México. Mexico City, Mexico. August 27. <https://fb.watch/7LtIKe2bP3/>
- 2020 Psychiatric Encounters in the Colonial Matrix of Power: Fanon, Zona del Estar, and the Mexican State. Anthropology Departmental Seminar Series. SOAS University of London. February 19.
- 2018 Presentación del libro *Encuentros Psiquiátricos: Locura y Modernidad en Yucatan, Mexico.* Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán, Programa Institucional de Estudios del Pueblo y la Cultura Maya. December 11.
- 2018 Los Derechos del Paciente, los Límites de la Interculturalidad, y el Legado Colonial: Lecciones de un Hospital Psiquiátrico en Yucatán. Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán, Facultad de Medicina. December 10.
- 2016 Latour’s AIME, Indigenous Critique, and Ontological Turns in a Mexican Psychiatric Hospital: Approaching Registers of Visibility in Three Conceptual Turns. *Czech Association for Social Anthropology Ernst Gellner Seminar Series.* Prague, Czech Republic. March 17.
- 2007 Historia y Muerte en la Cultura Maya. Universidad de Oriente. Valladolid, Yucatán, México. January 9.

Invited Talks—National

- 2021 Using Photovoice as a Critical Pedagogical Tool in Online Discussions. UC Action Research Center. *Feed Your Mind Lunch Session.* Cincinnati, OH. February 26. <https://cech.uc.edu/about/centers/arc/What-We-Do/events.html>
- 2020 Psychiatric Encounters in the Colonial Matrix of Power: Persistent Colonialism in a Mexican Psychiatric Institution. Kellogg Institute for International Studies. University of Notre Dame. Notre Dame, Indiana. October 6. <https://kellogg.nd.edu/lecture-beatriz-reyes-foster>
- 2017 Negotiated Truths, Disorienting Encounters: Neoliberal Ethos in a Mexican Psychiatric Hospital. SPANPORT Health Series. Emory University. April 10.

Invited Talks –Regional

- 2019 The Psychiatric Hospital in the Colonial Matrix of Power. University of South Florida Department of Anthropology. Tampa, Florida. November 5.

Invited Talks –UCF

- 2020 Welcoming Remarks. Integrating Anthropology Graduate Student Conference. UCF Department of Anthropology. Orlando, FL. December 4.
- 2015 Peer Milk Sharing: An Ancient and New Way to Improve the Nutrition of Infants Globally (Workshop). *UCF College of Medicine Global Health Conference*. Lake Nona, FL. January 31st. With Shannon Carter.

Invited Workshop Participation

- 2022 *Taller de Aplicaciones de la Etnografía*. FLACSO Mexico. Mexico City, Mexico. January 28.
- 2021 *Buffett Idea Incubation Workshop: Media Portrayals of Mental Illness*. Northwestern University Buffett Institute for Global Affairs. Chicago, Illinois. February 19, March 5, March 12.
- 2011 *Suicide and Agency*. Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology Workshop. “Considering the Demonic in Suicide Discourse: Implications for Agency.” Halle, Germany. November 10-11.

Presentations and Roundtables at National and International Meetings (Oral presentation unless otherwise noted; sole author unless otherwise noted)

- 2024 “Deep Cuts: Towards an Anthropology of Surgery.” *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. March 28. Santa Fe, NM.
- 2023 “The Anthropologist as Expert Witness: Anthropological Knowledge and the High Stakes of Immigration Court.” *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. March 30. Cincinnati, Ohio. Beatriz Reyes-Foster and Whitney Duncan.
- 2022 “Doing Feminist Actor-Network Ethnography: Reflections from the Field.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA. August 5-7. Shannon Carter and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2021 “Culture in the Courtroom: Truth and Responsibility in Expert Witnessing.” *120th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Baltimore, MD. November 17-21. Whitney Duncan and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2020 “Correlation Between Indication for Cesarean Delivery and Postpartum Depression.” Poster Presentation. *American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG)*. April 24. Seg, Annalisa, Ashley Cozart and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.

- 2019 “Decolonizing Maya Identity: Epistemic Plurality and *la Zona del Estar* in Yucatan.” *118th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Vancouver, BC. November 20-24.
- 2019 “Correlation Between Indication for Cesarean Delivery and Postpartum Depression.” Poster Presentation. *Pacific Northwest Obstetrical and Gynecological Association*. Cle Elum, WA. July 30. Segal, Annalisa, Ashley Cozart and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2019 “Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Bio-Communities of Practice.” *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. Atlanta, GA. April. Carter, Shannon and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster.
- 2019 “Current and Emerging Challenges in Conducting, Writing, and Publishing Ethnographic Work.” *Society for Psychological Anthropology 2019 Biennial Meeting*. Santa Ana Pueblo, NM. April 4-7.
- 2018 “The Psychiatric Hospital in the Colonial Matrix of Power: Decolonizing Approaches to Global Mental Health.” *117th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. San Jose, CA. November 14-18
- 2018 “Considering Materiality: The Utility of Actor-Network Theory to Study Social Problems.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*. Philadelphia, PA. August. Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Trial of Labor: VBAC, Obstetric Violence, and the Limits of Informed Consent.” *116th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Washington, DC. November 29-December 3.
- 2017 “Loneliness: A Global Approach to a Very Personal Condition.” Poster Presentation. *116th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Washington, DC. November 29-December 3. Montalvo, Fernando and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Institutional Social Capital for Mexican Migrants in Florida: A Vision from the Government and NGOs.” *2nd Binational Mexico-US Conference on Social Work, Migration and Human Rights*. San Antonio, TX. November 15-16. Soberano Serrano, Alma & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Reproductive and Emotive Labor.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. Montréal, QC. August 12-15. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Moral Motherwork.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Montréal, QC. August 9-11. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Assessing Bodily Purity: Trust and Emotive Value in Constructions of the Safety of Peer-Shared Breast Milk.” *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. Greenville, SC. March 29-April 1. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2017 “Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Resistance to Patriarchal Control.” *Museum of Motherhood Conference: Mothering from the Margins*. St. Petersburg, FL. February 10-11. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2016 “Hearts on Fire: Milk-Sharing, Milk-Selling, and Transgression in a Central Florida Peer Milk-Sharing Community.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Minneapolis, MN. November 16-20. Reyes-Foster, Beatriz & Shannon Carter.

- 2016 "El Mito de Ixtab y el Maya Suicida: Perspectivas Históricas y Contemporáneas del Suicidio entre los Mayas Yucatecos." *II Congreso Internacional de Antropología AIBR: Identidad, Puentes, Umbrales y Muros*. Barcelona, Spain. September 6-9.
- 2016 "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Scientific Mothering: Navigating 'Evidence-Based' Infant Feeding." *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. Atlanta, GA. April 13-16. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2016 "Suicide as Artifact: The Myth of the Suicidal Maya and the Politics of Heritage in Yucatan, Mexico." *Suicidology's Cultural Turn, and Beyond*. Prague, Czech Republic. March 18-19.
- 2015 "By the Books: The Production of Silence in a Suicide Crime Scene Investigation in Southern Mexico." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Denver, CO. November 19-22.
- 2015 "Scientific Mothering, Morality and Peer Milk Sharing: Milk Sharers' Responses to a Scientific Study." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. San Francisco, CA. August 22-25. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2015 "No Justice in Birth?: Continuity and Change in Mothers' Experiences of Vaginal Birth after C-Section (VBAC) in Central Florida." *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meetings*. Pittsburgh, PA. March 24-28.
- 2015 "Moral Corruption and Fool's Gold: Discursive Techniques for Constructing Peer Milk Sharing in US News." *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. New Orleans, LA. March 25-29. Carter, Shannon & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2014 "Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? An Analysis of Peer Milk Sharing in US Newspaper Discourse, 2010-2013." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Washington, DC. December 2-7. Reyes-Foster, Beatriz, Shannon K. Carter & Tiffany Rogers.
- 2014 "Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? Milk Sharing in US News." *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*. San Francisco, CA. August. Shannon K Carter, Beatriz Reyes-Foster & Tiffany Rogers.
- 2014 "If only we could make them understand?: Mistrust, Diagnosis, and Failure in a Psychiatric Hospital in Yucatan, Mexico." *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meetings*. Albuquerque, NM. March 18-22.
- 2013 "Towards an Anthropology of Mental Health: Current Issues and Future Directions." Roundtable. *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Chicago, IL. November 20-24.
- 2013 "Only Sick People Wear these Clothes?: The State Psychiatric Hospital and Becoming Mentally Ill in a Space of Recovery in Yucatan, Mexico." *Biannual Meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology*. San Diego, CA. April 4-7.
- 2012 "Negotiating Care at the Borders of Psychiatry: 'Experts,' Families, and Users of Mental Health Services in a Public Psychiatric Hospital in Yucatan, Mexico." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. San Francisco, CA. November 14-18.

- 2011 “Adoring our Wounds: Conjectures in the Making of a Local, Subject-generated Theory in Anthropology.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Montreal, QC, Canada. November 16-20.
- 2010 “Adoring our wounds: Maya Cosmovision and Local Interpretations of Suicide in Village and Psychiatric Settings in Yucatán, Mexico.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. New Orleans, LA. November 17-21.
- 2010 “Between Spectacle and Compassion: A Case Study of Suicidal Representations and Realities in Yucatán, Mexico.” *Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology*. Merida, Mexico. March 24-27.
- 2009 “Structural Negligence, Padrinaje and the Maya Exotic: Explorations of a Traveling Mental Health Model.” *Medical Anthropology at the Intersections: Celebrating 50 years of Interdisciplinarity*. New Haven, CT. September 24-27.
- 2007 “From Ethnogenesis to Ethnoexodus: Mayas, Dzulo’ob and the Politics of Identity in Yucatán.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Washington, DC. November 28-Dec 2. (with Juan Castillo Cocom).
- 2006 “Understanding ‘Maya’ Death: Ends of Life, History, and Identity in Rural Yucatan.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. San Jose. November 15-19.
- 2003 “Why are Cofrades so Angry? Tourism and Religious Practices in Santiago Atitlán, Guatemala.” *Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology*, March 23.

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Presentations

- 2018 “Three Strategies to Encourage Critical Thinking and Engagement through Online Discussions. *Sunshine State Teaching and Learning Conference*. St. Petersburg, FL. January 31-February 2. deNoyelles, Aimee, Beatriz Reyes-Foster, and Brigitte Kovacevich.
- 2016 “Using the Photovoice Method to Elicit Authentic Learning in Online Discussions: An Exploratory Study.” *Online Learning Consortium International Conference*. Orlando, FL. November 16-20. DeNoyelles, Aimee & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2015 “Using Word Clouds in Online Discussions to Support Critical Thinking: A Content Analysis.” *Online Learning Consortium International Conference*. Orlando, FL. October 14-16. DeNoyelles, Aimee & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2014 “Using Word Clouds in Online Discussions to Support Critical Thinking and Engagement.” *Online Learning Consortium International Conference*. Orlando, FL. October 29-31. DeNoyelles, Aimee & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2014 “Using word clouds to elicit engagement and critical thinking online.” *16th Annual UCF College of Education Literacy Symposium*. Orlando, FL. April 11. DeNoyelles, Aimee & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.
- 2013 “Changing it up: Using word clouds instead of linear text to elicit critical thinking in online discussions.” *Information Fluency Conference*. Orlando, FL. February 26-27. DeNoyelles, Aimee & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.

TEACHING

MENTORING

PhD Degree – Chair

River Coello Jara –PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2025-

- Dissertation: *Ballroom culture and gender in Ecuador*

Juan Ancona Manzanilla –PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2023-

- Dissertation: *Nutrition and Health in Yucatan, Mexico*

Md Abdur Rahman – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2023-

- Dissertation: *Transition to Retirement: Emotional Experiences, Cultural Narratives, and the Anthropology of Aging in Central Florida.*

Nilver Tovar Ospina –PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2022- (co-chair. Chair: John Walker)

- Dissertation: *Sea Level Rise and Community Resiliency*

Konok Chapa Das – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2022- (Co-chair: Ty Matejowsky)

- Dissertation: *Care or control? Family Planning, Authority, and Reproductive Governance in the Rohingya Camps.*

Suzanne Draper – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2019-

- Dissertation: *Bisexual Disclosures: Strategies for “Coming Out” in Intimate Partner Relationships and its Implications for Mental Health.*

Trinity Johnson – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2019-2025

- Dissertation: *Down by the Tracks, Ova ‘Cross the Trussle: Exploring Systemic and Structural Barriers to Perinatal Healthcare Access for Black Women in Rural Alabama.* Completed Spring 2025.

Rachael Root –PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences, UCF. 2018-2023

- Dissertation: *Higher Education and Indigenous People in Yucatan, Mexico.* Completed summer 2023.
- Lambda Alpha Grant, 2020 (\$2,000).
- ORC Fellowship, 2018-2019

PhD Degree – Committees (*indicates external committee member)

Sara Tehrani –PhD Sociology (Chair: Shannon Carter)

- Dissertation: *Exploring the Experiences of US Advocates for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women.* In progress.

Abigail Shepherd – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences (Chair: Shana Harris)

- Dissertation: *An Assemblage Analysis of Drug-Related Overdose Prevention and Mitigation Efforts in Central Florida.* In progress.

Alberto Isaac Carral Hernandez* --PhD Population Studies. Colegio de México.

- *Sociodemografía de las Muertes por Suicidio Masculino en Yucatán: Significados, Trayectorias y Diferenciales*. In progress.

Mundo Ramirez Camacho* – PhD Anthropology. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (Chair: Laura Elena Romero Lopez).

- Dissertation: *La disyuntiva en la políticas públicas en torno a la Muerte suicida en poblaciones mayas peninsulares: en búsqueda de una interrelación alterna*. In progress.

Whitney Margiritis –PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences (Chair: Shana Harris).

- Dissertation: *The Making of a Market: Treating Chronic Illness with Cannabinoids in Florida*. In progress.

Guillermo Solís Calderón* -- PhD Anthropology. Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán (Chair: Mónica Chávez Guzmán).

- Dissertation: *Percepción de la salud y la enfermedad y diálogo intercultural para una mejor atención de las enfermedades mentales en Xocén, Yucatán*. In progress.

Karla Cardona – PhD Integrative Anthropological Sciences (Chair: Michael Callaghan).

- Dissertation: *Past and Present Communities of Pottery Practice in Guatemala*. In progress.

Erika Heredia* – PhD Texts and Technology, UCF (Chair: Mel Stanfill).

- Dissertation: *How Social Media Exposes Daily Whiteness Practices in Ibero-America*. Completed Summer 2021.

Master Degree Program -- Chair, Graduate Thesis

Kani Perez –MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Taino Identity and Decolonizing in Puerto Rico*.

Alyna Woodall – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Assembling Magical Ethics and Perceptions of Justice: A Visual Exploration of the Values Guiding and Dividing Ritual Magic Practitioners*. In progress.

Selina Hays –MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Understanding Lay Engagement with Gendered Illness Experience Discourses through Online Health Communities*. In progress.

Eun Park –MA Anthropology, UCF

- Non-thesis track. In progress.

Sophia Lopez – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Harvesting Injustice, Cultivating Change: The Consequences of Florida Nativist Policies*. In progress.

Nicole Carminati –MA Anthropology, UCF (co-chair: Lana Williams)

- Thesis: *Veteran Benefits Upon Discharge and Reintegration to Civilian Life*. Completed Fall 2025.

Khup Sian It –MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Exploring the Experience of Heart Disease Among Burmese Immigrants in the United States*. Completed Summer 2025.

Brianna Murcelo –MA Anthropology, UCF (Co-chair with Nessette Falu)

- Non-thesis track. Completed Spring 2024.

Andrea Ocasio Cruz –MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Puerto Rico's Transformative Art Scene: Heritage Identity Transformations, Resilience Strategies, and Future-Making in Hurricane Maria's Post-Disaster Context*. Completed Summer 2023.
- Summer Mentoring Fellowship Recipient, 2021

Chandel Perez – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Non-thesis track. Completed Fall 2022.

Tori Thibault – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Tarot Cards and Alternative Medicine*. Completed Summer 2021.

Alison Whitmore – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Gender in Paganism: A look into the Pagan Community of Orlando and the Gendered Interactions Within It*. Completed Spring 2021.

Lea Harvey – MA Anthropology, UCF

- Thesis: *Trouble in Paradise: Impacts of Theme Park Tourism on the Mental Health of Employees in Orlando, Florida*. Completed Fall 2019.
 - Winner, College of Sciences Outstanding MA Thesis Award
 - Winner, UCF Outstanding MA Thesis Award in Social Science, Humanities, Education, Business, Art and Health

Hugo Puerto – MA Anthropology, UCF (Co-chair, Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Community Gardens and Perspectives on Nutrition and Health in the Immigrant Latino Farmworker Community in Indian River County, Florida*. Completed Spring 2015.

Suzanne Draper – MA Anthropology, UCF.

- Thesis: *Illness and Healing: Mexican Catholic Conceptions of Health and Healing in Yucatan*. Completed Fall 2014.

Janice Stiglich - MA Anthropology, UCF.

- Thesis: *Race, Class, and Power: Female Domestic Workers in Lima, Peru*. Completed Spring 2013.

Master Degree Program -- Committees

Natasha Ovies Uranga –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Ty Matejowsky)

- Thesis: *Tasting Culture: Anthropological Explorations of Venezuelan Migrant Foodways in Central Florida*. In progress.

Abigail Shepherd –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Shana Harris)

- Thesis: *The Effects of the COVID19 Pandemic on Drug Treatment*. Completed Spring 2022.

Kelsey Lunsford –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Anne Miller)

- Thesis: *Postpartum Depression Symptoms in New Mothers and the Disclosure Process*. Completed Spring 2022.

Karli Reeves – MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Joanna Mishtal)

- Thesis: *Parental Motivations for (and against) Male Neonatal Circumcision*. Completed Spring 2021.

Julie Rogers –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Michael Callaghan)

- Thesis: *Portals as a Motif in Maya Art*. Completed Fall 2019.

Amber Grissom –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *The Wonder Women: Understanding Gender in Cosplay Performance*. Completed Spring 2019.

Mackenzie Hager –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Reproductive Rights and Justice Advocacy: Who is Represented?* Completed Spring 2018.

Deven Gray – MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Zika Perceptions, Preparedness, and Prevention*. Completed Spring 2018.

Allison Matos – MA Anthropology, UCF (Co-chairs: Dr. Joanna Mishtal and Dr. Ty Matejowsky).

- Thesis: *Understanding Dietary Changes and Self-Care Methods among African American Adults in the Prevention of Dietary Related Chronic Illnesses in Orlando, Fl*. Completed Fall 2016.

Rebecca Young – MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Devising Strategies, Managing Needs: A Multi-Perspective Study of Homelessness in Oviedo, Florida*. Completed Spring 2016.

Nicole Cruz – MA Modern Languages, UCF (Chair: Dr. Martha Garcia).

- Thesis: *La Influencia de la Medicina: Relación Entre Literatura y Cultural en la Temprana Edad Moderna Española*. Completed Spring 2016.

Kristi Marrero –MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Rosalyn Howard).

- Thesis: *Divination and Propitiation in the Lukumi Religion*. Completed Fall 2014.

Brittany Hoback- MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Rosalyn Howard).

- Thesis: *Dancing for them, Dancing for Us: Cultural Tourism as a Venue for Building Identity and Retaining Economic in the Polynesian Luau*. Completed Spring 2014.

Justin Fletcher – MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Ty Matejowsky).

- Thesis: *Bitcoin and the Market in Transition*. Completed Fall 2013.

Zachary Hawk - MA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Matejowsky).

- Thesis: *Exploring the Phenomenon of Gourmet Food Trucks in Orlando, Florida*. Completed Fall 2013.

UCF College of Medicine FIRE Program

Annalisa Segal – MD, University of Central Florida (completed)

- Project: *Correlation Between Indication for Cesarean Delivery and Postpartum Depression*.
 - Winner, 1st Place Faculty Choice Award, 2020
 - Winner, 3rd Place Peer Choice Award, 2020

Undergraduate Honors Thesis (HIM/HUT) – Chair

Victor Figueira Mello Dantas – BS Biomedical Sciences, University of Central Florida (co-chair: Alicia Hawthorne). Completed Fall 2022.

- Thesis: *Refractory Epilepsy and Dietary Therapies: A Systematic Review*

Ocasio Cruz, Andrea – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida. Completed Spring 2021.

- Thesis: *Immigrant Farmworker Health*
- Summer Undergraduate Research Fund (SURF) Grant

Perez, Chandel –BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida. Completed Fall 2020.

- Thesis: *Breast Milk: Mothers' Emotional Responses*

Hays, Selina – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida. Completed Spring 2020.

- Thesis: *It's Just a Bad Period" and Other Ways of Dismissing Women's Pain: An Ethnographic Look into the Experience of Endometriosis*
- Honors College HIM Scholarship

Torres Beltran, Akanne – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida. Completed Fall 2019.

- Thesis: *"Our Roots": Latinx Parents' Language Ideologies Concerning Bilingualism*.
- Honors College HIM Scholarship

Box, Christy –BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida. Completed Spring 2017.

- Thesis: *The Effects of Hegemonic Support of Endangered Languages on Language Ideologies*.
- Publication: Box, Christy. "The Effects of Institutional Support of Endangered Languages on Language Ideologies." *The Pegasus Review*: University of Central Florida Undergraduate Research Journal 10(2):1-20.
- College of Sciences 2016-2017 Order of Pegasus Nominee
- November 2016 Distinguished Undergraduate Researcher Award
- Burnett Research Scholars Program Grant (2016, \$1,000)
- Summer Undergraduate Research Fund (SURF) Grant (2016, \$1,000)
- Research and Mentoring Program (RAMP) Fellowship (2015, \$2,800)

Mikaela Mendoza-Cardenal – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida.

- Thesis: *Forced Motherhood: Imposed Interpretations of the Female Body in Delimiting Access to Health Care in Nicaragua*. Completed Fall 2016.

Nicholas Casorio –BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida.

- Thesis: *Multilingualism's Effect on Linguistic Relativity*. Completed Fall 2015.
- SURF Grant (2014, \$1,000)
- RAMP Fellowship (2013, \$2800)

Bahamonde, Holly – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida.

- Thesis: *The Effects of Western Medicine on Traditional Herbal Practices Among Sangomas and Inyangas*. Completed Fall 2015.

Mikesell, Maleia – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida.

- Thesis: *Playing with Fire: An Ethnographic Study on the Effects of Polyamory in the Central Florida Burner Community*. Completed Summer 2015.

Yurasek, Emily – BA Anthropology, University of Central Florida.

- Thesis: *Suicide Among Native American and Alaskan Native Youth*. Completed Spring 2014.

Undergraduate Thesis (HIM/HUT) -- Committees

Maria Ocando Monaco –BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Shana Harris)

- Out of Sight, Out of Mind: An Anthropological Exploration of Overdose Prevention Experiences and Perceptions Among People Who Use Drugs in Orlando, Florida. Completed Spring 2024.

Leilani Maldonado – BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Lana Williams)

- Concepts and Measures of Human Intelligence and Anthropology: A Systematic Review of Academic Literature from 1930s to 2010s. Completed Spring 2024.

Allisa Castro – BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Joanna Mishtal)

- Perspectives of Hispanic Young Adults on Curanderismo as a Form of Care. Completed Spring 2024.

Haley Juroviesky – BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Joanna Mishtal)

- Jewish Women's Reproductive Health Traditions from the Perspective of Midwives in the United States. Completed Spring 2024.

Sanya Bansal –BA Socioloty, UCF (Chair: Shannon Carter)

- The Role of the Pediatrician in Breastfeeding. Completed Spring 2023.

Delaney Mclinden –BA in Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Shana Harris)

- Beauty in Sorority Life: An Anthropological Analysis on Beauty Ideals and Body Modification. Completed Spring 2023.

Sophia Chapdelaine –BA Sociology, UCF (Chair: Fernando Rivera)

- Mental Health of Puerto Ricans Who Stayed in Puerto Rico Compared to those Who Migrated to Florida after Hurricane Maria. Completed Spring 2022.

Olivia Rauls –BA in Sociology, UCF (Chair: Shannon Carter)

- Sense of Support: The Impact of Healthcare Encounters on the Breastfeeding Experiences of African American Mothers. Completed Spring 2022.

Marisa Norzagaray –BA in Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Nessette Falu).

- Thesis: *The Mobilizer and the Mobilized: An Exploration of "Latinx."* Completed Spring 2021.

Guadalupe Rivas Navarro -BA in Anthropology, UCF. (Chair: Nessette Falu).

- Thesis: “*Yo, Indocumentado*”: Latinx Undocumented Immigrant Identity, Freedom, and American Immigration Policies. Completed Summer 2020.

Corey Bazemore – BA in Anthropology, UCF. (Chair: Dr. Nesselte Falu)

- Thesis: *Women in Gynecology and Obstetrics: The Effect of Gender Bias, Gender Equity, and Agency in the Workplace*. Completed Summer 2020.

Chelsea McInstosh –BA in Anthropology, Reed College. (Chair: LaShandra Sullivan). Completed Spring 2020.

- Thesis: *Examining Depression and Suicide in a Dynamic Site of Maya Identity: A Case Study of Mental Health in Yucatán, Mexico*

Karli Reeves –BA in Anthropology, UCF. (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal)

- Thesis: *Sex Education or Self Education? LGBTQ+ Experiences with Exclusionary Curricula*. Completed Spring 2019.

Anjali Chelukuri –BS in Biomedical Sciences, UCF. (Chair: Dr. Robert Borgon)

- Thesis: *The Role of Breastfeeding in Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV/AIDS: A Comparative Study of Three Countries*. Completed Spring 2017.

Tessa Treadwell – BA in Sociology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Shannon Carter).

- Thesis: *The Role of Perception: African American Mothers’ Narratives of Healthcare Providers and the Effects on Infant Feeding Methods*. Completed Spring 2017.

Amaris Santiago – BA in Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Exploring the Therapeutic Roles of Santería for Latino(a)s Living in Florida*. Completed Fall 2016.

Bethany Wedlund – BA in Sociology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Shannon Carter).

- Thesis: *Student Perceptions of Birthmothers of Adopted Children*. Completed Spring 2016.

Elizabeth Scheiner – BSW, Social Work, UCF (Chair: Mary Mann, MSW).

- Thesis: *The Increase of SNAP Program Participation by Low Income Workers: A Social Work Perspective on Food Stamps*. Completed Spring 2015.

Erin Gannon – BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Cultural Relevance in Medicine: An Evaluation of Cultural Competence Curriculum Integration in Southeastern Medical Schools*. Completed Fall 2014.

Rebecca Young – BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *The Perceptions of Homelessness and Strategies for Receiving Services among the Florida Homeless*. Completed Spring 2014.

Amy Fowler – BA Sociology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Amy Donley).

- Thesis: *Factors and Motivations Behind Volunteering at Domestic Violence Emergency Centers*. Completed Summer 2013.

Lilian Milanes - BA Anthropology, UCF (Chair: Dr. Joanna Mishtal).

- Thesis: *Health Care Providers’ Perspectives on Male Involvement in their Sexual and Reproductive Health Care Needs*. Completed Spring 2012.

Other Student Research Directly Supervised

Michael Montenegro – BA Anthropology. Supervised methodological training focused on discourse analysis of media representations of a psychiatric hospital in Mexico.

Jeffrey Pamblanco – BA Anthropology. Supervised independent research on anthropological approaches to Borderline Personality Disorder.

Lindo, Aura –BA Anthropology. Supervised independent research on Black mothers' birth experiences.

- Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) Grant

Andrea Ocasio Cruz. BA Anthropology. Supervised methodological training on coding an existing dataset.

Ashley Cozart. MD, UCF. Collaborative research on Post-Partum Depression and Indication for C-Section.

Eddy Cespedes. BA Anthropology. Supervised independent research on Toki Pona language. Summer 2018.

Rachael Kangas. MA Anthropology. Supervised research on ancient Maya iconographic depictions of an alleged "suicide goddess" that was part of my own research agenda. Her findings were combined with my own work and resulted in the publication of a co-authored manuscript.

- 1st Place, Graduate Research Forum (2014, \$400)

John Michael Edge. BA Anthropology. Supervised independent research on Community Supported Agriculture. Summer 2012.

- Burnett Honors College SMART Grant (2012, \$1,000).

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT (ALL NEW PREPARATIONS)

The University of Central Florida

Anthropology of Mental Health (ANT 4482)

Language and Culture (ANT 3610)

Cultural Anthropology (ANT 2410)

Introduction to General Anthropology, Honors (ANT 2000H)

People and Cultures of Latin America (ANT 4332)

The College of New Jersey

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 110)

Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick

Anthropology of Latin America (01:070:223)

Anthropology of Religion (01:070:308)

Universidad de Oriente (Valladolid, Mexico)

Vivir en Dos Mundos (Living in Two Worlds)

GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

Developed for the PhD Program

Advanced Topics in Medical Anthropology (ANG 6467)

New Course Preparations

Proseminar in Anthropology (ANG 6002)
 Science, Technology, and the Transformation of Human Societies (ANG 6931)
 Seminar in Cultural Anthropology (ANG 6930)
 Ethnographic Methods (ANG 6801)
 Maya Iconography (ANG 5228)
 Contemporary Maya (ANG 6324)
 Directed Research (ANG 6918)
 MA Thesis (ANG 6971)

PEDAGOGICAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- 2026 **General Agreement for Collaboration: University of Central Florida and Universidad Marista de Merida, A.C.** Sponsored an international agreement between UMarista and UCF for future collaboration.
- 2017 **QEP Enhancement and Program Innovation Awards Proposal.** “Incorporating Integrative Learning into the Anthropology Major.” (Committee reviewed, \$20,000). Project Leader: Sarah B. Barber. Additional Team Members: Chinyen Chuo, Neil Duncan, Amanda Groff, John Schultz, Lana Williams.
- 2016 **Exploring the Yucatan Short-Term Study Abroad Program** – I developed a spring break study abroad program in Yucatan, Mexico, focused on exploring the history and culture of Yucatan for the UCF Latin American Studies Program (program did not sufficiently enroll to move forward).
- 2015 **Maya Language and Culture Study Abroad Program** – I developed a 10-day study abroad program in Merida, Mexico on Maya Language and Culture for the UCF Latin American Studies Program (program did not sufficiently enroll to move forward).
- 2015 **UCF-UADY Anthropology Reciprocal Exchange Agreement** – I developed a reciprocal exchange agreement between the UCF Anthropology Department and the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatan’s Faculty of Anthropological Sciences to enable UCF anthropology students to take classes for UCF credit at UADY and vice versa. This agreement opened the doors for other UCF and UADY students to take courses in other UADY and UCF programs.
- 2013 **Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Program** – WAC Fellow for 2013 and Co-Organizer (with colleague Dr. Joanna Mishtal) of a team of 5 anthropology faculty to participate as a group in the spring 2013 WAC Program hosted by the UCF Writing Center, in order to develop ways of improving the writing skills of anthropology undergraduate students.
- 2012-2018 **Anthropology Writing Workshop Series** – Co-Organizer (with Dr. Joanna Mishtal) of 8 writing workshops for graduate and undergraduate HIM students, structured based on a peer-review and faculty-review system. The workshop is held every fall semester. I co-organized the workshops in 2012-13, and 2015-17).

TEACHING-RELATED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FCTL Winter Conference: 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2023
 FCTL Summer Conference: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023

TEACHING IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS

- 2016 Attended FCTL “Teaching and Learning Day” workshop. June 10.
 2015 Attended Center for Distributed Learning Faculty Seminar. “Leveraging Mobile Devices to Support Authentic Learning.”
 2015 Attended Principles of Learning Workshop.
 2014 Summer FCTL workshop (International track). Developed a reciprocal exchange agreement with an international institution.
 2013 Writing Across the Curriculum Fellow, Spring Session.

PEER-REVIEWED TEACHING STRATEGIES IN PEDAGOGICAL REPOSITORIES

- 2016 Encourage Authentic Learning in Online Discussions Through the Use of Photovoice. *Teaching Online Pedagogical Repository* (with Aimee DeNoyelles).
https://topr.online.ucf.edu/index.php/Encourage_authentic_learning_in_online_discussions_through_the_use_of_photovoice
 2015 Convert PowerPoint Presentations into Wiki Pages for Online Delivery. *Teaching Online Pedagogical Repository* (with Aimee DeNoyelles).
https://topr.online.ucf.edu/index.php/Convert_PowerPoint_Presentations_into_Wiki_Pages_for_Online_Delivery
 2014 Use Word Clouds to Enhance Critical Thinking. *Teaching Online Pedagogical Repository* (with Aimee DeNoyelles).
<https://topr.online.ucf.edu/index.php/Special:Search?search=Reyes-Foster>

SERVICE

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Service in Scholarly Journals

- 2025- Commentaries Section Editor, *Social Science and Medicine*
 2019-2023 Reviews Editor, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*
 2019- Editorial Board Member, *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*

Participation in External Program Review Committees

- 2025 Department of Anthropology, University of Iowa.

Participation in Federal Grant Reviews

- 2025 Israel Science Foundation, Social Sciences.
 2021 National Science Foundation Cultural Anthropology Program. Senior grant reviewer. *These reviews are considered by the Review Panel which ultimately makes a recommendation for funding to the Foundation*
 2019 National Science Foundation Cultural Anthropology Program. Senior grant reviewer. *These reviews are considered by the Review Panel which ultimately makes a recommendation for funding to the Foundation.*

Leadership in Professional Societies/Organizations

2018-2023 Anthropology of Mental Health Interest Group (SMA SIG). Co-chair.

Participation In Professional Societies/Organizations

2024- Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry Early Career Award Committee.
 2024 Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology. Arthur J. Rubel Book Prize Committee.
 2023 Society for Psychological Anthropology. Condon Paper Prize Committee.
 2021 Society for Psychological Anthropology. Condon Paper Prize Committee.
 2021 Society for Medical Anthropology. Program Selection Committee for AAA Annual Meetings.
 2021 Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology. Program Selection Committee for AAA Annual Meetings.
 2020 American Anthropological Association. Carole H Browner Latin American Fellowship Fund for Travel Panel.
 2017 Society for Medical Anthropology. WHR Rivers Undergraduate Paper Prize Committee
 2017 Council for the Anthropology of Reproduction. CAR Graduate Paper Prize Committee.
 2016 Council for the Anthropology of Reproduction. CAR Graduate Paper Prize Committee.

Refereed Conference Panels Chaired

2024 "The Anthropology of Polarization in US Higher Education: Lessons for a Rapidly Changing Landscape." *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. Santa Fe, NM.
 2019 "Effective Expert Witnessing in Asylum and Other Cases in a Changing Political and Social Climate (MPAAC)." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Vancouver, BC. November 20-24.
 2016 "Tits: Accident, Transgression, and Milk in a Cyborg Era I." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Minneapolis, MN. November 16-20.
 2016 "Antropología de América." *II Congreso Internacional de Antropología AIBR: Identidad, Puestos, Umbrales y Muros*. Barcelona, Spain. September 6-9.

Refereed Conference Panels Organized

2024 "Living and Working Where Woke Goes to Die: The Future of Anthropology and Higher Ed in an Age of Polarization." *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. Santa Fe, NM.
 2024 "The Anthropology of Polarization in US Higher Education: Lessons for a Rapidly Changing Landscape." *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. Santa Fe, NM.
 2022 "Unsettling Serious Mental Illness: Polyphonous Understandings of Intense Mental States." *121st American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Seattle, WA.
 2022 "The Para-professionalization of Lived Experience: Peer Support in Public and Private Mental Health." *121st American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Seattle, WA. November 9-13.
 2021 "New and Emerging Perspectives in the Anthropology of Mental Health I, II" (with Erica Fletcher). *120th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Baltimore, MD. November 17-21.
 2021 "Truth, Responsibility, Mental Health in Anthropology: The Crisis in Graduate Student Mental Health and Beyond" (with Rebecca Lester). *120th American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings*. Baltimore, MD. November 17-21.
 2018 "Resistance, Resilience, and Lived Experience: Expanding Possibilities for Global Mental Health Care." *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. San Jose, CA. November 14-18. Duncan, Whitney and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.

- 2016 “Tits: Accident, Transgression, and Milk in a Cyborg Era I, II.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Minneapolis, MN. November 16-20. Reyes-Foster, Beatriz & Adrienne Pine.
- 2011 “When Informants Theorize Back: Confronting the Legacy of the Theorized Other.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*. Montreal, QC, Canada. November 16-20. Reyes-Foster, Beatriz & Shana Harris.
- 2009 “The Circulation and Travel of Public Health Models: Critical Intersections.” *Society for Medical Anthropology*. New Haven, CT. September 24-27. Harris, Shana & Beatriz Reyes-Foster.

Journal Manuscript Reviews

- 2024 Article in *Culture, Psychiatry, and Medicine*
- 2023 Article in *Human Organization*
- 2023 Article in *Social Science & Medicine – Medical Anthropology*
- 2023 Article in *Social Science & Medicine-Mental Health*
- 2022 Article in *Transcultural Psychiatry*
- 2022 Article in *Revista Antropica*
- 2022 Article in *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*
- 2022 Article in *American Ethnologist*
- 2022 Article in *Transcultural Psychiatry*
- 2022 Encyclopedia entry in Cambridge Encyclopedia of Anthropology
- 2022 Article in *Social Science & Medicine-Mental Health*
- 2022 Article in *Human Organization*
- 2022 Article in *Anthropology and Humanism*
- 2021 Article in *Anthropology and Humanism*
- 2021 Article in *Religions*
- 2021 Article in *Ethos*
- 2021 Article in *Feminist Anthropology*
- 2021 Article in *Teaching and Learning Anthropology*
- 2021 Article in *Ethos*
- 2020 Article in *Feminist Anthropology*
- 2020 Article in *Birth*
- 2020 Article in *PLOS One*
- 2020 Article in *Temas Antropológicos (Mexico)*
- 2019 Article in *Teaching and Learning Anthropology*
- 2019 Article in *Sociological Inquiry*
- 2019 Article in *Journal of Human Lactation*
- 2018 Article in *Culture, Psychiatry and Medicine*
- 2018 Article in *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*
- 2018 Article in *Medical Anthropology*
- 2018 Article in *Nueva Antropología (Mexico)*
- 2017 Article in *Medical Anthropology*
- 2017 Article in *Maternal & Child Nutrition*
- 2016 Article in *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*
- 2016 Article in *Visual Anthropology Review*
- 2016 Article in *American Ethnologist*
- 2015 Article in *American Ethnologist*
- 2015 Article in *Breastfeeding Medicine*
- 2015 Article in *American Ethnologist*
- 2015 Article in *Maternal & Child Nutrition*
- 2014 Article in *American Anthropologist*
- 2014 Article in *Social Science and Medicine*
- 2011 Article in *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*

Reviews of Book Manuscripts

- 2021 Book manuscript for University of California Press
 2021 Book manuscript for University of Texas Press
 2020 Book manuscript for University of Alabama Press
 2019 Book manuscript for Vanderbilt University Press
 2019 Book manuscript for Rutgers University Press
 2015 Provided feedback for a potential new edition of *Anthropology of Latin American and the Caribbean* for Routledge Press.
 2013 Book manuscript for Oxford University Press.

Scholarly Book Chapter Reviews

- 2016 Book chapter in Shaw, Rhonda (ed.). *Bioethics Beyond Altruism: Research on the Donation and Transformation of Human Biological Materials*. Palgrave Macmillan.
 2012 Book chapter in *Cultural Anthropology*. Bridgepoint Press.
 2011 Book chapter in *Literature of War*. Gale Press.

Podcast and Web Series Interviews

- 2023 American Anthropological Association. "Applying to Grad School 101." AAA Virtual Graduate Fair.
 2020 Hersh, Carie. "Episode 23: Psychiatric Culture Clashes with Dr. Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster." *Anthropologist on the Street*. <https://bit.ly/E23PCCRReyesFoster>
 2019 Parik, Anar. "Anthropology and/of Mental Health, Part I." *Anthropod*. <https://culanth.org/fieldsights/anthropology-and-of-mental-health-1>
 2017 Hersh, Carie. "Episode 2: Breast Milk Sharing and 'Good' Mommies with Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster." *Anthropologist on the Street*. <https://anthropologistonthestreet.com/2017/07/05/episode-2-breast-milk-sharing-liquid-gold-or-russian-roulette-with-dr-beatriz-reyes-foster/>
 2017 "Milk Sharing and Breastfeeding." *The Wellness Pod* with Shari-Ann James <http://thewellnesspod.libsyn.com/005-milk-sharing-and-breastfeeding>

External Evaluator for Tenure and Promotion

- 2025 Southern Methodist University, Department of Anthropology
 2024 University of Texas, Austin, Department of African and African Diaspora Studies
 2023 University of Oklahoma, Department of Anthropology
 2019 University of Texas, Río Grande Valley (UTRGV), Department of Anthropology

Workshops Organized

- 2020 Fostering Graduate Student Mental Health in Anthropology: A Guide for Graduate Advisors and Administrators. *American Anthropological Association*. Co-organized and co-led a 4-hour workshop for faculty and administrators on addressing graduate student mental health. December 11.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENTCommittees

- 2023-2024 Cultural anthropology search committee (member)
 2017- Tenure and Promotion Committee (member)
 2017-2023 MA Program Committee (chair)
 2017-2023 Doctoral Program Committee (chair)
 2021-2022 Working with Graduate Students Committee (ad hoc)
 2019-2020 Biological Anthropologist Search Committee (member)
 2018-2019 Lecturer Search Committee (chair)
 2017 QEP Committee (member)
 2011-2017 Graduate Curriculum Committee (member)

2012-2017	Instructor and Lecturer Promotion Committee (member)
2016-2017	Visiting Instructor/Lecturer Search Committee (chair)
2015-2016	Cultural Anthropologist Search Committee (member)
2014-2015	Archaeological Sciences Search Committee (member)
2014-2015	Mesoamerican Archaeologist Search Committee (member)
2011-2017	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (member)
2012-2014	GEP Assessment Committee (co-coordinator)

Advising Student Organizations

2019-2023	Faculty Advisor. Graduate Anthropology Association.
2017	Interim Advisor. Graduate Anthropology Association.
2015	Faculty co-advisor. Reproductive Justice Knights Project.

Public Panels Organized

2020	<i>Open Forum: Racism and Whiteness in Anthropology</i> . September 9. Participants: Nesselte Falu, Brigitte Kovacevich, Edward González-Tennant, and Suzanne Draper.
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Other Department Service

2012-2017	Anthropology Writing Workshop, co-organizer
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SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Service as Judge/Panelist

2026	Judge, Student Research Week
2026	Judge, Colaboracion Postdoctoral Program
2024	Judge, Student Research Week
2024-	Reviewer, McNair Graduate Fellowship
2024-	Reviewer, Delores Auzenne Fellowship
2024-	Reviewer, FAMU Feeder Fellowship

Professional Development

2026	Council of Southern Graduate Schools Annual Meeting, Baton Rouge, LA, February
2025	Council of Graduate Schools Summer Workshop and New Dean's Institute. Portland, OR, July 12-17.
2025	Council of Southern Graduate Schools Annual Meeting. Dallas, TX, March 19-21.
2024-	Faculty Senate Graduate Appeals Committee, ex-officio
2024-	Faculty Senate Graduate Policy Committee, ex-officio

SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Committees

2023-2024	COS Tenure & Promotion Committee
2022-2023	COS DEI Action Team
2018-2023	COS Graduate Standards and Curriculum Committee
2020-2021	COS RIA Selection Committee
2019-2021	COS Instructor and Lecturer Promotion Committee (Chair)
2018-2019	COS Ad-hoc Committee (dismissal appeal)
2017-2019	COS Dean's Advisory Committee
2013-2014	COS Research Committee (member)
2012	COS Scholarships/Awards Committee (member)

Assessment

2019-2020 Graduate and Undergraduate Program Assessment Reviewer

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITYCommittees

2023 Graduate Policy Committee (1-semester, replacing Stacy Barber)
 2022 Faculty Excellence Assistant Director Search Committee
 2021-present University Master Planning Committee
 2016-present Women and Gender Studies Advisory Board
 2021-2022 Persistence & Progression Team (Division of Student Learning)
 2021 Dean of the College of Sciences Search Committee
 2020-2022 UFF-UCF Executive Council (Vice-President)
 2020-2021 Graduate Appeals Committee (vice-chair)
 2019-2020 Gloria Anzaldúa Research Excellence Award Selection Committee
 2019-2020 Faculty Senate, interim faculty senator (Spring term only)
 2019-2020 Women and Gender Studies Lecturer Promotion Committee (member)
 2018-2020 ADVANCE Grant Committee
 2017-2019 Faculty Excellence Advisory Committee
 2016-2019 Chuck Dziuban Excellence in Online Teaching Award Committee
 2016-2020 Latin American Studies Program Advisory Board
 2015-2020 United Faculty of Florida (UFF-UCF) Alternate Senator
 2015-2016 UFF-UCF Family Life Focus Group Caucus
 2012-2013 5-Year Review Committee for Vice-Provost Joel Hartman

Invited Presentations and Panels

2022 "UCF Latina Leaders Panel." LaFaSA Profession Development Series. March 14.
 2020 FCTL Teaching and Learning Day panel presentation. July 10.
 2019 "Día de los Muertos at UCF Libraries." UCF Libraries. Film discussant and cultural consultant.
 2018 "Día de los Muertos at UCF Libraries." UCF Libraries. Film discussant and cultural consultant.
 2018 "Crafting a Narrative." Chuck Dziuban Award workshop series. Center for Distributed Learning Faculty Seminar (with Alisha Janowsky).
 2017 "Día de los Muertos at UCF Libraries." UCF Libraries. Film discussant and cultural consultant.
 2017 "MASS Student Success Conference." Multicultural Academic and Support Services. Social Sciences panel.
 2016 "Faculty Dialogue: Creating a Vision for the Future of Online Learning at CDL." *2016 Summer Faculty Development Conference*. Invited Discussion Participant.
 2016 "Faculty Dialogue: Assuring Quality in Online Learning at CDL." *2016 Summer Faculty Development Conference*. Invited Discussion Participant.
 2016 "Three research-proven Approaches to Creating and Sustaining Student-Led Effective Online Discussions." *2016 Summer Faculty Development Conference Presentation* (with Aimee DeNoyelles).
 2015 "Creating and Sustaining Effective Online Discussions: Strategies to Foster Critical Thinking and Student Voice." Center for Distributed Learning Faculty Seminar. Co-lead workshop (with Rohan Jowallah).
 2015 St. Leo University. Invited panel participant in an open session about the Canvas Learning Management System. St. Leo University LMS day.
 2015 Center for Distributed Learning invited presenter for IDL 6543, introducing faculty to my online class.
 2015 Center for Distributed Learning. Chuck D. Dziuban Award Presentation. IDL 6543 showcase.

- 2014 “Why go over there?” 2014 Summer Faculty Development Conference Presentation, International Track (with Vance Geiger).
- 2014 “Changing it Up: Using Word Clouds Instead of Linear Text to Elicit Critical Thinking in Online Discussions.” *2014 Summer Faculty Development Conference Presentation*, Information Fluency Track (with Aimee DeNoyelles).

Expert Panels

- 2016 Quality Course Teaching and Instructional Practice (QCTIP) Expert Panel. Online Learning Consortium.

Fellowships and Mentoring Communities

- 2023-2024 Faculty Excellence Fellow
- 2020-2021 Academic Leadership Academy
- 2017-2018 UCF Faculty Excellence Associate Professor Mentoring Community.
- 2017 Center for Success for Women Faculty Fellow.
- 2012 Women’s Research Center Faculty Fellow.

Professional Development

- 2024 AI Fundamentals for Faculty Members. Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning.
- 2022 The Shades Between Black and White. Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2020 Inclusive Communication. Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2020 ABCs of Diversity. Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2020 Safe Zone Advocates. Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2020 LGBTQ+ 101. Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- 2018 Latinidad and LGBTQ+ Identity.
- 2011 IDL 6543 Principles of Instructional Design. Center for Distributed Learning.

Public Relations

- 2018 GatesNotes. “This School Proves that Universities can be Bigger and Better.” Bill Gates personal blog profiling ANT 3610 Language and Culture and my online teaching. <https://www.gatesnotes.com/Education/UCF-Digital-Learning>
- 2015 UCF Today. “UCF 101: More Family Friendly than Ever.” August 27 (mention of UCF Faculty Parents Network).
- 2013 UCF Today. “UCF Faculty with Kids Use Facebook to Connect Docs and Tots.” September 30 (story about UCF Faculty Parents Network).

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Expert Witness Testimony

Beginning in 2017, I have served as a country conditions expert witness in federal deportation proceedings on behalf of Mexican citizens with serious mental illness. This includes writing country conditions reports describing psychiatric care and conditions of the mentally ill in Mexico and testifying in federal court.

Webinars Given

- 2022 “Mexico Country Conditions Update.” *Acacia Center for Justice*. December 15.
- 2022 “Compartir la leche materna: el legado de la nodriza en los Estados Unidos contemporáneos,” *Seminario: Antropología de la lactancia humana*. eCrianza formación online. September 17.

- 2020 “The NQR Program: A Country Conditions Expert Perspective.” *Vera Institute of Justice*. September 15.
- 2019 “Providing Expert Testimony: Promises and Pitfalls of Engaging in Immigration Proceedings.” *Anthropologist Action Network for Immigrants and Refugees (AANIR)*. American Anthropological Association.

Board Membership

- 2017-2020 Trustee. University Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Orlando.

Public Talks

- 2023 “Land Acknowledgements and a Culture of Remembrance.” 2nd Annual International Culture of Remembrance Symposium. OnePulse Foundation. October 5.
- 2021 “Day of the Dead.” University Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Orlando. October 31.
- 2020 “Día de los Muertos at Orange County Libraries.” Orange County Public Libraries, virtual talk. October 29.
- 2019 “Día de los Muertos at Orange County Libraries.” Orange County Public Libraries, Alafaya Branch. October 12.
- 2019 “Immigration.” Guest talk at Bailes Community Academy. Orlando, Florida. October 9.
- 2017 “The Great Mother Archetype.” Unitarian Universalist Society of Orlando. Orlando, Florida. May 14.
- 2016 “Días de Los Muertos/Hanal Pixan: The Days of the Dead as a Celebration of Life.” University Unitarian Universalist Society of Orlando. Orlando, Florida. October 30.
- 2016 “Breastfeeding as Social Justice: Infant Feeding and Inequality in the US and around the World.” University Unitarian Universalist Society of Orlando. Orlando, Florida. August 7.
- 2016 “Scientific Mothers and Peer Breast Milk Sharing: The View from a Central Florida Community.” The Central Florida Anthropological Society. Winter Park, Florida. April 21.
- 2011 “The Sapir-Whorf Hypothesis.” The Lawrenceville School. Lawrenceville, NJ. December 16.
- 2008 “El Suicidio Desde Una Perspectiva Antropológica.” Hospital General Valladolid. Valladolid, Mexico. April 2008.

Local Media Coverage of Research

- 2016 CBS 47 Fox 30. Action News Jax “UCF Researchers Studying 400 Florida Women Sharing Breast Milk.” July 15, 2016: <http://www.actionnewsjax.com/news/investigates/ucf-researchers-studying-400-florida-women-sharing-breast-milk/399973624>
- 2015 Fox 35. Good Day Orlando, June 18 2015: <http://www.myfoxorlando.com/Clip/11610497/ucf-breast-milk-study#.VYLsZvziBFI.facebook>
- 2015 News 13. Gargotta, Julie. “How Moms who Breast-feed Share Milk with Moms who Can’t.” July 10, 2015. http://www.mynews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2015/7/9/breast_milk_sharing_moms.html
- 2015 Orlando Sentinel. Miller, Naseem. “Breast-milk-sharing Practices Highlighted in UCF Survey.” July 6, 2015 (cover). <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/health/os-milk-sharing-trends-central-florida-20150619-story.html>

- 2015 NPR WMFE. Chavez, Crystal. "Central Florida Moms Share Breast Milk Through Informal Networks." June 29, 2015. <http://www.wmfe.org/central-florida-moms-share-breast-milk-through-informal-networks>
- 2015 NPR WMFE. Chavez, Crystal. "UCF Study Shows Breast Milk Sharing is Thriving in Central Florida." June 10, 2015. <http://www.wmfe.org/ucf-study-shows-breast-milk-sharing-is-thriving-in-central-florida/>
- 2013 Orlando Sentinel. Opinion. Matejowsky, Ty and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. 2013. "Anthropologists Need to do a Better Job of Promoting their Field." April 24. http://articles.orlandosentinel.com/2013-04-24/news/os-ed-anthropology-bad-reputation-042413-20130423_1_more-anthropologists-archaeology-swimsuit-issue

National Media Coverage

- 2015 What to Expect When You're Expecting. Donaldson-Evans, Catherine. "Many moms are 'Cross-Nursing,' Finds Study." June 12, 2015. http://www.whattoexpect.com/wom/baby/0612/many-moms-are--cross-nursing--finds-study.aspx?xid=fb_wtc
- 2015 Yahoo News. "Study Explores the Secret World of Breast Milk Sharing." June 11, 2015. <http://news.yahoo.com/study-explores-secret-world-breast-milk-sharing-111637715.html>
- 2015 Science Daily. University of Central Florida. "Breast milk shared to help babies via online and offline communities." ScienceDaily, 10 June 2015. <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/06/150610111500.htm>
- 2015 El Nuevo Herald. "Prospera el canje de leche maternal por internet en Florida." June 10, 2015. <http://www.elnuevoherald.com/noticias/sur-de-la-florida/article23664130.html>
- 2015 Fit Pregnancy. Morris, Meagan. "More Moms Help Moms Through Cross-nursing." <http://www.fitpregnancy.com/baby/breastfeeding/more-moms-help-moms-through-cross-nursing>
- 2015 Breastfeeding Medicine. Eidelman, Arthur. "The Ultimate Social Network: Breastmilk Sharing via the Internet." June 2015, 10(5): 231-231. Doi:10.1089/bfm.2015.28999. <http://online.liebertpub.com/doi/abs/10.1089/bfm.2015.28999>

International Media Coverage

- 2016 El Diario de Yucatán. Llanes Salazar, Rodrigo. "Ideas falsas sobre el suicidio." August 8. <http://yucatan.com.mx/editoriales/opinion/ideas-falsas-suicidio>
- 2012 "El suicidio desde una perspectiva histórica/antropológica." Radio interview with *Radio Universidad* (UADY) program, *Aquí y Ahora*. Merida, Mexico. Airdate: Summer 2012
- 2012 "Suicidio en Yucatán." Radio interview with *Radio Universidad* (UADY) program, *Aquí y Ahora*. Merida, Mexico. Airdate: June 7, 2012.

LANGUAGES

Spanish –native
English –fluent
Yucatec Mayan –intermediate

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
--Society for Medical Anthropology
--Society for Psychological Anthropology
--Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology

--Society for Applied Anthropology